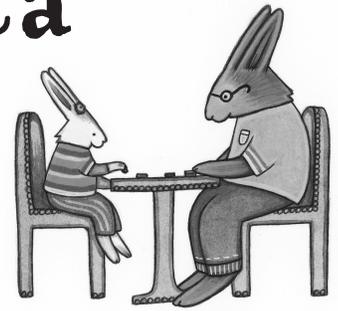


A Photo for Greta

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Curriculum Guide



A Photo for Greta introduces a number of concepts that can be explored in the classroom or at home. One of those concepts is finding a way to connect with a friend or family member who you miss. Most children have experienced this at one time or another. After reading the book, you can begin a discussion about this subject with your kids using the following questions:

- *Have you ever missed someone important to you?
- *What did you do to remember them?
- *If they were far away, what did you do to keep in touch with them?

Follow this up with one of the following activities:

- *Write a letter to a loved one.
- *Draw a picture of a loved one sharing an activity with you.
- *Make a list of all the things you like to do with the loved one you miss.

A Photo for Greta can also be used to talk about Father's Day. After reading the book, engage your kids in a discussion about their dads (or another male role model if they don't have a dad) using the following questions:

- *What makes your dad special?
- *What do you like to do with your dad?
- *What did your dad like to do when he was your age?

Next begin an activity to help kids connect with their dad using some of their answers as starting points. Some suggestions:

- *Draw a picture of you and your dad.
- *Bring in a picture of your dad and decorate a frame to put it in.
- *Write and illustrate a memory book of all your favorite memories of your dad.

A Photo for Greta can also begin a discussion about professions. Read the book and then pose the following questions.

- *What are some of the jobs mentioned in the book? (Photographer, Astronaut, Opera Singer, Circus performer, Ballerina) What is important about those jobs?
- *What kind of job do you think you would like to try one day?
- *What kind of skills would you need to do that job?

Follow up with one of the following activities:

- *Choose a profession mentioned in the book and think about what kind of skills you would need to do it. What would you need to study in school to do that job? Draw a picture of Greta in that occupation, then write three sentences about what she is doing in the picture.
- *List three jobs you might like to try when you grow up. Draw a picture of yourself doing each of these jobs, then list three things you would need to do to complete each job.
- *Are there places where you have seen a professional photographer's photographs? Where have you seen pictures taken by someone like Greta's dad? Draw a picture of something Greta's dad might take a picture of.