

**Keifa Sadur – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
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My role models are my uncle Yuri and aunt Mila, who inspire me to dream big, work hard and cherish my family. Yuri and Mila have been married for 5 years and have three young kids, my first cousins. Mila and Yuri are so nice and do so much for my family. Although Mila is a lawyer, she is talented in many things but is especially good at cooking, doing interior designs in homes and baking. Uncle Yuri is a periodontist and makes a good living for his family. Mila and Yuri are very smart and seem to always make good decisions. I look up to them and hope to be as successful as they are when I grow up.

Uncle Yuri and Mila's marriage is like pieces of a puzzle that come together perfectly. Uncle Yuri earns the money through his hard work and Mila works equally hard to ensure that the money is invested in the right places, that their homes are well maintained, and that there is always nutritious food for their kids to eat. Even though uncle Yuri works hard at his job, he comes home and still finds time to spend with his kids and help around the home. Watching uncle Yuri and Mila around their house, teaches me the importance of being able to provide for my family and raise them with love and care. When I spend time with Yuri and Mila on the weekends, they also teach me to cook delicious meals. These cooking achievements help me feel confident in myself and in trying out new things. I also feel more responsible after being able to cook for others and know that I will be a good mom one day with the great meals I'm learning to make.

Mila is also very kind and teaches me to help others that may be in need. She shows me how to do this by giving me some of her purses, scarves and clothes that she no longer uses or wears. I appreciate the nice things she passes down to me and will be able to do the same with other people in need in the future. Mila also gives out the home-grown fruits and vegetables that grow at their vacation house. Mila and Yuri teach me how to grow and take care of fruits and vegetables. Uncle Yuri even showed me how to pickle freshly picked olives from their orchard. Yuri and Mila are both patient and kind and enjoy teaching me and their kids all about nature.

I am very grateful to have such amazing family members that teach, inspire and lead their kids and relatives as role models. I love spending time with my uncle and aunt and especially enjoy being at their vacation home in Sacramento, where we get to go boating, fruit picking, and playing all around their large property. They are kind people who have taught me a lot and continue to inspire me to always do better.