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## Aging Parents

### Short Answer Key

1. The aging parents are John and Mary. The adult children gather for a family meeting to discuss the declining health of their parents and make decisions about their care.
2. Emily suggests their parents move in with her, David suggests hiring a caregiver, and Sarah suggests assisted living. Emily is concerned about responsibility, David is worried about the financial burden, and Sarah is concerned about the emotional toll on their parents.
3. The siblings resolve the tension and challenges by communicating openly with each other, researching options, consulting professionals, and considering their parents' wishes in their decision-making process.
4. One of the key lessons the Smith family learns is the importance of compromise, empathy, and working together in caring for aging parents. They discover that shared responsibility and support are essential in making difficult decisions about their parents' care.

