The Different Little Brother

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Dear reader,

The book you are about to read was written by Spanish undergraduate students of the World Languages & Cultures department and illustrated by undergraduate students of the School of Art and Design, both from Georgia State University.

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!

Victoria Rodrigo



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An Original Story

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Vocabulary

Soñar - to dream

La discapacidad - disability

Burlarse de - to make fun of

Enseñar - to teach

Ser amable - to be kind

Characters

Luna

Luna's bother

Luna's mother

Luna's father

Mateo



Once upon a time, there was a girl that dreamed of one day having a little brother. Her name was Luna.

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Luna lived with the mom, dad, and older brother in a small town. Luna loved her older brother, but she also wanted a younger brother.

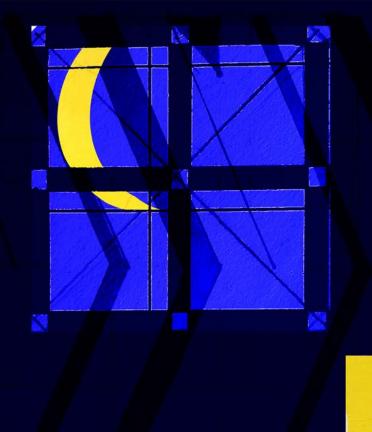


Luna always saw other kids with their siblings and dreamed of a younger brother.



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She had a dream where she had a little brother, but her brother wasn't like other kids. She called him Mateo and he had red hair and a huge smile.

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But Mateo was different. He could not walk or talk and needed a lot of help. Luna was not worried about her little brother's problems and she loved him very much.

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Luna and Mateo became best friends and did everything together. One day at the park some other kids made fun of Mateo.



Luna stood up for him. She wouldn't let anybody mock him. She told the other kids that they should always respect others and treat them well.

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After that the other kids included Mateo and Luna in their games.



When Luna woke up, she was very sad because she didn't have a little brother in real life. But she was thankful for the lesson that she learned.



She taught everyone to be kind to people with disabilities. Luna will always remember the time she had a different little brother.

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