Raquel Orozco is the teacher. She is reading a story to the children. Janet Lee is Kevin Lee’s older sister. She is sitting on the rug behind her friend Joseph Marcos.

Jeff Chávez and Emily Hassan are making things with play dough.

**Activity 1 Talking about the picture**

*With a partner find the following people and items in the picture. Use singular and plural nouns.*

- Raquel Orozco
- Janet Lee
- Joseph Marcos
- Jeff Chavez
- Emily Hassan
- teacher — teachers
- child — children
- adult — adults
- girl — girls
- boy — boys
- presooler — preschoolers
- rug — rugs
- ball — balls
- book — books
- block — blocks
- toy — toys
- plate — plates
- cup — cups
- bowl — bowls
- table — tables
- chair — chairs
- play dough
- circle time
- picture — pictures
- message — messages
- alphabet
- cubby — cubbies
- shelf — shelves
- truck — trucks
- letter — letters
ACTIVITY 9 Making requests in conversation

With a partner, make requests. Use the vocabulary in the pictures on pages 114-115. Follow the models. Take turns.

Dialog 1

Student A: Could you please make some coffee?
Student B: Sure, I’d be glad to.

Dialog 2

Student A: Could you please take out the trash?
Student B: No, I’m sorry. I can’t. I’m holding the baby right now.

Conversation Pair Work

Student A: Could you please ____________?
Student B: ___________________
Directions: Roll the dice and move: 

- Go ahead two spaces 
- Go back two spaces 

Use a time expression: 
- yesterday 
- last week 
- this morning 
- two days ago 
- a month ago 
- last year 

Example: My first roll is a two, and I land on cut his foot. I say: Jeff cut his foot last week.
Chapter 9  School-Age Children (5-9 years)

Useful words for the reading

control, v.  the power to decide or tell others what to do
dream, n.  a strong hope or goal for the future.
irritate, v.  to make someone a little angry
steal, v.  to take something belonging to someone else
misbehave, v.  to act badly
freedom, n.  the power to act and speak as one chooses
expect, v.  to think something will happen
lie, n.  a statement that is not true
tease, v.  to make fun of
embarrass, v.  to make someone feel bad about something he did
scold, v.  to tell someone what he did wrong, in an angry way

Activity 3 Reading

Virginia Marcos is attending a workshop for parents of School-Age Children. She and the other parents are discussing the following article.

School-Age Children

The early school years are a time of change. A child’s world is getting bigger. She is learning how to get along in many new situations. She is in school for about six hours a day. Then she may have after school activities like sports or music lessons. She has homework. She is making new friends.

All of this means that parents have less control over what children hear, see, and do. Children begin to see life from other people’s points of view. They are also developing a sense of self.

At this age, children believe they can do or be anything. For example, if a child likes to play baseball, he may think he will be a famous baseball player. Listen to a child’s dreams. Encourage him to try his best. Teach him good habits that will help him succeed in life: for example, eat healthy food, get exercise, and read every day.