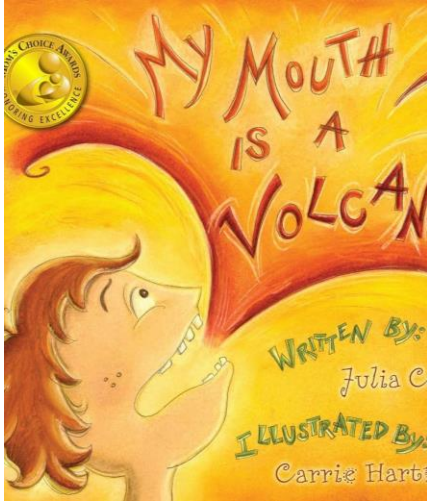


## Discussion Guide for Families



### ***My Mouth Is A Volcano***

*Author: Julia Cook*

*Illustrator: Carrie Hartman*

**Themes:** Emotions, Patience

**Book Brief:** Louis' mouth is a volcano! But when others begin to interrupt him, he learns how to respectfully wait for his turn to talk.

## READ ALOUD

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### **Before Reading: Build Background**

- Ask your child if they have ever had trouble waiting for their turn to speak. Tell them to describe how it feels to wait before they speak. Explain that when you are interrupting someone, you are stopping them from talking or doing something.

### **While Reading: Make Connections**

- What happens to Louis before he “erupts” like a volcano?
- Do you ever feel like your mouth is a volcano? Give an example.
- How does Louis feel when his classmates are interrupting him?
- What advice does Louis' mom give him? Do you think her advice will be helpful?

### **After Reading: Ask Questions**

- How does Louis learn to wait for his turn to talk?

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

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### **If your child enjoyed this book, consider:**

- As a family, discussing ways to calm down when feeling like interrupting.
- Reading more books that explore patience, such as [Interrupting Chicken](#).