**Abigail, 11**

Abigail belongs to an eco-brigade. She enjoys finding ways to help the planet. Abigail 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. It is known as Lima’s “green lung.” Despite its ecological importance, the Lomas is under threat from land traffickers, who use fake documentation to sell plots of land to people desperate to find a place to live in the city. 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 a forestation project, 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.”