

WHAT GRAMMIES WANT FOR THEIR GRANDBABIES

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Sometimes life goes so slowly; you think special times will never come.

Sometimes life is light and fun and happy and sunny.

Sometimes life gets so scary and you're just not sure.

Sometimes life just plain stinks!

When life is prickly and gets under your skin, just remember that Grammie always wants you to look for the flowers.

Grammies can look far back in time and remember.

Grammies can look far ahead in time and dream.

Grammies know there will be happy times.

Grammies know there will be sad times for their grandbabies.

And that is all a part of life.

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Grammie was a grand baby once and remembers how important it was to know somebody loved her.

Sometimes there will be faces that are unkind and will frighten you. You will want to come close to safety and hold the hand of someone you know and love.

Sometimes there will be faces that are happy and will make you feel good. You will feel safe, warm inside, filled with hope and confidence.

Grammie dreams of a time when you will grow in love.

Grammie often looks at her grandbabies and longs for the time when her own children were young. (That's your Mom or Dad). Grammie still has dreams for them, too.

When Grammies have babies at their knees, they dream about all the good things that they want to happen:

Love and joy,

Peace, hope and laughter,

Family and friends,

Education, music, travel . . .

And enough money to meet all your needs, and to let you help others, too.

Sometimes Grammies dream about what this baby will be like when she grows older.

Sometimes Grammies dream about who this baby will become when he grows older.

Most of all, Grammies always dream

. . . that their grandbabies will never be hurt

. . . that they will be happy

. . . that their home will be one that loves and nurtures them

. . . that they will come to know God.

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THINKING TIME:

I'm so glad you listened to this story.

Isn't it nice to know that older people love children so much?

Do you know a special person who loves you like Grammie loves her grandbabies? Can you write that person's name? Maybe you have a picture to remind you that you are loved.

May all of you be dreamers and may you be in touch with your own dreams and the dreams of others.