



# COLLEGE MOM

## **SERIES BIBLE**

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# LOGLINE

**Macarena Muñoz, 40's, faithfully married, a mother of three children, decides to go after the dream she had prior to raising a family:  
GOING BACK TO COLLEGE.**

**IMAGINE SOFIA VERGARA  
GOING BACK TO SCHOOL!**







# SHOW DESCRIPTION

This is a one-hour, single-camera English dramedy series.  
8 to 13 episodes designed for multi-seasons (TV or streaming).

Based on the hit TV show "*Mama Mechona*".  
This format is from Chile and has run in Mexico,  
El Salvador, Ecuador, Malaysia, Brunei  
and Singapore.

# TONE/COMPS

This show has a Latin "flavor" like  
*Jane the Virgin*, *Ugly Betty*  
and *American family*.





# SYNOPSIS

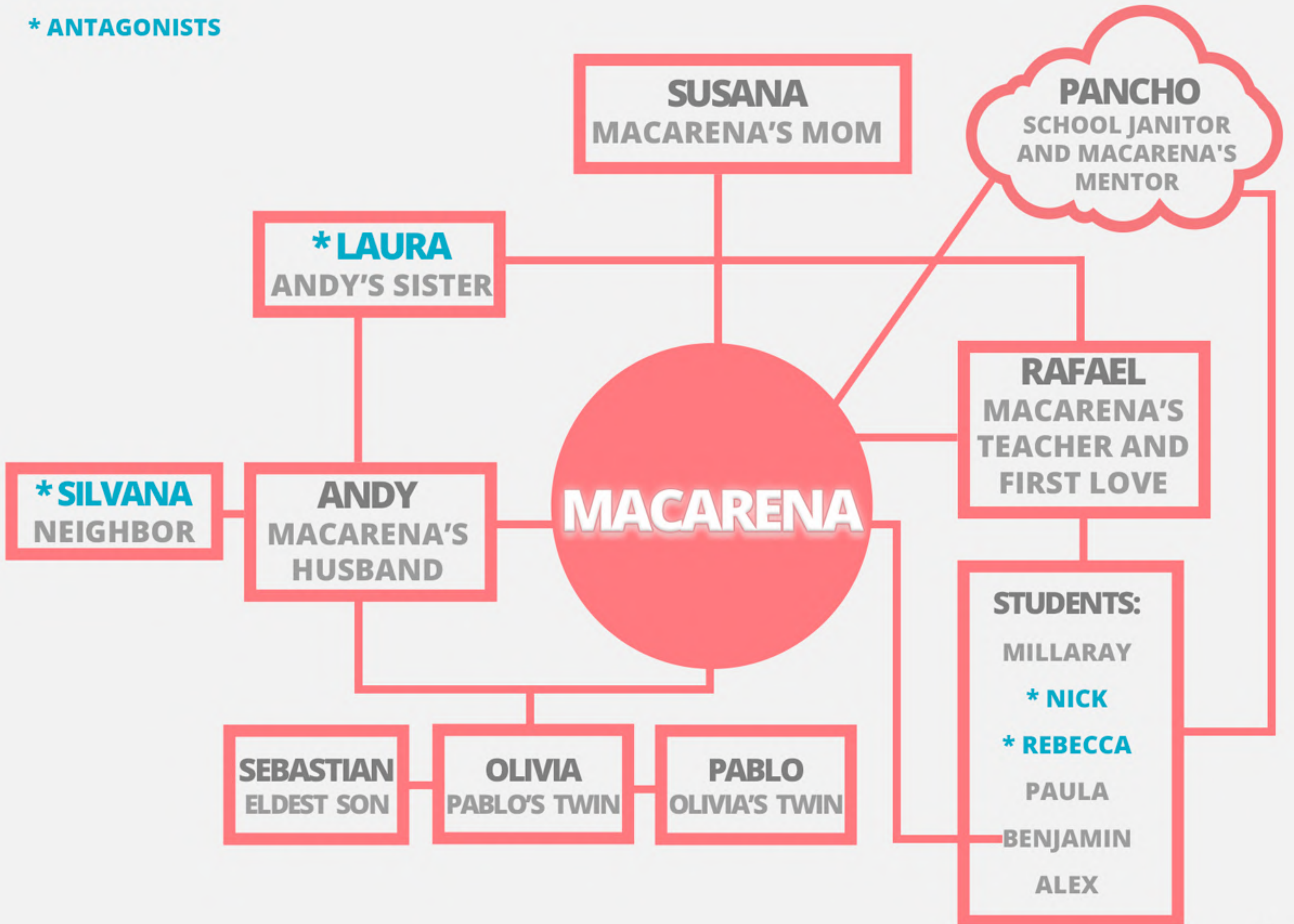
Macarena Muñoz has happily devoted her life to her husband and 3 children; but her husband is always busy with work and her kids — who are 18 and 16 — avoid her.

Consequently, she feels lonely. Macarena feels something is missing—she lacks purpose. So, she decides to go back to school to get a degree as a nurse.

She struggles finding balance as a mom, wife and student, finds new friends and some enemies in school and runs into her first love who happens to be her professor.



**\* ANTAGONISTS**





## ● MAIN CHARACTERS

# MACARENA MUÑOZ - JOHNSON

LEAD, MOM/COLLEGE STUDENT

LIFE MOTTO

**"KNOWLEDGE IS POWER."**

### DESCRIPTION:

Macarena Muñoz: 40s, has selflessly dedicated her life to her family. She devoted herself to raise her kids and they don't need her in the same way anymore. She is the kind of person who is always trying to accommodate to everyone else's needs. She is a 'yes' person—she can't say 'no' to her family. She never puts her own needs first. For example, she would cancel her Pilates class if her kid forgot his soccer equipment for practice. She is extremely energetic, excessively organized and believes she is "wrong" most of the time. She's the organizer in the family.

Macarena is street-smart, but she lacks confidence due to being a stay-at home mom most of the time. This is her everyday struggle and what she has to overcome. She feels insecure about being intelligent enough to pass the college exams. And because she feels that younger students have better memories, she also feels she missed her opportunity to go back to school. In actuality, she is more brilliant, smarter and savvier than she gives herself credit for.

Unfortunately, she is insecure and is always comparing herself to the rest of her neighbors and thus gets easily frustrated. Whenever there's something she doesn't like, she makes it known silently or through her facial expressions. Throughout the series, she studies, learns and gains more confidence. Like a lot of women in today's society, she struggles to find balance in all she does—being a good mom, wife and student. The juggling of her private life, going back school and fighting for her individuality are a constant challenge.

By the end of the show, she learns to say "no" to others in order to fulfill her personal needs; and by doing so, she gains self-esteem and confidence.





## ● MAIN CHARACTERS

# ANDY JOHNSON

CO-LEAD/MACARENA'S HUSBAND

LIFE MOTTO

**"IF IT AIN'T BROKE, DON'T FIX IT."**

### DESCRIPTION:

Andy Johnson, 40s, is a Caucasian, all-American man, born and raised in Texas. His wife doesn't describe him as gringo but "gringuisimo". He doesn't quite understand Macarena's Latino "loudness," but he loves her passion. He is completely satisfied with what he has. He married a sweet woman, and they have three children - which was his dream. It doesn't even cross his mind that his wife might not share this same feeling.

His response towards Macarena's dreams is not sexist, he just has a conservative mindset and is a bit naïve. He doesn't any know better. If Andy wants to save his marriage, he'll have to support his wife's dreams.

Andy is blue-collar, middle-class, owns his own restaurant and works hard to support the family. Even though he doesn't understand Macarena's decision to go to college at this time in her life, he keeps his opinions to himself because of his immense love for her.

**IMAGINE ETHAN SUPLEE  
AS THE HUSBAND!**





## ● MAIN CHARACTERS

### **RAFAEL**

#### CO-LEAD/MACARENA'S FIRST LOVE

##### LIFE MOTTO

**"LIFE IS CHANGE, MOVEMENT AND EVOLUTION."**

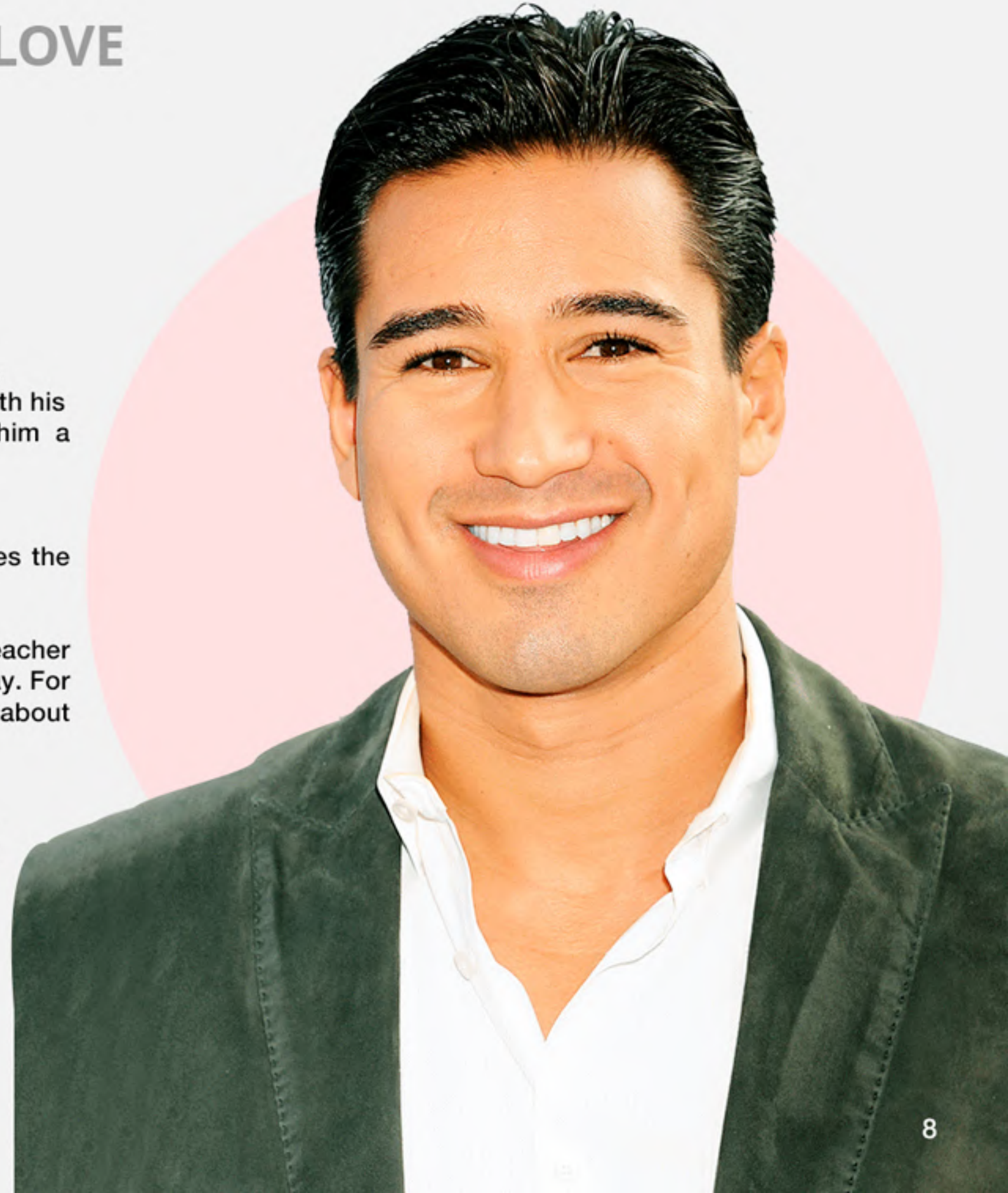
##### DESCRIPTION:

Rafael, 40's, is a free-spirited guy who is afraid of commitment. He is a passionate teacher who loves sharing his knowledge with his students... not to mention the summer break that allows him a 3-month vacation to travel the world.

He thinks outside the box and lives outside social norms and conventionalities. He trusts his instincts and ideas. He believes the concept of a soulmate is ridiculous and outdated.

He would never in a million years imagine that his job as a teacher would lead him to reunite with Macarena—the one that got away. For the first time in his life, this makes him question his theories about love and commitment.

**IMAGINE MARIO LOPEZ  
AS HER FIRST-LOVE!**





## ● ANTAGONIST

# LAURA

CO-LEAD / MACARENA'S SISTER-IN-LAW

LIFE MOTTO

**"I CAN'T BE THE WOMAN OF YOUR LIFE BECAUSE I'M ALREADY THE WOMAN OF MINE."**

### DESCRIPTION:

Laura, 40, is the dean of the college and she helps Macarena get accepted to the university. She is also Andy's sister. Despite the two women being best friends and more like sisters than sisters-in-law, Laura becomes Macarena's nemesis when she finds out Macarena used to date Rafael.

Laura likes to wear a lot of make-up. She devotes herself almost exclusively to her professional aspirations. She is an intelligent woman who finds working more appealing than having a family.

Laura never felt the need of having a man by her side, much less having children. But as she gets to know Rafael, the newest faculty member, she realizes that by dating him, she is able to forget even the most fundamental of her convictions—that work overrides having a family.

Laura doesn't even imagine that her greatest threat and challenge will be none other than her sister-in-law, Macarena. Laura will not only try to defend her relationship with Rafael, but she will also defend her brother's marriage.

**IMAGINE LAURA PREPON AS  
HER SISTER-IN-LAW!**





## ● THE FAMILY

# SEBASTIAN

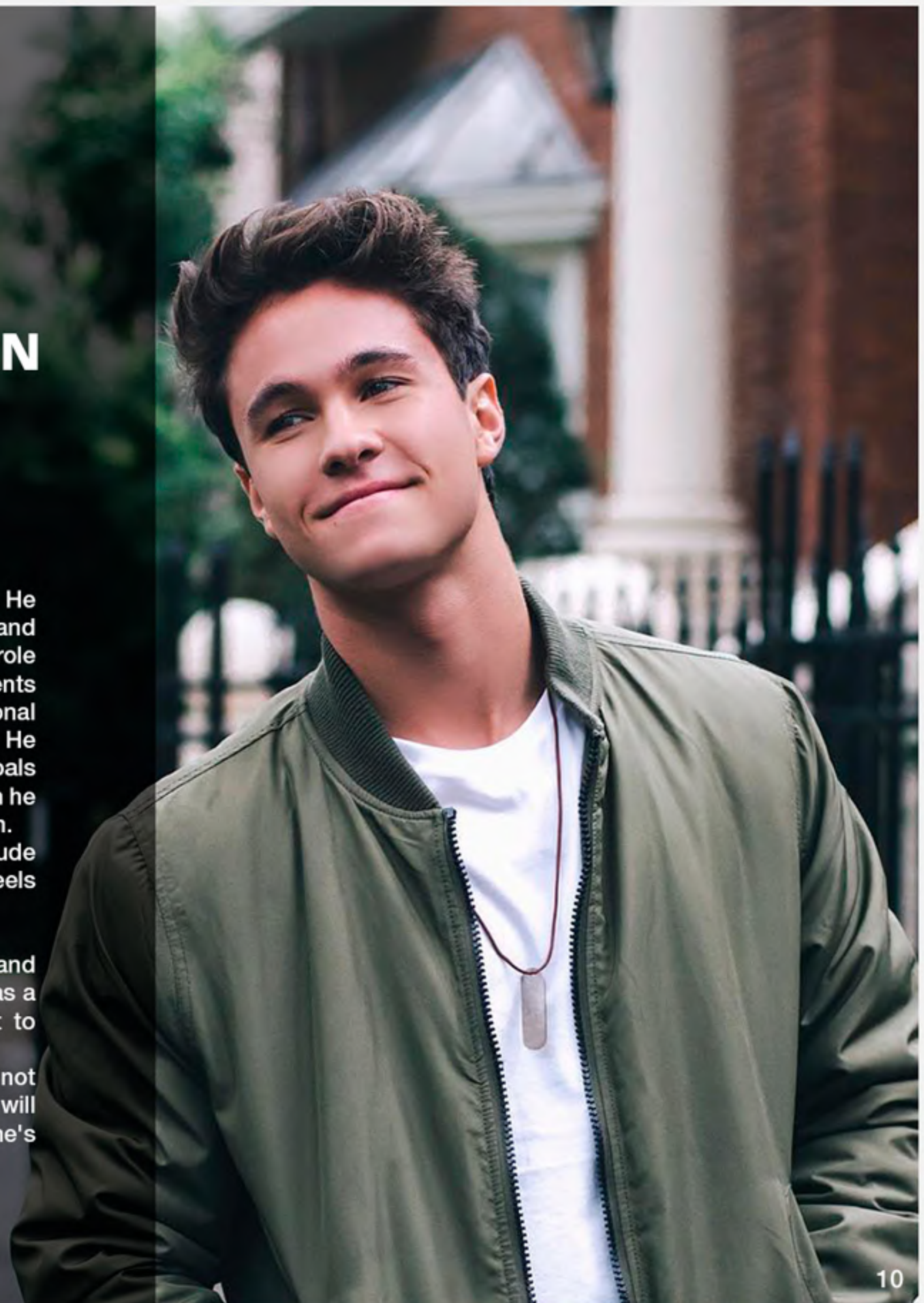
## MACARENA'S ELDEST SON

LIFE MOTTO  
**"I'M RIGHT. YOU'RE WRONG."**

### DESCRIPTION:

Sebastian, early 18's, is a very rational and direct young man. He is studying to become an engineer. He is very independent and quite responsible — characteristics that make him the perfect role model within the family. He is usually the right hand of his parents and the perfect example to his siblings. Sebastian is traditional and structured in his personal and professional aspirations. He wants a conventional family and a solid career. Sadly, these goals and purposes make him an outcast to his generation. Although he is aware of this, it's not in his DNA "to change" in order to fit in. Although at heart he is a noble and good person, he can be rude and somewhat prejudiced. He tends to be defensive and feels that he is always right.

He is surprised by his mother's decision to go back to school, and he is definitely against it. He argues that Macarena already has a full life and he does not understand what led her to want to change everything. Also, he is worried that deep down, this experience may be too much for his mother, that her peers will not treat her well, and that the demands of starting a new career will end up taking his mom away from him. Underneath it all, he's mostly worried that his mother might get hurt with this new endeavor.





## ● THE FAMILY

# OLIVIA

## MACARENA'S DAUGHTER / PABLO'S TWIN

LIFE MOTTO  
"I'M NOT A GIRL ANYMORE"

### DESCRIPTION:

Olivia, 16, is a rising diva. She is funny and has an adventurous spirit. She has a vivid imagination and invents crazy stories to be the center of attention amongst her friends, making her the most popular girl in school. Her reputation is about to crumble when rumors surface that some of her boyfriends and parties she claimed to attend were fake. That's when Olivia decides to sneak into her mother's college and gain real experiences.

Olivia has a crush on one of her mother's classmates, lies about her age and pretends to have a new personality, even though he is egocentric and ignores and rejects her. She knows her parents would not approve of her "double life" so Olivia keeps her plans, ideas and dreams to herself. The problem is that her lies begin to pile up. She finds out the hard way that if you play with fire, you will get burned.







## ● THE FAMILY

# PABLO

**MACARENA'S SON /  
OLIVIA'S TWIN**

LIFE MOTTO

**"BETTER TO ASK FORGIVENESS  
THAN TO ASK PERMISSION."**

### **DESCRIPTION:**

At 16, Pablo's personality is a combination of the most recurrent stereotypes of any teenager – nonconformist, loose, pathetic and irresponsible. It looks like nothing phases him. He's only motivated to hang with his friends, have a good time, study as little as possible, find a way to circumvent parental restrictions and at the slightest opportunity, give some kind of pleasure to his raging hormones. Pablo's only hobbies are the C-Walk and electronic music. Needless to say, he is an aspiring DJ.

Pablo is the only one in the family who is proud and happy with his mother's decision—partly for her own benefit, but more importantly, because he doesn't have to worry about her if she is busy. That said, he makes excuses to go out and do whatever he wants, hoping that perhaps having her as an excuse will give him more freedom. By the end of the first season, he starts liking a young man and realizes he is gay.



## ● THE FAMILY

# SUSANA

**MOTHER OF THE MACARENA AND GRANDMOTHER  
(ABUELITA) OF HER CHILDREN**

**LIFE MOTTO**  
**"ES MEJOR TENER UN PÁJARO EN MANO  
QUE CIEN VOLANDO."**

**LOOSELY TRANSLATED:**  
**"IT IS MORE IMPORTANT TO FOCUS ON ONE THING THAN TO  
HAVE YOUR ATTENTION ON A LOT."**

## **DESCRIPTION:**

Susana, 70, loves sharing news on Facebook and criticizing people all day long. She is very judgmental with everyone, especially her daughter, Macarena. It doesn't help that she lives with them.

She is old-school and never attended college because she had to raise 8 children. Macarena is the youngest. Susana speaks Spanish with her daughter (we will use subtitles to translate) and Spanglish to Andy. She loves spicy food and hides a chile pepper plant on the balcony.







## ● THE STUDENTS:

### **MILLARAY** NURSING STUDENT / MACARENA'S FRIEND

LIFE MOTTO

**"I LIVE EVERY DAY AS IF WERE MY LAST."**

### **DESCRIPTION:**

Millaray, 19, is a very special girl – free, safe, relaxed and messy. She is positive, intelligent and charismatic. She is an activist and a born leader who, with her charm, manages to get everyone to follow her in her adventures and defend the causes she fights for. She comes from the Independent Republic of Punta Arenas and is embracing this whole new lifestyle in America. Millaray wants to embrace every possible experience during her time in college. She earned a scholarship for being a hard-working student. She is a careful, intelligent and highly dedicated person who compensates for her family's lack of resources with hard work.

The problem is that this new freedom opens the door to uncomfortable situations. That said, she will be revolutionized with new experiences and opportunities, especially after meeting two very important men— Sebastian and Benjamin. They will test her beliefs, faithfulness and ability to fall in love.



## ● THE STUDENTS:

# NICK

**NURSING STUDENT /  
ANTAGONIST AT SCHOOL**

LIFE MOTTO

**"IT'S NOT MY FAULT, THE WORLD IS CUTE."**

## DESCRIPTION:

Nick, 21, is good-looking and he knows it. He has many followers on social media. Nick is a complete egocentric, superficial, narcissistic guy. He knows that his influencer career will not last forever, so he has decided to study to become a nurse. The problem is that he can't concentrate, and he takes meds for it.

He has changed his major three times, but he is confident that nursing is the perfect choice. In the not too distant future, he will romantically conquer his female patients. Many of his new classmates will fall for him, but Olivia will be the one to steal his heart.







## ● THE STUDENTS:

### **REBECCA**

**NURSING STUDENT / ANTAGONIST**

LIFE MOTTO

**"THEY'D KILL TO BE ME."**

### **DESCRIPTION:**

Rebecca, 18, is a “queen bee” – beautiful, flirtatious, shallow-yet-superior. Rebecca comes from a wealthy family and has always been the most popular girl in any environment she’s in. That said, she can be direct and cruel, if necessary. If someone crosses her path, they become her worst enemy. She is selfish and thrives on the attention of others, especially men.

Upon her arrival to college, Rebecca focuses on establishing her queendom; thus, her first priority is finding a couple of minions to help her find the perfect “king”. Once she meets Sebastian, she focuses all her efforts on conquering him, only to find a different obsession, Rafael—the hot professor—who was the first love of her classmate... Macarena.



## ● THE STUDENTS:

# PAULA

**NURSING STUDENT /  
ANTAGONIST**

LIFE MOTTO

**"TELL ME WHO YOU THINK YOU ARE,  
AND I'LL TELL YOU WHO YOU'RE NOT."**

## DESCRIPTION:

Smarter than most, Paula has a critical and toxic personality. She is loaded with smart and spiteful responses. She lives by her own rules and doesn't like to be told what to do. Wearing a uniform was her worst nightmare in high school. She studies a lot and is a maniac with order, making her a neurotic perfectionist.

When she was accepted at the university, Paula decided to leave her mother's house to live in the dorms. Studying is the easy part. Paula's bigger problem is how to deal with other people. She tries to suppress her feelings, but this is a constant challenge.







## ● THE STUDENTS:

### **BENJAMIN** NURSING STUDENT / IN LOVE WITH MACARENA

LIFE MOTTO  
"WHY IMPOSSIBLE?  
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE."

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

Benjamin, 23, has never succeeded with women. He is the typical young man who gets friend-zoned every time. He is Macarena's companion and her most passionate admirer.

He considers himself an old soul, eternally misunderstood. Benjamin uses pranks and gossip to divert attention from himself and thus feel accepted. He's jealous of guys with a lot of appeal, because that's what he lacks—he's small, insecure and fragile.

When he met Macarena – who is 17 years older – Benjamin felt an immediate attraction for this mature, beautiful and determined woman. He sees this Macarena as brave, sexy and intelligent. He calls her his muse.



## ● THE STUDENTS:

# ALEX

## NURSING STUDENT

LIFE MOTTO

**"AUTHENTICITY GROWS WHEN  
YOU MIRROR WHO YOU'VE  
DREAMT OF BECOMING."**

### DESCRIPTION:

Alex, 18, is a hipster and pop culture fan who loves kitschy aesthetics. He maintains a unique style. Alex knew he was gay from a young age. Although he never came out to his parents, he's very comfortable being himself in front of his peers and friends. Despite strongly advocating for tolerance and acceptance, Alex can be quite bigoted.

He is afraid to show his parents who he really is. The "popular kids" bully him, and he is afraid to tell people about it.





## ● ANTAGONIST

# SILVANA

## NEW NEIGHBOR

LIFE MOTTO

"IN LOVE AND WAR, ANYTHING GOES."

### DESCRIPTION:

Silvana, 40's, is Macarena's antagonist in the show because she likes Macarena's husband. She is a shopaholic, an impulse-buyer and a very dramatic person. She has no filter, so she doesn't think about things before saying them or doing them. Silvana has no problem using her attractive, sensual and very flirtatious self to get what she wants. Her philosophy is based on astrology, esoteric predictions and superstitions. Domestic activities don't mix well with her. She doesn't like to live in "poverty."

Silvana is very pessimistic, alarming, jealous, obsessive and neurotic—a perfect emotional cocktail of someone who looks normal but is actually quite crazy. She is recently divorced and is already looking forward to getting married again. Andy, Macarena's husband, looks like an excellent candidate. If she could only "steal" him from his wife, Macarena.





# PANCHO

COLLEGE JANITOR / MACARENA'S FRIEND

## DESCRIPTION:

Known as Pancho Lopez by Mexicans... PONCHO by the Americans. Pancho works as a custodian engineer at the college where Macarena studies. His main mission in life is to help.

Pancho is the only Latino in the university aside from Macarena, so they immediately bond. She confides in him, sometimes speaking in Spanish. He is a bit of a mystery... yet very wise. His disposition is always joyful and inspiring. And to anyone who crosses his path with any troubles, Pancho always seems to have an answer. He surprises everyone with his astute-yet-simple solutions.

Pancho is from a rural island in Mexico called Janitzio Michoacan not "Michigan" who immigrated to the US without having to show any when he crossed the border. All he used were his magical aura and charisma. Because he is a survivor, Pancho has a very philosophical point-of-view about life, yet he can be quite mischievous in his sense of humor. He does not take life too seriously.

He views this great big world as his oyster. Stunning everyone constantly by the peace and happiness he feels, as sometimes all people can see he is just a simple custodial engineer. He maybe small in size but he makes up for it in wisdom, proving that mentors can come in all shapes and sizes.

Maybe he is Macarena's "Angel de la guardia"... maybe...







# FIRST SEASON PILOT

Macarena Muñoz grew up in Mexico and moved to the States to go to high school. Her family moved to Salt Lake City, Utah - where there aren't that many Latinos at all. She only had one boyfriend in high school, but they went their separate ways. Shortly after, Macarena met a new beau (Andy), and they married right after high school. She got pregnant when she was in her early 20's and settled into a life dedicated to creating a family. She loves her kids (Sebastian, Pablo and Olivia), but they are a full-time job, with no pay, no breaks and no pension. Macarena is the cook, personal assistant, decorator, seamstress, driver, tutor and Jane-of-all trades for her family. But nowadays, her husband is always busy with work and her kids don't want to hang out with her because she is not "cool." Consequently, she feels lonely and empty. She takes care of everyone... except herself.

During a family beach vacation, Macarena runs into some of her high school classmates. They are all successful in various fields of work and sneer at her. She remembers that they used to make fun of her accent. Embarrassed, Macarena feels something is missing—she lacks purpose.

To escape from her former classmates, she runs into the sea to swim even though she is not very good at it. When she nearly drowns, she has an "ah ha" moment and realizes something is missing in her life, so she makes a decision to change it. Macarena's husband is the financial supporter of the family and she is afraid to upset him. But when she has had a near-death experience, it snaps her into the present time. This enables her to go through with her plans despite her husband's wishes. She doesn't want to go through life just being a wife and a mother. She gets the sense that there must be more to life and decides to go out and find it.

Macarena does a little personal examination and recalls her lifelong dream of becoming a registered nurse—the goal she had before she had children. She realizes three things: 1) Her children are nearly grown up now and barely need her, 2) Her husband is so focused on work that he's never home to create the family dynamic, and 3) Why not give it a shot and go back to school? It is then and there that she makes that she makes the life-changing decision to put herself and her own needs first... for once.



For the first time, she thinks only of herself and wants to fulfill her dream to help people and go back to school to become a nurse.

Macarena tries to take some online classes, but she is not tech savvy, so she decides to apply to college. She prepares for the admission tests with the help of Laura, her sister-in-law - who happens to be the dean of The University of Utah. She applies behind her family's back—in case she doesn't get accepted.

Much to her surprise, she GETS IN! She passes it with flying colors and enrolls in the nursing school. She doesn't tell her family because she doesn't know how they will react to the change... plus she is unsure she can actually do this.

Once her family finds out, she gets mixed reactions and it causes a tremendous problem. The family is divided between supporting her determination and being afraid the house will fall apart if she isn't around. Her mother disapproves completely because she believes her daughter should do what she did: give up her life for her children. Pablo is the only one who is supportive, while the 4 others can't deal with it. The one most affected by the news is her husband, Andy, who feels betrayed and disappointed that his wife didn't include him in making such a big decision. He thinks most Latinos lie and create drama. She tells him that "white lies" are allowed in the Latino culture as long as you don't hurt anyone, and that she is going to school with or without his approval.

Macarena's husband, Andy, does not want her to go back to college, and he is not supportive because he is afraid to lose her. Although he is somewhat controlling of her, he doesn't come from a bad place – he actually loves her very much. She doesn't want to upset him and rock to boat of what appears to be a perfect family. Despite his lack of support for her to go back to college, she decides to go for it anyway and follow her dreams.







Macarena heads to school for her first day as a “college mom” “dressed super-conservative-dork” and out of fashion. In her first class, Macarena immediately becomes a novelty at school because she is the only student who looks old enough to be their mom. Her new classmates make fun of her accent – just like her high-school classmates did.

This is where she meets a colorful and diverse set of characters, specifically the mean “queen bee” girl who doesn’t like to study and clearly wants to date Macarena’s ex-lover who also happens to be her professor. She also competes with Macarena to get better grades than she. Paula is a mean student who bullies her classmates, including Alex (a gay in the closet) and the shy Macarena.

There is also Nick, a ladies’ man, who meets with Macarena’s daughter, Olivia, behind her mom’s back. Luckily, Macarena makes one friend – Millaray—who is an activist who likes to do protests marches to make the world a better place.

And finally, there is Benjamin, a nerd who develops a massive crush on Macarena. This is a series that could engage the 4 quadrants because it has characters from all the generations.

Though excited, she realizes that things have changed a lot since she was 18 and must make a really big effort to fit in because she wants to be liked by her classmates. Decades ago, when she attended high school, she wasn’t popular, so she hopes to be liked in college. Her insecurities flourish and she feels that she is not smart enough or cool enough to be a co-ed.

Young people today dress differently, their language is strange to her and even their behavior is much more open and daring.

This is a high-tech and social-media-driven generation where every event, relationship and thought are posted for the world to see.



She must adapt to the new technology and slang.

To her surprise, this new generation is super woke – they care about discrimination, racism, gun violence and climate change. Macarena has to Google most of their slang terms.

Macarena's children call her in the middle of her school break, complaining because they are hungry and they want her to cook them lunch. Macarena's oldest son, Sebastian, is very organized and structured but is a horrible cook and opposes to his mom's goal of staying in school. Pablo and Olivia (her twins) tell him to eat pop tarts for lunch. Feeling guilty, Macarena apologizes for not being there for them and promises them that she will make them a great dinner when she finishes her classes.

At the end of the pilot, Macarena enters the last class of the day and in walks her new professor, Rafael. He is tall, dark and handsome, but more than that, he is none other than her first love whom she hasn't seen since high school. We see a flashback of them together and in love. Even though we find out that he left her, it is very evident that the chemistry between them is still there. Not consummated, it is an unresolved love story. Although she would never admit it, Macarena has never been able to forget him.

Macarena and Rafael broke up because she wanted to get married and have children and he didn't. Her mother wanted her daughter to focus on having a family because Macarena was too much of a "dreamer" and not enough of a "realist" about being able to raise three children and also have a career.

But when Macarena and Rafael meet again, her first-love encourages her to study and learn, supporting her dream to have her own career. This type of connection is what she is desperately missing in her own marriage with her controlling husband.

After running into her first-love again, Macarena starts to wonder what her life would have been like had she stayed with him. Maybe she would have had a happier life. She would never know...

To make matters worse, her sister-in-law is secretly dating Rafael now. There is a policy at the university that strictly forbids staff to date students and other staff members. Andy picks her up from school and notices the interaction between his wife and her ex-boyfriend. With that cliff hanger, we end the pilot.

If all this chaos happens on the first day... HOW ARE THEY GOING TO SURVIVE THE FIRST SEMESTER?







# FIRST SEASON OVERVIEW

Macarena is a complete mess keeping up with her school schedule and her family. She can't handle multitasking to keep up with her "double life." Her husband is a good father, but he works many long hours.

Andy and Macarena made an agreement that cooking for the family is her job because he brings in the money to support everyone. And they never questioned it – until now. One day, she forgets to feed dinner to her children because she is studying so intensely and, quite flustered, she tells them to have cereal for dinner. Although her family is trying to be supportive, they are not happy about starving.

Macarena's new group of young friends challenges her beliefs because they present her with a fresh perspective. She defies them too, using her experience as a weapon. She wants to fit in, but the "cool" students won't let her.

To her surprise, Macarena soon discovers that her sister-in-law is in a "casual" relationship with her "first love". So, her "sister", who was her ally, becomes her main antagonist.

Macarena's son, Sebastian, wants his mom to quit college because he'd prefer to have a conventional family at home. He argues that Macarena already has a full life—being "Mom"—and he doesn't understand why she would want to change everything that was already perfect. He questions her and this makes his mom question her dreams. Macarena and Sebastian argue and stop talking to each other for a few days.

To make things worse, a new neighbor and beautiful woman moves in next door and she starts to flirt with Macarena's husband. Because Macarena is busy going to school, her hubby feels neglected and he starts spending more time with that same neighbor who's clearly trying to seduce him.







At the same time, Macarena finds out the truth about why Rafael and she lost touch with one another. They haven't seen each other for more than 20 years, and it has stuck with Macarena the whole time. She was under the impression that after their summer romance, he dumped her and never reached back to her. In reality, many years ago, after Rafael and Macarena finished high school, they broke up because he was too young to commit to one woman. Broken-hearted, Macarena started dating Andy and she got pregnant with his baby.

Macarena is torn about her feelings about her husband and her first-love. They are both great men who have good and bad qualities. One brings her stability and comfort and loves her to pieces, but establishes too many rules and a lack of freedom. The other supports her goals and dreams, but doesn't want to commit to her and this makes her feel insecure.

Out of respect for her new relationship with Andy, Rafael never contacted Macarena again –even though he still wanted to be with her. Andy proposed marriage.

Once Macarena discovers the truth about why Rafael stopped calling her, she decides it is okay to be his friend. However, little by little, they become closer and it's clear that Macarena and Rafael still have feelings for each other, even though she is still married, and their relationship is platonic – for now.

To bond with her classmates, Macarena enrolls on the soccer team. Because she is not in the same shape she was when she was twenty, she fails miserably. Macarena huffs and puffs as she is running, and she is constantly getting hit by the balls. She ends up with many bruises, but she is having fun being a team player. The same day of the soccer finals, her daughter gets sick. Instead of competing in the soccer finals, Macarena decides to go home be with her daughter. She realizes she doesn't need to win to feel good about herself.





At school, most students don't pay attention in class as they are constantly on their cell phones checking out their social media. Her children teach her how to be more technologically savvy, to use social media and to create an Instagram profile. She learns all this while still wearing the hat of a mom and wife. She is taking care to listen to her kids and husband's problems and also make sure everyone has what they need for school. At the end of the day, she is exhausted from her double life, but she can still multitask like a pro.

Macarena's oldest son, Sebastian, is so conservative that he feels like an outcast to his generation, and because of this, it's hard for him to find a girlfriend. Most girls want to be independent and not dating a guy that is old-school. A girl he dates tells him that his mom is cool for going to college. Sebastian feels lonely.

Macarena's daughter, Olivia, invents fancy stories to be the center of attention amongst her friends. This makes her the most popular girl in school until rumors surface that some of her boyfriends and parties she claimed to attend were fake.

Then Olivia decides she needs new friends and sneaks into her mother's college. She then meets her mom's new classmates and gains some REAL experiences.

Pablo (Macarena's youngest son) is the only one in the family who is proud and happy with his mother's decision. He feels that he doesn't have to worry about her if she is busy. He supports his mom's dreams because he can go out more if she is not home controlling where he goes.

Macarena starts to feel that she is not young enough to go to college and pass the exams. Her anxiety makes her memory fail when, in fact, she is smarter than her classmates. She invests twice the

amount of study time than anyone else. Because she wants to belong and can't say no, Macarena feels forced to write a paper with her classmate Alex who is a gay hipster.

Because he dresses in vintage clothes and knows where to shop, he gives Macarena fashion advice. Alex confesses to her that he knew he was gay from a young age.



Although he never came out to his parents, he's very comfortable being himself in front of his peers and friends. That said, he is afraid to show his parents who he really is. The "popular kids" bully him. Macarena encourages him to tell the teachers what is going on, but Alex is afraid to talk about it.

One night, Macarena gets invited to a college party. At first, she doesn't want to go because she feels it would be irresponsible, but she needs to write an essay about her college experience so far, so she goes to the party with the intention of doing some "research".



She dresses herself, trying to look cool, but fails horribly. Trying to help her, Alex and Millaray give her a “make-over” using YouTube tutorials. Afterwards, Macarena feels sexy for the first time in ages. Once at the party, Macarena tries to teach and protect the young girls from getting drunk and pregnant, telling them about her own mistakes.

No one listens to her and the young crowd keeps drinking and dancing. Macarena drinks a colorful punch—and naïvely doesn’t know it has alcohol in it. In fact, she gets so drunk that she ends up dancing on top of the table and many students record her “performance”.

Benjamin, the student who has a crush on her, rescues her and brings her back home to make sure she is safe. As she trips and is about to fall, he tenderly holds her. She thinks he is trying to sleep with her because she is drunk and that’s what kids do in college. She wrongfully accuses him and slaps him. He is crushed.

Macarena gets home, cooks huevos rancheros for breakfast and makes a great meal for her family while handling a major hangover. Andy is not happy that she didn’t put bacon in the huevos. Her mother judges her and criticizes her food, adding spices to it.

Macarena feels like she is failing in school AND as a mother and wife. She needs to get her confidence back! She adds her own homemade salsa to the huevos and practices how to do CPR with her own kids!

Nick—a student who has many followers on social media and dislikes Macarena because she is old—uploads the video of her dancing. Nick is a complete egocentric, superficial and narcissistic guy. Her “dork dancing” goes viral. All the students - and even her children - make fun of her.







Upset, Macarena returns to Rafael's class and publicly questions Rafael's methods. Rafael feels disrespected by her in front of everyone and gets angry. All Macarena was doing was trying to understand what she was being taught. Unfortunately, it didn't come across that way, and her teacher expels her from that class for being a rebel. Now she will have to get higher grades to compensate for the loss of that one class.

Macarena's children worry that the college experience may be too much for their mother. They are concerned that her peers are mean to her, and that the demands of starting a new career will end up taking their mom away from them. But her kids mostly worry that their mother is getting hurt. So, they try to convince her to quit college. She listens to them and starts to worry too. Macarena rushes to her room and cries.

Macarena decides to quit school for a while to come back home and fix her family problems. She puts her dreams on hold again, telling herself that the college can wait; however, she is clearly sad about not following and fulfilling her dreams.

Rafael breaks up with her sister-in-law and encourages Macarena to keep studying and get a degree.

This is the first time a man believes in her and she is deeply moved. Rafael and Macarena are close enough to kiss, but they don't do it. He respects her too much to make a move. After all, she is still married and would never cheat on her husband.

Her frustration grows, and her children notice. The only one who doesn't notice is her husband, who is happy to have his housewife back at home. He believes this is the only way to return to the life they used to have. She can't take it anymore and tells her husband she is going back to school.



When Laura realizes her relationship with Rafael is over, she decides to follow her dream of becoming a mother and undergoes a procedure to get artificial insemination.

Macarena attends Rafael's class. Her classmates find out that Rafael and Macarena used to date. Some support the relationship, others don't. Benjamin, who has the biggest crush on her, is destroyed. The "queen bee" student who is obsessed with Rafael—her hot professor—hates Macarena even more.

Olivia has a crush on her mother's classmate, Nick. She intrigues him inventing a new flashy personality. She knows her parents would not approve of her "double life," so Olivia lies about her plans and her new beau.

Macarena discovers that her classmate, Nick, can't concentrate, and he takes meds for it. He knows that his influencer career will not last forever, so he has decided to study to become a nurse to be able to get access to pills. Instead of telling people the truth about Nick, Macarena helps him study without the help of medication.

Some students who used to make fun of her are now asking Macarena for her help with their studies. The "queen bee" tries to bribe Macarena into taking the test for her. Macarena says no, winning a new enemy. So, the mean "queen bee" photoshops Macarena kissing Rafael and makes up a story saying they are having an affair. The fake photo goes viral! And even Macarena's own children see it!

The growing friendship between Macarena and Rafael makes Macarena's sister-in-law jealous because she wants Rafael for herself. When Andy's sister sees the photo of Macarena kissing Rafael, she lies to her brother, Andy, convincing him that Macarena is REALLY having an affair and shows him the photo to prove it.







Devastated, Andy confides in the beautiful neighbor. In order to help him drown his sorrows, she takes him for a walk in the neighborhood. She oversteps her bounds, throws herself at him and kisses him. Even though he doesn't kiss her back, his daughter, Olivia, sees them when she was on her way home.

Olivia tells her mom that her dad kissed the neighbor. Once Macarena finds out, she confronts him. He tells her that it was just a kiss and it meant nothing to him and that she kissed Rafael, so they are even. Upset, Macarena tells him that she didn't have an affair with Rafael, but he doesn't believe her. Both want to save their marriage, mainly for their kids, but they realize they are too different because of their cultures. He tells her that their life feels like a Latino soap opera now. Finally, the couple decides to 'take a break,' so they can figure things out. They are both confused and hurt.

After the argument with her husband, Macarena decides to move out for a couple of days to get some space. She moves into the college's dorm and starts to create her own world by decorating her room with posters of her idols – rock-stars from the 80's, Oprah and Albert Einstein.

Macarena's 'dormmate' is Paula who is super mean and has a critical and toxic personality. When she was accepted at the university, Paula decided to leave her mean mother's house to live in the dorms. Paula 'sees' Macarena as her mom and criticizes Macarena with spiteful phrases. Paula suppresses her angry feelings. Macarena gets her to talk. Both women (young and old) finally bond and respect each other.

Macarena didn't consider that her schoolmates at the dorm, who are half her age and party most weeknights and weekends, don't have the same study habits as she.



She also hides her chocolates, snacks and mini bottles of vodka below her mattress because she is afraid other classmates might take them. This all empowers her and now she is becoming a new Macarena and she feels good about her new self. She will focus on excelling in school, learning and growing. She is content being by herself and she experiences freedom for the first time in her life, but she misses her family!

Now that Macarena is separated, she explores her feelings for Rafael. Since the semester is about to be over and they are both single, Rafael and Macarena go on a romantic date. They have a great time laughing and he ends up kissing her. Surprised, she tells him, "We are not 16 anymore. I'm still married. I'm so confused!"

Macarena continues going to school during the day and studies at night. In the evening, Rafael constantly distracts her by flirting with her. She clearly has feelings for him but has her priorities straight – attending the university and gaining knowledge come first.

However, husband Andy is insisting that he and Macarena get back together. He wants to give their marriage a second chance. Macarena is torn about it. It is obvious that as husband and wife, they both clearly miss each other. They have their first real conversation in a long time where they confess to each other that they were stuck in a routine. They admit it is exciting to try new things, but more importantly, they also admit that they miss the family they had. They agree to stay friends and keep it cordial for the kids.

Macarena soon realizes that her relationship with Rafael is not what she thought it would be. Rafael doesn't know how to interact with her children – who are still her priority.





Andy improves as a father, spending more time with their children. Macarena notices this and is proud of him. She misses him and questions if she made the right decision to be separated.

Macarena realizes that the college experience is not only about learning in the classrooms but also outside of them. She becomes a close friend of Millaray, a born leader. Millaray manages to get everyone to follow her in her adventures and defend the causes she fights for – climate change, freedom of speech and plant-based food. Macarena feels that this young woman is wiser than she.

After a while, Macarena and Rafael get kind of bored of each other. It's like she is married again, and not very happily. She is a mature woman and he continues to act rather immaturely. She starts to doubt if her love for him is just a fantasy from the past.

Andy calls her and the couple has a sweet conversation - the first in a long time. He wants to take his wife to a romantic dinner, but before she can answer, Rafael calls her too. She switches from one call to the other, making mistakes between the two men. She is obviously torn because both are good men. She knows she has to make a decision and choose one.

Angry for feeling rejected, Rafael goes out with Laura because he needs a friend. They are both upset, so they end up in a bar complaining about their mutual situations. They drink, kiss, and end up sleeping together. But afterwards, Rafael tells Laura that it was a mistake and he really wants to be with Macarena.

Olivia continues hanging out with her mother's classmate, Nick, behind her family's back and ends up falling in love with him. But Nick is egotistic. He ignores her and dumps her. Her brother, Sebastian, discovers the lies and tells his parents about his sister's 'double life'. Olivia is grounded, her heart is broken and she learns a lesson – she is still too young to fall in love.

To everyone's surprise, Laura gets pregnant. She tells everyone the baby is Rafael's. Macarena is crushed. Macarena decides to move back with Andy but doesn't know if it's too late. Macarena wants to be with her family.







It's the right thing to do. Rafael doesn't understand and becomes jealous. He goes after her and argues with her in front of her house as her children watch from the window. Then Rafael and Andy have a fight in front of her and the kids. Andy kicks Rafael out. Macarena decides to cook chiles rellenos to bring peace into the family. Her mother hands her the chiles she has been hiding in the balcony. The family eats in complete silence – which is super rare for a Latino family!

Macarena's insecurities lead her to believe she is not good enough to finish college and her personal drama starts to influence her grades. As they continue to drop, she is more and more disappointed with herself.

Laura does a paternity test and finds out that her baby is not Rafael's after all. She doesn't tell anyone because she wants to stay with Rafael who is excited to become a father for the first time. Her brother Andy who knows when she lies, suspects that something is wrong.

Macarena's children miss their mom who used to spend more time with them. Her kids ask her if she regrets having them. She smiles, hugs them and replies that they are the best thing that happened to her. Her mother listens to this, hiding in the kitchen. Macarena tells her kids that the only thing she regrets is not going for her dream of getting her nursing degree. She doesn't want to mess up this opportunity of becoming a nurse, making her own money and helping people in need. She asks for their support because she doesn't want to do this without them. But she clarifies that this is her calling, and no one is going to stop her. Her kids understand her and are on board to support her journey.

As the climax approaches, so does the final exam. Macarena prepares for the big final exam. Her memory is not what it used to be. She is afraid... Was she just too old to go back to school?



Benjamin, the student who has a crush on her, studies with her and makes her see how great she is. Benjamin tells her that his attraction for her is exactly because she is mature, beautiful and determined. He sees this Macarena as brave, sexy and intelligent. Macarena realizes she has to learn to be confident, no matter her age. Ben is a virgin and asks her to be his first. She does not accept the proposal but gives him some pointers to attract and conquer girls his age. At the end of the season, Macarena struggles remembering things, but completes the tasks on time and passes her final exam. SHE GETS AN “A”!

Macarena is very proud of her achievements, and her family celebrates with her at her end-of-the-schoolyear party. Everyone attends the event—Rafael, her sister-in-law, Macarena’s classmates, her children and their abuelita (grandma). Alex comes out of the closet in front of his parents. When Pablo finds out that Alex is gay, he winks at him. Benjamin decides to move on from Macarena and love himself. Olivia tells Nick she is over him and throws punch in his face. At the party, Millaray and Macarena organize a dance competition and raise funds for climate change. The “queen bee” ends up dancing alone and Paula joins her. Macarena dances freely and is the center of the attention – both Andy and Rafael observe her confident moves. She has clearly ‘grown and matured.’ Macarena feels ambivalent and anxious because she has to decide between the two men. Her choice to pick the right life partner will enhance the suspense and keep the audiences watching and wondering “Who would she end up with?”

With this combination of personalities, there is tension when everyone gets together, and total chaos ensues in the final episode! Will Macarena get her husband back and save her marriage? Will Rafael end up with Macarena or her sister-in-law? How will Macarena pass the second year at college with such pressure and chaos?





A young woman with long, wavy hair is seen from behind, walking away on a paved path. She is wearing a black graduation gown and a black mortarboard cap, which she is holding high in her right hand. The path is lined with green trees and a black metal fence. The background is slightly blurred, suggesting a focus on the graduate.

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