9th Month (Learning Focus Area #4)

- Help the family prepare for the departure of their host student.
- Ask the family members to discuss the most memorable learning moments for themselves and their student. Begin by asking questions such as:
  - What were the main challenges you faced in helping somebody adapt to your culture?
  - What were some of the most surprising cultural differences you discovered?
  - What are the differences in values? In communication styles? In the sense of time?
  - To what extent did the student conform or contradict your general thinking about their culture?
  - What suggestions would you give to someone who considers hosting for the first time?
  - What advice do you have for future AFS students or local host families and schools?
  - Based on how you understand the AFS experience, who in this community do you think would be a good host family? Why?

HOST STUDENT AND FAMILY ACTIVITY
Ask both the student and the host family again to discuss these three questions:

- What was everyone’s highlight of the month?
- What was everyone’s main challenge?
- How can we better support each other with the challenges?