

Discussion Questions for The Visit

1. Betsy Woolrich is eager to see her parents. Why has it been so long since she has seen them? Do you know anyone whose parents are away for long periods of time? How do you think they feel about the situation?
2. Mama and Papa Woolrich had news for Betsy and she had to wait to hear what it was. How do you think this made her feel? How would you feel if you were in her situation?
3. Betsy waited so long for the news that she began to imagine her parent's news was going to be unpleasant. Have you ever imagined something negative only to have the news turn out to be good?
4. Although Betsy loves Grandma and Grandpa Woolrich and her Uncle John, what did she wish for most of all and why?
5. What was Mama and Papa's news? Do you think Betsy's tears were happy or sad tears and why?