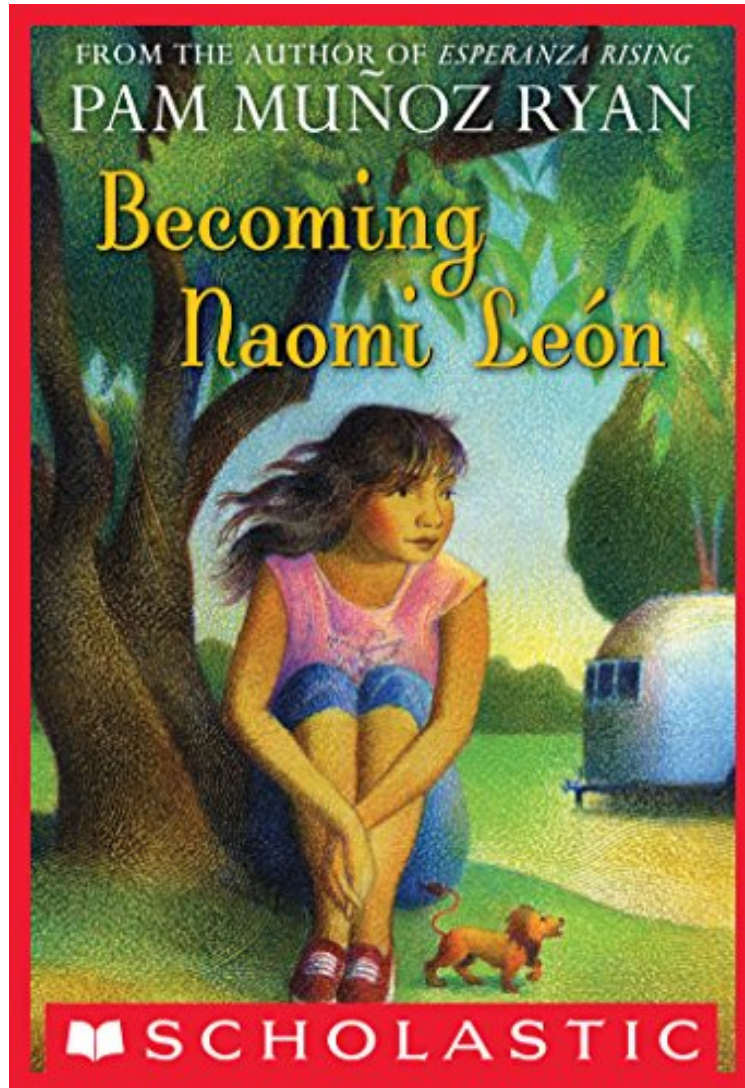


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these years, her heritage, although with her daily, has escaped her. Who knew? Not Naomi. Then Naomi's mother, Skyla, returns, and life becomes chaotic. At first, Skyla claims to want a relationship with Naomi and her brother, but can her sudden burst of sentimentality be trusted? Naomi dreams that Skyla has found herself and truly wants to wear mother/daughter outfits and build a family. But if that is true, why hasn't she been showering presents upon Owen, Naomi's physically-disabled brother, as she has been doing for Naomi since she resurfaced in their lives? Ryan, an award-winning author, gives readers permission to ask the question some may think is silly: Who am I? BECOMING NAOMI LEON demonstrates that who a person is, in fact, is more--much more--than just her name. Pura Belpré Award Honor Book, 2006 Book Sense Book of the Year Award Honor Book, 2005 SCBA Book Award Nominee, 2005 Schneider Family Middle-School Book Award Winner, 2005 Skipping Stones Honor Awards Winner, 2005 Americas Award-Commended, 2004 Parent's Choice Award-Silver, 2004 Tomas Rivera Mexican American Children's Book Award Winner, 2004 Reviewed by: Mechele R. Dillard

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