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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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Hermanos

An Original Story

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Vocabulary

Desafiar - to challenge

Burlarse - to make fun

Empinado - steep

Molestar - to bother

Rodar - to roll

Escayola - cast

Characters

Rosa - main character

Jorge - Rosa's older brother

Jose - Rosa's younger brother

Father - Rosa's father

Mother - Rosa's mother



There was a little girl named Rosa. She had two brothers, Jose and Jorge.

The three spent a lot of time together.

The brothers liked to pick on her and make her cry.

Once she cried, they would make fun of her





One day they
were playing
outside, and
her older
brother Jorge
dared her to go
down the
steepest
driveway on her
scooter.



Rosa hated being called a chicken, so she did it.

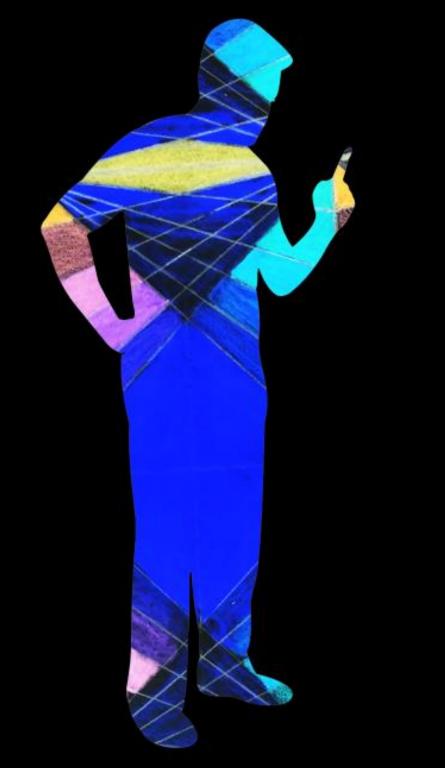


The bottom lip
of the driveway
was so big that
the scooter
flipped up, and
Rosa flew off
rolling on the
ground.





Her arm was
broken, but she
didn't cry. Her
little brother
Jose could see it
was broken, so he
ran to get his
mom.





While Rosa was at the hospital with her mom, her dad told the boys that the only reason that she did the ridiculous dare was because they make fun of her so much, and she wanted to avoid it.

When Rosa came home with her cast, they started to cry and were very sorry.





The next month in Spain her brothers felt even worse because she couldn't do many fun things with them.



They were so sorry that they set up a surprise for her. A party with music, friends, and all of her favorite foods. Rosa had the biggest smile and she felt very special.

