

Abigail, 11

Abigail belongs to an **eco-brigade**. She lives in a mountainous district towards the north of Lima, near a chain of mountains called the **Lomas de Primavera** (Lomas).

As Lima is a **desert city**, with very little rainfall, the Lomas is a **crucial eco-system**. Mist coming up from the Pacific coast allows vegetation and **natural life to flourish** here. But the Lomas is **under threat** from land traffickers. Mining companies are also threatening to invade the Lomas.

Abigail and the eco-brigade are helping to **defend** the Lomas. They have started working on **planting small plants** to help protect the land.

“It’s important to protect the Lomas because they give us our oxygen, they help our wellbeing and **help our planet.**”