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## Brushes of Joy

### Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Discuss the significance of creativity and self-expression in the story "Brushes of Joy." How did rediscovering her passion for art help Lily connect with her children on a deeper level? What lessons can we learn about the importance of nurturing creativity in our own lives and within our families?
2. Explore the theme of family bonding and shared experiences in the story. How did painting together strengthen the bond between Lily and her children, Mia, Max, and Sophie? Can you think of any similar activities that families can engage in to create lasting memories and connections?
3. Reflect on the transformative power of art in the story. How did art impact Lily's life and her family's life? Share your thoughts on how engaging in creative activities can bring joy and positivity into one's life.
4. "Brushes of Joy" teaches us about the value of rediscovering passions. Explain how Lily's journey to rediscover her love for art and creativity had a positive impact on her and her family. Can you relate to this in your own life, or do you have a passion you'd like to rediscover?

