

If You See a Bluebird

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After being forced to flee his home in Afghanistan with his family, a boy makes a wish for the fighting to stop so they can return; his grandmother helps him understand that home is not a place but the people you hold in your heart. The illustrations are tinged with yellow when the boy reflects on his time in Afghanistan; by contrast, the seaside town they now call home is a wash of blues and greens. Urging compassion, this picture book will open up conversations.

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