

# Film activate:

I like you just the way you are

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## A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD



The opening scene of the movie is also the beginning of an episode of Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood and the action of the film occurs within episodes. The end of the movie is also the end of the opening episode, with Mr. Rogers using Picture/Picture to show us a photograph of Lloyd and his family after learning about Lloyd's story. What are three things you could tell about the family just by looking at this photograph?

a) Gavin and Andrea are holding a \_\_\_\_\_. This shows the continuity between the childhoods of Gavin and his father, who treasured Old Rabbit.

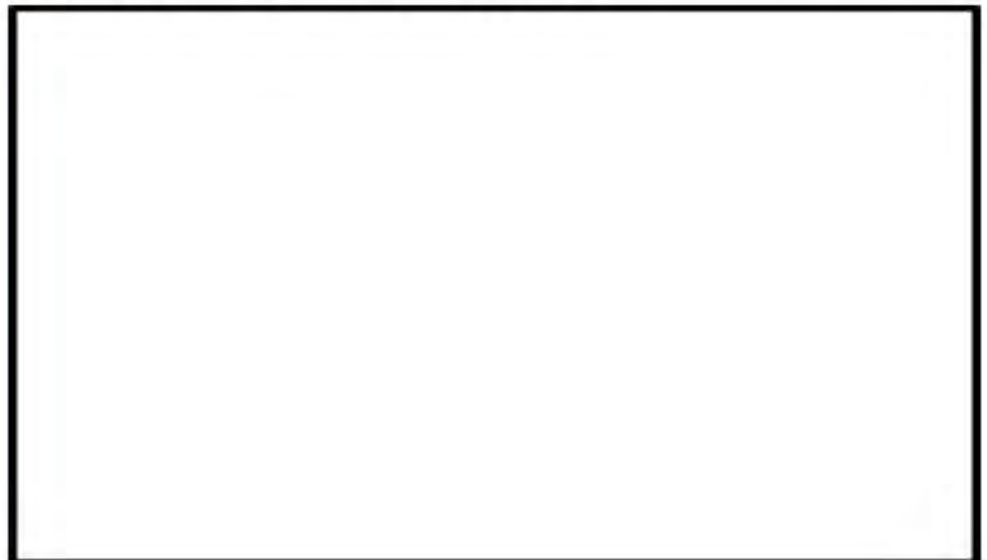
b)

c)



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Themes of the movie include: forgiving, things not happening the way we planned them, defining a male role model, and what it means to be a hero. Mr. Rogers tells us at the beginning of the movie that forgiveness is "a decision we make to release a person from the feelings of anger we have at them. It's strange, but sometimes it's hardest of all to forgive someone we love." In this story, who benefits when Lloyd forgives Jerry? Who is someone you have forgiven? Draw or write your answers below.



**3** Fred Rogers said to Lloyd at the restaurant, "Let's take a minute and think of the people that loved us into being." What do you think he meant by that? Color Mr. Rogers and his iconic Daniel Striped Tiger puppet while you think and write around them the names of the people who helped you become who you are today.

