

■ SWEET SIXTEEN

Amber tells Mr. Hartford that she is sixteen years old. It isn't quite true, but it's close enough. She will be sixteen in seven months. Amber lied because she needs the job if she is to get a car. She wished her parents could help her buy a car, the way all her friends' parents did. Mr. Hartford's company is the only one in town that is hiring teenagers, and she meets all the qualifications for the job except for her age.

- ▶ What would you do if you were Amber?
- ▶ What if Amber would be sixteen in just one month?
- ▶ What if Amber's father had just lost his job and the family needed Amber's money to help them survive?