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Keisha and Edwin spent five fun-filled days with their grandparents. Sadly, the time to say goodbye arrived and the Santos family packed their car to begin the long trip home. Keisha and Edwin, knowing their mother as they did, wondered what math questions awaited them.

Ms. Santos was determined to make good time on the return trip and informed her children that they would stop only if it were absolutely necessary. However, as the car traveled down the highway, Edwin and Keisha became more and more hungry. The hungrier they became, the more they dreamed about the delicious meal they had eaten at the Pinecrest Diner. Finally their stomachs got the best of them.

"Mom," said Keisha. "I'm really hungry. Can we stop and eat at the Pinecrest Diner?"

"Please, Mom," added Edwin. "We promise that we won't ask you to stop any other time."

"Okay," said Ms. Santos. "We'll stop if you can answer a math question for me."

"We're getting off easy," thought Keisha and Edwin. "Sure, Mom. We're ready."