

# What is a Family Post Show Discussion (K-4)

*"There are so many differences in the world around you it becomes really easy to notice the things other people have that you don't. But can I tell you what you do have? You have a mom and a grandma who love you very very much."*

- Grandma

**Big Ideas:** To understand that everyone's family is different.

At the end of this lesson students will be able to:

- Define what a family is and describe a variety of families
- Identify important features (like love and caregiving) that are a part of all families
- Understand different structure and diversity within a family

**Materials:** What is a Family Worksheet

## Minds On

Now that they have seen the show, have a discussion about what family is. Pose the following questions:

1. What makes up a family?
2. How can someone who looks different be the same as me?
3. How do you feel when you visit a family that is different from yours?
4. What does it mean to accept someone's differences?
5. How can I be more accepting of someone who is different from me?

## Action

Have your students fill out our What is a Family Worksheet.

## Connect/Consolidate/Discuss

Have your students share their answers. Connect your discussion to the play by asking:

1. How are Sarah and Violet's families different? How are they the same?
2. How do Makani and Kainoa create a family within the play? What does this teach Sarah about her own family?

## Worksheet: What is a Family?

**Your Name:**

### What Is Family?

All families are unique. All families are different. All families are special. Fill in the blanks to let us know about your family!

Family is...

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My family is made up of...

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My family is special to me because...

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My favourite thing to do with my family is...

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Draw a picture of your family on the back of this sheet!