

ARACELY SIDES

Carmen walks over to Tony and takes his face in her hands but he doesn't look at her.

CARMEN

I know it's not gonna be easy for us, but *we'll manage*. I'm proud of you, mijo.

Tony finally looks at her and softens. Carmen pulls him into her arms.

TONY

Thanks, mom.

Aracely watches them both, smiling.

ARACELY

Well, if he's gonna leave far then I'm gonna go to British!

TONY

You mean Britain?

ARACELY

Whatever. We saw pictures of Offs-kerd and it's a nice school.

TONY

You mean Oxford?

ARACELY

Whatever! I'm gonna go to a big college like that. Far, far away!

CARMEN

(to Tony)

See what you started.

Tony laughs as he tickle-attacks Aracely and she giggles loudly. Amalia starts to cry and Tony picks her up.

TONY

Are you going to miss me when I'm off to college?

Amalia stops crying and smiles up at Tony.

ARACELY

(smacks her lips)

We can all just call you on the telephone. Duh.