

# A Hero's Story: The Gift of Sight

## ✔ Safety and Sensitivity Notes for Teachers

- Keep the story tone gentle, reflective, and full of wonder.
- Avoid adding medical detail or naming the donor.
- Pause after the final line and ask:
- “What ‘time’ or ‘adventures’ were stolen from Amelia – and what did she get back?”
- Follow immediately with the Case of the Stolen Time Worksheet.

There once was a girl named Amelia who loved looking at the stars.

Every night, she would lie on the grass beside her dad, trying to find the Southern Cross.

But as time went on, the stars began to fade.

Streetlights blurred into soft halos, and faces became fuzzy shadows.

The world around her was still full of sound and laughter – but she couldn't see it clearly anymore.

Amelia's “Treasure Map” – the list of all the adventures she wanted to have – slowly began to pause.

She couldn't read her favourite books at bedtime.

She couldn't see her best friend's smile from across the playground.

And when she looked up at the night sky, it was just a misty blur.

Her eyes, her “windows to the world,” were no longer working as they should.

Her doctor explained that the clear part of her eye – the cornea – had become cloudy, like fog on a window.

Then, one day, a message came from the Helping Hero Team.

A Helping Hero family had shared their Hero's Pledge and made sure their echo was heard.

Because of their kindness, a new, clear cornea – a tiny, transparent “material” – was ready to help someone see again.



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Amelia became that someone.

With the help of the Super-Mechanics (the doctors) and the Team Managers (the coordinators who planned everything), the gift was gently given.

It didn't happen in a rush.

This was part of the Tissue Pathway – the careful one where each gift is tested, protected, and matched.

A few weeks later, Amelia opened her eyes.

She blinked once, twice, three times.

The room was bright. Her mum's eyes sparkled.

And that night, for the first time in a long time, she looked up – and saw the stars again.

Her Treasure Map began to fill once more.

- ✓ Read her favourite book
- ✓ Watch the sunset at the beach
- ✓ See her friends' faces
- ✓ Count every star in the sky

Amelia's family call it "The Gift of Sight."

But Amelia calls it something else –  
"The Treasure of More Time."

And somewhere out there, a Hero's echo still shines –  
in every sparkle, every smile, and every star she sees.

The end.

