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**Task Title:** Un Amor Especial

**Theme:** Relationships

**Level:** Intermediate Low

**Focus Age Group:** 13+

**National Standards Goals:** Communication      Cultures

**Communicative Mode:** Interpersonal

**Time Frame:** Two class periods; 40 minutes each

**Description of Task:** Next week your sister's fiancé is coming to New Jersey on business and will take the opportunity to meet your family. Your sister will not be traveling with him. Therefore, you will need to help your parents communicate with him in Spanish. You decide to practice talking with a friend so that things go smoothly when he gets here. You have convinced a friend to work with you in exchange for help in math.

**Materials Needed:** Have rubrics ready to evaluate the students as well as any pre-speaking materials.

**Teacher Notes:** Students will need to be able to ask and answer questions that allow them to get to know someone on a personal level.

## Intermediate-low Interpersonal Rubric

	Exceeds	Meets Expectations	Does Not Meet Expectations
<p><b>How well do I communicate?</b> (Text Type)</p>	I create with the language by using strings of sentences.	I create with language by using simple sentences and some strings of sentences.	I use simple sentences, isolated words, and memorized phrases.
<p><b>How well am I understood?</b> (Comprehensibility)</p>	I am consistently understood.	I am generally understood.	I am understood with occasional difficulty.
<p><b>How well do I understand?</b> (Comprehension)</p>	My responses are mostly logical and on topic.	My responses are generally logical and on topic.	My responses are occasionally logical and on topic.
<p><b>What kind of vocabulary do I use?</b> (Language Use and Vocabulary)</p>	I use a wide range of vocabulary appropriate to the topic most of the time.	I use a range of vocabulary that accomplishes the task. However, occasionally I may use the wrong word or expression.	I use basic vocabulary and resort to English when I am unable to communicate my message.
<p><b>How well do I keep the conversation going?</b> (Communication Strategies)</p>	I ask and answer questions to maintain the conversation and to clarify. At times, I paraphrase to make myself understood.	I maintain a simple conversation by asking some questions, but I don't ask for clarification.	I respond to basic, direct questions, and ask simple questions.