A PICTURE STORY TO READ ALOUD

Super Nani

Kabir wants a superpower, so Nani takes him looking, and he discovers that helping is the best power of all.

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Kabir wanted to be a superhero. He had a cape (a red towel), a mask (a paper plate with eye holes) and a super-pose. What he didn't have was a superpower.

"Nani, how do I find a superpower?" he asked. Nani smiled over her glasses. "Come with me. We'll go looking."

First stop: the park. A kitten was stuck up a tree, mewing. Nani didn't fly. She just shook a packet of cat treats. Down came the kitten, purring.

"Super Treat-Shaking Power," whispered Kabir, very impressed.

Next stop: the corner shop. A little boy was crying because his kite string was in a terrible tangle. Nani sat on the step and untangled it, one loop at a time.

"Super Patience Power," said Kabir.

On the way home, they saw Mr. Fernandes next door, sneezing at his window. Achoo! That evening, Nani made a pot of hot soup, and Kabir carried it over, very, very carefully.

★ The End ★

Talk about the story

- What "superpowers" did Nani use to help people?
- How did Kabir help too?
- What is your helping superpower?

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"Nani, you're a real superhero," he said. "Your superpower is helping." Nani laughed. "Then you have it too. You carried the soup!"

The next day, there were two superheroes in the park. One was very small, and one was a little bit wobbly, but they were both super.

Mr. Fernandes took one sip. "I feel better already!" he smiled.

Back home, Kabir thought hard. Then he took off his red cape and tied it around Nani's shoulders.