

Making Happy

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Adults encourage Leila to express her feelings, but some feelings seem too big to share: she is lonely. And scared. And melancholy for “normal.” Her mother is always tired; she’s lost her hair, and even picking out pretty scarves doesn’t make it better. It’s not until Leila reaches out for help that she finds a way to bring light and comfort back into their home. Warm, floral-dotted illustrations recommend this sympathetic tale about facing serious family illnesses together.

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