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This project has been made with my Intermediate Spanish classes and the final product is a result of collaboration by the authors – students who wrote the original stories based on personal experiences – by the illustrators – Art students who gave life to the stories with a fresh and unique touch – and by me, who directed and supervised the whole process.

I hope you will find the stories in Serie *Leamos*, appealing, interesting, and enjoyable. Above all, I hope that these stories will help you love reading and reading in Spanish.

¡Espero que lo disfruten!

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Maya and Marco

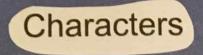
An Original Story

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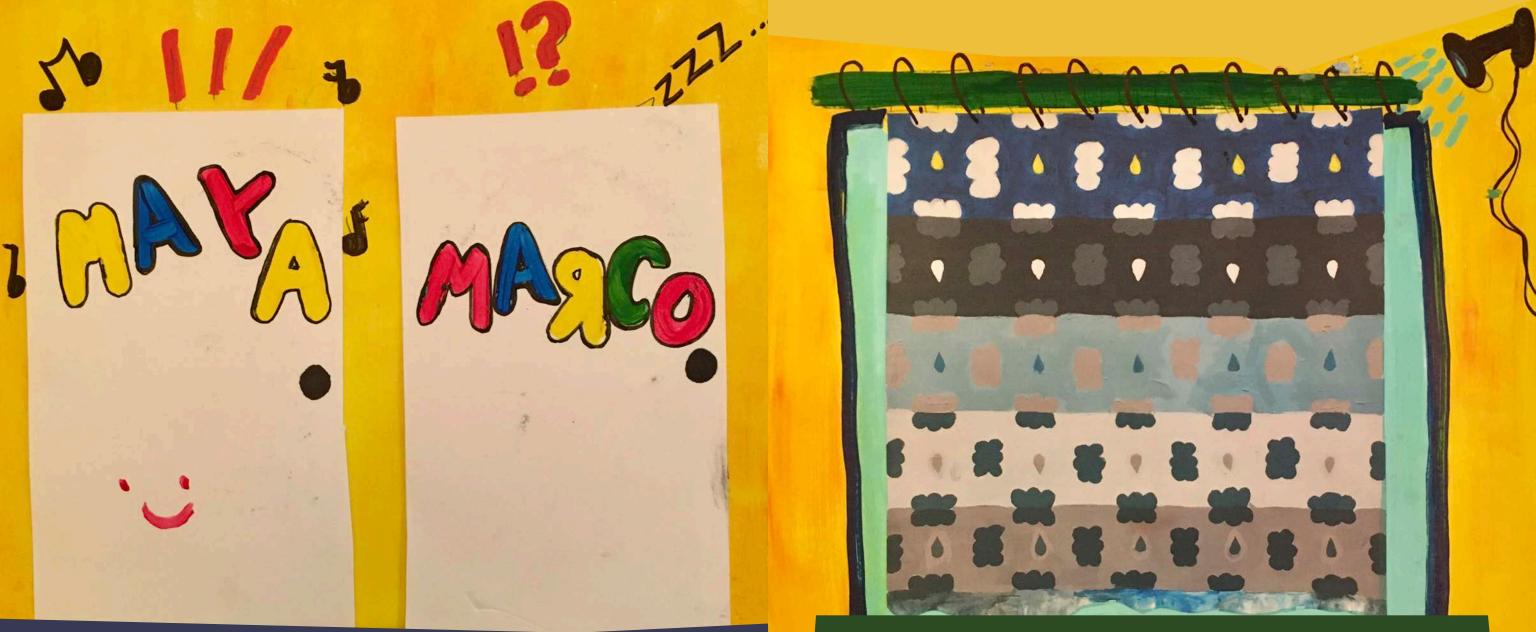
Maya - main character, sister of marco Marco- main character, brother of maya Maya and Marco's Mother, mediator

Vocabulary

Llevarse bien: To get along well Pelearse: To fight Ducharse: To shower molestar: to annoy odiar: to hate convencer: to convince enojarse: to get angry abrazar: to hug Maya and Marco are siblings, but they don't get along.

Maya and Marco are siblings. Sometimes Maya does not like her brother Marco, and he doesn't like Maya. They always fight because, according to Maya, Marco bothers her and according to Marco, his sister bothers him too.





When Maya tries to study, Marco always plays loud music, and she cannot concentrate. When she is hungry, Marco eats all of her food.

Marco is also upset that Maya takes long showers, and every time she showers the water is cold. Also, Maya leaves her hair in the drain and her clothes on the floor. So, every day they fight and their parents decide to talk to them.

Their mom tells them:

"Both of you are going to do things that the other hates, so you can sense how each other feels".

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They don't like the idea, but their parents convince them.







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Marco also did things that Maya didn't like. Marco showered and used all of the hot water. Maya screamed when she got into the shower because the water was cold.



Afterwards, he brushed his hair and left it in the drain. She was furious.

After a couple of days, the siblings decided to change. Maya said to her brother:

> im sorry.

"I'm not going to use all of the hot water or leave my hair in the drain or my clothes on the floor. I understand how you feel." And he told his sister: *"I'm going to change too. I* don't want to fight anymore or listen to loud music while you are sleeping."

