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 Laurie, 5-year-old boy Disobedient, mischievous, troublemaker 	Main Character(s)	Jimmy, teenage boy, older cousinExhausted from playing with cousins
 MOM: Concerned for son Lunchtime, after half-day kindergarten Kitchen table 	Main Setting	Thanksgiving dayKitchen/dining roomAdult & kids tables
Laurie's parents are concerned about the negative influence that classmate "Charles" has on their son. They realize "Charles" is made up, and Laurie is behind all the bad behavior he has been describing.	Plot Summary	Jimmy wants a break from his cousins and sits with the adults during dinner. Then he sees that kids aren't having any fun without him and he's not having any fun without them. He moves to the Kids Table.
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 Laurie, 5-year-old boy Disobedient, mischievous, troublemaker Pretending/Playing a role MOM: Concerned for son 	Main Character(s)	 Jimmy, teenage boy, older cousin Exhausted from playing with cousins Pretending/Playing a role MOM: Shows concern for son
 Just a normal, every-day meal Lunchtime, after half-day kindergarten Kitchen table 	Main Setting	Thanksgiving day mealKitchen/dining roomAdult & kids tables
Laurie's parents are concerned about the negative influence that classmate "Charles" has on their son. They realize "Charles" is made up, and Laurie is behind all the bad behavior he has been describing. • Mom intervenes (goes to school) • Misbehaving kids (e.g., Charles) • Laurie is disrespectful to parents/adults	Plot Summary	Jimmy wants a break from his cousins and sits with the adults during dinner. Then he sees that kids aren't having any fun without him and he's not having any fun without them. He moves to the Kids Table. • Mom intervenes (spot at Adult Table) • Misbehaving kids (bickering at table) • Jimmy is (jokingly) disrespectful to Aunt B.
 Parents shouldn't always believe their children. Let kids be kids; it's just a phase. Be careful what you wish for. ("I want to meet Charles' mother.") 	Change Theme Message	 Let kids be kids. Don't grow up too fast. Be careful what you wish for.