



Proud Grandson

Adam walked slowly to the front of the classroom, clutching a box tightly beneath his right arm. His classmates must have been very curious about the contents of the box that Adam guarded so carefully. Since it was Adam’s turn to speak, he turned to face the class and gently opened the box. It contained something very precious to him...a picture of his great grandfather, standing proudly in his World War Two United States Navy uniform.

Soon it would be Veterans Day, and in honor of this special holiday, the children had been invited to share stories of family members who had once served in any branch of the nation’s military. Adam had never met his great grandfather, but he had heard many heroic tales of his time on the open seas in the service of his country. His parents had given him this picture and several medals his great grandfather earned. They also gave him one of his old Navy caps, which Adam now pulled from his back pocket. He placed it proudly on his head, stood at attention facing the class, and began his report.

“I would like to tell you about a very special man who once served bravely in the United States Navy...my great grandfather,” Adam said with a twinkle in his eye and a huge grin across his face.

1. Adam had to give a report to his _____.
(parents, coach, school class)
2. He carried a _____ with him to the front of the classroom.
(box, book, piece of paper)
3. The box contained a picture of his _____.
(uncle, great grandfather, father)
4. Adam felt very _____ his great grandfather.
(embarrassed by, angry with, proud of)
5. His great grandfather had served in the United States _____.
(Army, Navy, Marines)