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## Grandmother's Treasure

**Directions:** Read the passage carefully. Then imagine that one character writes a **letter** to another character about what happened in the story. The letter should show how the character feels, what they want to say, and how the events affected them. Use details from the text to make the letter realistic.

### The Hidden Map

Sofia was exploring her grandmother's attic when she knocked over a stack of old books. A folded sheet of paper slipped out and landed at her feet. Opening it, she realized it was a hand-drawn map of the nearby woods, with a red "X" marked in the center.

Her younger brother Mateo begged her to take him along, but she refused, saying it might be too dangerous. The next day, however, she discovered Mateo had gone on his own. Sofia rushed into the woods, her heart pounding as she followed the trails on the map.

At last, she found Mateo sitting under a tree near the "X," holding a small wooden box. "It was right here!" he exclaimed. Inside the box were letters, faded photographs, and a locket that had belonged to their grandmother when she was young. Sofia hugged Mateo tightly, relieved but also upset that he had put himself at risk. She decided they needed to share the discovery with their grandmother together.

### Activity: Character Letter Writing

1. Write a letter from Sofia to Mateo after the events in the story. In the letter, she should explain how she felt about his actions, what she learned from the discovery, and what she hopes for in the future.
2. How does writing from a character's perspective help you understand the story more deeply?