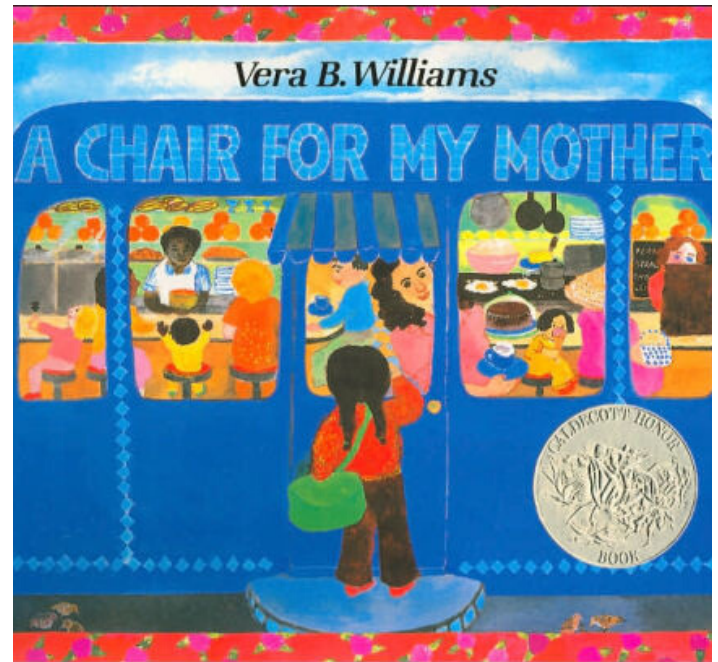




A CHAIR FOR MY MOTHER

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A girl and her mother work hard to save their money in a jar. What will they buy? A comfortable chair that they will sit in together to rest. They once had many nice things, but lost everything in a fire. Now they are working hard to replace their things, including an armchair where her mother can rest after work and they can sit and curl up together.



Questions:

1. Have you ever helped around the house or in your neighborhood to make a little bit of money? What did you buy with that money? What does the girl in the story do with her money?
2. When they are filling the jar, how do you think they feel when they first start and it is almost empty? Why do you think her mother is worried when she only has a little bit to put into the jar?
3. How does her grandmother show them empathy? How does she help them?
4. How would you feel if there was a big fire at your house and all of your things burned?
5. How do you think they felt when they saw their house on fire? What was the first thing her mom was worried about?
6. How do you think the girl felt when she looked in the window at all the burned things in her house? How do you think her mom felt?
7. How did their neighbors show them empathy after the fire? How do you think they felt when they saw all the things people were bringing them?
8. How do you think that they feel when the coin jar is full? Why are they buying a soft, comfortable chair? Who will it help?
9. Why do they try out all the different chairs?
10. How do you think they felt sitting in the chair they had saved up for for so long?