Just Because

1. Background Knowledge

잠들기 전, 아이는 아빠에게 다양한 질문을 합니다. 대답하기 어려운 질문에 아빠는 어떤 답을 할까요?

Mom: 너는 질문하는 것을 좋아하니? Do you like to ask questions?

Child: Yes, sometimes.

Mom: What do you like to ask about?

Child: What's for dinner?

Mom: Right! 어려운 질문도 있니? Have you ever asked a question hard to answer?

Child: Yes, why is the sky blue?

Mom: Yes, that is hard to answer. 엄마도 잘 모르겠네. I'm not sure myself.

This book might help us.

Child: Ok.

2. Picture Walking

[Cover Page]

Mom: Look at the cover. What do you see?

Child: A little girl in bed with her dog.

Mom: 여자아이는 왜 침대에 있을까? Why do you think she's in bed?

Child: Maybe she's going to sleep.

Mom: Right.

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Mom: There is a big blue circle with some words in it, and on the other page, the little girl from the cover.

What's the girl doing?

Child: She's in her bed, with her dog. She looks like she's saying something. And her dad is at the door listening.

Mom: Very good! What do you think she's saying?

Child: Maybe she's talking to her dog. Maybe she's telling him a story.

Mom: Good!

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Mom: What's going on here?

It looks like it's under the sea. There are lots of fish and sea plants. And the fish are

playing guitars.

Mom: That's really funny! Do you think this really happens?

Child: No!

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Mom: What do you see here?

Child: Another circle. She's talking to her dad.

Mom: 아빠의 표정이 어떠니? How does the dad look?

Child: He looks confused or uncomfortable.

Mom: Like maybe he doesn't know something?

Child: Yes. Maybe the girl is asking a question and the dad doesn't know the answer.

Mom: Maybe!

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Mom: What do you see here?

Child: It looks like flying fish.

Mom: Yes, that's right.

What are they doing here?

Child: They are flying over buildings and houses.

One is playing a guitar. They're crying.

Mom: Yes, that's what it looks like. Why do you think they're crying?

Child: I don't know. It looks like rain.

Mom: I think you're right.

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Mom: There's an orange circle. And the girl is talking.

아빠가 아직도 있니? Is the dad still there?

Child: Yes. He's leaning in the doorway.

Mom: What do you think the girl is saying?

Child: I think she's asking another question.

Mom: Good guess!

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Mom: Some birds are in a tree. They look really cold. They have little hats on.

무슨 계절로 보이니? What season do you think it is?

Child: It looks like fall or winter.

Mom: Yes, I think you're right. What's that between the birds on the branch?

Child: It looks like a leaf. Is it on fire? There's like a match holding the leaf.

Mom: Yes. What are the birds doing around it?

Child: They're keeping warm.

Mom: Right!

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Mom: A green circle and the girl is still talking.

How does the dad look?

Child: He has his hands on his hips. He's listening to the girl.

Mom: Is the dog still there?

Child: Yes, he's still on the bed.

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Mom: What is happening here?

Child: There are all kinds of leaves, and a couple of birds are flying with leaves in their beaks.

Mom: 다른 동물들도 보이니? Do you see any other animals?

Child: Yes, I see an insect, maybe a fly. And a snake.

Mom: Very good. What do you think the birds are going to do with the leaves?

Child: Maybe they will make nests with them.

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Mom: A yellow circle. Now the dad is sitting on the girl's bed.

And she's talking with her dad. I think she has more questions.

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Mom: What's happening here?

Child: There are dinosaurs!

Mom: Do you know any of them?

Child: I see a Triceratops, a T-rex and some Brontosauruses. I don't know the others.

Mom: Very good. 공룡이 뭘 하고 있니? What are the dinosaurs doing?

Child: They have suitcases and they have balloons tied to them and they are flying away.

Mom: Why do you think they're flying away?

Child: There are big rocks falling to the ground.

So maybe the dinosaurs are leaving, escaping from them.

Mom: Where do you think they're going?

Child: To another land? Or another planet.

Mom: Good guess.

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Mom: A purple circle. How does the girl look?

Child: She looks worried or confused.

Mom: And the dad?

Child: He looks like he's listening and thinking.

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Mom: What do you see here?

Child: A big dinosaur, a T-rex in space. His mouth is opened really big and it's very dark. It looks like he's going to eat lots of things.

Mom: 티라노사우르스가 무얼 먹고 있니? What is it eating?

Child: A car, a superhero.

Mom: How do you know it's in space?

Child: There are different planets floating around.

Mom: Good eye.

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Mom: What do you see here?

Child: Now there are lots of circles of all different colors.

Mom: 이 동그라미들은 무얼 의미하는 걸까? What do you think this means?

Child: Maybe the girl is asking a lot more questions.

Mom: Great guess! Do you think she will get any answers?

Child: Maybe not.

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Mom: What do you see here?

Child: I can see the rest of the girl's room.

Mom: And what's in her room?

Child: Toys like birds, dinosaurs, a snake, planets and a fish in a fishbowl.

Mom: So what do you think this means?

Child: Maybe the stuff in the girl's room made her think of questions or things to talk about.

Mom: You could be right. What about the dad?

Child: He got up and is touching the girl's head. It looks like he's saying goodnight, or "that's enough talking".

Mom: How does the girl look?

Child: She doesn't look ready to say goodnight.

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Mom: The girl closed her eyes. And the dad looks like he's leaving the room.

아이가 잠에 든 것 같니? Do you think she will sleep?

Child: Maybe. But there's another circle.

Mom: And the dog?

Child: The dog is almost asleep. It has one eye open.

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Mom: There are so many different things and different colors. And the girl looks like she's sleeping and dreaming. What is she dreaming?

Child: All kinds of things. Volcanoes and one with candy. There's a green horse and an elephant and giant flowers and a butterfly.

Mom: Anything strange?

Child: There's a bird pushing her egg in a baby carriage.

And there are two mice. They look like they are trying to catch something with a net.

Mom: 상상력이 대단하구나. It looks like the girl has a great imagination.

Child: Yeah.

Mom: Do you dream like this?

Child: Sometimes.

3. Comprehension Check-up

- How does the book start?
- What is the book about?
- What surprised you?
- What was your favorite part?
- How does the book end?

4. Activity

1) Read Aloud

- 책을 천천히 함께 또는 혼자서 읽어보세요.

2) Questions, Questions

- 질문 5 개를 적어보세요. 그리고 도서관에 가거나 인터넷으로 검색을 해, 답을 찾아보세요.

4) Dream Journal

- 매일 아침 지난 밤 꾼 꿈을 떠올려 적어보세요.

What was in your dream?

Who was in our dream?

Do you know anyone in your dream?

What did you do in your dream?

What was the strangest thing?

Have you dreamed this before?

How did the dream make you feel?