

**Neighborhood:** - Sigue andando el camino por toda su vida

Respira (breathe)

Y si pierdes mis huellas que Dios te bendiga

Respira

**Nina** - This is my street

I smile at the faces I've known all my life

They regard me with pride

And everyone's sweet

They say: "you're going places"

So, how can I say that while I was away

I had so much to hide?

Hey, guys, it's me

The biggest disappointment you know

The kid couldn't hack it

She's back

And she's walking real slow

**Neighborhood:** - Welcome home

Just breathe

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Respira

**Nina** - As the radio plays old forgotten boleros

I think of the days when the city was mine

I remember the praise: "Ay, te adoro, te quiero" (te adoro)

The neighborhood waved and said:

"Nina, be brave and you're gonna be fine" (te quiero. Respira!)

And maybe it's me

But it all seems like lifetimes ago (respira)

So what do I say to these faces that I used to know?

"Hey, I'm home"?

**Neighborhood:** -

Mira, Nina

**Nina** - Hey!

No me preocupo por ella

**Nina** - They're not worried about me

Mira, allí está nuestra estrella

**Nina** - They are all counting on me to succeed!

Ella sí da la talla

**Nina** - I am the one who made it out!

The one who always made the grade

But maybe I should have just stayed home (mira, Nina)

When I was a child I stayed wide awake

Climbed to the highest place

On every fire escape

Restless to climb (respira)

I got every scholarship

Saved every dollar

The first to go to college

How do I tell them why I'm coming back home? (Respira)

With my eyes on the horizon

Just me and GWB (George Washington Bridge)

Asking: "Gee, Nina, what'll you be?"

Straighten the spine

Smile for the neighbors

Everything's fine

Everything's cool

The standard reply: "lots of tests"

Lots of papers"

Smile, wave good-bye

And pray to the sky

Oh, god!

And how do I dare to say? (Nina)

Can I go in there and say: (Nina)

"I know that I'm letting you down!"?

Nina!

Just breathe...