

Papi's Rules - Pilot

Let's Learn Spanish!

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INT - KID'S ROOM - MORNING

INCA ROSE, a 12 year old girl is sleeping peacefully in a jumble of covers and stuffed animals. A title appears, '6:45AM'. A hand reaches in and turns on a bedside lamp. The bright light pointed directly at her, causes INCA ROSE to scrunch up her face, turn over, and pull the cover over her head.

CUT TO:

The camera rises up to find MAXI, a 10 year old boy, sleeping hard on a top bunk. In comes the hand, on goes the light. MAXI does not flinch.

Dissolve to TITLE:

Papi's Rules

INT - KID'S ROOM - MORNING

PAPI, a doughy, bald white guy in his early forties, checks his watch.

A title appears, "7:00 AM".

Papi is standing in the kids large room. Their sleeping areas have been created by dividing half the room with a large double sided book shelf. MAXI's sturdy bunk bed on the left and INCA ROSE's girly twin bed on the right. The room is cluttered with toys, books, board games, and art supplies.

PAPI

(singing)

It's the first day of summer, and  
you have to get out of bed. It's  
the first day of summer, please  
don't fall on your head. It's the  
first day-

INCA ROSE

Stop singing!

INCA ROSE takes the pillow and puts it over her head.

PAPI

(singing)

(MORE)

PAPI (CONT'D)

We're gonna have a good day, but  
what are we gonna do? We're gonna  
have a good day,

MAXI

(sleepily)  
It's summer vacation, why do we  
have to get up early?

PAPI

Do you remember what I said on  
Friday to your classmates?

INCA ROSE

(muffled)  
NO!

PAPI

Yes you do Inca Rose, it's Papi's  
Rule #92

MAXI is climbing down from the top bunk in his pajamas.

MAXI

Have a great summer, don't get  
dumber!

A banner flies in from the side of the screen that reads.  
"Papi's Rule #92: Have a great summer, and don't get  
dumber!"

PAPI

That's right Maxi, Rule #92, Have  
a great summer, and don't get  
dumber! You gotta use that cabeza.

MAXI

What's a cabeza?

PAPI

I'm glad you ask Maxi, because that  
is a clue to what our summer  
project is going to be.

PAPI walks over and grabs the covers on INCA ROSE's bed and  
slowly pulls them, causing most of the bed's contents,

including INCA ROSE to flump on the floor. Her pajama's and hair a jumbled mess.

INCA ROSE  
What project?

PAPI  
We, are going to secretly learn Spanish this summer.

MAXI  
Why Spanish?

INCA ROSE is groggily getting up and putting the things back on her bed.

PAPI  
(Excited, trying to get them pumped up)  
Why Spanish? It's your heritage. Your mother is Mexican American and Spanish was the first language she learned to speak.

You are half Mexican, and MAMI would be so happy if you learned Spanish... and that's why we are doing it secretly, as a surprise for MAMI.

MAXI  
A surprise?

PAPI  
Yes Maxi boy, you can't learn a language in a day, so we'll have to study during the day while MAMI is at work.

INCA ROSE  
I don't want to learn Spanish, can't we make a movie instead for our summer project.

PAPI  
We can do other things... Actually, making a movie would be a good cover story, but I really want us to devote some time every day to learning Spanish.

MAXI

Give me 3 reasons why I should learn Spanish, and if you can't give me 3, I will never learn Spanish, EVER!

PAPI

OK... And if I give you 3 reasons, you will learn Spanish with me?

MAXI

Yes!

INCA ROSE

No! We will not promise that... but we will consider it... That's the best we can do. Take it or leave it.

MAXI

Yes, take it or leave it!

PAPI thinks for a second and then extends his hand to shake.

PAPI

Deal?

MAXI

Deal.

INCA ROSE hesitates, then reluctantly shakes his hand.

INCA ROSE

Deal.

PAPI

Reason number one, I already told you, Mami would love it... But so would your abuelito. Mami grew up in America, but your grandfather was born in Mexico. He came to America as an adult, and learning English was more difficult for him. He would love to speak to you in his native language. You want to make your Mami and abuelo happy don't you?

INCA ROSE

Yes.

MAXI

That's one, you have two more to  
(MORE)

MAXI (CONT'D)

go.

PAPI

Right... Reason number two, how many kids in your class speak spanish?

INCA ROSE

One, two, (mumbles numbers) Eleven.

PAPI

How about you Maxi?

MAXI

(counting on his fingers)

Joel, Rodrigo, Marta, Angel, Johnny, Mariana, Zoe, Isabel... And Jesus. Nine.

PAPI

Does your teacher speak spanish?

INCA ROSE

No.

MAXI

No.

PAPI

Right, and think about this, what if you and your classmates had a secret language that only you, and *not your teacher*, understood... Imagine the possibilities...

INCA ROSE

(slowly smiling)

Ok. That could be good.

MAXI

That's two! One more to go.

PAPI

One more... One more...

MAXI

You said three!

PAPI

I know, one more... Oh! Ok. Reason number three. Language is power! Spanish is the 2nd. most spoken language on the planet.

INCA ROSE  
What's number one? English?

PAPI  
No, English is third, but if you  
can speak Span-

INCA ROSE  
What's number one?

PAPI  
It's not important, because if you  
can speak Span-

INCA ROSE  
(insistent)  
What's number one?

PAPI  
Mandarin, but we're not going to  
learn Mandarin.

MAXI  
Like the oranges?

PAPI  
Yeah, Mandarin is the language you  
speak when you talk to oranges.

MAXI  
Really?

INCA ROSE  
No.

PAPI  
English is only spoken natively in  
a few places in the world, America,  
Canada, England... Australia...  
That's about it... But if you spoke  
Spanish, you could go to Spain, and  
Mexico, and Cuba and Peru and Costa  
Rica, and Brazil and probably a  
dozen other countries. You could  
travel the world, meet interesting  
people, explore the rainforest,  
climb pyramids, and maybe, one day,  
order something other than chicken  
nuggets at the mexican restaurant.

PAPI looks at the kids, they look ate each other.



PAPI

Well, what do you think?

They get together and start whispering to themselves, occasionally peeking over to make sure PAPI is not listening.

INCA ROSE

Ok, we'll try it.

PAPI

Great! That's all I am asking...  
Let's have some breakfast, and we  
can started with some flash cards I  
bought online.

They are interrupted by a baby crying off screen.

MAXI

Uh oh, guess who's up?

PAPI

Right, How about I go get Cosmo,  
and you two go pour yourself a bowl  
of cereal.

INT. BREAKFAST TABLE - MORNING

INCA and MAXI are excitedly talking while eating cereal.  
INCA is up and down as she is talking, unable to sit still.

INCA ROSE

It's coming out this Friday, and  
it's going to be EPIC!

MAXI

I know! I can't wait! We should  
go to the first show.

INCA ROSE

Yeah, but we have to get there  
early, or it'll be sold out. Maybe  
we can camp out overnight so we can  
be first in line.

MAXI

Yes! We can camp out, and I know  
what I'm going to bring. I can  
pack my Spiderman backpack with  
everything I need, my blanket, my  
bottlecaps, my sidewalk chalk, Mr.  
Monkey and his pets-

INCA ROSE

Sidewalk chalk is a good idea, but don't forget your toothbrush, it's kinda like a sleepover.

MAXI

You should email Clarissa, so she can go too.

INCA ROSE

Great idea, I'll tell Miles and Clara to meet us there too.

PAPI comes in carrying COSMO, a two year old in diapers. COSMO has some toy in his hand and he is waving it around violently. PAPI straps him down in a high chair as the kids ambush him.

MAXI

You don't have to worry Papi, I have everything planned out. I can start packing after breakfast.

PAPI

(distracted)

That's good.

INCA ROSE

You don't have to start packing yet, but we can start making a list of the things we are going to bring.

MAXI

Ok

PAPI

Wait, what are you guys talking about?

INCA ROSE

Chubbles: The Movie opens this Friday.

PAPI

Ohhh kay.... and?

MAXI

And we are going to be first in line to see it, that's why we have to stay up all night and camp out at the theater.

INCA ROSE  
Yeah, and I'll make sure Maxi  
doesn't take anything crazy.

PAPI  
Well, I appreciate that, but what  
movie is it?

INCA ROSE  
Chubbles: The Movie.

MAXI  
In 3D!

PAPI  
Chubbles? Like that game on the  
phone?

INCA ROSE  
Yes, they made a movie out of it,  
and it's going to be EPIC!

MAXI  
EPIC! in 3D.

PAPI  
How did they make a movie out of  
that game? All you do is shoot  
those marshmallow guys around the  
screen knocking things down.

INCA ROSE  
Yeah, but in the movie they are  
going to finally reveal WHY you are  
knocking things down... And nobody  
has leaked any spoilers yet. I  
read in the comments on the trailer  
that most people think that the  
movie will either be EPIC, or an  
EPIC FAIL... But I think it will be  
EPIC!

MAXI  
In 3D!

PAPI walks over the the refrigerator, opens it and starts  
poking around in the mess looking for something. INCA and  
MAXI follow.

PAPI  
Maxi, stop saying 'in 3D', it's a  
2D game.

INCA ROSE  
But the movie is in 3D.

PAPI finds what he is looking for and closes the door. On the front of the door are a bunch of alphabet refrigerator magnets. He grabs 2 letter D's and puts them in the center.

PAPI  
I understand that, but I have a feeling that, in 2D, the movie is going to be (dragging more letters over) D,D,U,M,B. and adding an extra D is not going to make it any better.

INCA ROSE  
Rude.

PAPI  
Go sit down and finish your breakfast.

MAXI  
Ok, then I'll start packing.

PAPI  
Why do you guys even think that it's going to sell out.

INCA ROSE  
Because it's the best game ever!

MAXI  
It's the best game I ever played in my whole life.

PAPI  
Yeah, well, Rock, Paper, Scissors is a fun game, but I wouldn't want to go see the movie.

A THOUGHT BUBBLE pops up over COSMO's head and we zoom into it. INCA and MAXI are facing off playing Rock, Paper, Scissors. "1, 2, 3, shoot!" MAXI throws Paper, and INCA does Scissors. INCA ROSE's hand turns into a big pair of cartoon scissor blades. She cuts off MAXI's hand at the wrist and he feigns pain in an overly dramatic way which ends in a giggle. He shakes it off and is back to normal. They go again, "1, 2, 3, shoot!" INCA throws Scissors again and this time MAXI does Rock. INCA winces in anticipation as MAXI's hand turns into a huge boulder. He winds up and flattens INCA like a pancake. MAXI raises his hands in

triumph and a 'POP' is heard as COSMO's THOUGHT BUBBLE dissolves and we rejoin the conversation.

INCA ROSE

-but we have to go to the movie.

PAPI

We can talk about it later. I have a full day ahead, I have chores to do, I need to call a client, I have work to do, and we are going to start learning Spanish today.

INCA ROSE

Ok.

PAPI

Are you done eating?

MAXI

Yes.

INCA ROSE

Yes.

PAPI

OK, put your dishes in the sink, go upstairs, and find a notebook and something to write. (They head to the kitchen with their dishes.) Oh, and bring down your dirty clothes.

COSMO is in his highchair eating dry cereal and drinking from a sippy cup. PAPI grabs a cordless phone and starts dialing. The kids head back in from the kitchen.

PAPI

I'm about to be on a work call, keep it down and don't bother me.

INCA ROSE

What if it's an emergency?

PAPI

It won't be.

MAXI

What if it is?

PAPI

(distractedly)

If it's an emergency, dial 911.

MAXI

Ok.

The person he is calling answers the phone.

PAPI

Hi, is mr. Wallace there? Yes, we have an 8 o'clock meeting about the website changes. Sure, I'll hold... (he puts his hand over receiver)  
MAXI!

MAXI

What?

PAPI

I was just joking about calling 911... Never dial 911.

MAXI

Ok.

PAPI

I was just- (he holds up a finger to MAXI and speaks into the phone) Yes, I'm here... Ok, would he rather call me back? No that's fine, I'll... Hold. (looks up to see MAXI gone, hand over receiver)  
MAXI!

MAXI

What?

PAPI

I didn't really mean never dial 911, I just meant, you only dial 911 when it a real serious emergency.

MAXI

Like if the house is on fire?

PAPI

Yes, that would be a serious emerg- (to phone) No, I'm still here. (hold's up a finger to MAXI, who is gone.) Maybe we should just reschedule... I understand that it's important to him, he's the one that scheduled the meeting... Ok... Ok. (hand over the receiver) MAXI!

MAXI

What?

PAPI

When I said dial 911 if the house is on fire, I meant after you got out of the house. If the house is on fire, get out of the house, then go to the neighbors and dial 911.

MAXI

Ok.

PAPI

Remove yourself from the- (to phone) Still here... Thursday is good for me, but I thought this meeting was important... Right... Ok... How much longer do you think he'll be? No, maybe I should just hold a little longer. (he looks up to see MAXI gone, he puts his hand over the receiver) MAXI!

MAXI

What?

PAPI

If there is an adult around, and you need to dial 911, let them do it... So in the fire example, get out of the house, go to the neighbors and ask them to dial 911.

MAXI

Ok.

PAPI

Do you understand?

MAXI

I think so.

PAPI

Yeah, I wasn't really all that clear... To recap, only call 911 if it is an extreme emergency and you are in a safe place, and there are no adults around to help.

MAXI

Got it... I just have one question.

PAPI  
What's that?

MAXI  
What's 911?

PAPI stares blankly at MAXI for a second and then abruptly turns back to the phone.

PAPI  
Hello Mr. Wallace, no I wasn't  
waiting long... Quite alright...

INT. KID'S ROOM - LATER

PAPI walks in to find the kids building some structure on the floor, he hands out small pocket sized books to INCA and MAXI.

PAPI  
Time to learn some español. I got  
us these phrase books to help us  
learn Spanish. If we each just  
learn a couple phrases a day, by  
the end of the summer, we'll be  
able to talk to anybody about  
anything.

The kids sit up and start looking through the book.

PAPI  
Ok, section 1, travel. repeat this  
after me. Pear-don, meh pweday  
ah-you-dar ah en-con-trar la  
esta-see-own day tren? (Perdón, ¿me  
puede ayudar a encontrar la  
estación de tren?)

MAXI  
What does that mean?

PAPI  
It means, 'Excuse me, can you help  
me find the train station?'.  
Let's try it again, together this  
time.

INCA ROSE  
When are we going to be going to a  
train station?

PAPI  
Well... Train stations are more  
(MORE)



PAPI (CONT'D)

common in Europe, but I understand what your trying to say... A lot of these phrase books are written for travellers, maybe we should skip the travel section and find something more conversational.  
 (PAPI thumbs back to the index)  
 Here, chapter 5, small talk... OK.  
 (Charging in) Key-en es to per-sohn-eh fahv-reeto day Seinfeld?(¿Quién es tu personaje favorito de Seinfeld?)

MAXI

What does that mean?

PAPI

Well... Huh. It means, 'Who is your favorite character on Seinfeld?'

INCA ROSE

What's Seinfeld?

PAPI

It's uh... It's a 20 year old TV show, and I'm starting to understand why I got such a great deal when I bought these online. (starts thumbing through the rest of the book) I'm not so sure that these books are going to be that helpful... Ooh this is good, you'll be hearing a lot of this one.

INCA ROSE

What?

PAPI

See-en tah-tay eee kai-uh-tay (Title appears - sientate y callate)

INCA ROSE

What does that mean?

PAPI

Page 42, at the top.

Inca flips to the page in the book, a title appears, "Sit Down and Shut Up!"

INCA ROSE

Rude.

PAPI turns to wander out of the room.

PAPI

M.C. Hammer? Really!?!

The kids go back to playing.

INT. LIVINGROOM - LATER

PAPI standing in the living room looking a little lost.

PAPI

What's next? ... Oh yeah,  
laundry.

He starts walking to the right, then stops and turns back to the left. He remembers something and stops short. He looks up to the second floor and yells to the kids.

PAPI

I told you guys to get your dirty  
laundry down here over an hour ago!  
I want it down here right now!

PAPI is looking around, still unsure of what to do next. We running feet off-screen and then it starts raining dirty clothes all around and on top of PAPI

INT. KID'S ROOM - LATER

PAPI has the kids sitting on the floor with their legs crossed. He is standing at a kids art easel drawing with a whiteboard marker.

PAPI

Ok, the translation books did not  
really work out for us, but I found  
out an interesting fact while I was  
doing research. It turns out that  
you only need to know about 1000  
words in a language to be able to  
hold a basic conversation with a  
native speaker.

MAXI

1000 words?! That's too many!

PAPI

It seems like a lot, but we have the whole summer to learn them, and when you do the math, it's only really 10 new words a day. We can learn ten words a day, can't we?

INCA ROSE

I guess so...

PAPI

Great! It's actually better than that, because, I also realized something else... you already know a lot of Spanish words.

MAXI

No we don't.

PAPI starts writing the word 'Mosquito' on the board.

PAPI

Oh really? What is the spanish word for mosquito?

MAXI

I don't know.

PAPI

I think you do.

MAXI

I do not! I have never heard the Spanish word for mosquito, not in infinity years plus one!

PAPI hides the board with his body and starts writing. The kids are leaning to see what he is writing. He moves to reveal the word 'mosquito' written a second time.

PAPI

Mosquito in Spanish is mosquito. It's the same words.

MAXI

That's not fair.

PAPI

Actually, there are a lot of words that are spelled the same way in Spanish. Some are pronounced the same, and some are pronounced a little differently, like for

(MORE)

PAPI (CONT'D)

instance...

Well, I found a list of over 800, but most of them are words you would never use, so I chopped it down to about 200 and put them on this page. (Papi hands copies to INCA and MAXI)

MAXI

PAPI writes the word 'general' on the board.

MAXI

General!

PAPI

That's right Maxi, and in Spanish it is spelled the same way but it is pronounced Hen-er-al.... So it's a little different if you are speaking it or hearing it, but if you are reading it, you know what it means already.

INCA ROSE

That's cool how many words are there?

PAPI

That's a lot of words.

PAPI

Yes, but they are words you already know, and when we get these down we only need to learn about 7 words a day.

INCA ROSE

This seems like cheating.

PAPI

It's not cheating, you were going to have to learn these words anyway, I'm just grouping the easier words at the front.

INCA ROSE

... OK then... I learn 200 Spanish words today... I think that's enough. (she gets up and leaves)

MAXI  
Me too, bye...

MAXI runs out leaving PAPI staring at Cosmo. He picks up Cosmo.

PAPI  
How about you? You wanna learn-  
(PAPI makes a face) whew, what's  
Spanish for stinky diaper?

INT. BREAKFAST TABLE - LATER

INCA, MAXI, and COSMO are sitting around the table waiting for lunch.

PAPI (O.S.)  
Did you guys wash your hands?

INCA ROSE & MAXI  
Yes.

PAPI (O.S.)  
With soap and water?

MAXI  
Yes.

PAPI (O.S.)  
I only heard one 'yes'.

MAXI  
Inca!

PAPI (O.S.)  
Inca Rose, did you wash your hands  
with soap and water?

INCA ROSE  
No.

INCA trudges out of the frame. COSMO is banging a cup on his high chair.

MAXI  
Is it ready yet?

PAPI (O.S.)  
Almost.

MAXI  
Cosmo is really hungry.

PAPI (O.S.)  
Well, keep him entertained for a few more minutes.

MAXI  
How do I do that? He doesn't understand jokes.

PAPI comes in from the kitchen.

PAPI  
Sure he does, you just have to give him a clue about when to laugh... Cosmo, What do you call a robot that paddles a canoe? (COSMO is looking at him, but not reacting) A Roooow bot! (PAPI slaps himself on top of his bald head, and COSMO starts laughing. He looks over to MAXI staring blankly back at him.) Get it?

MAXI  
I don't get it.

PAPI  
A roooooowbot... (PAPI makes an exaggerated rowing motion with his arms)

MAXI  
Ohhhh, I get it..... but it's not funny.

PAPI  
Not funny?!? Let me tell you something, I know funny, I worked with funny, funny was a friend of mine... And that joke sir, is funny.

MAXI stares back at him.

MAXI  
Not funny.

PAPI feigning exasperation, heads back to the kitchen as INCA return

PAPI  
Did you wash your hands?

INCA ROSE

Yes.

PAPI (O.S.)

With soap?

INCA ROSE

Yes.

PAPI (O.S.)

And water?

INCA ROSE

(annoyed.)

Yes.

PAPI (O.S.)

O.K. Lunch is ready!

PAPI comes in from the kitchen with a plate of grilled cheese sandwiches cut into triangles.

MAXI

I knew it was grilled cheese sandwiches! You know how I knew?

PAPI

Because I told you I was going to make grilled cheese sandwiches.

MAXI

No you didn't.

INCA ROSE

Yes he did.

MAXI

He did?

PAPI

Just because you didn't-

The phone rings and PAPI fumbles for his phone. He glances at it and answers with the speaker on. MAMI is checking in during her lunch break.

MAMI

Hello?

INCA ROSE & MAXI

Mami!

MAMI  
Hey guys, what are you doing?

MAXI  
(Talking with his mouth  
full)  
Eeggin rilld jeeese ramriches.

MAMI  
What?

PAPI  
He said, 'Eating grilled cheese  
sandwiches'

MAMI  
Oh, that sound's yummy.

PAPI  
How's your day going?

MAMI  
Busy... I'm going to try and get  
out a little early today.

PAPI  
That sound's good.

MAMI  
What have you guys been doing?

MAXI  
We've been learning Spanish!

INCA ROSE & PAPI  
MAXI!

MAMI  
What?

MAXI  
(realizing what he has  
done)  
...nothing...

MAMI  
Did you say you've been learning  
Spanish? (no response) Hello?

PAPI  
Yeah, we're here. We spent a  
little time learning some Spanish  
words this morning.



MAMI  
That's cool, what words did you  
learn?

INCA ROSE  
Banana and piano.

MAXI  
Taxi and radio.

INCA ROSE  
Animal and hospital.

MAMI  
Guys... All those words are spelled  
the same way in Spanish and  
English.

INCA ROSE  
I know, isn't it cool?

MAMI  
Well... yeah, but... Ok.

PAPI  
Right. So Mami, we'll let you get  
back to work... we love you.

INCA ROSE & MAXI  
Love you.

MAMI  
Ok, bye. (click)

INCA and PAPI are looking at MAXI with exasperation on their  
face.

MAXI  
What?

PAPI  
What?!? Spoiler Max strikes again,  
that's what. It was supposed to be  
a secret... And you told the one  
person that it was supposed to be a  
secret from.

MAXI  
Oh yeah, sorry.

INCA ROSE  
So that means we don't have to  
learn Spanish, right?

PAPI

Wrong! We're still going to learn Spanish, but we're going to do it for us, not just to surprise Mami.

INCA ROSE

Give me one good reason why I should learn Spanish.

PAPI

I already gave you three, remember? And you don't need a reason, you know why? Because we are a family of learners, we love to learn. You never know when or where you are going to use the things you learn, but everything you learn broadens your horizons and colors the way you see the world around you. It opens doors and bridges chasms... It is the roadmap to your destiny!

INCA ROSE

I don't buy it.

PAPI

(beaten)

... Papi's rule #37: Learners are earners. The more you learn, the more you earn. You do like money, don't you?

INCA ROSE

Now you're talkin' Why didn't you say that in the first place?

PAPI

Eat your lunch.

INT. KITCHEN - LATER

PAPI is washing dishes, INCA wanders in.

INCA ROSE

I have printed out the movie times for Friday for all the theaters showing Chubbles: The movie, and I have circled all the opening times.

PAPI

That's very industrious of you.

INCA ROSE

The first showing is at 8:15AM at the westwood 8.

PAPI

Yeah, we're not going to that one, what next?

INCA ROSE

We have to go to that one, the next showing isn't until 10:10AM.

PAPI

Yeah, well the westwood is on the other side of town, it's twenty miles away, There are 15 movie theatres between here and there. Pick one of those.

INCA ROSE

But if we wait until 10:10, the people who go to the 8:15 show will be out already.

PAPI

Yeah...

INCA ROSE

And they'll have a full 2 hours to post their reviews online before I can.

PAPI

... While I love your enthusiasm about your blog, I think your loyal readers can wait a few hours for your review...

INCA ROSE

First matters Papi.

PAPI

OK Woodward and Bernstein, but it's thinking like that, that killed print journalism. I think you should focus more on quality than speed. If you want to get something up fast, review the movie trailer.

INCA ROSE

Great idea.

INCA rockets out of the kitchen.

INT. LIVINGROOM - LATER

PAPI is folding clothes. INCA and MAXI are supposed to be helping, but they put COSMO in the laundry basket and are pushing him around the living room. The phone rings and PAPI looks at it. He recognizes the number and motions to the kids.

PAPI

Hey, keep it down, this is a work call.

Things quiet down, but only a little, as PAPI answers.

PAPI

Hello, this is Keith... Yes, as a matter of fact, I'm working your website right now... yep... Uh-huh... You know, I'm not really sure when to use an em dash instead of a regular dash... Yeah... You want me to change all the dashes to em dashes?... ok, just on the services page... Now? Yeah, I guess I could do it now... (he folds another t-shirt, INCA stops to look at him) Ok, I just changed it... (INCA looks at him funny) Not yet? Clear your cache... (PAPI gives INCA a funny look back, she returns to pushing COSMO) Still not? Well, sometimes it take's a while for the name servers to propagate... Yeah. Happy to help.

PAPI hangs up and continues folding t-shirts. INCA comes to a stop in front of him.

INCA ROSE

Papi, what are name servers?

PAPI

They are... just something I tell to people who don't know what name servers are when I want to stop talking to them...

INCA ROSE

I don't get it.

COSMO has tipped over the basket and is crawling out.

PAPI  
Inca Rose?

INCA ROSE  
What?

PAPI  
Name Servers.

INCA ROSE  
Rude... (she wanders off)

PAPI continues folding shirts, lost in thought... BING! A light bulb appears over his head... His mind is racing, he is looking around...

PAPI  
MAXI! INCA ROSE!

The sound of running feet, and INCA and MAXI's heads pop over the 2nd floor railing.

INCA ROSE & MAXI  
What?

PAPI  
I figured it out, Maxi, get me a black marker, Inca, go to my office and grab as many sticky notes as you can find and meet me down here in two minutes.

INCA ROSE & MAXI  
Why?

PAPI  
Go!

They scatter, PAPI flips up the laundry basket up and piles all the folded and unfolded back in the basket to make space.

CUT TO:

INT. KID'S ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

MAXI going through art supplies and grabbing markers.

CUT TO:

INT. HOME OFFICE - MOMENTS LATER

INCA grabbing different colored stacks of sticky notes.

CUT TO:

INT. PANTRY - MOMENTS LATER

COSMO is stuffing socks behind a shelf.

CUT TO:

INT. LIVINGROOM - MOMENTS LATER

PAPI is thumbing through a Spanish Vocabulary book. The kids come screeching back into the room with their supplies.

INCA ROSE

What is this for?

PAPI

I've been trying to work out the best way to learn Spanish, We tried phrase books and flash cards. I thought about audio tapes, but everyone knows the best way to learn a foreign language... Immersion.

MAXI

What's that?

PAPI

That means to surround yourself with something... So if you were going to learn Spanish, you might move to Mexico City where everyone speaks Spanish. You would be immersed in the language and you would have to learn it.

INCA ROSE

Are you saying we're moving to Mexico City?

MAXI

I don't want to move to Mexico City!

PAPI

We're not moving to Mexico City, that is just one example of immersion. The important part is that the best way to learn a language is to surround yourself

(MORE)

PAPI (CONT'D)

with it, and this (he grabs a pad of sticky notes from INCA) and this. (he grabs a marker from MAXI, and walks over to the front door) What do you call this?

INCA ROSE

A door.

PAPI

Right, and in Spanish it's called a poo-wear-ta (puerta) (he sets the book down and writes 'Puerta' on an orange sticky note and sticks it to the front door) This way, anytime we walk out the door, we will see that and be reminded what the spanish word for door is. How many days of seeing that would it be before you knew the spanish word for door without thinking about it? (the kids stare back at him.)

Ok, I see what you're saying, 'why do I care about one word in Spanish?'... But that's where the immersion comes in, because I'm not going to just put a sticky note on the door... We! We are going to put them on everything... We are going to do immersion with Sticky Note, which I am calling, 'Stickimmersion!' (the kids stare back at him.)

Here Maxi, (he scribbles something on the a note and holds it out) Put this on the staircase. (MAXI reaches out grabs it and sprints away) Inca! (he glances down at the book, and scribbles away) Put this on the refrigerator. (she takes it and walks away)

MONTAGE

Music plays under the montage, speeding up while it goes.

A) Series of shots of PAPI writing different Spanish words

B) MAXI running and sticking a yellow note on the dinner

table.

- C) INCA ROSE putting a green note on the couch
- D) PAPI writing more notes on different colored pads
- E) MAXI Sticks a note on the fireplace
- F) INCA ROSE sticking a note on the toilet
- G) COSMO walks by and we see a pink sticky note on the butt of his diaper that says, "foochi". A title comes on that says, "Stinky".

INT. LIVINGROOM - LATER

They are exhausted, sitting on the couch, hundreds of colored sticky notes on every visible surface.

MAXI

That is EPIC! (they all smile approvingly)

INCA ROSE

I wonder what Mami is going to think when she sees it.

PAPI sits straight up with a 'Oh no, I'm gonna be in trouble...' look on his face. He looks around to all the mess they created, and then looks at his watch. Just then, we hear a door open off screen. PAPI winces.

INCA ROSE & MAXI

Mami!

The run off screen, COSMO trailing behind.

BLACKOUT