A new family

It took Peter time to get used to living alone, without Fiona. He made it a weekly ritual to come to lunch with Steve and Ann on Sundays, and he had asked Paul to call him Grandpa as **30** _____ as he could talk. The young family and he filled a need for each other. They had created a family without a connection by blood, but their **31** _____ for each other was deep and heartfelt.

Steve was **32** _____ well in the diamond business under Peter's tutelage. He had learned his lessons well and his knowledge of banking and finance helped too. He made sensible decisions and gave Peter good advice, which he valued. And with the commissions he earned, his savings were **33** _____.

When Paul was four, they moved into a two-bedroom apartment in the same building and felt as though they had moved into a palace compared to their tiny studio. They bought secondhand furniture and Ann upholstered it herself. The apartment they moved into became **34** _____ when one of the old tenants left. Steve and Ann painted it themselves. The neighborhood had **35** _____ slightly in the five and a half years they'd been there. The building was no better, but they knew everyone in it, and it felt like home to them. The rents were incredibly cheap and what they could easily **36** _____. Ann never liked spending too much money.

Peter was about to turn seventy by then, and had had some health issues, but nothing serious. He had been thinking of making Steve a partner, since he had no son or other relatives to leave the business to.

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