Family Connection Activities

What Lolo Wants
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A story about love, communication, and finding new ways to connect

Why This Matters

In this story, Maria and her grandfather (Lolo) share a special bond through drawing. When Lolo begins to have difficulty communicating, Maria finds a new way to connect with him. **This reminds us that love and connection** can continue, even when things change.



Activity: "Draw What I Mean!"

Materials

- One person draws something (a food, place, feeling, or activity) **without** using words.
- The other person guesses what it is.



Step 2: Switch Roles

- Take turns drawing and guessing.



Step 3: Connect to the Book

- Talk about how Maria used drawing to help Lolo when he couldn't find his words.
- How did drawing help Maria and Lolo stay connected?
- How did it feel to communicate without words?
- Why is it important to be patient when someone is having a hard time?

Activity Extension: "Ways We Can Help"

What Your Child Is Learning:

- Empathy and compassion
- Communication (verbal/nonverbal)
- Patience and understanding
- Appreciation for culture and family

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