The Laughing Gas

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The twins, Azote One and Azote Two lived far in the city of Elements.

Azote One whispered to Azote Two and said,

“The guardians of the gate are noble gases and don’t have to go to the land of people like us.

I wish we were noble gases, too.”
Azote Two replied, “Well, yes they are very rich. They have many electrons and don’t need to work. I wish we were noble gases, too.”

The got on their spaceship to go to the land of people where they work hard as important gases in the atmosphere.
Before the space ship blasted off, the brothers Hydro and Gen arrived with Mrs. Oxygen.

When the three of them united they turned into water in the land of people.

Hydro told Azote One proudly, “Tomorrow, in the land of people we have a water festival.”

Azote One wished that they would celebrate an atmosphere gas festival in the land of people, too.

Hydro

Gen
We take her glasses

We push Mrs. Oxygen

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Without her glasses she can’t see

Azote One would attend the festival tomorrow as she has a plan.

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So we will wait for her as if we are the two brothers Hydro and Gen, and go with her to the water carnival.
The trick worked and Mrs. Oxygen didn’t realize that Azote One and Azote Two were pretending to be Hydro and Gen.
Next day the twin sisters arrived early at the black hole gates and waited for Mrs. Oxygen. Azote One came closer to Mrs. Oxygen and said, “I have arrived with my brother, come on. We’re ready to go to the land of people.” The trick worked and Mrs. Oxygen didn’t realize that Azote One and Azote Two were pretending to be Hydro and Gen. Azote One and Azote Two held Mrs. Oxygen’s hands and set off in the space craft.

Hydro

Gen
In the space craft the three of them united to turn into water, but what happened was a surprise.

Azote One, Azote Two and Mrs. Oxygen didn’t turn into water, but they turned into a colourless gas. It had a lovely fragrance and it was as sweet as sugar.
Whenever anyone inhaled this gas in the land of people, they would laugh and laugh. Azote One said, “Oh! We’re a laughing gas!” When the laughing gas came across a mother and her child, the mother burst into laughter that she dropped her baby who held his feet and started crying.
When the laughing gas approached the baby, he immediately fell asleep. But this is not what Azote One wanted, she only wanted to turn into water with her twin sister and Mrs. Oxygen.
Suddenly, the brothers Hydro and Gen finally arrived. They were boiling with anger. When the twin sisters saw them, they pulled Mrs. Oxygen and ran away. Hydro yelled, “Do you know what happened because of your absence? Ultra-violet rays are being emitted from the atmosphere. You’re harming mankind.” Gen yelled, “And because you ran away with Mrs. Oxygen, we couldn’t unite with her and turn into water. Everyone in the carnival is waiting for us. You must be kidding.”
Azote One and her twin sister let go of Mrs. Oxygen, who screamed, “What is going on here?” Azote One gave her back her eye-glasses and she finally realized that she was tricked.

Hydro

Gen
You won’t get away.

See you next time.

The brothers Hydro and Gen held Mrs. Oxygen’s hand and united with her.
Azote One had no choice.

She had to take her sister and go back to their place in the atmosphere.
Azote One told her sister, “Why not try uniting with Uncle Chlorine and Hydro and Gen to form a solution that will dissolve all the gold on earth?”

Her sister said, “I guess that only then mankind will pay attention to us.”

Royal Water
The End