

# GRANDPA DAVE'S MEMORY ALBUM DISCUSSION GUIDE

## Compassion

This is a PBS Kids program, *Arthur – Season 15, Episode 6*

Purchase/download the episode on amazon.com for \$1.99 at [http://www.amazon.com/Arthur-Season-15/dp/B008B44H8S/ref=sr\\_1\\_1\\_vod\\_1\\_pur\\_epi?ie=UTF8&qid=1400663773&sr=8-1&keywords=Arthur+season+15](http://www.amazon.com/Arthur-Season-15/dp/B008B44H8S/ref=sr_1_1_vod_1_pur_epi?ie=UTF8&qid=1400663773&sr=8-1&keywords=Arthur+season+15) **OR** [http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=nb\\_sb\\_noss?url=search-alias%3Daps&field-keywords=PBS%20Grandpa%20Dave%27s%20Memory%20Album%20Arthur](http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=nb_sb_noss?url=search-alias%3Daps&field-keywords=PBS%20Grandpa%20Dave%27s%20Memory%20Album%20Arthur)  
*GOOGLE* the program or try <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yfzwxu5AD8c>

The TV show began in 1996 & Arthur is a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader.

- What kind of topics does this movie address? *Family, Memory loss, Dementia/Alzheimer's*
- At the beginning of this episode, Francine's grandmother Bubbie talks about what it's like being old.
- What were some of the "signs" that Arthur & D.W. saw that made them know something was not right? *"new" car, hide-and-seek, calling Arthur "Archie,"*
- Why did D.W. start collecting photographs? *To help him remember*
- What would you consider to be the main point of the story? Do you agree or disagree with that point? *Family working together to make the life of another family member memorable*
- Which character did you admire most? Why?
- What character is most like you? How?
  - *Arthur: confused, sad*
  - *D.W.: helpful, creative solutions*
  - *Mom: helpful,*
  - *Grandpa Dave: forgetful,*
  - *Francine's grandmother:*
- How do the morals onscreen compare with the values you've been learning at home, school or church? *Family taking care of family*
- What might happen if you imitated the choices or behaviors of the people in this movie?

- BIBLE EXERCISE:
  - What Scripture passages or verses come to mind with this story?
  - In your concordance, look up COMPASSION or KINDNESS. How many references are there to it?
- Do you agree/disagree with this statement?
  - *Sometimes our brains get sick just like our bodies*
- Life lesson: Journaling now will help you preserve the past for future reference!
- ACTION:
  - Help make a memory album for a loved one who has memory problems. Be sure to include recent pictures and some from the past. You may need to label the pictures with the names of the people in the pictures.
  - Sign up for the “Walk to End Alzheimer’s” in your area. Go to [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) to find where that is.
  - Whatever your age, begin journaling your own life so that, some day, you can look back on it and read more about you and the things you did!