SCENARIO TWO

In a quiet setting, read the following scenario to yourself. Then, consider the follow-up questions.

Jamie and Melissa are best friends. They've been best friends since they were in the 2nd grade! Now, they are both in 8th grade. They live in the same neighborhood and hang out every day. They even walk to school together each morning! One day Melissa approaches Jamie and tells her she'd like to talk to her in private after school. When it was time to meet, Jamie could tell that Melissa was nervous. Her hands were clammy and her face looked pale. When Jamie asked Melissa what was wrong, Melissa began to tell Jamie that she had had something she'd been wanting to tell Jamie for a while now. She had been holding onto a secret and really just wanted to tell someone. She felt alone and wanted someone to know. Since they were best friends, Melissa couldn't think of anyone better to talk to about it. Melissa shared with Jamie that she is gay. She then told Jamie that no one else knows. She's too nervous to tell her family because she's afraid of how they'll react.

> If you were Jamie, how would you respond to Melissa? What would you say? What would you do?

