# ACQUIRING A SECOND LANGUAGE THROUGH MOVIETALK AND STORYTELLING



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# LANGUAGE ACQUISITION AND CCCI

- Compelling
- Contextualized
- Comprehensible input\*



is the key to second language acquisition. (MovieTalk and TPRS, Coxon, Michael)

"... 'comprehensible input' is the crucial and necessary ingredient for the acquisition of language." Stephen Krashen

\*Comprehensible input: learners receive messages on TL that they can understand.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND?

# El chico camina lentamente

# El chico





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# WHY MOVIETALK TO ACQUIRE A SECOND LANGUAGE?

- ❖ Large amounts of comprehensible input in context.
- Listening comprehension.
- Visually stimulating.
- ❖ Fun and engaging.
- ❖ Easy to adapt. It can be used at any level.
- ❖ Maximize TL use (listen, read, speak, write).

# MOVIETALK

- Developed by Dr. Ashley Hastings, MovieTalk is a technique that helps students to acquire a second language using compelling short video clips.
- It is the narration of a video clip explained in comprehensible language.
- The teacher pauses the video, asks many questions using the target structures/vocabulary ("circling").







# GENERAL STEPS FOR MOVIETALK

- A. Preparation phase
- B. Before viewing the video
- C. While viewing the video
- D. After viewing the video have your students

### GENERAL STEPS FOR MOVIETALK

#### A. <u>Preparation phase</u>:



- Select the video based on the vocabulary, structures and theme you want to teach.
  - Visually stimulating.
  - > Unexpected twist.
  - > Ideally the video should be 5 minutes or less.
  - Not dialogue focused.
- Write the narration.
  - Adapt to level.

# GENERAL STEPS FOR MOVIETALK CONTINUATION

### B. <u>In class before viewing the video:</u>

- Establish meaning.
  - Images, gestures/TPR, translation.
  - Introduce and recycle.
- Let students make predictions.
- ❖ Use PQA (Personal Questions and Answers) to engage students.
- Explain the procedures/ video viewing.



## GENERAL STEPS FOR MOVIETALK CONTINUATION...

#### C. In class while viewing the video:

- Story creation in TL.
  - > Play a few seconds of the video at the time and pause the movie when it is natural to do so.
- Make statements in comprehensible language and then circle them by asking questions.
  - ➤ Who? Where? What? How? Why? Etc.
  - Restate the answer.
- ❖ Do comprehension checks as a quick assessment.
- See who looks confused.

### GENERAL STEPS FOR MOVIETALK CONTINUATION...

#### D. <u>In class after viewing the video have your students</u>:

- ❖ Identify true from false statements from the story.
- Retell story to a classmate.
- ❖ Arrange the correct order of sentences on a script.
- ❖ Put printed images of the story in the correct order.
- ❖ Use printed pictures and do a gallery walk.
- Draw and write the sequence of the story.
- ❖ Write and draw alternative endings.
- ❖ Read the script of the story.

# LET'S PRACTICE MOVIE TALK "HOLA LLAMIGO"

What script would you create using this video?

### Consider:

- Structures you want to teach.
- Cultural Theme.



# "HOLA LLAMIGO"

A film by Charlie Parisi and Christina Chang

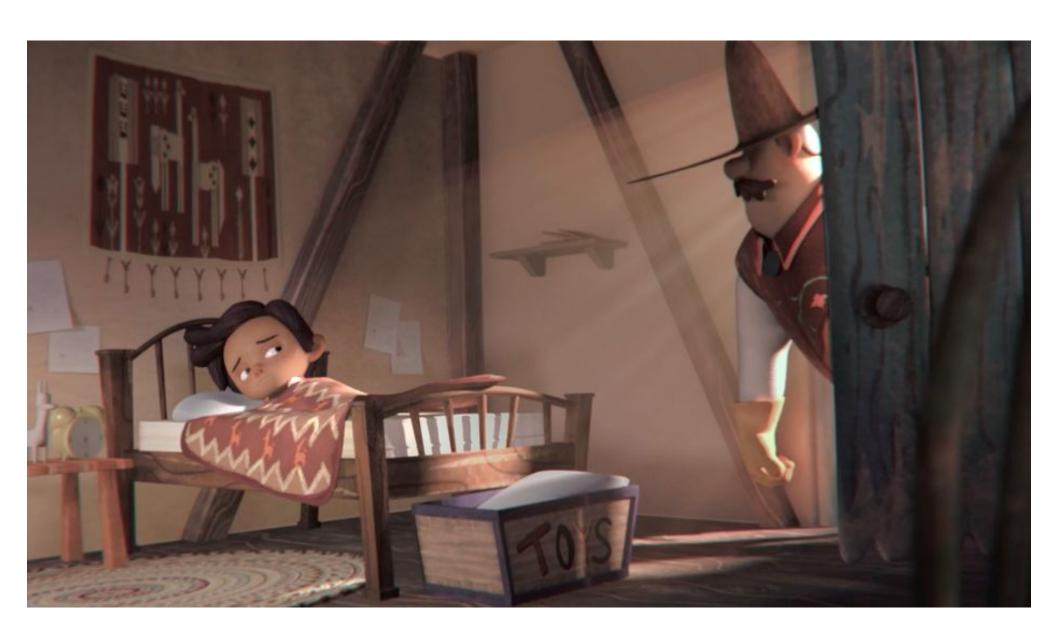




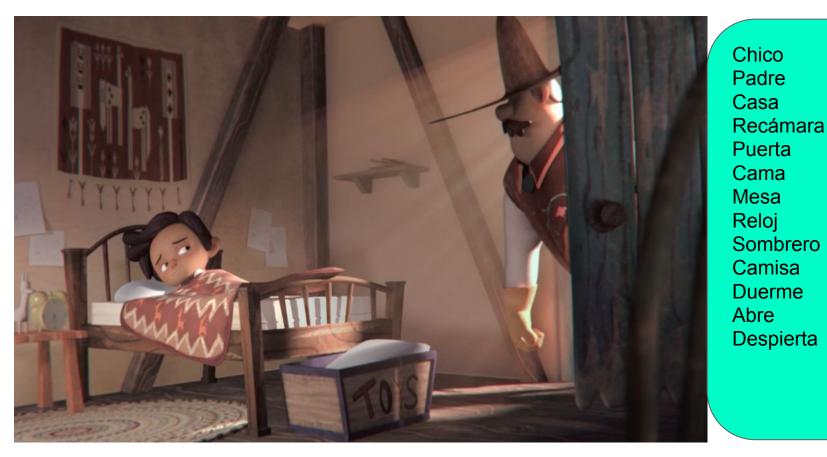
# POSSIBLE VOCABULARY / STRUCTURES "HOLA LLAMIGO"



Chico Boy Padre Father Brunette Moreno Bajo Short Flaco Skinny Alto Tall Casa House Ranch Rancho Sombrero Hat **Pantalones Pants** Camisa Shirt Botas Boots Blazer Chaleco Pañuelo Handkerchief Blanco(a) White Blue Azul



# POSSIBLE VOCABULARY "HOLA LLAMIGO"



Chico Boy Father Padre Casa House Recámara Bedroom Puerta Door Cama Bed Mesa Table Reloj Clock Sombrero Hat Shirt Camisa s/he sleeps Duerme s/he opens Abre s/he wakes up

# ENHANCING MOVIETALK USING TPRS STRATEGIES



#### Can MovieTalk be part of TPRS?

MovieTalk is part of TPRS when the 3 main steps of TPRS are implemented: Establish meaning, ask a story (TPRS Circling), and reading.

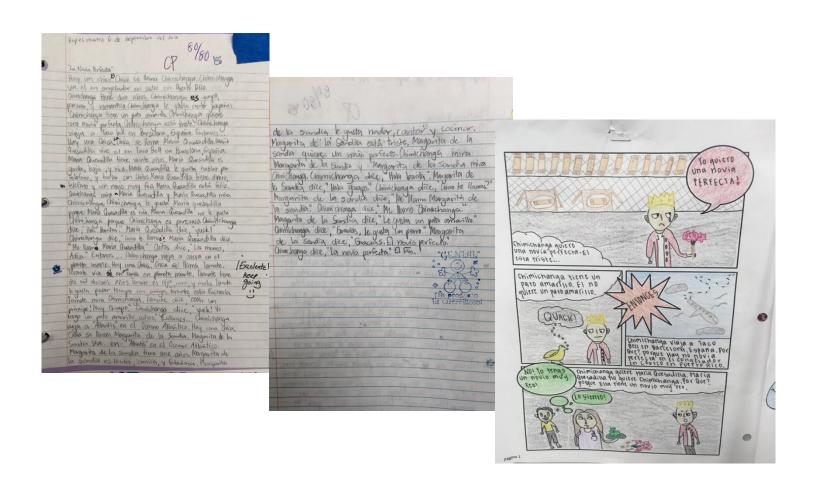
#### Enhancing MT:

- Student actors.
- PQA (Personal Questions and answers) /Dialogue.
- Parallel characters.
- Reading.

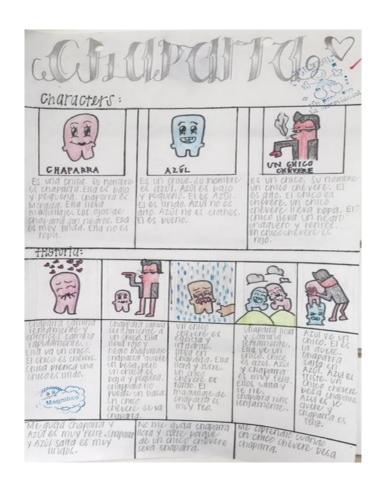
(MovieTalk and Tprs, Coxon, Michael)

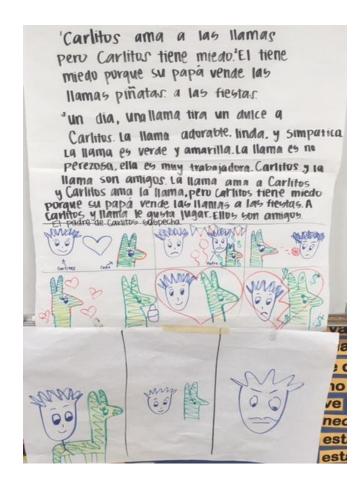
TPRS Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling is a comprehensible-input based method of teaching foreign languages that was developed by Blaine Ray.

# SAMPLES OF STUDENT WORK MOVIETALK & STORYTELLING



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## WHERE DO YOU FIND MOVIE TALK VIDEOS?

MovieTalk database:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1MjFKTuUu\_fVw030eJd9zGQliUIwNC06VmT6kCZfI8V8/ edit#gid=0

Videos for MovieTalk on Pinterest:

https://www.pinterest.com/search/boards/?q=movie+talk

https://www.pinterest.com/srahitz/movie-talk-videos-for-spanish/

https://www.pinterest.com/search/pins/?q=movietalk&term\_meta%5B%5D=movietalk%7Ctyped

Birdbox Studio on YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search\_query=birdbox+studio

### RESOURCES

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Michael Coxon:
http://optimizingimmersion.com/category/movietalk/
https://tprsbooks.com/product-category/spanish/level-1-spanish/spanish-1-other-products/
Martina Bex:
https://martinabex.com/teacher-training/movietalk
https://martinabex.com/2016/08/30/movietalk-tprs-magic/
Bryan Kandel:
https://bryankandeltprs.com/category/movie-talk/
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### RESOURCES CONTINUATION...

About TPRS:

Ray, Blaine, Seely, Contee. Fluency through TPR Storytelling. Berkeley: Command Performance Language Institute, 2014.

The story of TPRS and Blaine Ray:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QtmnCbEWGBQ

iFLT Facebook group:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/IFLTNTPRSCITEACHING/?fref=ts

### RESOURCES CONTINUATION...

#### Hola Llamigo

A film by Charlie Parisi and Christina Chang

https://vimeo.com/125292332

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### Thank you!

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