Talk about it

Episode 1, The Million Dollar Idea: questions and ideas for grown-ups.

The big idea: money stands for real work.

Making more paper doesn't make more toys, food or hugs.

After watching, ask:

1. Eva thought money came from being a good person, or from the machine in the wall. Where did you think money came from?
2. Why couldn't Eva just draw more Eva Dollars? What would happen if everyone did?
3. Mom paid Eva five dollars for pairing the socks. What job could you do at home, and what is it worth?
4. How do you think Eva felt buying the kit with money she earned, compared with being given it?
5. Tilly offered her favourite board book. What is something valuable that isn't money?

Try this at home:

Play shop

Put price tags on a few toys. Take turns being the shopkeeper and pay with coins or the Eva Dollars sheet. Ask: would the shop take a drawn dollar?

An earning jar

Pick one small goal together. Use the chore chart: one coin per dollar, and talk about how long it took.

A billion hug coupons

Dad's question from the episode: if he printed a billion coupons for one free hug, would each one be worth more or less? Why?

Watch the episode free at evaandtilly.com. About 9 minutes, ages 7 to 11.