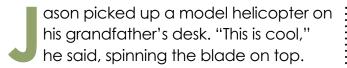
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His grandfather walked over and took the helicopter in his hand. He looked at it for a moment without saying a word. "It's a Huey. I flew one just like it in Vietnam."

"You mean the Vietnam War, Grandpa Bill?" Jason asked. He knew his grandGrandpa Bill said, his voice quiet.

"Did you help wounded soldiers, too?" Jason asked. He remembered his history teacher saying something about the helicopters airlifting casualties to medical facilities.

Grandpa Bill nodded again, but then he smiled. Jason had never seen him



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Grandpa Bill was a war veteran. The reason why he didn't like to talk about the war was because it had been frightening. "Were you scared?" Jason asked, looking into Grandpa Bill's eyes.

"Of course. But I had a very important job in the Huey. I had to escort troops for the Army and Marines. The Huey became a symbol of the U.S. forces in Vietnam,"

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did at that time."

Jason reached for the model Huey. "I'd really like it if you'd tell me more about your time in Vietnam. And not just about the helicopters or the places you've been to. I want to know what it was like to fight for your country, to risk your life to save others. I want to know what it feels like to be a hero."

Grandpa Bill shook his head. "There you go, using that word again."

"Because you are a hero, Grandpa."

Grandpa Bill wiped a tear from his eye and began telling Jason about his time in Vietnam.

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