**Discussion ideas for …**

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* How does Michael feel about his sister and her illness? What is it that gets him through this tough time? What emotions does he have to deal with?
* Mortality is an issue in this story. What do you think about angels and heaven? Are they real? Can they help you in your darkest moments?
* Friendship, compassion and trust are important elements in the story. Talk about what makes a good friend, what compassion is and why these elements are important to us as human beings.