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New Children's Book Hits Young Readers' Sweet Spot Author Marisol Rodriguez offers a bilingual story for chocolate-lovers

Wood Ridge, N.J. –American cartoonist Charles Schulz, who brought the beloved comic strip *Peanuts* to readers for roughly 50 years, once said, “All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt.” Offering young readers and chocolate-lovers a fun treat, Marisol Rodriguez presents her new bilingual – Spanish and English – children's book *The Princess and the Chocolate Castle* (published by AuthorHouse).

Princess Nayaleena lives in a far away kingdom. Her castle is entirely made of chocolate, surrounded by a chocolate milk moat. The bed she sleeps in is chocolate, and she even has a chocolate doll to play with. She absolutely loves chocolate, and it makes her happy. But the princess becomes sad because she doesn't have anyone to share her chocolate with.

Rodriguez puts an interesting spin on her story by bringing readers into the story. Rather than finding a new character to enjoy her chocolate with, Princess Nayaleena asks readers if they would like to be her friend and have some chocolate. Rodriguez pulls readers into the story with the princess, but also involves them in the chocolate world. At the end of the story readers are asked to enjoy their own chocolate adventures and to try out the five chocolate-based recipes included in the book.

A chocolate-lover herself, Rodriguez believes chocolate is something that almost everyone enjoys. “The wonderful colors, the sweet smell and discussion of chocolate are a soft spot in the hearts of all kids who like fun-filled stories like this.”