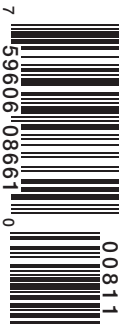


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That's right, it's me: America Chavez, exile of the Utopian Parallel and student at Sotomayor U. And I'm not new. I'm Teen Brigade, Young Avengers, and the Ultimates certified. You don't need to see I.D. I've got my own solo series now, *oíste?*

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LAST PLAYED:

So a while back, I started college with my old friend Prodigy, Sotomayor University, baby!

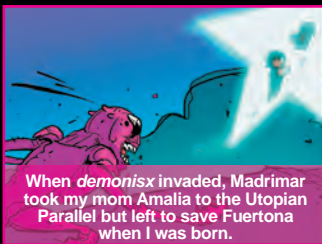


But then some luchador-looking old lady showed up using my portals as her calling card.

I needed a vacation—but ended up fighting to save an old crush from the Midas Corporation.



And then I found out Madrimar's my grandmother. She showed me her home—my home: Planeta Fuertona.



When *demonix* invaded, Madrimar took my mom Amalia to the Utopian Parallel but left to save Fuertona when I was born.



I haven't totally forgiven her. But family is family. And I haven't had that in a long time...

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★ DAYDREAM. REVEL IN JOY. THE WARMTH OF THE SUN BELONGS TO YOU.

I HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE JOYFUL. DESPITE ALL THE SAD, HARD BITS, IT'S ALL KIND OF AMAZING.



MADRIMAR GAVE ME PLANETA FUERTONA AND PIECES OF MY MOMS I'VE NEVER HAD BEFORE. I HAVE STORIES GREATER THAN ME!



SOY FUERTONA. SOY LATINA. SOY AMERICA.



AND I'M NOT ALONE ANYMORE.



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YOU'RE SOFT FOR INVITING ME TO DORM WITH YOU.

YOU'RE SOFTER FOR SAYING YES.

OBVIOUSLY.

DAVID, I FEEL LIGHTER. SOFTER IN MY SKIN EVEN. I'VE GOT ANOTHER PERSON IN THE WORLD THAT I'M ACTUALLY RELATED TO!



I...MIGHT TALK ABOUT THIS A LOT. LIKE, MORE THAN I'VE EVER TALKED ABOUT ANYTHING. EVER.

DO IT. I LIKE YOU LIKE THIS, CHAVEZ.



IT'S COMPLICATED, AND I'M ALSO FURIOUS WITH HER. BUT DUDE, MADPRIMAR IS EPIC. TOUGH, GENTLE, MYSTERIOUS AND STUFF--LIKE THE ABUELA OF MY DREAMS.

CHAVEZ, YOU'RE GLOWING. YOU'RE MAKING ME WANT TO CALL MY GRANDMA.



YOU GOT AN ABUELA, AND ALL WE GOT HERE WAS A NEW DEAN OF STUPENTS. BRIGHTLY SOMETHING.

¿DIMELO QUE?

DON'T YOU READ THE STUPENT EMAILS?

WAIT, OF COURSE YOU DON'T.



IT'S NBD. ANYWAY, IF YOU WANNA TALK MORE ABOUT FAMILY STUFF, I'M HERE.

THANK YOU, DAVID.

BIO FAMILY, CHOSEN FAMILY AND A ROOM NOT IN MY VAN. MAYBE IT'S ALL GONNA BE OKAY.



CHAVEZ, WELCOME BACK. I NEED YOU ON MY CAMPAIGN STAFF, STAT.

I'VE GOT ONE THING, THEN I'M ALL YOURS.



WHOA. TREEHOUSE APARTMENTS? I LOVE THIS SCHOOL.



AZÚCAR, YOU RUPE LITTLE DOG, GIVE AMERICA SOME SPACE.

AW, AZÚCAR! HI!

WELCOME BACK, AMERICA. YOU ALL RIGHT?



NOT REALLY, PROFESSOR DOUGLAS.

I KNOW YOU HELPED MADPRIMAR FIND ME. I'M GRATEFUL, AND I GET WHY YOU WEREN'T UP-FRONT WITH ME--BUT WE NEED TO BE ON THE LEVEL FROM NOW ON.

TE LO PROMETO. NO MORE SECRETS.



GOOD, 'CUZ I HAVE THE HISTORY OF FUERTONAS ROAMING AROUND IN MY HEAD, AND IT'S A LOT. IT'S WILD. AND YOU'RE, LIKE, THE PROFESSOR OF INTERGALACTIC ANCESTRY OR SOMETHING, SO...

INTERGALACTIC INDIGENOUS REVOLUTIONARIES, BUT YES, LET'S TALK. MEET ME FIRST THING TOMORROW MORNING, 10 A.M. ROOM #32.



I'LL BE THERE!



YOU ARE A SWEET ONE, AREN'T YOU, PROFESSOR DOUGLAS?

MMPF!