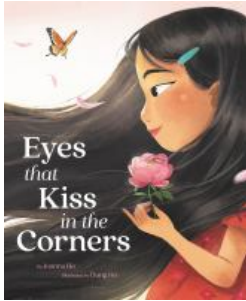


Breezy Summer Reads Family Book Club



Eyes That Kiss in the Corners

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Illustrated by Dung Ho



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Activity

Look at the beautiful cover and read the title of this picture book. What do you think the story might be about?

Read the Book

Read the book and look at the illustrations. It might be fun to read this to each other, as listening to someone read it to you gives you a chance to really enjoy the beautiful, poetic language.

Discuss

- The flowing illustrations and text invite the reader to move their eyes across the pages. Which page is your favorite? What do you like best about it?
- The author invites us to compare our eyes to something beautiful. Look at your eyes in the mirror. What color and shape are they? What could you compare your eyes to?
- In the story, the girl's eyes kiss in the corners just like her mom's, her grandma's, and her sister's eyes. Do your eyes look like your parents', your siblings', or do they look completely different?
- The girl in the story says that her mom's eyes tell her that she is a "miracle" when she tucks her in at night. What can someone's eyes tell you when that person isn't saying anything?
- The girl in the story calls her grandma Amah. Do you have a special name for your grandparents or another special grownup?

Activity:

- Look in the mirror. Your body has so many amazing parts. Do you have a favorite? Maybe you like your arms because they're strong and help you throw a ball to your puppy? Or maybe your fingers that play the piano or draw pictures? Maybe you like your feet, because they can run super fast or dance complicated steps?
- Invite everyone to select the favorite part of their body.
- Now take turns taking photos of just that part of everyone's body.
- Print these out if you like and take a good look. You know your feet take you on adventures and your nose can tell you when someone bakes yummy cookies, but really looking at them closely might help you appreciate them even more.
- Now describe this best part of you using some beautiful words, like author Joanna Ho in the story. You might start with: I really love my.... because it helps me...

