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Chapter One

STRONG BRIDGES

Tara's grandmother was the town's chief civil engineer. That meant she helped create the roads and bridges. She always said each bridge told a story. Tara loved walking to school with her grandma.

They passed an old arched stone bridge. "We ran out of stones during building," Grandma recalled. "So, your mom and her classmates donated their rock collections."

Tara smiled. She'd already heard this story. "I know. I like searching for Mom's gems in the arch."

She skipped along until they approached a creaking wooden overpass.



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