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## TWO COUSINS, TWO PLACES, One Mission

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## "DEAR COUSIN... Love, Daniel"

### Land: HONDURAS Square: CARROT ORANGE Candy: JAWBREAKER



Greetings from Central America on our game board. I am SO happy you are here. I've heard that a certain young man is excited to meet us. He should

be right over...there! I see him! Hello!



Hi! My name is Daniel Kuhns, and I am 12. I live in Honduras with my mom and dad and older brother, Joseph. Who are you? Do you like to smile? I do.

It keeps my face from looking grumpy. I don't want to look grumpy, do you? Would you like to see what I am doing? I am writing a letter!

Louie: A letter? May I ask to whom Mr. Daniel Kuhns of Honduras is writing? And I do love your smile! It's bright enough to melt my candy!

Jawbreaker: Oh, Mr. Louie...you're funny! I'm writing to my cousin Ethan. He lives far away. I don't see him very often. Louie: What will you say in your letter?

- **JB:** I will tell him that I read a Berenstain Bears book to Mom today after I finished my homeschool work. Tomorrow I will go to my other school where people speak Spanish and English. Then I need to tell Ethan about Edwar and Evelyn. I get to play with them sometimes, and I like them a lot. They are my friends! They come to Sunday school where I am a helper.
- Louie: What comes next in your letter?
- JB: Hmmm...let's see. I will tell him I can't WAIT for Christmas! I love playing "Little Drummer Boy" on my drums and giving presents to everyone. It's my favorite! My other favorite is tortilla soup. And spaghetti. And chicken alfredo.
- Louie: I like the way you think!
- **JB:** When I'm done with my letter, will you go with us to the city dump?
- Louie: Why do you go there?
- **JB:** To give the people water and food of course! It's not a nice place to live, so I like to help them feel better and show them Jesus' love. Do you like my dog? I prayed a long time for a dog. Then one day a man in Ohio found one and said I could have her. She makes me so happy. God heard my prayer!
- Louie: Of course He did. And your dog is adorable!
- **JB:** Oh, I need to tell Ethan I just got some new coins for my coin collection. I've been to thirteen countries. I have coins from some of them and from other places too. I love traveling. And sometimes people I meet chuckle at how I sleep.
- Louie: Is that so? How DO you sleep?
- **JB:** Doubled over with my head on my feet. Okay! All done with my letter. Can you take it to Ethan for me?
- Louie: I can! Wait...with your head on your FEET??? How...?
- **JB:** Yup. Gotta run! See ya, Louie! (singing) "The wise man built his house upon a rock, and the rains came tumblin' down...."

# CANDY CODE

What is the name of Daniel's dog?



Daniel lives in which Honduran city?



How do you say "hello" in Arabic?



Who has Ethan helped learn to speak English?

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### **MEMORY VERSE**

We must work the works of Him who sent Me as long as it is day. John 9:4

In their unique ways Ethan and Daniel are faithfully doing the work God has designed them to do.





### Land: DEARBORN, MICHIGAN, USA Square: CARAMEL BROWN Candy: MIDDLE EASTERN NOUGAT (Marshmallow with nuts and cardamom)



Well, here we are in Dearborn, Michigan, where Ethan lives. Maaaail! I've got maaaail! Is there an Ethan Susan here?



Me, me! I'm Ethan!

**Louie:** Greetings! I have a special letter for you ALL the way from your cousin in Honduras.

**Nougat:** Oh, fun! I'll read it in a bit, but first can we sit down over on the ministry center steps? I just finished a twelve-mile bike ride.

Louie: And you're STILL smiling!

- Nougat: Of course! I smile ALL the time. Ah...this is my favorite place. I like to sit here listening to music and watching people. My parents teach classes inside so our Arabic friends can learn English. Sometimes I help people too. I help Grandpa Yahya when he comes for lessons. He's eighty-three. I also teach English to one of my friends. Mostly I tell the people who walk by that they can come to the ministry center too! I like meeting new people. Once I meet someone, I never forget them.
- **Louie:** That is a very useful skill, Ethan. How old are you? And where do you go to school?
- Nougat: I'm fifteen, and I go to Grace Christian Academy in Detroit. I come here to the ministry center after school. Before we moved to Michigan, I was nervous. I don't like big city noises. But now I'm not scared anymore. I know God is with us. We are so happy to be here telling our friends that Jesus loves them. I love the people, the ministry... and the food!
- **Louie:** We learned Daniel collects coins. Do you collect anything?
- Nougat: I do—LEGO<sup>™</sup>, monster trucks, and trains. Hey...I can play the piano and the trombone. I play "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" sometimes. Do you know the song, "The Lighthouse"? It's my favorite. It goes with a verse I like too: Psalm 121:1. Look it up.
- Louie: I will! Hey, it's time for me to go. Thanks for spending time with me.
- **Nougat:** Before you go, you've got to try some spicy Sujuk bread with sausage. It's delicious. Where are you headed? Because if I've been there before, I can tell you exactly how to get there. My dad says I have a built-in GPS.
- Louie: You are amazing, Ethan! I'm so happy to have met you. But guess what? I think my next stop is just around the corner. Thank you and keep smiling, Ethan!



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### **Blessed Challenges**

We typically see challenges as bad things, but often those same challenges come with unexpected blessings. Daniel and Ethan are special young men. What might look like their greatest challenge has instead been of great value to their families' work for God. Daniel and Ethan have no fear when reaching out to people. God's love shines brightly through their open, cheerful friendliness.

Talk about it:

- What is a challenge you face?
- Are you willing to give your challenge to God and ask Him to use it to help others?



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