THOSE SHOES

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Jeremy wants a pair of shoes like the ones everyone at school seems to be wearing. His grandma has enough money to buy Jeremy a new pair of boots, not the shoes he wants. When his old shoes fall apart, Jeremy needs to make choices about what is important to him.

Some things to Think and Talk About

- Jeremy really wants the black high tops with the two stripes. Why does he want them so badly? How is he feeling?

- Grandma says there is no room for "want," there is only room for "need." What do you think she means?

- Grandma saved money for Jeremy's new boots. Have you ever saved money to buy something? How do you save money?

- Grandma and Jeremy go to thrift stores. A thrift store sells secondhand clothes and other items. What is a good thing about these stores?

- Jeremy buys the shoes with his own money even though they are too small. Was this a good or bad idea? What would you do?

- At first Jeremy doesn't want to give Antonio his shoes. Have you ever given something to someone that they needed but didn't ask for? How did that feel?

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Key Ideas

Key Idea: Prioritizing

Sometimes we need to make choices about what we want or do. These choices can change from day to day. Prioritizing is arranging things in order of their importance to us.

Key Idea: Sharing and Borrowing

There are two kinds of sharing: giving and borrowing. A gift doesn't have to be paid for our returned. Something borrowed, like a library book, must be returned.

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