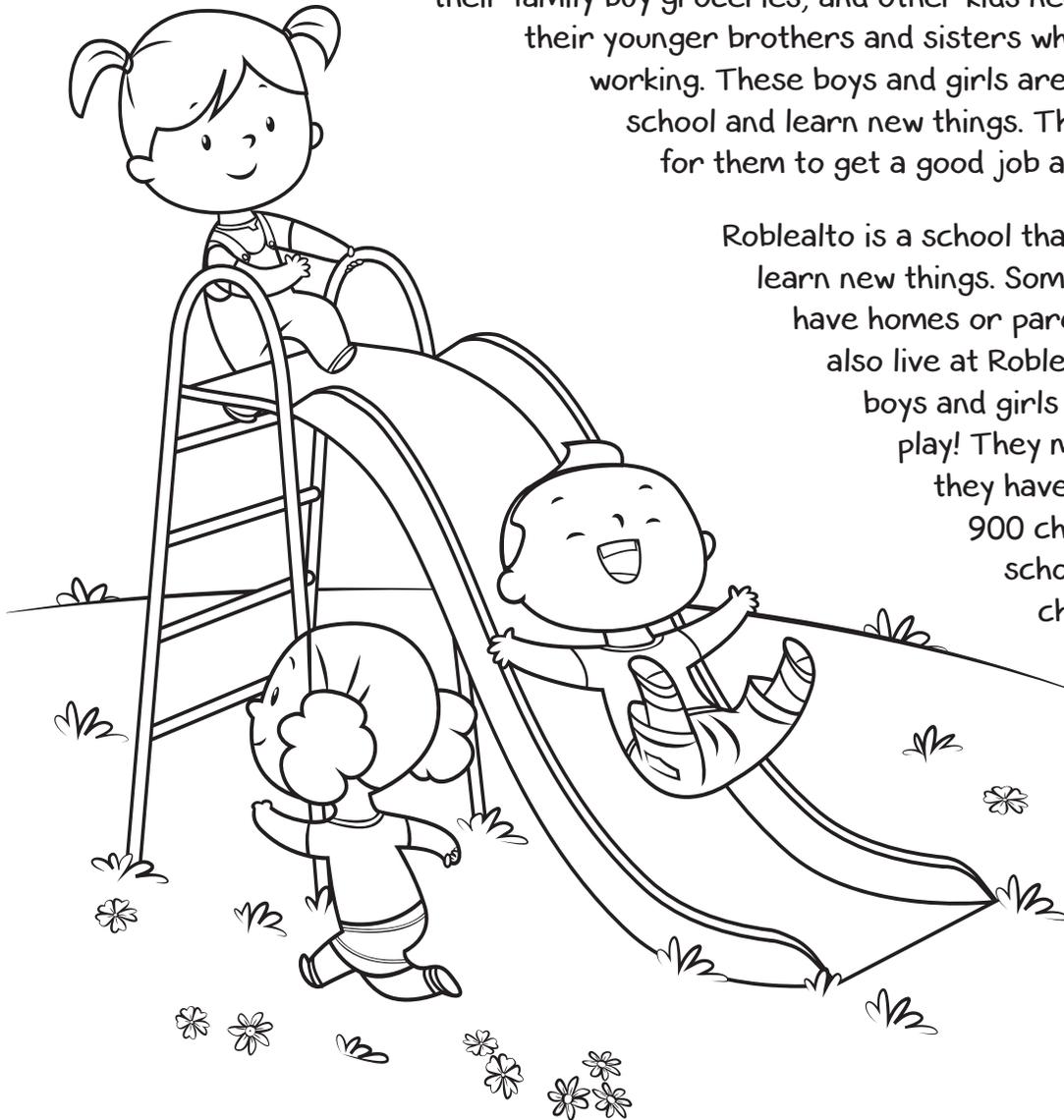


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**ROBLEALTO CHILD CARE ASSOCIATION  
COSTA RICA**

Brrrrr! Is it cold outside where you live? In the morning, you probably wash your face and brush your teeth. Maybe you drink milk while you eat your breakfast. Then, before you go outside, you bundle up in a warm coat! This time of year is cold and snowy for us, but it is super warm for our friends at Roblealto in Costa Rica! Just like you, they get ready to play and learn, but there's no need to stop for a coat as they leave for school.

Learning about English, art, music, science and math probably seem normal to you, but many children in Costa Rica don't have the chance to go to school. Some children must work to help their family buy groceries, and other kids need to take care of their younger brothers and sisters while their parents are working. These boys and girls are not able to go to school and learn new things. This makes it very hard for them to get a good job as they get older.



Roblealto is a school that helps boys and girls learn new things. Some children who don't have homes or parents to care for them also live at Roblealto. It is a place where boys and girls learn and grow and play! They make great friends as they have fun. Last year, almost 900 children lived or went to school at Roblealto! These children were able to eat healthy meals, see a doctor, study at school, make great friends, and most importantly, learn about Jesus. Those are things that they wouldn't have the chance to do if it weren't for Roblealto's mission.



## MEET JENSY

Jensy is nine years old and lives in a very small house with a very large family. She is going to have a new baby brother or sister soon! Her whole family shares one bedroom, so she has very little space of her own. Jensy's dad works very hard, but doesn't make enough to pay their bills or buy enough food for the family. Before coming to Roblealto, Jensy had never gone to school. Because of this, she needs extra help with things like reading and speaking well. At Roblealto, the teachers help her when she struggles. Roblealto is even helping her whole family! Jensy's parents are learning new things from the staff at Roblealto so they can all have a better life as a family. Most importantly, Jensy and her family are learning about Jesus and how to put Him first in their lives.

### HANDS-ON PRAYER CHALLENGE

What is your favorite food? I'm sure lots of you would say Pizza, cheeseburgers, or maybe even Chicken Alfredo! When you get to eat your favorite thing, I'm sure you go back for seconds (or thirds!). Can you imagine what it'd be like to be super hungry, but only get a little bit? Imagine if you could have only one small slice of your favorite pizza! That'd make you really sad.

What about your favorite shoes? Do you have a favorite pair, or maybe a pair for sports and a pair for church or school? If your shoes get holes in them, you will eventually get a new pair, but not everyone has that option. Lots of children don't know what it's like to eat until they feel like they'll explode! Many kids don't know what it feels like to even be full. It's the same way with shoes and clothes. There are many kids without any options. Some only have one pair of shoes and some have no shoes at all.

The next time you ask for more of your favorite food or look through your shoes for the ones that match your shirt, remember to pray for the children in Costa Rica and around the world. Remember that even if you don't have as much as some of your friends, you have so much more than many. Be sure to thank God for what you have and pray for the children who have so much less.

### HOW TO PRAY:

- For God to bring the children who need help and extra care to Roblealto. There are so many kids who need extra help and we pray for God to create a way for those children to come to Roblealto so they can help them and their families!
- For there to be plenty of everything needed! We want every child to go to sleep with full stomachs and warm blankets and we know that God is able to provide ALL we need, with plenty left over!
- For the children at Roblealto to have hungry hearts to know God and listen to their teachers as they are taught in school. We want the children to feel safe and excited to grow and learn new things at Roblealto and meet each day with a happy heart and cheerful attitude.
- For the families of the children at Roblealto. They are learning many new things, just like their kids. They are learning how to be better parents, how to be healthier, and even learning new skills that could help them work at different jobs and make more money for their families. Sometimes learning so many new things at once can be a little scary, so please pray that these families can learn and make changes.

### ROBLEALTO CRYPTOGRAM

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