

# The Place Where You Live

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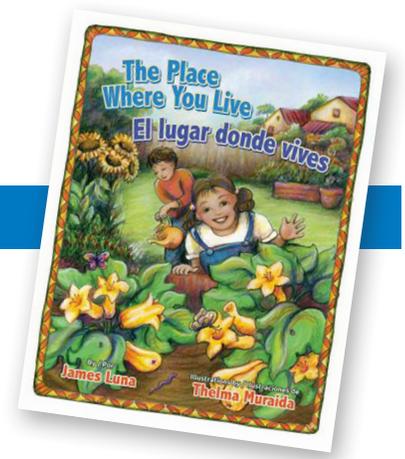
### A RIF GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

**Themes:** Families, Neighborhoods, Daily Routines, Bilingual

**Book Brief:** Join a brother and sister as they take you on a tour of the people, places, and everyday activities in their neighborhood.

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### TIME TO READ!



**Before reading, make predictions:** What are the children on the cover doing? What do you think this book will be about? What two languages appear on the cover?

**While reading, make**

**connections:** How does the children's neighborhood remind you of your own neighborhood? How is your neighborhood different than the one in the book?

Do you like to do any of the activities in the book?

**After reading, ask questions:**

- ◆ How would you describe the setting of this story?
- ◆ What do you think are some of the benefits of planting a garden?
- ◆ What's your favorite place in your neighborhood? Why?
- ◆ If you wrote a book about your neighborhood, what would you call it?
- ◆ What language or languages would you write it in?

### RELATED ACTIVITIES

#### TORTILLA TREATS

Ingredients: tortillas, yogurt, fresh fruit, cinnamon and sugar (optional)

Spread two spoonfuls of yogurt on a tortilla. Sprinkle with fresh fruit. Add a little cinnamon and sugar, if desired. Carefully fold each side of the tortilla into the center and dig in! You can also roll the tortilla tightly and place your treat in the freezer to enjoy later.

#### COMMUNITY COLLAGE

Materials: camera, printer (optional), paper, glue, crayons

Take a walk around your community and take pictures of people, places, and activities. If you can't take pictures, make a list of things you see that you can

illustrate. Create a collage using your pictures. You can create a collage online, print out your pictures and glue them onto paper, or draw your own pictures and glue them onto paper. Show your collage to others. Explain the pictures you chose and share what you love about your community.

#### COMMUNITY HELPERS

Materials: envelopes, card stock, markers, pencils

Make a card to send to a community helper, like a postal worker, librarian, police officer, or volunteer in your neighborhood. Decorate the outside of your card. Inside, describe why you appreciate this helper and thank them for their work. Ask your parents to help you mail your card to the helper's workplace.

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

#### OTHER BILINGUAL BOOKS

*The Remembering Day/El día de los muertos*, Pat Mora (2015)

*Dalia's Wondrous Hair/El cabello maravilloso de Dalia*, Laura Lacámara (2014)

*The Runaway Piggy/El cochinito fugitivo*, James Luna (2010)



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