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# Activity Sheet



## A Birthday Basket for Tía

By Pat Mora, illustrated by Cecily Lang

Today is Tía's birthday! Cecilia wants to surprise her great-aunt, her Tía, with a very special present. But what could it be? Could it be Tía's favorite mixing bowl that she and Cecilia use to make delicious bizcochos, cookies? Could it be a ball like the one Tía played with as a little girl in Mexico? With the help of her mischievous cat, Chica, Cecilia plans the perfect surprise. And Tía has a very special surprise for Cecilia, too!

**Before you read** this book, practice the Spanish words carefully. Gather the supplies you will need to put together a birthday basket for Tía: basket, book, mixing bowl, flower pot, teacup, red ball, and flowers.

**While you read** this book have your child(ren) help you make up the birthday basket for Tía.

Point out the Spanish words and help your child(ren) understand that the words mean the same thing in English and Spanish.

**After you read** this book, if you can, bring in a piñata filled with surprises (small toys or candy).

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