

The Old Dime



Tom had an old dime. His grandfather had given it to him.
The dime was fifty years old. His grandfather was fifty too.

Tom was picked to do show and tell at school. Tom would take his dime.

Tom kept the dime in a special box in his bedroom. On Friday, show and tell day, Tom put the box in his backpack.

He went out to wait for the bus but his grandfather was there.

"I'm going to show and tell with you", Grandpa told Tom as they got in the car.

"Why?" asked Tom.

"You can show the other kids how your dime looks better than a man the same age!" Grandpa laughed.

Tom didn't know what was so funny, but he very happy his grandfather went to show and tell. Grandpa made all the kids laugh. They said it was the best show and tell ever.



The Old Dime Multiple Choice Questions

1. Where did Tom keep his dime?

- a. in his closet
- b. in a special box in his bedroom
- c. in his mom's jewelry box
- d. in his piggy bank

2. How old is Tom's grandpa?

- a. fifty
- b. forty
- c. fifty-five
- d. fifty-four

3. What day of the week was show and tell day?

- a. Monday
- b. Tuesday
- c. Friday
- d. Thursday

4. Who gave Tom the old dime?

- a. his teacher
- b. his grandpa
- c. his mom
- d. his dad



The Old Dime Answer Key

1. b

2. a

3. c

4. b



The Old Dime Free Response and Writing Activity

Write your answers in complete sentences.

1. What type of collections do you have? If you do not have a collection, what would you like to collect?

2. Why did all the kids think Tom's grandpa was so funny?

3. Do you think Tom had a great show and tell? Use details from the story to explain why?

4. Did Tom get on the bus? Answer True or False.

