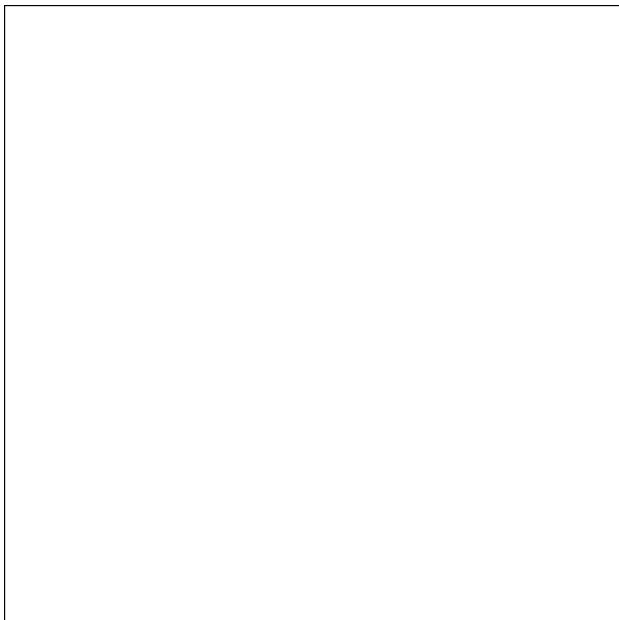


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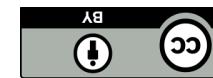
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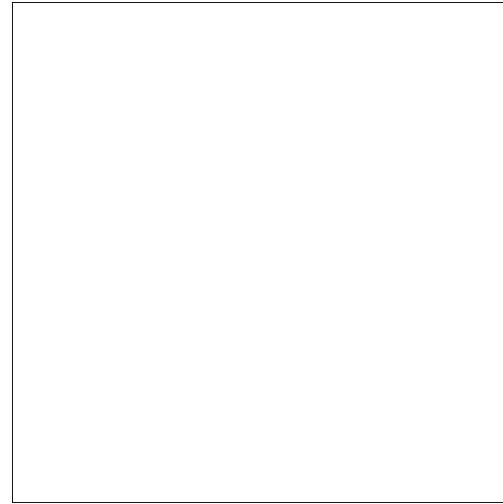
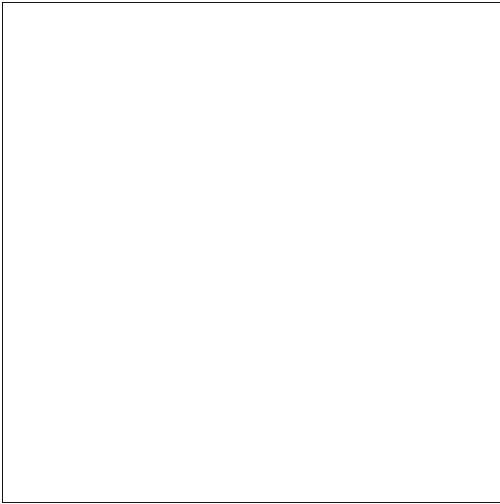
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Сакіма жив із батьками і своєю чотирирічною сестрою у маленькій хаті, дах якої був покритий травою. Вони жили на землі багача у кінці алеї.

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Sakima lived with his parents and his four year old sister. They lived on a rich man's land. Their grass-thatched hut was at the end of a row of trees.

Багач був дуже щасливий знову побачити свого сина. Він винагородив Сакіму за те, що хлопець його втішав. Багач завіз свого сина і Сакіму у лікарню, щоб Сакіма міг знову бачити.

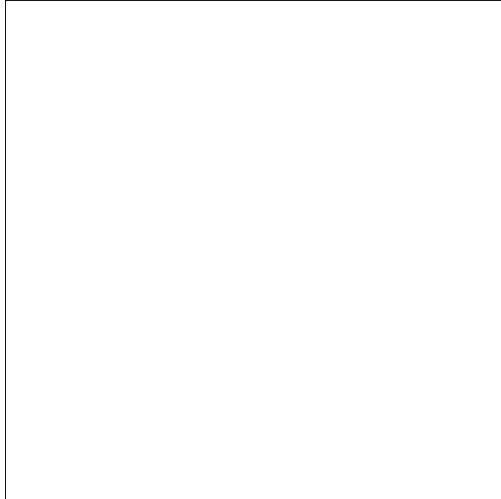
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The rich man was so happy to see his son again. He rewarded Sakima for consoling him. He took his son and Sakima to hospital so Sakima could regain his sight.

When Sakima was three years old, he fell sick and lost his sight. Sakima was a talented boy.

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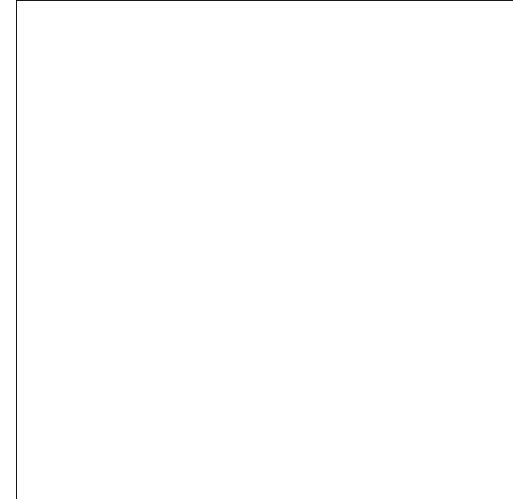
Konin Cakimi gyruo tpu pokn, bih saxbopib i ocarin. Cakima gybe ayke tarahobntin.

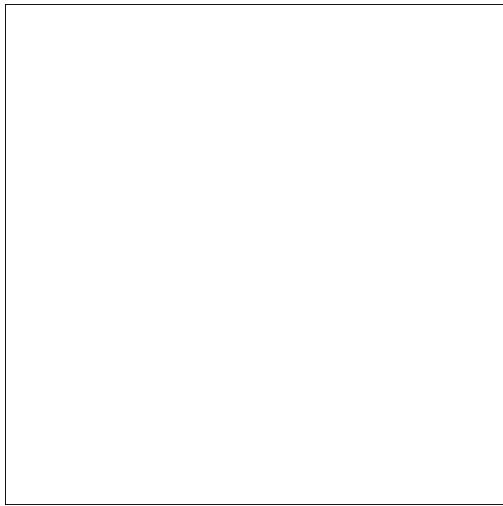


At that very moment, two men came carrying someone on a stretcher. They had found the rich man's son beaten up and left on the side of the road.

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Y uen hac 3'abnisoaca Aboe horobikib, aki hecun korocb ha house. Bonh shanlumun cnya Garaha, nongtoro ha y3gihi! Aporn.

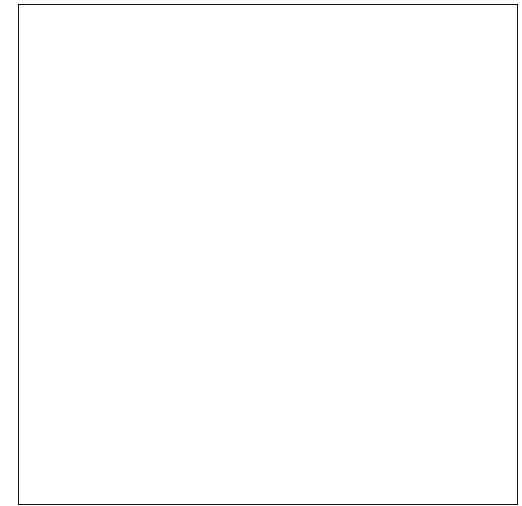




Сакіма робив багато такого, що шестирічні хлопці не роблять. Наприклад, він міг сидіти із старійшинами села і обговорювати важливі справи.

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Sakima did many things that other six year old boys did not do. For example, he could sit with older members of the village and discuss important matters.



Сакіма закінчив співати і вже хотів іти. Але багач вибіг на вулицю і сказав: "Будь ласка, заспівай ще раз."

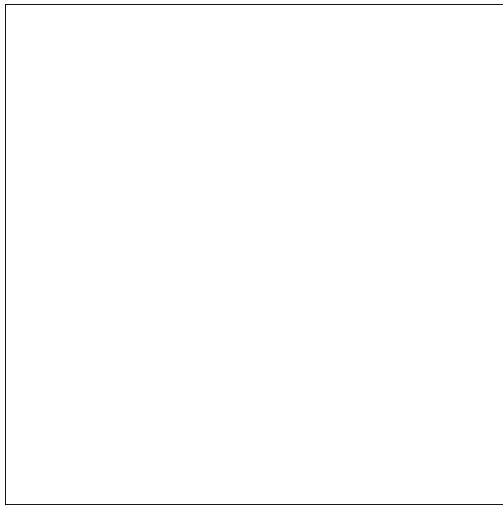
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Sakima finished singing his song and turned to leave. But the rich man rushed out and said, "Please sing again."

The parents of Sakima worked at the rich man's house. They left home early in the morning and returned late in the evening. Sakima was left with his little sister.

Bartekn Cakmin npahlobanin ha Garaha. Bonn ñumun 3 Añomy
Daho Bpahli i nobeptranica niñiho Brehepi. Cakima
Jañimbarca BAoMa i3 COEHO Mañehpko cectpoho.
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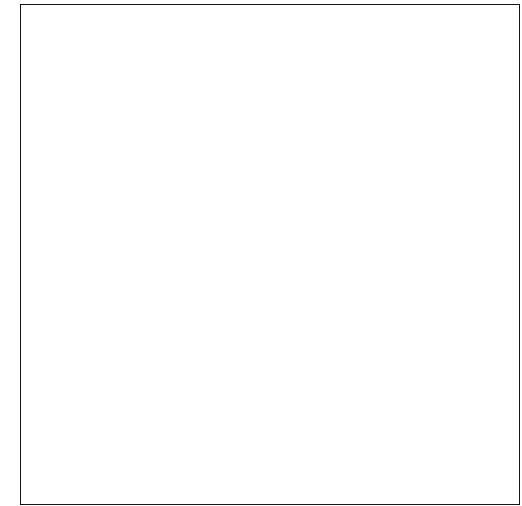
Po git hink nepe ctar i n pa u ho bat n. Bon h cay xan ay Ajob y
Mi chio Cak min. Ate oAn h ho no bi k ck aab : "Hi xto he Mi r
Yti lunt n ha mu ro loc no Aapa. Hn he n cu ri n n xu one h p Ay Ma e,
Ulo bi h he smo ke spo gont n?"
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Сакіма любив співати. Якось мама запитала його: "Звідки ти знаєш ці пісні, Сакімо?"

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Sakima loved to sing songs. One day his mother asked him, "Where do you learn these songs from, Sakima?"



Він став під великим вікном і почав співати свою улюблену пісню. Скоро у великому вікні з'явилася голова багача.

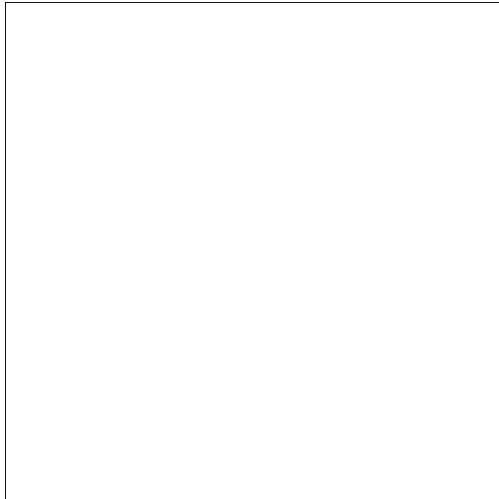
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He stood below one big window and began to sing his favourite song. Slowly, the head of the rich man began to show through the big window.

Sakima answered, "They just come, mother. I hear them in
my head and then I sing."

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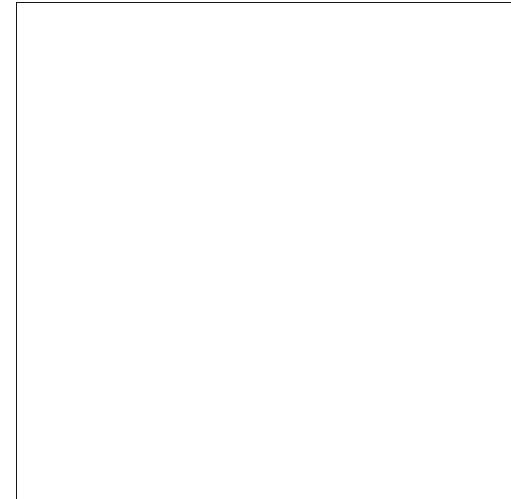
Cakima bila nobib: "Bohn cami npnxoAatp, Mamo. A yho ix y
cboin rojobji toAji cniбaHo."

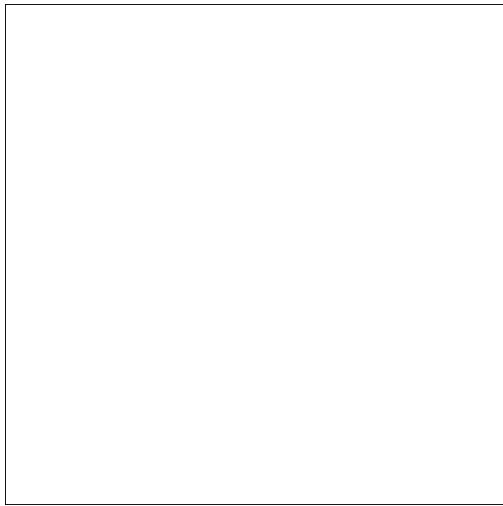


The following day, Sakima asked his little sister to lead him
to the rich man's house.

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Hacъyнhoro Aha Cakima nonpocne cboho manehky cectpy
upobectn нoro Aо GyAnhky Garaha.

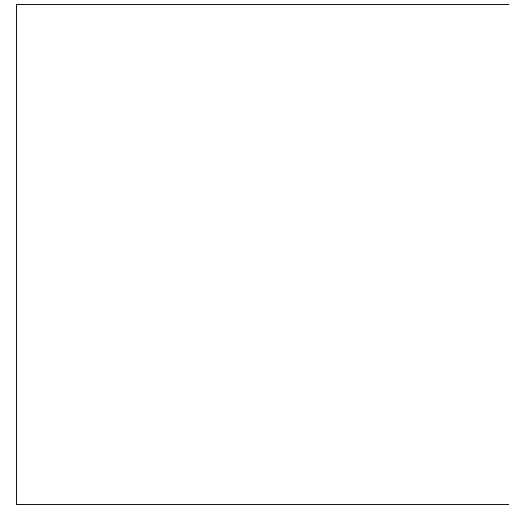




Сакіма любив співати своїй сестрі, особливо, коли вона була голодна. Його сестра слухала, як він співав свою улюблену пісню. Вона завжди погойдувалася під заспокійливу мелодію.

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Sakima liked to sing for his little sister, especially, if she felt hungry. His sister would listen to him singing his favourite song. She would sway to the soothing tune.



Проте, Сакіма не здавався. Його маленька сестра підтримала його. Вона сказала: "Пісні Сакіми заспокоюють мене, коли я голодна. Вони заспокоять і багача також."

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However, Sakima did not give up. His little sister supported him. She said, "Sakima's songs soothe me when I am hungry. They will soothe the rich man too."

him?"

You are only a blind boy. Do you think your song will help his parents. But his parents dismissed him. "He is very rich. "I can sing for him. He might be happy again," Sakima told

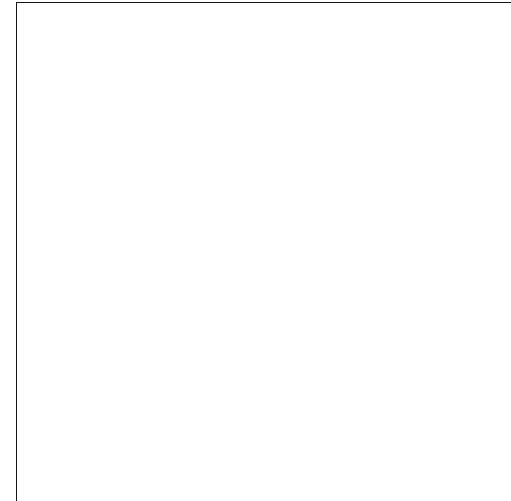
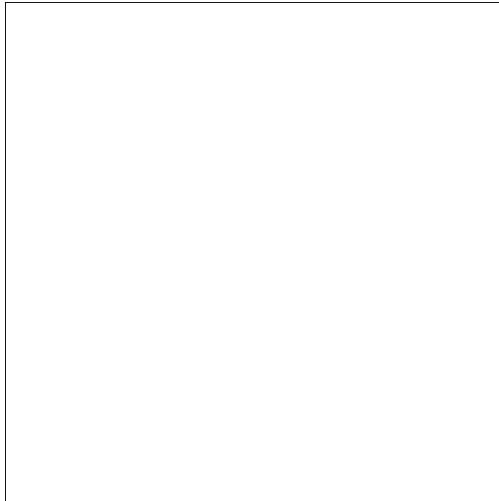
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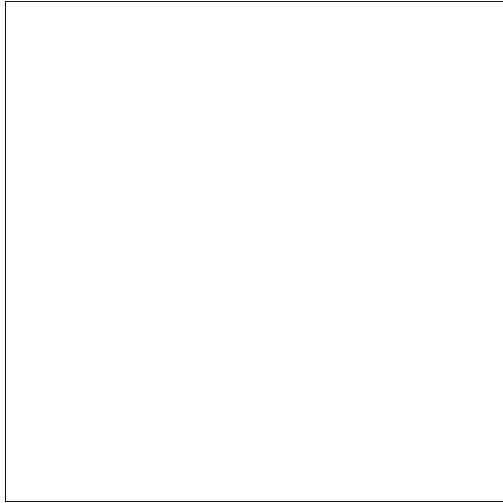
"A moky nomy 3acniiban. Moknibo, bih gyAe shoby xronhuk. Gyameu, troa nicha nomy Aotnomoke?"
3amepehinnu nomy: "Bih - Gyke Garatnni, a tn - nruue cuilinn
llacunbm", - cka3aab Cakima Garapkm. Ane noro Garapkn

"Can you sing it again and again, Sakima," his sister would beg him. Sakima would accept and sing it over and over again.

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"3acniiban llie pas, Cakimo, 3acniiban", - Gnarara noro cectpa. Cakima noro/gybabca i cniibaar llo nicho shoby i shoby.

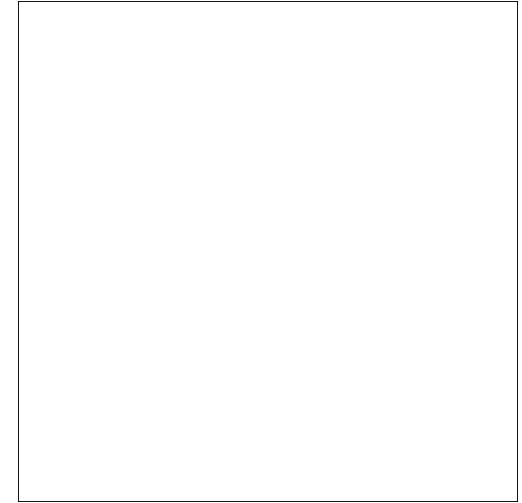




Одного вечора, коли батьки повернулися додому, вони були дуже мовчазні. Сакіма знов, що щось не так.

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One evening when his parents returned home, they were very quiet. Sakima knew that there was something wrong.



"Що трапилось, мамо, тату?" - запитав він. Сакіма дізнався, що син багача пропав. І чоловік був дуже засмучений і самотній.

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"What is wrong, mother, father?" Sakima asked. Sakima learned that the rich man's son was missing. The man was very sad and lonely.