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### Grandpa's Top Threes

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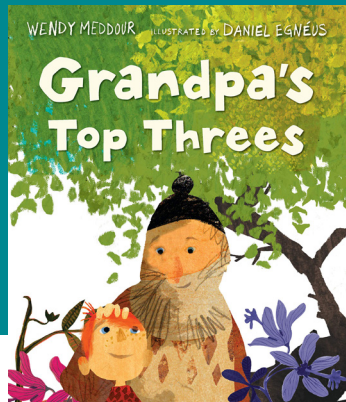
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## Book Review

# Grandpa's Top Threes

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### Rating

Excellent

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Preschool

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36

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Grandpa won't talk to Henry. His mom says to give him time, so he gives him six minutes. To help his grandpa, Henry plays his top threes game. In this game, you list your favorites of something, like sandwiches or jellyfish. Eventually Grandpa starts smiling again, and what used to be lonely becomes a bunch of fun as the pair reconnects with one another.

By playing a simple game, Henry helps his grieving grandfather stay connected to his family. While grief is a sad topic, it is dealt with in a way that respects the sadness without focusing on it. The pictures contain a variety of colors and the font is cute and curly, expressing Henry's gaiety and allowing readers to see the hope and love the book is trying to convey. The ending also conveys these themes when Grandpa finally talks about his wife and what she treasured, including her family.