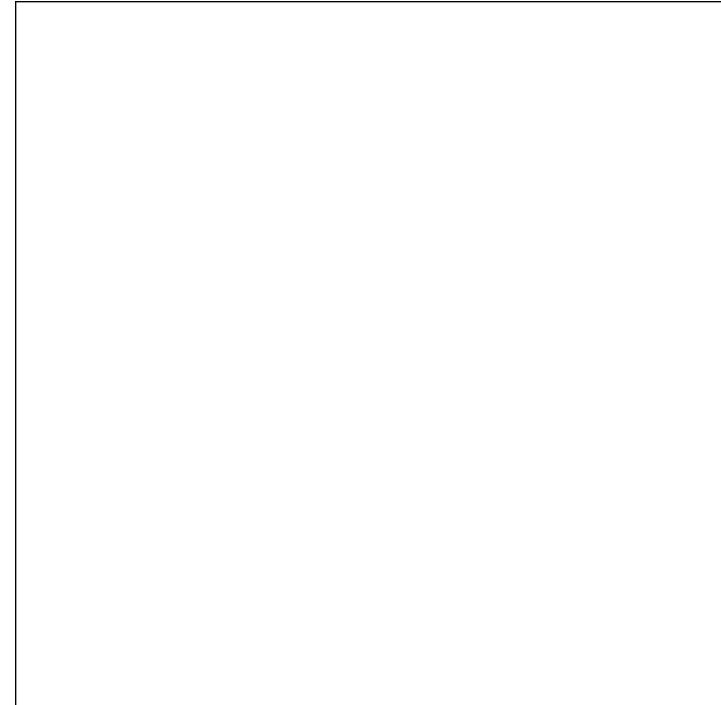




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Tom muzii safaa gutuu baate deema.

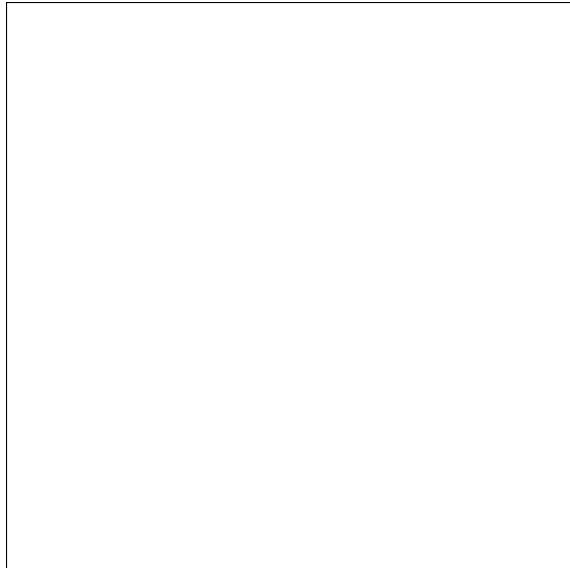
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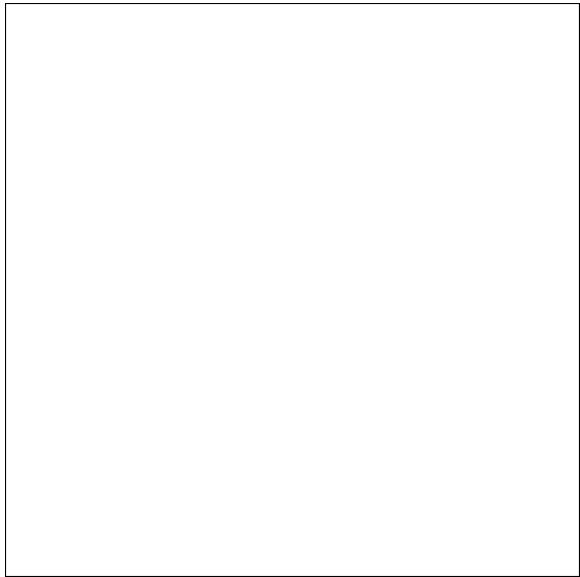
Tom carries a tray of ripe bananas.

Tom goes to the market to sell bananas.

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Tom muzii gurguruff garra magala deema.

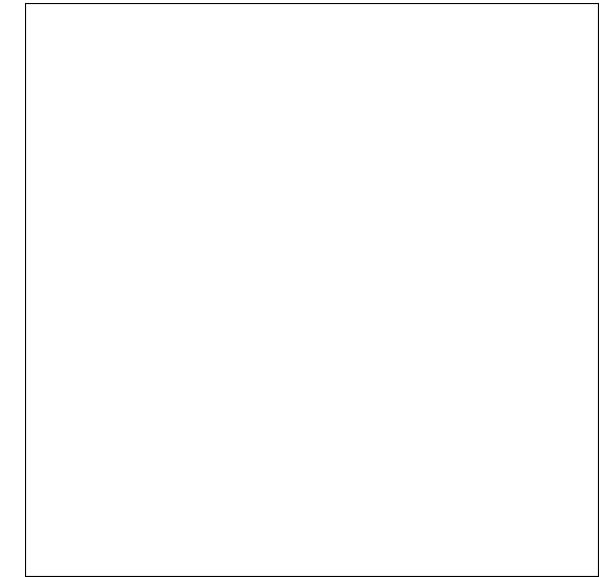




Namonni gabyaa kessa jiran fuduraa bitan.

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People at the market are buying fruit.



Tom safaa mataa isaa gubbati baate gara
mana deeme.

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Tom balances the tray on his head and goes
home.

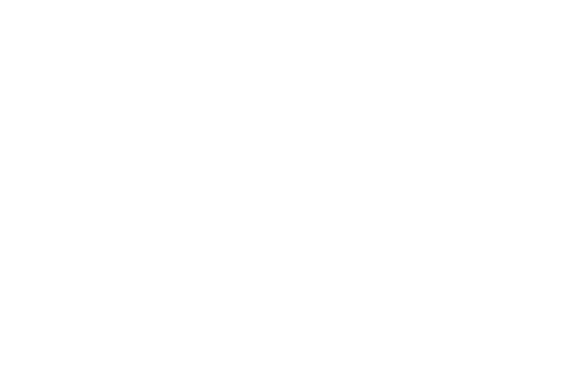
Garuu namani tokkoyu muzii Tom hinbinne.
Dubarti irraa bitu barbadan.
But no one is buying Tom's bananas. They
prefer to buy fruit from women.

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Sana booda, Tom samuuna, sukkara fi dabboo
bitate. Wanntota kana safaa isaa kessa kayate.

Then Tom buys soap, sugar, and bread. He
puts the things in his tray.

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Namonni akkan jedhu, "Ganda kenyati dubartoota qofatu fudura gurgura." "Kuni nama akkamiti," jedhan gafatu.

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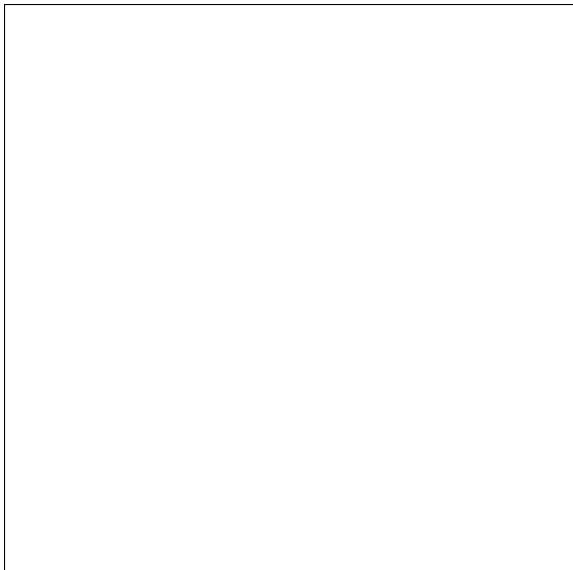
"In our community, only women sell fruit," people say. "What kind of a man is this?" people ask.

Yeroodhuma sana safaan isaa duwaa ta'e. Tomis qarshi argate lakka'u calqabe.

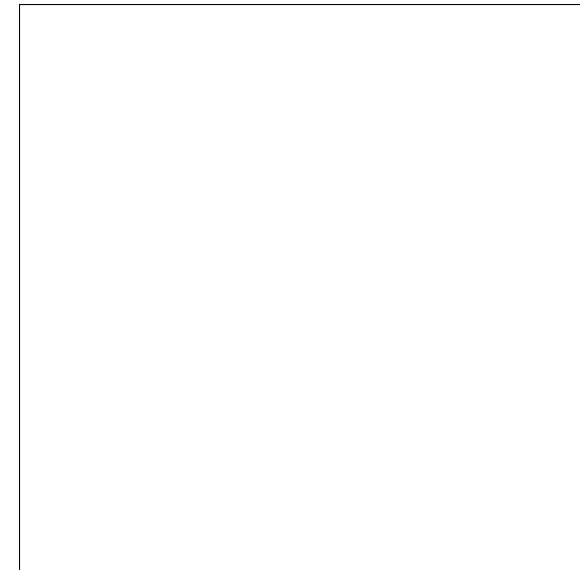
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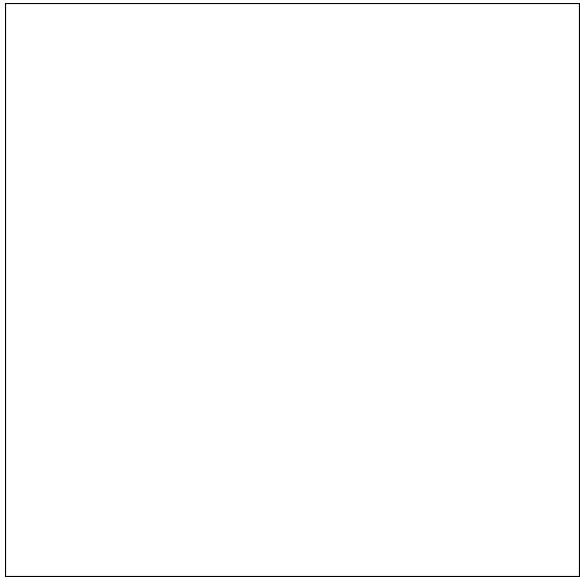
Soon, the tray is empty. Tom counts the money he earned.

Hata'u malee Tom abdi hinkunne. Akkan jedhe,
"Muzii kiyaa bitaa! Muzin kiyaa bayee
mi'awadha!"
...
But Tom does not give up. He calls, "Buy my
bananas! Buy my sweet ripe bananas!"



Namoni bayee ishee argani dhufan. Muzii
Tom bitani nyatan.
More people come to the stall. They buy Tom's
bananas and eat them.
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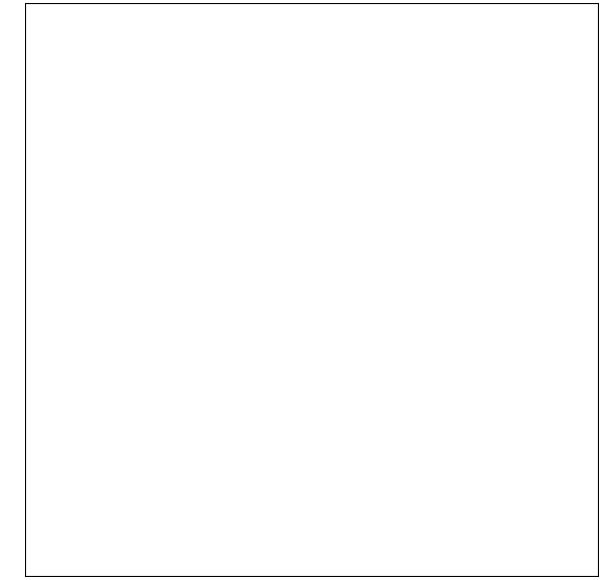




Dubarti tokko dhufte muzii abazza tokko
olkafte sirriti xinxaltee.

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One woman picks up a bunch of bananas from
the tray. She looks at the bananas carefully.



Dubartitin muzii sana bitee.

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The woman buys the bananas.