# **Grandpa Is Here!**

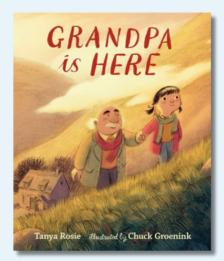
Tanya Rosie Illustrated by Chuck Groenink







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### ABOUT THE BOOK

A heart-warming celebration of family reunions told through the eyes of a little girl who overcomes the language barrier to spend quality time with her grandfather.



### OUR THOUGHTS

"The love between grandparent and child is cleverly characterised through careful selected text and expressive illustrations."

# THEMES

Family • Relationships • Age Diversity • Communication

## TIME TO TALK -

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- 1 What different emotions do you see on the faces of the people at the airport? What do you imagine their stories might be, how did you come to these conclusions?
- 2 The family show their nerves at the airport in different ways. How do you respond when you are feeling nervous? How would you feel if you were meeting a family member for the first time?
- **3** Why does Grandpa bring food in his suitcase?
- **4** Why do you think Nana hasn't come with Grandpa?
- 5 How do Grandpa and his Granddaughter manage to laugh despite speaking different languages?

- **6** How is Grandpa's country different from his Granddaughter's country?
- 7 Where would you take a family member from another country? What would you show them? Why?
- 8 The little girl says 'she never wants his magic to leave', it makes her cry. Why do you think she has this reaction? Do you know anyone that sprinkles their magic on your life? How does this stay with you when the person is not there?
- **9** Why is the family sitting on the floor to eat their meal?
- **10** Illustrations are a powerful tool in bringing the story alive. Which picture do you like the best and why?

### TAKE THE TEXT FURTHER WITH OUR TOP 5 TITLES TO CONTINUE THE THEME:



Mirror by Jeannie Baker



Eric by Shaun Tan



*Home In The Rain* by Bob Graham



Shu Lin's Grandpa by Matt Goodfellow and Yu Rong (illustrator)



King of the Sky by Nicola Davies and Laura Carlin (illustrator)