

## Helado

A Life-snippet

not knowing the word  
he tried to order ice cream  
I offered to help

*"I've come to visit  
a foster child I've not met"  
"my first time down here"*

*"I need a driver  
who speaks Spanish for this trip"*  
I offered to help

for a grad student  
seeking summer adventure  
this was tailor-made

three days as his guide  
my first interpreter gig  
best ice cream ever!

Setting: Bogotá to Chiquinquirá, Colombia, summer 1972



Photo: Holding the unstrung tiple I purchased from its maker in Chiquinquirá

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