

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is a role model?
2. What are the qualities of a role model?
3. What is the difference between a good role model and a bad role model?  
Can you give an example of each?
4. Is it possible for one person's positive role model to be a negative role model for someone else?
5. Does a role model have to be famous to be a role model?
6. Do you think it is important to have role models?
7. Is a role model the same as a hero?
8. Who are your role models and why?
9. Are your current role models the same as those that you had when you were younger?
10. What are her/his accomplishments?
11. Does the person have a good moral reputation?
12. What has he/she done to contribute back to society?
13. Is your role model directed toward helping others?
14. Do you know of any role models that have overcome a great deal of adversity to become successful? (A physical handicap, discrimination, a lack of money, etc.)
15. What do you think is the most important quality for a role model?
16. Do you have any role models in your community?
17. What have they done to be considered a role model?
18. Do you think you could take aspects of several role models you like? Could you use them to pattern your own life after?
19. Do you know what career you want to have? Do you have a role model in that career?
20. Is there too much pressure on celebrities to be positive role models for young people growing up?
21. Do you think role models could provide unrealistic expectations for those who look up to them?
22. When you are older, would you like to be a role model to somebody?
23. If you could interview your role model, what would you ask them?

## **USEFUL VOCABULARY/EXPRESSIONS**

- \_\_\_\_\_is passionate about...
- ...has a great sense of humour
- I think the world of...
- I look up to...
- I have a lot of respect for...
- I have a lot of admiration for...
- ...keeps me on track
- ...cheers me up
- ...is always there for me
- ...motivates me to try hard
- gives me a hand with...
- keeps me focused
- has sacrificed so much for...
- we are very close
- ...is my role model
- I respect...
- I admire...
- I am motivated by...
- ...provides a good example to follow
- He/She is the embodiment of...
- A victim of their own success