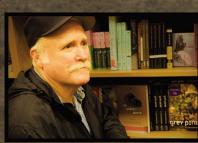
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pital, but Tina and a custodian/nurse's helper from Mexico named Maria believe the child is ill. Maria's lowly status and lack of English cause the medical staff to dismiss her concerns. After the women convince Jake that something is wrong, he begins a frantic effort to secure medical attention for the baby.

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