Ask Your Family

From Carl's family to yours: stories and belonging

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Carl grows up in a family in the Ore Mountains. The traditional story of his mother and the hussars reminds us how much it matters to have people who look after one another. What connects the generations in your family?

Ask one another

1. Who helps when someone in our family is frightened?
Remember a real occasion. What helped?

2. What have parents or grandparents taught us?
A practical skill, a song, a recipe, or something about animals and nature?

3. What do we repair rather than throw away?
Is there a treasured object that has been in the family for years?

4. Which family story do we tell again and again?
Perhaps something funny from an adult's childhood.

5. Which celebration feels especially ours?
What makes Christmas or another family festival special in your home?

6. What do we love about the Ore Mountains – or our own home region?
The woods, the people, a dialect, a song, a dish, or something else?

Our little family archive

Someone we'd like to interview
Write down their name and the first question you would ask.

A message for the next generation
What would you like children in your family to know about you fifty years from now?

One last thought

Families do not all look the same. They grow through shared experiences, helping one another and stories that someone keeps telling. That is why Carl's old story can still speak to your family today.