



Pre and Post Screening Questions for:

# Dustbin Baby



## Questions to discuss BEFORE seeing the film:

1. What is a 'dustbin'? In what country do they use that terminology?
2. What would drive a mother to leave her baby in a 'dustbin'? What issues would lead up to that?
3. What happens to a baby who is abandoned in Calgary?
4. If you were that child who was abandoned- how would your life be different than it is now?
5. What kind of struggles would a child/teenager face if they were a 'dustbin baby'?

## Questions to discuss AFTER seeing the film:

1. If you were April - do you think you would feel the same?
2. Not that long ago - Calgary found a 'dustbin baby' (Oct. 20, 2010). Find articles that talks about it and research who the baby was and what happened to it.
3. Find out whether or not this particular movie is based on a true story.
4. How often does this happen in the world?
5. Imagine/pretend that you were April. Write a poem, short story, or divide the class into groups and write a chapter for a biography/autobiography about April and her life.
6. What kind of support is there for mothers/fathers that they can turn to for help?