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Cenicienta: A Bilingual Cinderella Story Activity Sheet 1

In *Cenicienta*, Belinda wrote poems about her parents. Here are the first few lines of each poem.
The Spanish words are translated at the bottom.

Mi Mama

My mother is like a blanket.
She protects me
and keeps me calientita.
Mi Mama es como cristal.
Sharp, strict,
beautiful and delicate.

Mi Papa

My father is like a furnace,
even though sometimes
he can get too hot,
he always keeps the house warm with love.
Mi Papa es como almohada,
he comforts me when I am sad.

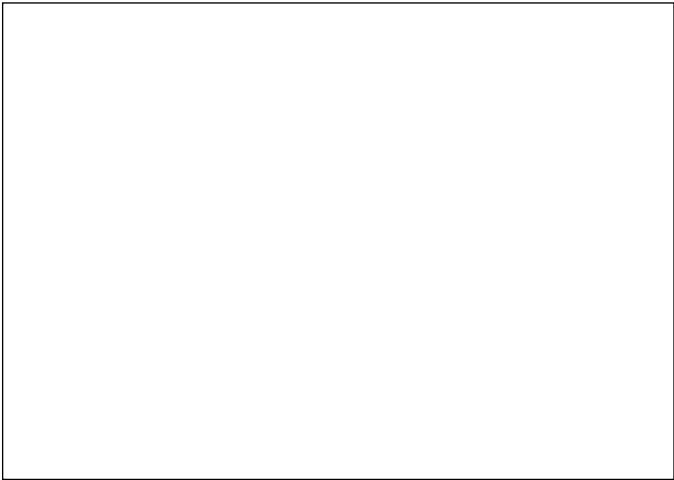**Spanish Vocabulary:** calientita: warm | cristal: crystal | almohada: pillow

Your turn!

**Use the space below and language you know best to compare someone
special in your life to an item or an object.**

Younger students
Draw a picture to match your poetic lines of text.

Older students
Continue your comparison poem for a few more lines.

My _____

is like _____

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My _____

is like _____

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Creating Your Own Cinderella Story
Now it's time for you to create your own Cinderella story. As a class or in groups, answer the questions below to make choices about the setting and characters in your Cinderella story. Then start writing!

Younger students should choose one scene (beginning, middle or end) to reimagine.

Older students should create a new version of the whole Cinderella story.

Challenge: Can you weave some words of a second language (real or imaginary) into your scene or story? How can you make sure your audience will understand this language when you perform?

Beginning	Middle	End
The hero is treated unfairly by the villain(s) and is helped out of a bad situation, usually by magic and/or animals.	The hero meets the famous/royal person but must leave.	The famous/royal person sees the hero for who they really are and they live happily ever after.

The Cinderella Story
Look over the table above to help you create your own Cinderella story. Then use the space below and language you know best to compare someone special in your life to an item or an object.

1. What part(s) of the story are you retelling? _____

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2. Where or when will your story take place (setting)? (*ex: ancient Rome, the Old West, Mars*) _____

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3. Who are the characters that will be in your version?

The hero: _____

The villain(s): _____

Magical Creature(s): _____

The famous or royal person the hero meets: _____

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