

A Viewing guide for



A review by Abbi Siler describes the movie as:

“... a heartwarming story about a man who isn't the most likeable guy, but has surrounded himself with people who love him unconditionally. The story is centered around his childhood dream to go to the moon, and as he grows into his devious and despicable ways as an adult, he has an even better idea: to steal the moon! Along the way he adopts three adorable girls who all have their own different views on life, trust and love.

The family movie shows the pains for being rejected and the joy of being loved despite your flaws. Unconditional love was the underlying theme of this sweet film that not only made me laugh hysterically, but cry like a baby, when Gru, the anti-hero of the film, finally realizes that even stealing the moon is nothing in comparison to being loved unconditionally by people who have plenty of reasons to despise him.”

Please also consider how Birth Parent, Child in Foster Care, or Foster Parent might address the issues of unconditional love, the imperfect conditions in each of us, the importance of family relationships even if those include a history of rejection or poor decisions. These may be appropriate issues to discuss with children after viewing the film.