

Before You Watch **Discussion Questions**

1. Do you like to be prepared for things? For example, before you go to shopping, do you make a list?
2. When is preparation very important? What activities or events in life do you think it is important to prepare for? How do you prepare for them?
3. What about emergencies, for example, earthquakes and hurricanes?
4. Have you ever experienced an emergency? Were you prepared? What did you do to be prepared? What did you learn from the experience?
5. What do you need to do in order to be prepared for an emergency?

Let's watch *The Storm* and see what happens to a family when a big storm hits town.

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Being Prepared

- Do you consider yourself prepared for an emergency? How can you be more prepared? What are the most important things you learned from the episode?

Difficult Choices

Aku left her cell phone at home and everyone is worried about her. Kojo makes the decision to go out to find her. He and Alberto put themselves in danger, but they do not find Aku.

- Do you think it was necessary for them to go out to look for Aku? How can you avoid this dangerous situation?

Responding to Alerts

After the storm alert, Alberto says, *“Oh, don’t worry... They always make these things look worse than they really are.”*

- What do you think Alberto learned from the experience of the storm?

Good Neighbors

Ms. Chen takes a leadership role in her building.

- How does she do it? What leadership qualities does she have? What leadership qualities do you have?

Picnics

- What do you take when you go on a picnic? How do you prepare? What do you think makes a great picnic? What is your favorite spot for a picnic in New York City?

The Same Boat

- What does Kojo mean when he says, “We are all in the same boat.”? Do you agree with him? In what ways are we all “in the same boat”?