

My Dad Lost His Job

- A Have you been crying?
- B Uh ... yeah ... a little.
- A A little?
- B A lot.
- A What is it? Are you all right?
- B It's not me. I'm worried about my dad.
- A Is he feeling okay?
- B He feels fine, but he got bad news at his work. He doesn't have a job any more.
- A He got fired?
- B Yesterday. Now him and my mom are all stressed out about how they're gonna pay for stuff.
- A That's bad.
- B I was up all night ... trying to think how I can help ...
- A You can help make them feel better, but I think this is one of those things only grown-ups know what to do about.
- B Gotta be some way I can help.
- A There is. The best thing you can do is stop crying.
- B That's not much help.
- A It is to your dad. If you show him you're not worried, he'll know you believe in him.

- B I guess that kinda makes sense.
- A Then he'll have more confidence in himself.
- B You mean like self-esteem?
- A Exactly.
- B Well ... maybe that can help him find another job.
- A Sounds like a good way to help.