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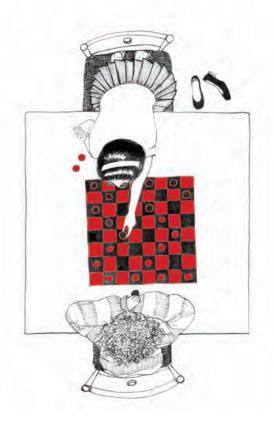


## l Checkers

**Lina enjoyed** being with friends and family. She played board games, loved to bake cookies, and enjoyed having friends visit and play. She lived with her mom, dad and baby brother, Nate, who was one year old.

One of their favorite things to do as a family was going to the zoo. Mom, known as Liz to her friends, would pack a lunch for them all. Dad, also called Jake, would make sure to buy tickets for the carousel, train and pony rides. They always had great adventures at the zoo.

Lina's best friend was her neighbor, Sam. Sam lived across the street with Mary, her mom.



Most days, Lina and Sam played outside together, but today was rainy and muggy, so they were playing checkers inside.

Just as Sam was about to jump one of Lina's checkers, Lina had a hard time paying attention. "I don't remember whose turn it is."

"It's my turn," responded Sam. She noticed Lina doing something strange with her eyes. "Lina, you're blinking a lot."

"I am?" Lina asked. "I don't even notice it."

Sam called to Lina's mom, "Why is Lina blinking so much?"

Liz put her hand on Lina's head. "No fever." She looked intently into Lina's eyes.

"Lina, your eyes look fine to me. Sam, call me right away if you notice her blinking again. I'm going to get you guys some cookies."

Lina leaned over to move a piece on the board, "I think I..."

She didn't finish her sentence and tumbled off the chair onto the floor. The checkers went flying everywhere. Lina's whole body was shaking.

"Mom! Liz! Come quickly," Sam shouted. She bent over her friend. "Lina! Lina! Are you okay?"

Liz and Mary rushed into the room. Liz got down on the floor. "She's breathing."

Lina was still shaking. Sam turned to her mom.. "What's happening to my friend?" Sam asked.

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Liz gently rolled Lina onto her side. Lina stopped shaking. Her mom started calling to her, "Lina, can you hear me?"

Lina said "Yes."

Lina tried to sit up, but her mom said, "It's okay. Just lie here for a bit."

"What just happened to me?" asked Lina.

Sam piped up, "We were playing the game and right in the middle of a sentence, you fell onto the floor. You were shaking. I thought you were joking around!"

Lina said softly, "Sorry I ruined the game."

"Don't worry about the game," said Sam.

"Do you remember what happened before you fell off your chair?" asked Liz.

"Nope. I don't even remember falling," replied Lina. Liz put her arm around Lina. "I'll call Dr. Kravit. I'm sure she will know



what to do next."

"That was super scary, Lina," said Sam.

Lina yawned and sat further back on the couch, "I feel like I just woke up from a super long nap but I feel like I could go right back to sleep. It's so weird that I don't remember what happened."

"Dr. Kravit said we should come right in," said Liz.

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