ONE DOUBLE-BACK COMBO, ONE CHEESE-BACK WITH FRIES, A DOUBLE NAPOLEON SHAKE...

DON'T FORGET MY ORANGE SODA!

HERE YOU GO, GIRLS.

DO THEY HAVE DOUBLE-BACK BURGER IN OUR NEW TOWN, DAD?
I don’t think so, Cat. They only have them down here in Southern California.

What are we even going to eat in our new town?

We are moving. Up north and to the coast.

Dad got a new job, but we all know the real reason we’re going.

My little sister, Maya. She’s not a healthy kid.
I’m trying not to be selfish.

But it’s hard.

my bubbe is cooking dinner tonite!

u want 2 come over?

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oh...right. i 4got. 😊
YOU OKAY BACK THERE, CAT?

YEAH.

I'M OKAY.
MAYA HAS CYSTIC FIBROSIS. IT’S A THING YOU’RE BORN WITH.

IT AFFECTS BREATHING AND DIGESTION.

HOW ’BOUT A LITTLE MUSIC?

LET IT OOOOOOUT ... LET IT OOOOOOUT ... CAN’T HOLD IT IN, GOTTA SHOUT ... AND THERE’S NO CURE.
Mom and Dad are dragging us to this gloomy place, Bahía de la Luna, California.

They say the sun only shines here sixty-two days of the year.

When I heard that, I’d said:

*Ew, I’d rather die!*

Which didn’t go over very well.
I’m gonna miss Ari and Maddie and Hibah . . .

OF COURSE I don’t want to die. And I want Maya to be as healthy as possible. Duh!

You mean all of my friends? What about your friends?

They’re my friends, too!

CAAAAT . . . ?

Yes, Maya, they’re your friends, too.

This is it, girls!

The green one?

No, the little red one.
Cat!

Isn’t this place so cool?!?

Mmmm.

I can’t believe we get to live here!

Look look look . . .

The ocean is so close!!
It's freezing. I'm going inside.
SO DARK HERE . . .

WHAT DO YOU THINK, CAT?

IT'S DARK.

IT'S PERFECT!
KRRT

SIGH.
CAT!

COME DOWNSTAIRS! COME SEE MY NEW ROOM!!

OKAY, I’M COMING.

HEE, IT’S COZY IN HERE!

WATCH THIS!
Cannonballllllllllllllllllll!!

It's about time for your breathing treatment, Maya...

*Sproing!*

Cough Cough Cough Cough Cough Cough Cough...

*Hack cough cough cough*

It's about time for your breathing treatment, Maya...
VRRR... RRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR

shake
jiggle
shake

la-aa-aaaaa
RRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR

Shooka
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THE VEST HELPS LOOSEN THE MUCUS IN HER LUNGS.

LA-A-A-A

LA-A-A-A

Her SOUL doesn’t need any loosening, though.

ZZT

MOMMMMMMMMM??!
MAYA’S VEST JUST BLEW A FUSE, SWEETIE . . . YOU OKAY UP THERE?

YEAH, I JUST . . .

BUMP

I JUST DON’T KNOW THIS HOUSE VERY WELL YET.

WHY DON’T YOU TAKE YOUR SISTER TO EXPLORE THE TOWN WHILE WE WORK ON GETTING THE POWER BACK?

CREEEAK...
Ooh, a secret pathway...

Maya!

We don't know what's down there!
SIGH...

MAYBE THIS PATH WILL LEAD US TO --

KITTY!!

Rustle

Rustle
DON’T TOUCH IT!!

WHY NOT?! IT’S SO CUTE!

BECAUSE YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT LETTING A BLACK CAT CROSS YOUR PATH . . .

IT’S BAD LUCK!

AND YOU’VE HAD ENOUGH BAD LUCK LATELY.

COME ON . . . LET’S SEE WHERE THIS THING LEADS.
crunch crunch