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**Episode 1 – 46 Linden Street – Act 01**

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On a ferryboat in New York Harbor. We can see the Statue of Liberty. Richard Stewart, 30, is taking pictures.

Richard: Excuse me. My name is Richard Stewart. I'm a photographer. May I take a picture of you and your little boy?

Mrs. Vann: What's it for?

Richard: It's for a book.

Mrs. Vann: You're writing a book?

Richard: It's a book of pictures. I call it Family Album, U.S.A.

Mrs. Vann: Oh, that's a nice idea. Well, it's fine if you take our picture. I'm Martha Vann. [She offers her hand.]

Richard: Thank you. I appreciate your help. [to the little boy] I'm Richard. What's your name?

Gerald: Gerald.

Richard: How old are you, Gerald?

Gerald: Five.

Richard: And where do you live?

Mrs. Vann: We live in California.

Richard: Well, welcome to New York. OK, just a second. [He takes out a reflector to have more light for his photographs.]

I'm almost ready here.

Alexandra, a sixteen-year-old girl, is watching.

Alexandra: Can I help you?

Richard: Oh, please. [He gives her the reflector to hold. Then he speaks to Mrs. Vann and her son.] Hold Gerald's hand, please. Great! Now point to the buildings. Terrific! Give Mommy a kiss, Gerald. Nice! Thank you, Gerald. And thank you Mrs. Vann.

Mrs. Vann: Oh, my pleasure. We'll be looking for your book.

Richard: Thank you. Good-bye. Bye, Gerald. [to Alexandra] Thanks again.

Alexandra: Oh, you're welcome.

Richard: Hey, let me take your picture!

Alexandra: Wonderful. Please.

Richard: Are you from New York?

Alexandra: No, I'm from Greece. I'm an exchange student.

Richard: When did you come here?

Alexandra: Three months ago.

Richard: Your English is very good.

Alexandra: Thanks. I studied English in school.

They sit on a bench.

Richard: Would you like some coffee?

Alexandra: No, thank you. Tell me about your book.

Richard: Oh, it's not finished yet, but I have some of the pictures. Would you like to see them?

Alexandra: Yes. I'd like that.

Richard: Here they are. [He opens his bag and takes out a photo album.] Family Album, U.S.A. It's an album of pictures of United States: the cities, the special places, and the people. [He shows her the photos.] And these are pictures of people working: steelworkers, bankers, police, street vendors, ambulance drivers, doctors. ... Oh, this is my father. He's a doctor. This is my mother.

Alexandra: What's her name?

Richard: Ellen. My younger brother, Robbie. He goes to high school. This is my sister Susan. She works for a toy company.

Here's my grandfather. He lives in Florida. And this is my wife Marilyn.

Alexandra: Oh, she's very pretty.

Richard: Thanks. And what about your family?

Alexandra: They are in Thessaloniki. That's a large city in northern Greece. But now I'm living in the Bronx.

Richard: With a Greek-American family?

Alexandra: No. Hispanic.

Richard: [He hears a foghorn.] Oh no! It's five thirty. Will you excuse me? I have to meet my wife.

Alexandra: It's nice meeting you.

Richard: It was a pleasure meeting you, too. Thanks for your help. And good luck! I've got to go. By the way, I'm Richard. What's your name?

Alexandra: Alexandra.

Richard: Bye-bye, Alexandra. Thanks.

Alexandra: Bye-bye. [Richard hurries off the boat.

Alexandra sees that he forgot one of his bags. She takes it and begins to follow him.] Richard! Richard! You left your bag!

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Richard: Family Album, U.S.A. It's an album of pictures of the United States.

Richard takes many pictures for his album. He photographs the cities like New York ... and other special places. He photographs people working: police, ambulance drivers, steel workers, doctors.

Philip Stewart, Richard's father, is a doctor. He's a pediatrician, a children's doctor.

And Richard's mother, Ellen Stewart, is a homemaker.

His brother Robbie, is a student at Riverdale high school. He's 17.

Richard has one sister. Her name is Susan. She works for a toy company in New York City.

Malcolm Stewart is Richard's grandfather. He's 72 years old and lives in Florida.

And this is Richard's wife, Marilyn Stewart. She is a fashion designer and a sales clerk in a boutique in New York City.

You'll meet Marilyn Stewart and all of the other Stewarts in Family Album, U.S.A.