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DREAM BIG

Nellie skimmed through the newspaper and folded it back up.

"I don't get why we have to read about other people's dreams in the newspaper," stated Nellie.

"What do you mean?" asked Grandma Bay. Grandma was knitting a scarf to keep Nellie warm.

"The paper has an article about this man who keeps dreaming," explained Nellie.

"Show me that article," prodded Grandma.

Nellie fetched the paper off the table and brought it over to Grandma. She also picked up Grandma's reading glasses to save herself a trip. Grandma began to read intently. "Oh, this is so good. Dr. King's words just resonate with me."

"Why? What's so great about dreaming?" asked Nellie, innocently.

"It's not a dream like the one you have at night. His dream is about the future and what it can hold for people like us," explained Grandma.

"I can dream my own dreams, thank you very much," stated Nellie. She didn't know what she thought about this Dr. King.

"What if this Dr. King was the very person who enabled you to live your dreams?" questioned Grandma. Nellie didn't respond.

"Dr. King is working to help all of us live out our very dreams," cooed Grandma. Nellie stiffened her back and walked over to look at the newspaper article. "This man can help me live my dreams?" asked Nellie.

"That's right, Nell. Think about it. He's opening doors for people everywhere," said Grandma. Nellie liked the sound of that. She smiled down at Dr. King.

STORY QUESTIONS

- What can you infer about Grandma's feelings about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.?
 - Grandma felt that he had some interesting points to make.
 - Grandma admired and respected Dr. King.
 - Grandma was opposed to most of what Dr. King stood for.
 - Grandma was still trying to learn more about Dr. King.
- Which of the following quotes helps answer the previous question?
 - "Why? What's so great about dreaming?"
 - "Oh, this is so good. Dr. King's words just resonate with me."
 - "I don't get why we have to read about other people's dreams in the newspaper."
 - "Show me that article."
- What does the word *resonate* mean as used in this passage?

a. echo	c. partnership with
b. enchant	d. open up