

- **Who noticed that something was troubling the narrator?**

The narrator's mother noticed that something was troubling her.

- **What did the narrator's mother say when she noticed her daughter was upset?**

The mother said, "You are my daughter. When something is bothering you, I feel it too."

- **How did the narrator feel when she saw the pain in her mother's eyes?**

The narrator felt overwhelmed and burst into tears.

- **What suggestion did the mother make to help the narrator learn English?**

The mother suggested that they work together at home with books to learn the language (Reading books and memorizing five words at a day).

- **Why did the narrator find her mother's confidence and determination admirable?**

The narrator found it admirable because English was new to her mother as well, yet she was determined to help, and this is in addition to other responsibilities she had.

- **What physical feature of the mother distinguished her from other mothers at the school?**

Her welcoming smile and big, black eyes distinguished her, along with her long, black hair and she was obviously short.

- **What does the word "aura" mean in the context of the mother's appearance?**

In this context, "aura" : (quality or feeling) refers to the special quality or atmosphere that surrounded her, making her stand out positively.

- **What new routine did the mother and daughter start together?**

They began reading together and memorizing five new words a day.

- **Why did the narrator admire her mother even more after learning about her sacrifices?**

The narrator admired her mother more because she was sacrificing her resting time before going to work to help her learn.

- **What does the word "confidence" mean as it relates to the mother in the story?**

"Confidence" refers to the mother's belief in her ability to help her daughter learn English despite it being new to her.