

INSTANT

Understanding

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My name is Magnolia. I go to a ward where we speak Spanish. One day Mia came to my Primary class. She speaks only English. I wanted to help Mia feel welcome, so I decided to help her. I would be her *interpreter!*

LOTS IN COMMON

We both just got baptized and confirmed. We both like music, especially hymns and Primary songs. We both like family home evening. And both of us like to read stories in the Friend and the Liahona.

KEEPING UP

At first it was hard to keep up when I was interpreting for Mia. Then the teachers slowed down to give me time. We all felt good that we could help Mia.

An interpreter translates words that someone is speaking into a different language.

GIVE US A HAND!

How do you show your love by helping others? Trace your hand and send us your story and photo, along with your parent's permission. Visit liahona.lds.org or email liahona@ldschurch.org.

WHISPERED HELP

My name is Mia. My parents speak Spanish, so we went to the Spanish-speaking ward. I couldn't understand what people were saying. Magnolia saw that I was frustrated. She moved over next to me and whispered English in my ear.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Tips from Mia and Magnolia:

If someone:

- Is new at church or school, help her feel welcome.
- Doesn't go to church very much, invite him to go with you.
- Is being bullied, stand up for her. Tell your teacher.
- Seems lonely, invite him to join you.
- Needs a friend, ask her to be your friend. With your parents' permission, invite her over to play.

If you speak more than one language, offer to interpret.

GOOD FRIENDS

After Primary, I asked Magnolia if she would be my friend. She said yes. From then on, Magnolia was my friend and my interpreter. She helped me make other friends too.

DO WHAT JESUS WOULD DO

Everyone can help people, just like Magnolia helped me. Pray. Heavenly Father will help you know who to help. It's just like the song, "If The Savior Stood Beside Me" (Friend, Oct. 1993, 14). We can try to do what Jesus would want us to do. ■