Grandmas’s Bananas

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Characters
Deepa sees a huge tub. She sees Grandma has huge green leaves.

Deepa asks, “What are you doing, Grandma?”

Grandma tells Deepa, “It is a secret.”
The next day Deepa asks, “Grandma, how do you make the bananas sweet?” Grandma tells Deepa, “I told you that is my secret.” Deepa runs to see mom and dad. Deepa is upset. Grandma tells Deepa, “Do not ask me. Go see your mom and dad.” Deepa asks, “Grandma please tell me your secret.”
Deepa smells the sweet bananas. The smell comes from the huge tub with the leaves on top. She peeks under the leaves and sees the bananas. They are ripe and yellow.
After that, Deepa and her hen hide behind the wall. They munch the sweet bananas until they are all gone.
Grandma tells Deepa’s mom and dad what Deepa did. Mom, Dad, and Grandma are very upset.

But then Grandma has no bananas to sell at the market. Deepa does not know what to do.

But Deepa says, I am very sorry I ate the bananas. Then she asks, “What can I do to help?”
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So Deepa and the hen help Grandma pick more bananas. Grandma is not mad. She can add bananas to her magic tub. She will have bananas to sell.

Deepa, Granddaughter

Goal
- Deepa wants to find out how Grandma ripens the bananas.

Feelings
- Loved
- Ashamed
- Happy
- Worried
- Curious
- Upset
- Dissapointed

Character Traits
- Determined
- Curious
- Looks
- Learns from mistakes

Actions
- Shares secrets
- Asks questions
- Takes grandma’s bananas and does not ask.
- She hides the bananas.
- She eats the bananas.
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