Alma's Family Tree¹



¹ Family tree retrieved from junamartinezneal.com/books/alma



"to fit" (verb) "To fit" can have many meanings. 1) It can mean something is the right size and shape. In the book Alma says her name "never fits" or doesn't fit. She means that her name is not the right size because it is too long, and it cannot be written on a piece of paper.

2) It can also mean that something is in agreement or matches. For example: It **fits** that she is a singer because she has a beautiful voice.

namesake (noun) = the person that you are named after. Some people have a namesake other people do not.

ancestors (noun) = The people in your family that lived long ago. On *el día de los muertos* people in Mexico and the United States remember their ancestors.



Alma = In English the word means **soul.** The spirit that makes up a person.

Esperanza = In English the word means **hope.** It means to wish or desire something good.





Pura = In English the word means **pure.** It can mean something that is not contaminated or mixed with anything. It can mean someone that is genuine. For example, the water is pure because it is clean and fresh.

Candela = In English the word means **fire** or **flame** or **full of light**. It can mean that someone has a strong personality or is a passionate person.

