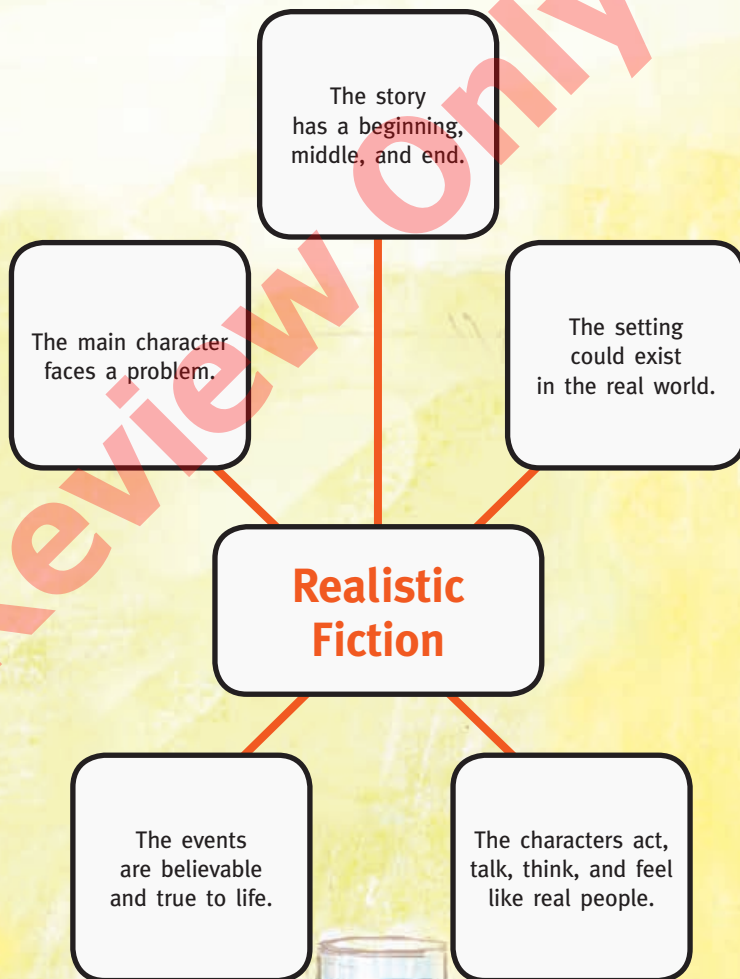


# Jimena Visits a Museum



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Jimena likes painting with watercolors. She paints for an hour every day after school. When Jimena finishes a new painting, she shows it to her mom.



“Mom, look at my latest painting,” says Jimena.

“You paint very well,” says her mom. “Do you know what you want to be when you grow up?”

“Yes, I do,” says Jimena. “I want to be a painter.”



“Would you like to learn more about painting?” asks Mom.

“Yes, I’d like that more than anything in the world,” says Jimena.

“If you want, we can go to the museum to see some paintings,” says Mom.



“Yes, please!” answers Jimena.

Mom wants to show Jimena paintings by her favorite painter. His name is Pablo Picasso and he is very well known. He’s been Mom’s favorite painter since she was a girl.



Jimena and her mom arrive at the museum. “Is this the museum where we’re going to see paintings?” asks Jimena.

“Yes, it is. The museum has a special exhibit showing the paintings of a few Hispanic painters,” says Mom.



Mom leads Jimena into a gallery of paintings by Picasso. They are surrounded by beautiful paintings on all four walls of the gallery.

“Look at this painting,” says Mom.  
“I like this one very much.”



“Mom, I painted a bird like this,”  
says Jimena.



Jimena's mom smiles.

"It's true, Jimena, you did paint a blue bird similar to this one," she says.

