

“Banking Counts”

Finally the end of the month came and that meant a check for Juan and Lott’s lawn service. Because Lott had more sight than Juan, he mowed the neighbors’ yards while Juan would water the flowers and plants. It was cool how each neighbor took Juan around the house giving him landmarks, so he was able to find the plants and water the grass.

Juan walked next door to Lott’s house and yelled for him to come outside.

“Hey, Lott, did you get the cash from the neighbors? I did and I feel like a rich man,” Juan teased.

“Me, too, Juan,” Lott laughed. “Let’s go to the bank and see if they will make change for us. We can ask the bank tellers to break the one hundred dollar bills into smaller parts.”

“Great idea,” Juan said. “Plus, the Robinsons gave us some change as well. I can feel two quarters, three dimes, and four nickels.”

The two boys happily walked to the bank and passed the pond.

“I have an idea,” Lott said as the two boys walked along near the pond using their canes.

“What is it?” Juan asked.

“If we have enough money maybe we could go by the Super Store and buy fishing poles and worms.”

“Sounds great to me,” Juan answered.

When the boys went inside the bank, they took their place in line until it was time for them to ask the bank teller for help.

“Hello, my name is Dottie. How can I help you two boys? She asked.

Lott spoke up first and asked, “We were paid to mow lawns and water the plants for the neighbors, would you mind breaking up the one hundred dollar bill for us?”

“Sure. How do you want it?” Dottie asked.

“Juan and I talked and we both want three twenties, two tens, and four five dollar bills,” Lott answered.

“We have already used our Talking Calculator and wanted it to be easy for us to buy fishing poles and worms,” Juan smiled.

Dottie helped the two boys and gave them their money.

Juan and Lott were so happy and loved working for their own money to spend.

The two friends went to the Super Store and asked for assistance to find fishing poles and worms.

One hour later, the boys were happy sitting under a shady tree fishing in the pond. Ducks were quacking, kids were playing and the sun was out.

It was a great day.