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## Aging

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I want a pony. I want a puppy. I want  
to go to Disney and wear a pink,  
sparkly dress to dance with Sleeping  
Beauty. I want an Icee at the mall  
and I want to get my ears pierced.  
I want to be just like mommy when I grow  
up. I want to walk to the bus stop  
on my own. I want to sleep over  
at my friends on a school night. I want  
to buy the newest clothes. I want to  
have expensive makeup like the “cool girls.”  
I want to be liked in high school. I want  
a boyfriend who plays football.  
I want to have my own car. I want to drive  
myself to school. I want to pass this exam.  
I want summer to be never  
ending. I want to get into college.  
I want to turn 21. I want to pass this class. I want  
to go out with my friends  
every day of the week. I want life to be like this  
forever. I want to have a night in.  
I want to go to bed early. I want a real job.  
I want to pay my bills on time this month.  
I want to leave my cubicle. I want to make a  
difference. I want...