



LOS PAISES BAJOS

The Netherlands

An Original Story

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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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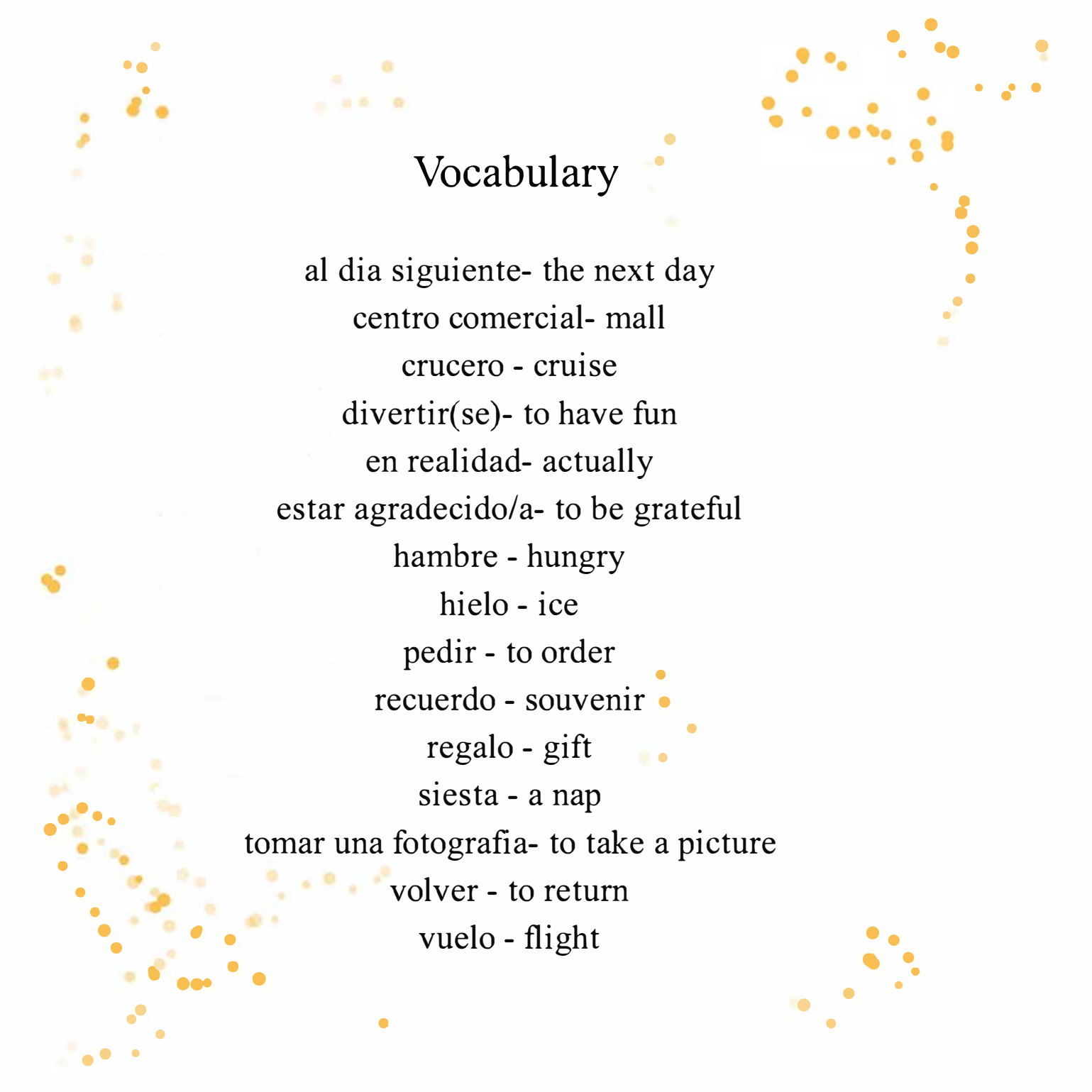
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Vocabulary

al dia siguiente- the next day

centro comercial- mall

crucero - cruise

divertir(se)- to have fun

en realidad- actually

estar agradecido/a- to be grateful

hambre - hungry

hielo - ice

pedir - to order

recuerdo - souvenir

regalo - gift

siesta - a nap

tomar una fotografia- to take a picture

volver - to return

vuelo - flight

Characters



Mama



Hija



My mom and I went to
Amsterdam over my spring
break. We did a lot of
things together.



It was actually a surprise
trip.



We flew first class in our flight. It was a new experience for me.



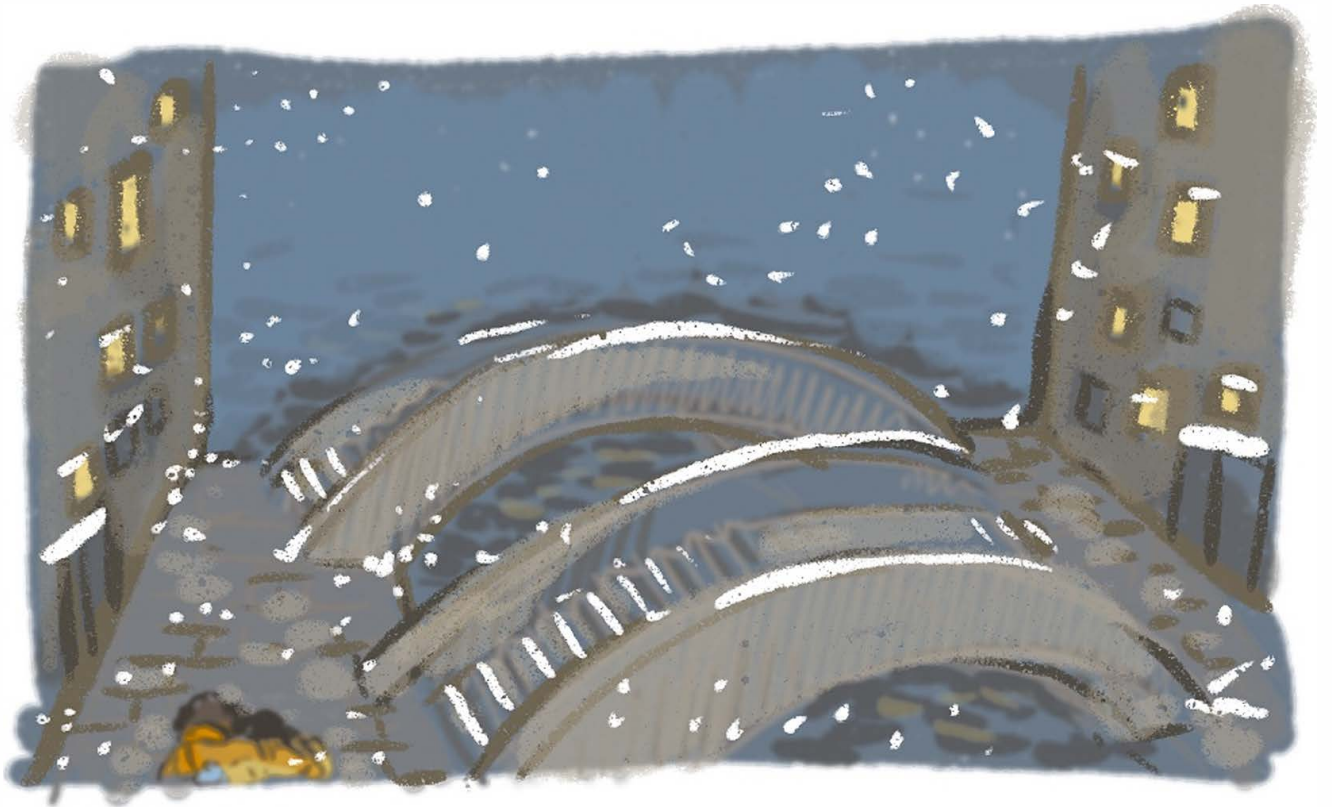
The flight was eight hours long. I couldn't sleep on the plane because I watched movies and ate dinner and breakfast.



When we arrived, it
was very cold.



We went to our hotel and
took a nap for a few
hours.



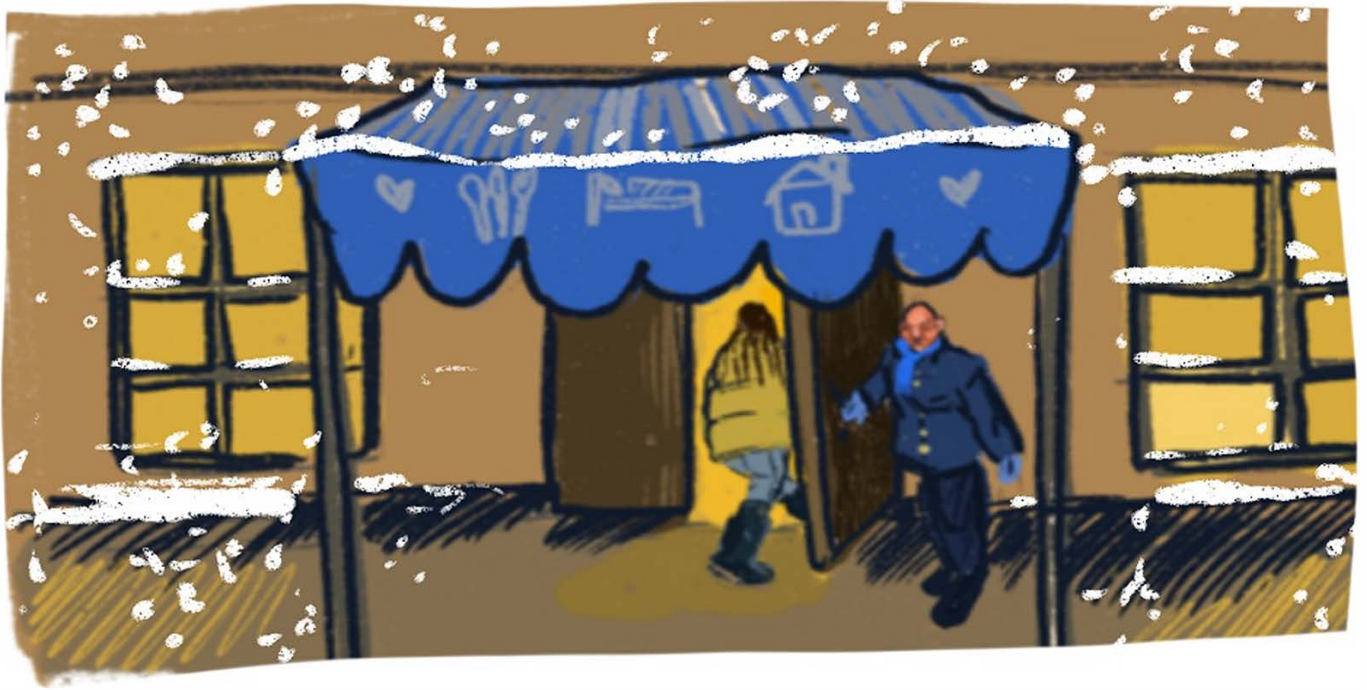
When we woke up, we decided to
look for a few, fun activities
to do.



Later at night, we went
on a cruise in the canal
to go around the city
of Amsterdam.



After seeing the city, we went to a bar made of ice. It was so cold at the bar that we had to go to a different section. However, the bar was very interesting and fun.



We were very hungry and didn't want to be in the cold any longer, so we decided to go back to the hotel and find something to eat.



We ordered KFC
that night.



The KFC is a lot
better there than the
KFC's in the United
States. It was so good!



The next day we went
to the Madame Tussauds
museum.



Later on, we ate at
an Italian restaurant
and ate dinner
around the city of
Amsterdam.



We took a lot of
pictures of buildings,
statues, and lots of
other things.



We also went to malls, one huge one. We bought souvenirs.



The last day was a lot of fun, but we have to go back to the hotel early because we had an early flight to catch.



We got to the airport safely,
and the flight was longer than
I thought. I had a lot of fun
with my mom, and I'm very
thankful for a marvelous
experience that I had with her.

FIN!