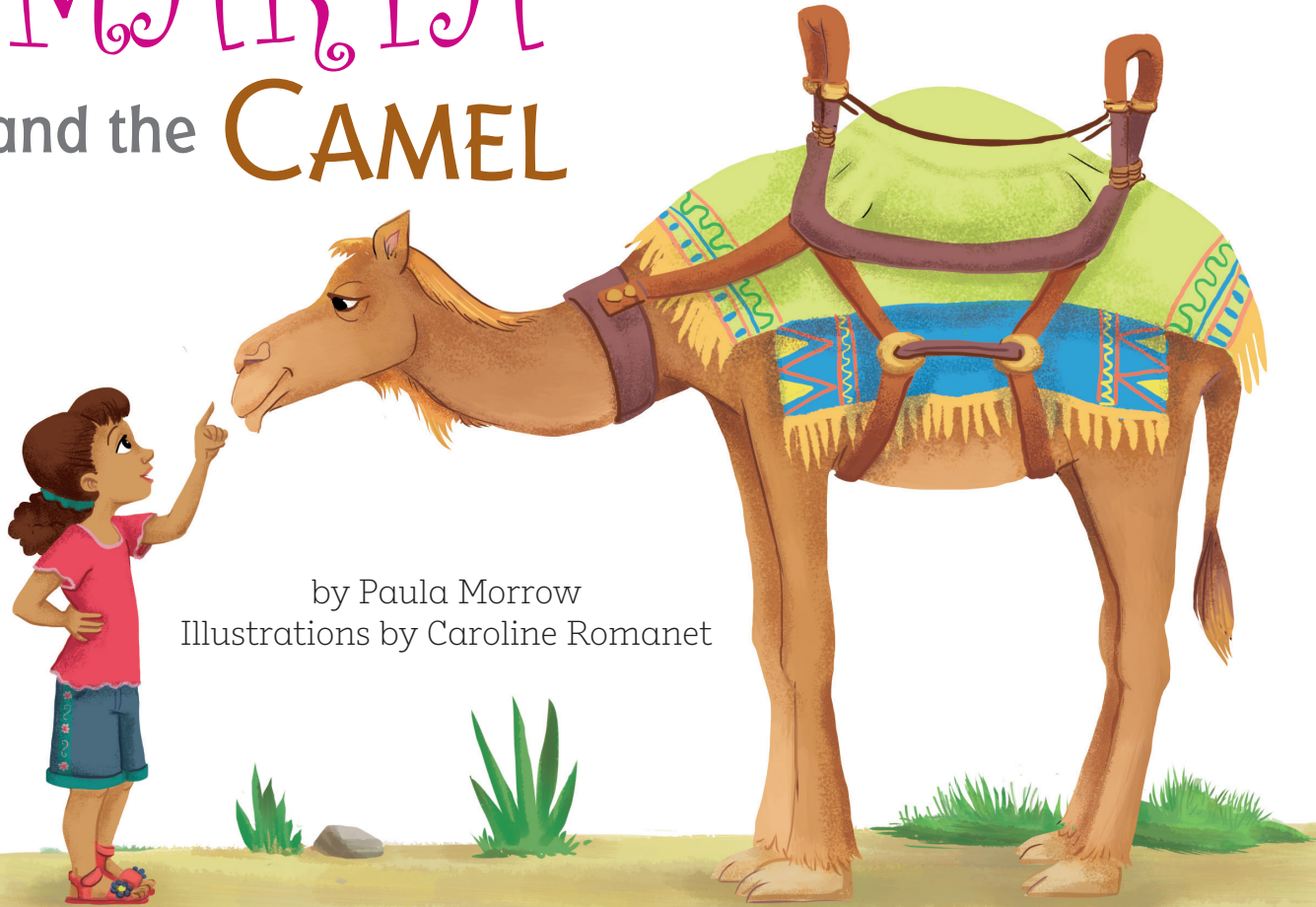


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One morning, Mama said, "We're going to the zoo today."

"My friend rode a camel at the zoo," said Marta. "Can I ride a camel, too?"

"Yes," said Mama. "Juan and Rosa can ride, too."

Papa pulled into the parking lot.

“We’re here!” called Marta.

Inside the zoo, Marta, Juan, and Rosa
ran to the camels.



Then Marta stopped. She looked up
at a camel.

It had a long neck and long, thin legs.
It was very, very tall.



“Come on, Marta!” called Juan and Rosa.

“It’s so big,” Marta thought. “It didn’t look that big in the picture.”

“You two go first,” she said. “I’ll watch.”





Juan and Rosa rode the camel around and around.

Mama laughed. Papa took a picture.

“Juan and Rosa’s camel seems nice,” thought Marta. “But are all camels nice?”

Marta looked at a camel resting in the shade.

A zoo helper said, “Do you want to give her some food?”

He put some camel food in Marta’s hand.

“You can pat the camel,” said the zoo helper. He showed Marta how. Marta put her hand on top of the camel’s head.

“Oh!” said Marta. “Camels are soft!” The camel looked at Marta.

“I think she likes you,” said the zoo helper.





“I’m ready to ride now!” Marta said.
Marta rode the camel around and around.
Now Papa took Marta’s picture.

Marta laughed. “Camels may be tall,
but they are very fun to ride!”



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