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## Family Album, USA

### Episode 8 [“You're Going to Be Fine”](#)

#### Act 1

**Philip** Molly, I need your special talent for handling special matters.  
**Molly** Like what special matters?  
**Philip** Well, I have a scheduling problem.  
**Molly** Yes?  
**Philip** I have three tonsillectomies set for Friday with Dr. Earl.  
**Molly** Yes?  
**Philip** I need to fit a fourth operation into his schedule. And...I know you can do it.  
**Molly** Who's the patient?  
**Philip** Carl Herrera. The boy has infected tonsils, and we should remove them as soon as possible.  
**Molly** Well, I'll try to arrange the schedule, Dr. Stewart. But it's not going to be easy.  
**Philip** I know you'll be able to take care of it.  
**Philip** Well, Mrs Herrera, Carl will be perfectly fine after we remove his tonsils.  
**Mother** Thank you for your reassurance, Dr. Stewart. He's had so many colds and sore throats recently.  
**Philip** Well, It's a very easy operation, Carl. You won't feel a thing.  
**Carl** But when do they do it?  
**Philip** This Friday.  
**Carl** But Saturday's my birthday.  
**Philip** Well, we could reschedule the operation, Mrs. Herrera, but I don't want to put it off too long.  
**Mother** No, I think it's important to do it now. We can have a birthday party for you, Carl, when you come out of the hospital.  
**Philip** Nurse Baker, would you come in, please?  
**Molly** Come with me, Carl. You and I will talk this over.  
**Mother** She has a special way with kids.  
**Philip** She sure does.  
**Molly** Carl, does your throat hurt?  
**Carl** Yes.  
**Molly** OK. Do you want to get better?  
**Carl** Yes.  
**Molly** OK. We want you to get better, too. You'll have your tonsils out tomorrow, and you won't get so many colds anymore.  
**Carl** But if I have my tonsils out tomorrow, I'll miss my birthday party on Saturday.  
**Molly** I know. It's a problem, isn't it? Let me try to work something out.  
**Carl** What?  
**Molly** I have to think about it.  
**Carl** You're fooling me .

**Molly** Oh, I'm not, Carl. Give me a chance to think about it, and I'll come up with something.

**Carl** A surprise?

**Molly** Maybe. But you just put on your pajamas and robe, and I'll think of a surprise.

**Carl** Will it hurt?

**Molly** No. There are other boys and girls here, and they're having their tonsils out. You'll meet them.

**Carl** I don't want to.

**Molly** Change your clothes, Carl. Everything will be just fine.