

A New Life

"Thank you," said Mr. and Mrs. García, as the customer left the store. "Please come again."

The Garcías repeated these words many times every day, as a steady stream of customers entered and left their small grocery store. Business was good, and the García family was making a good living from the store. Still, at times they were sad because they missed their beautiful little village in northern Mexico. They also missed all of the family members they had left behind when they moved to Chicago.

"¡Hola!" shouted Rosa as she burst through the back door of the store. "I got my report card today. Here it is."

The Garcías looked at the report card and then hugged Rosa. She was doing so well in her new school! And the store was doing well too. They were happy. Yes, they missed their old home in Mexico. But here in Chicago, they had found a better life for themselves and for Rosa.

Skill The clue word *because* signals a cause. What causes the Garcías to be sad?

Strategy Here are some more causes and effects. If you made a graphic organizer, you could add this information to it.