

## ***Voices in St. Augustine***

### Family Activities

Directions: Below are descriptions from some scenes from the book *Voices in St. Augustine* and some suggestions for discussions or activities parents and caregivers can share with their kids.

Family History - In Chapter 4, Joey describes a picnic his family once had on the beach.

1. Talk about some events that you have enjoyed with your family, like special events, reunions, holiday get-togethers, or trips.
2. Tell some stories about your parents, grandparents, and other relatives and share some photographs of those people with your kids.
3. In Chapter 2, Katy is baking cookies with her grandmother. Do you ever cook or bake things with a member of your family?
4. The main characters—Joey, Bobby and Katy—sometimes act silly. Do you have some family members who sometime act silly?

Local History – Joey and his mother visit St. Augustine and in Chapter 5 Joey tours an historic house there.

1. Learn some history about the city where you live. You can check some books out of the local library or go online on the Internet.
2. Plan a visit to a local historical site, an old building, or a museum.
3. Do you think it's important to preserve historic places? Why or why not?

### What Makes a Good Story?

1. What kinds of stories do you like to read? Why?
2. Describe what you think makes a good story.
3. Do you like stories that take place near where you live?