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After dinner, Sarah's father brought out a small, worn box. "This was your grandmother's," he said, smiling. Inside the box was a beautiful, old snow globe. It showed a tiny village with sparkling snow, a church, and children playing outside.

Sarah shook the globe gently, and the snow swirled around the tiny village. Suddenly, she felt a warm breeze, even though the window was open. The room filled with a soft golden light, and the little village in the globe seemed to come alive. She could hear laughter, bells ringing, and even the smell of freshly baked cookies.

For a moment, it felt like Sarah was there, walking through the snowy streets of the tiny village. She could see children building snowmen and families celebrating together. It was the most magical feeling she had ever experienced.

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