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Have kids share a time they took the blame for something bad they didn't do. Why were they willing to take the blame? Or have them share a time when someone else took the blame for something bad they did.

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