Continue activities following the story - Grandpa Made Soup



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Activities to do at home

- At the start of the story, Grandpa is sad and lonely, but the guests who come to visit him cheer him up. Are your children always happy when their friends visit? Discuss what gives them pleasure and what might be hard for them whenthey entertain guests.
- "A Person's giving eases his way" – Grandpa's circle of happiness grows wider and wider as each guest arrives. Even the illustrations in this book bring this point home. Together with your child, you can leaf through the pages of the book and notice how the small circle grows—and how, at the end of the story, it shrinks back down to its original size.
- Turn the story into a play, using toys and dolls. Together with your children, decide which doll will play Grandpa and which dolls will play the guests who come to visit. Tell the story in your own words. You can also continue the story yourselves, imagining what happens after the guests say good-bye to Grandpa and return home.
- Grandpa enjoys a visit from his grandchildren: "For no particular reason, on a weekday, my granddaughter comes over to eat." Talk with your children about who visits your family, and what you like to do together with them. Do you have set times for such visits, or special customs for entertainingguests? Maybe

there's a special dish you serve to your guests, fancy plates and glasses you use, or a designated room you use to entertain your visitors?

- Many children love to help preparefor entertaining guests. You can work together on hand-made invitations, fold napkins for the table, or draw a welcome sign for the front door.
- Hospitality in Abraham's tent: After reading the book, you could tell your children the biblical story of Abraham and then suggest they make their own "tent" by spreading a blanket over some chairs. They can sit in the tent and receive their friends as their guests—playing together and serving them a snack they've prepared themselves.
- Just like Grandpa in the story, you too can make soup and serve it to your guests. Maybe your children will also want to invite some of their friends who haven't visited your home before?



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Grandpa's Soup Recipe:

Ingredients:

2 large onions, chopped

3-4 cloves garlic, mashed

4 carrots

3 squash (zucchini or marrow)

Vegetable oil

3 potatoes

2 cups cubed pumpkin

1 bunch of celery

1 bunch of parsley or coriander

Salt, pepper, turmeric

Directions:

1. Saute the onion and garlic in a pot with a littleoil on medium low heat until golden.
2. Cut the squash, potatoes, carrots, and pumpkin into cubes and add to the pot. Stir.
3. Chop the parsley (or coriander) and the celery and add them to the pot. Stir.
4. Add seasonings and stir.Continue stirring until all the vegetables have been cooked and softened a bit.
5. Add boiling water – twice the volume of the vegetables – and cook till the vegetables are completely soft.
6. Taste, adjust seasonings, and serve.

Bon Appetit – Bete'avon!

