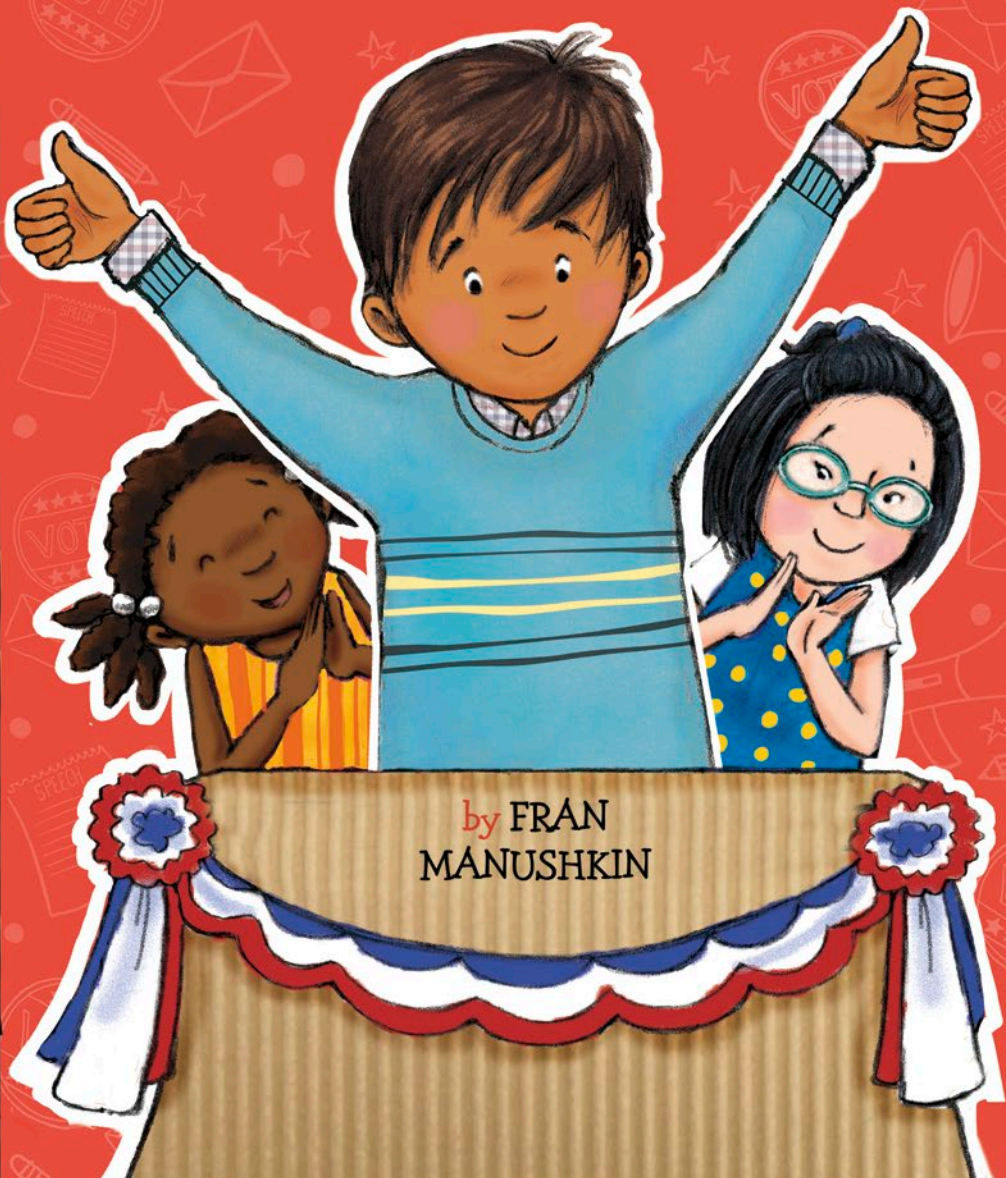


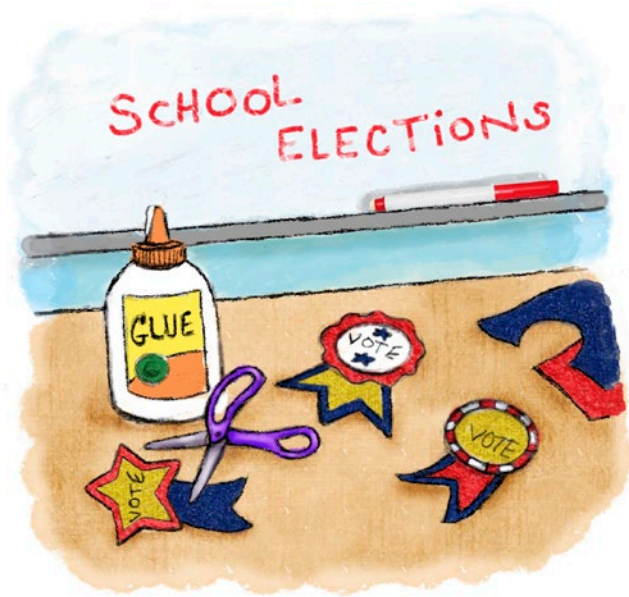
# PEDRO

PEDRO FOR  
PRESIDENT



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Chapter 1  
Running for President



Pedro told Miss Winkle, “I am running for president of our class.”

“So am I!” said Katie Woo.

Miss Winkle asked them,  
“What can you do for our  
class?”

“I can do  
magic tricks,”  
said Pedro.



“I can tap  
dance,” said Katie.



“Those are fun,” said Miss Winkle. “But how will you help the class?”

“I don’t know,” said Katie.

“I’ll have to think,” said Pedro.



That night, Pedro painted  
a poster.

His brother Paco wanted to  
help. He put his messy hands  
all over it.



“I can fix this,” said Pedro.

He painted:

VOTE FOR PEDRO!

I WILL GIVE YOU

A HELPING HAND!

“Good work,” said his father.

“You are using your head.”



## Chapter 2

# Speechless Pedro



The next day, Miss Winkle said, “Before we vote tomorrow, Katie and Pedro will each give a speech. You can tell us why you should be president.”

“I’m not good at giving speeches,” said Pedro.

“I am,” bragged Katie Woo.





Pedro tried to write his speech. Just then, Roddy threw a pencil at the goldfish bowl. Pedro jumped up and caught the pencil.





“You saved our fish!”  
cheered Barry. “And you  
found my favorite pencil.”

Pedro tried to write his speech again. But he saw JoJo looking sad.

“What’s wrong?” he asked.

“I got a bad grade on my math test,” said JoJo.

