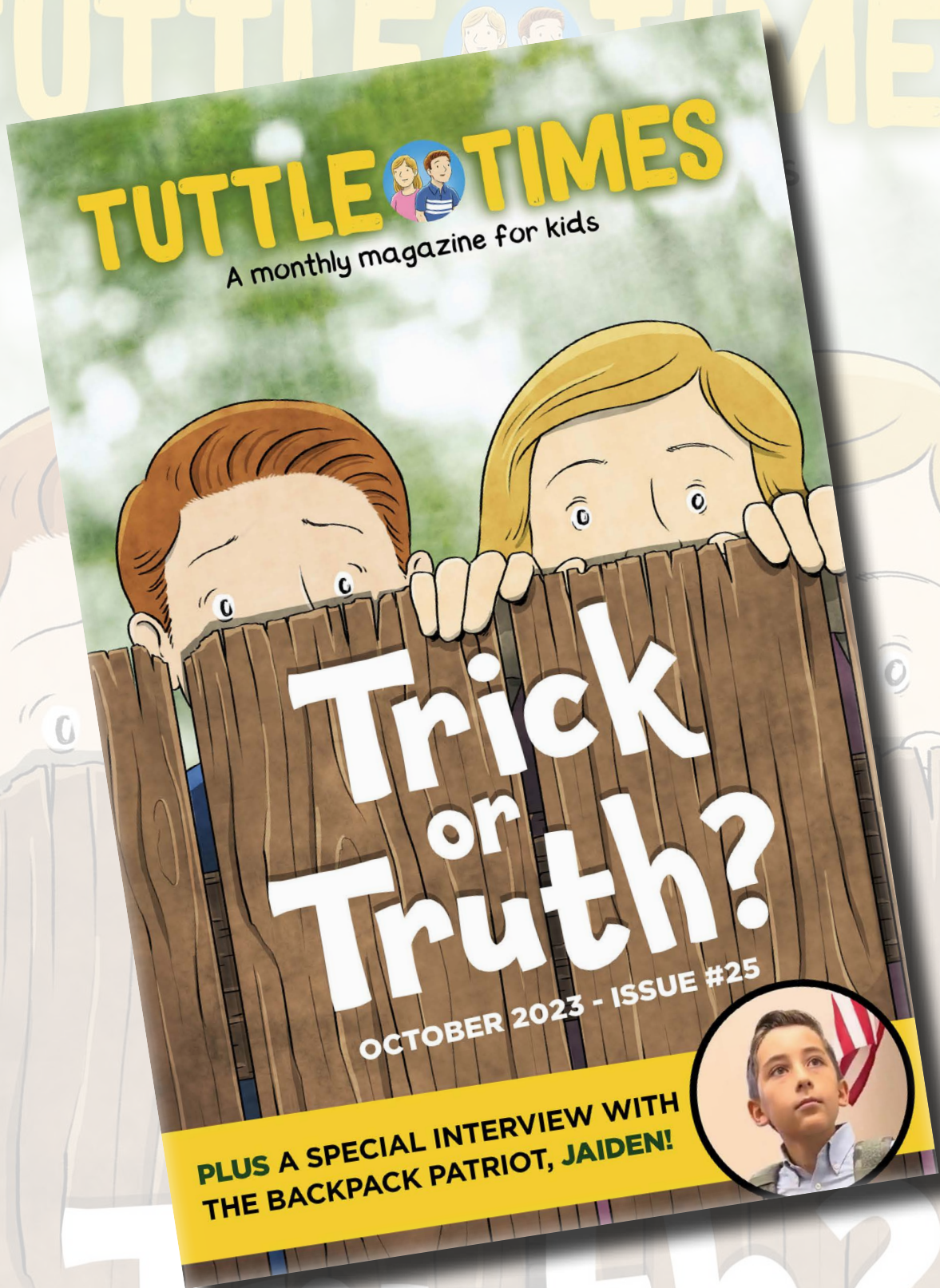


# OCTOBER 2023 PARENT GUIDE



**ARTICLE SUMMARIES &  
FAMILY DINNER CONVERSATION STARTERS**

# LETTER TO PARENTS

Dear Parents,

We want our *Tuttle Times* Parent Guide to be a valuable resource for you. Parents play a crucial role in shaping their children's minds and helping them understand the big ideas that lay the foundation for a bright future. We want to empower you to confidently guide your children in learning these principles.

Our mission is to equip you with knowledge and resources to make learning engaging and meaningful for your children. By encouraging curiosity, critical thinking, and a love for learning, your children can apply their knowledge in real-life situations and nurture their problem-solving skills and creativity.

We have included dinner table conversation starters in this Parent Guide. We firmly believe that changing the world begins at the dinner table. We hope these conversation starters will spark meaningful discussions and provide opportunities for bonding as a family.

—The Tuttle Twins team



Be sure to check out our [October Issue Resources](#), which has links to the challenge badges, activity solutions, and more!

**New!** We would love for you (and your child!) to share your thoughts on this month's issue with us. Find the survey links on the October Issue Resources page!

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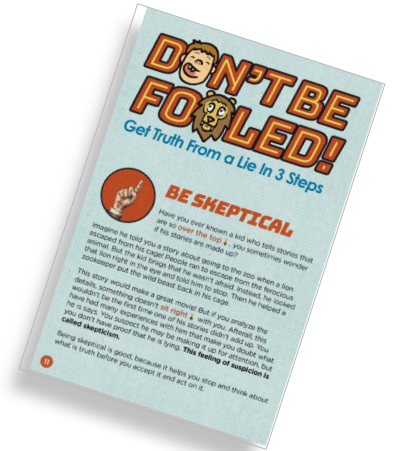


## Don't Be Fooled (Issue pages 11-12)

The importance of questioning cannot be overstated, not just for conspiracies, but for every wonder, problem, or mystery we come across in life. This article explains how people are skeptical when stories or information seem questionable. It encourages asking questions, identifying motives, and forming theories as tools to uncover the truth. It discusses verifying the truth by using trusted sources and what you know from history.

### Dinner Table Conversation Starters

- Has skepticism ever helped you uncover the truth about something?
- How do biases influence our perception of information, and how can we overcome them to make more objective judgments?
- In an age of information overload and misinformation, what strategies can we use to find reliable sources and to verify facts?



## Latest Buzz: Keeping Liberty Safe in a New Age

(Issue pages 13-14)

Most private businesses do not care about your privacy or your rights. That became very apparent recently when Liberty Safe gave the FBI access to a customer's safe. This is nothing new, but when it comes from a company called Liberty Safe, it makes people realize it's not just those companies who admit that they don't care about your rights. It's pretty much every single business.

Businesses have made it clear that they will hand over customers' personal information to the government, sometimes without a warrant. It's important for individuals to take responsibility for their personal information. Also, businesses should realize the importance of protecting their customers' data, especially from the government.

### Dinner Table Conversation Starters

- Should businesses be required to give customers' personal information to the government?
- Should the government regulate how companies handle our personal information, or do you believe the free market should manage it?



## Supporting Your Child Standing Up for Freedom

There are so many lessons to teach our children about life. We teach them to be polite and helpful and kind. But more complex topics can be daunting. It's easy to teach *about* history and the definitions of “freedom,” “free speech,” and “natural rights.” But what does free speech really mean in the wild? What are the exact steps you should take if your rights are infringed?

As you can see, learning the facts about liberty concepts is just the first part of the journey. When your children learn how to use these concepts and apply them to their life, that's what changes the world.

So how do you prepare your children to be ready to stand up for what's right? With conversation, debate, and the most important part—your support.

### Conversation

Our Tuttle Twins series and history books bring concepts to life for families through storytelling. We encourage families to engage in conversations about these concepts and discuss how they relate to what they see happening in their world.

Talking through specific examples of how to stand up for what's right will prepare your children to do it for themselves. It's easier to do something once you've gone over the steps, tried it, messed up a few times, and learned from your mistakes.

### Debate

It's easy to have conversations about your beliefs with people who agree with you. But what happens when you're confronted by those who disagree with you? You need to know why you believe what you do before you are ready to defend your beliefs. You also need to understand what other people believe, so you can counter those ideas effectively.

It can be intimidating to defend your beliefs at first, but that's where practice comes into play. Instead of just discussing these concepts in an agreeable way, parents can play devil's advocate and allow children to practice defending their beliefs. There is power in speaking your beliefs out loud too.

## Support

Children can stand up for themselves and their beliefs, but they can do it much more confidently if they know you are always going to be in their corner to support them.

That's why it's important that parents are prepared too. While our books provide a good foundation and overview, understanding more details about your children's school, local laws, state laws, and what's going on in your community will help you be more confident to stand up.

## Standing Up

We know that many families who read our books are ready to stand up for their rights. We hope it doesn't happen to you, but if it does, we would love for you to share your story with us. Your story will inspire so many more families and will help them realize they, too, can stand up.

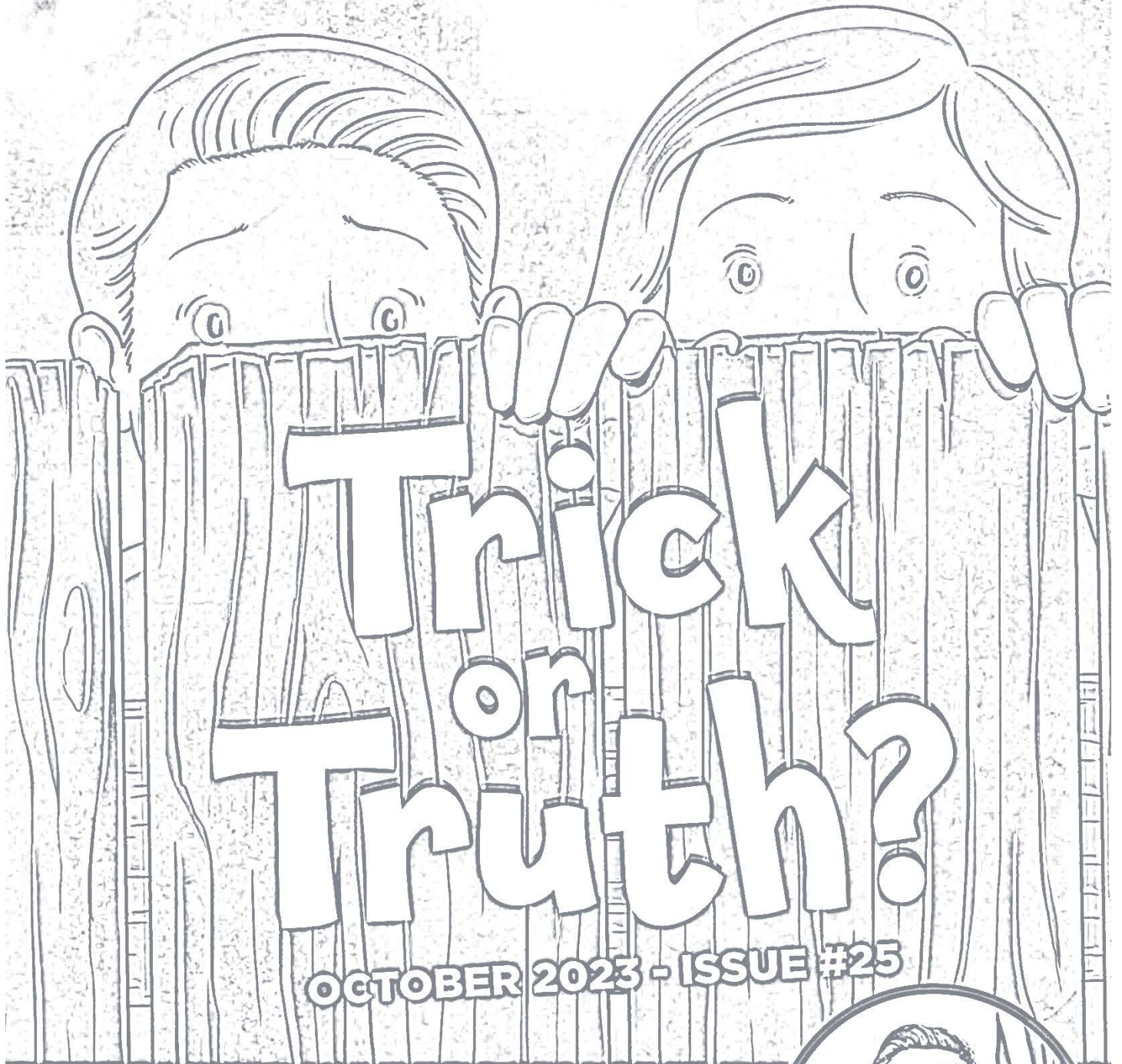
## Action Plan

- Discuss the concepts from the books and apply them to real life.
- Play devil's advocate to solidify why they believe something is right.
- Convey your support to your children, so they know they can count on you.
- Be prepared to take action and defend what you believe.

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