

The book cover features a central illustration of a cat with a stippled texture, curled up. The cat is surrounded by a quilted design consisting of four large purple trapezoidal shapes and four smaller squares, each divided into four triangles of orange and green. The background is a black and white geometric pattern of squares and triangles.

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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



## Characters

Sophie - the cat's owner

Pepe - the cat

Julio - Sophie's new  
friend

## Vocabulary

Dueña - Owner

Mudarse - To move

Desempacar - To unpack

Barrio - Neighborhood

Echar de menos - To miss

Estar listo - To be ready

Despedirse - To say goodbye

Divertirse - To have fun

Once upon a time, a cat named Pepe lived with his owner in a big and beautiful house. His owner was called Sophie, and she was very nice and fun; the two were very good friends.

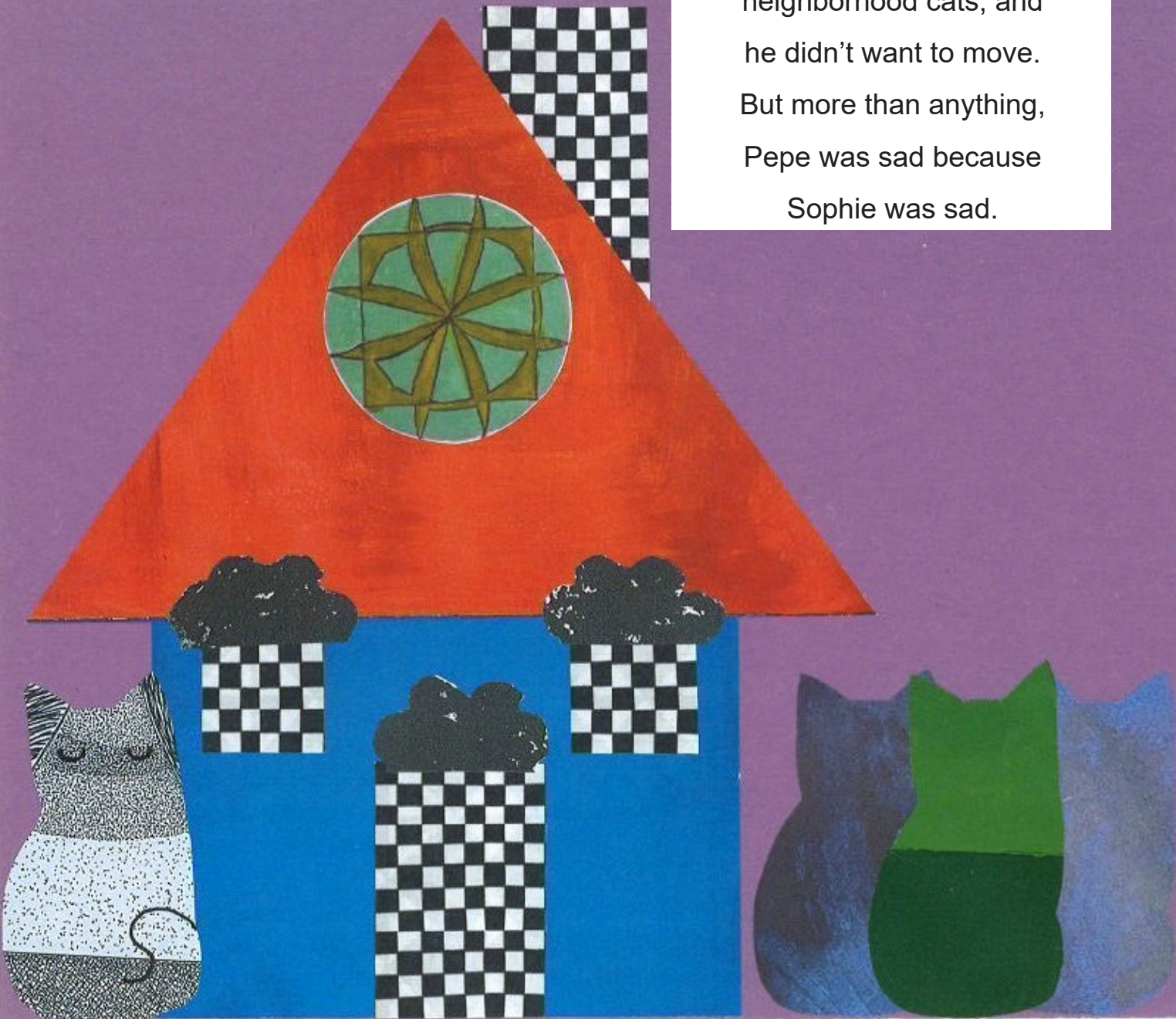


One day, when Pepe the cat was napping, Sophie came into the bedroom and started crying.

"Pepe, my parents told me we're going to move to a new house! And this house is in a new city and state, and I'm not going to know anyone!" said Sophie.

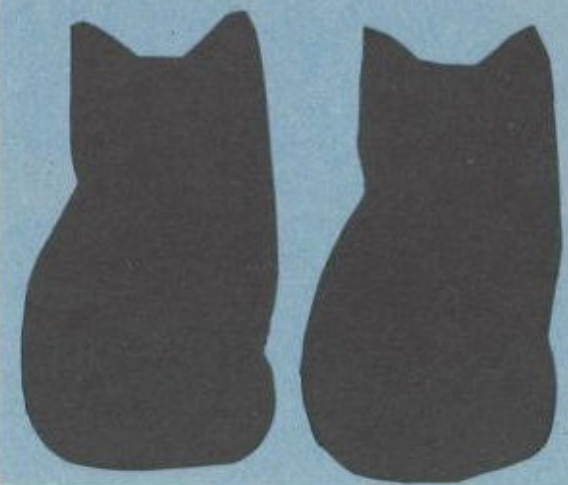


Pepe was sad because he loved his house and the neighborhood cats, and he didn't want to move. But more than anything, Pepe was sad because Sophie was sad.



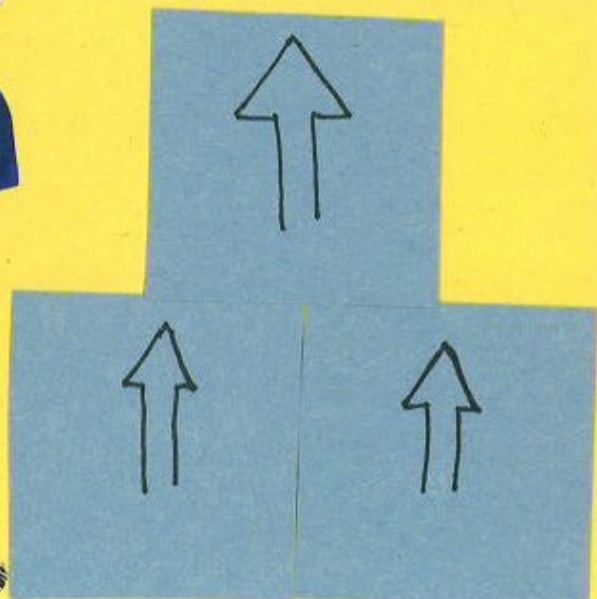
A month later, Pepe's and Sophie's family was ready to move. Sophie and Pepe left their friends and the house, and they finally sat down in the car.

After four hours in the car, the family arrived at the new house.




While her father was unpacking their things, Sophie walked through the neighborhood with Pepe.

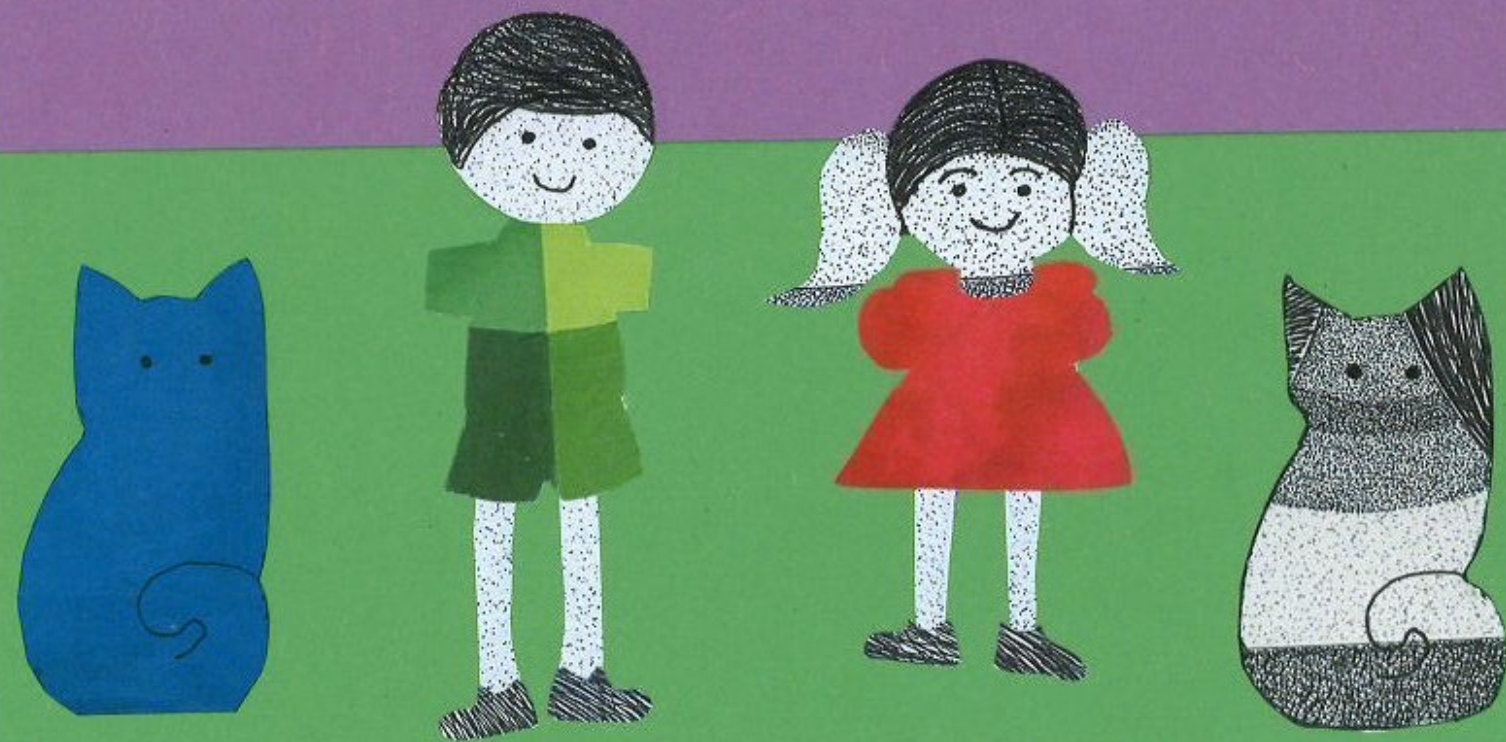
Even though she was sad because she already missed her friends, Sophie was also slightly happy because the neighborhood was beautiful, and there were a lot of children outside.









A boy, who seemed about the same age as Sophie, approached her and said: "Hi! My name's Julio. My mother told me that a new family was moving here today. Do you want to play with my friends and me? Of course, you can bring your cat. I have a cat too, maybe the two will be friends."

A large, abstract illustration of a girl's face in the center, surrounded by large, colorful petals in shades of blue, purple, and green. The girl has a simple, dotted face with a smile and is wearing a dark headband. The background is a mix of green and purple.

Sophie smiled and said yes.



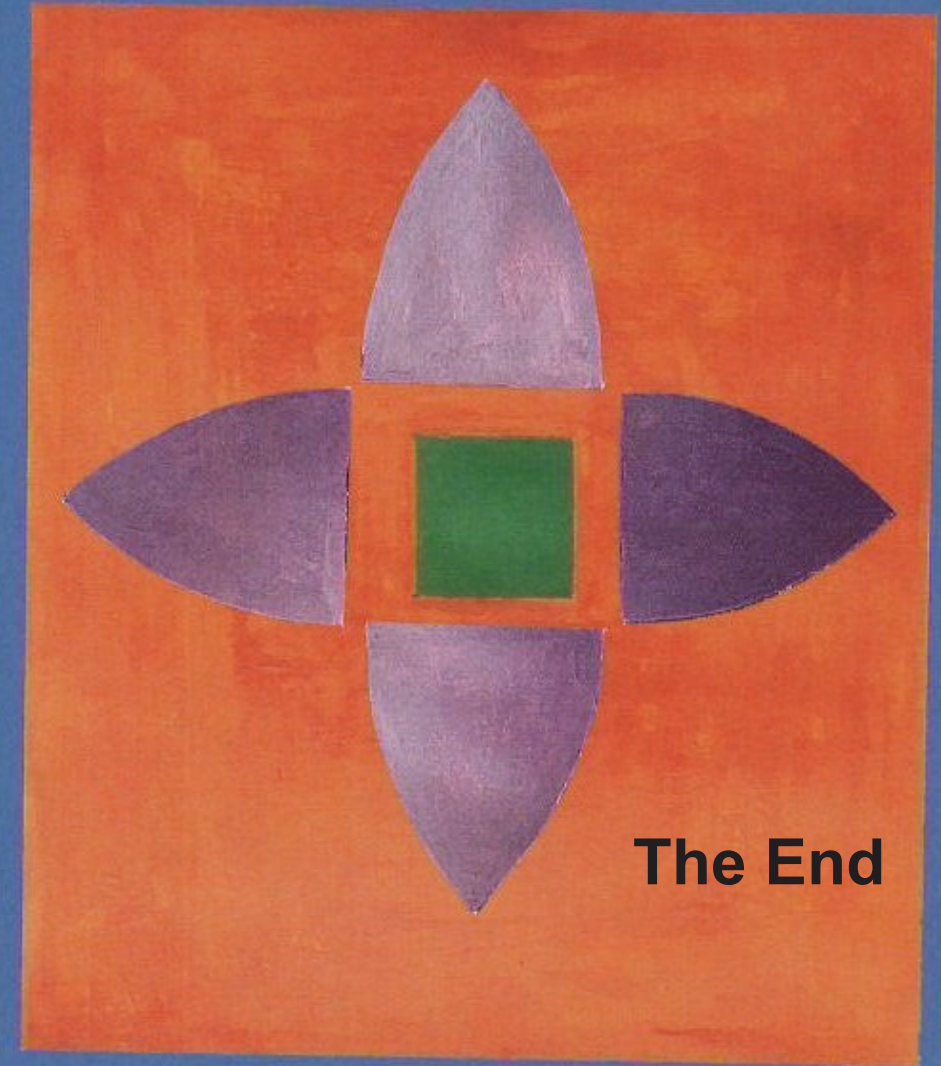
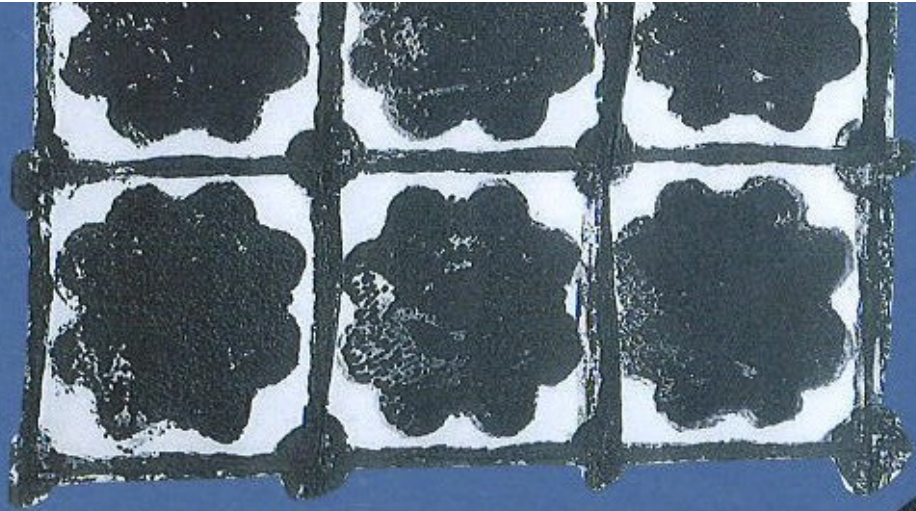
For the rest of the day, Sophie played with the neighborhood kids.



Pepe played with Julio's cat. It was a very happy day!



When they returned to their new house that evening, Pepe thought at the end that the situation was very good and that the two were going to have a lot of fun in this new city.



**The End**

