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### **Punishment**

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One day, mama got a lot of fruit.

መቼ ነው ታዲያ ከፍራፍሬው የምትሰጭን? ብለን ጠየቅን። ‹‹ፍራፍሬውን ማታ እንበላዋለን።›› አለች እማ።

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"When can we have some fruit?" we ask. "We will eat the fruit tonight," says mama.

ወንድሜ ራሂም ስግብግብ ነው። ከሁሉም ፍራፍሬ ቀመሰ። አብዛኛውንም እሱ በላው። My brother Rahim is greedy. He tastes all the fruit. He eats a lot of it.

<<እዩ እዩ ራሂም ምን እንዳደረገ!>> ታናሹ ወንድሜ ጮኸ። <<ራሂም ክፉ እና ራስ ወዳድ ነው>> አልኩ እኔ።

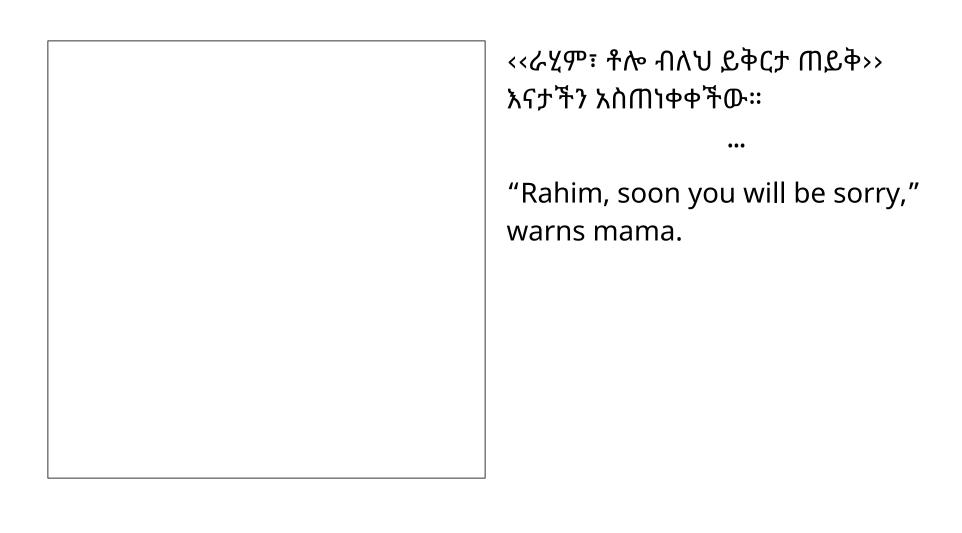
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"Look at what Rahim did!" shouts my little brother. "Rahim is naughty and selfish," I say.

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Mother is angry with Rahim.

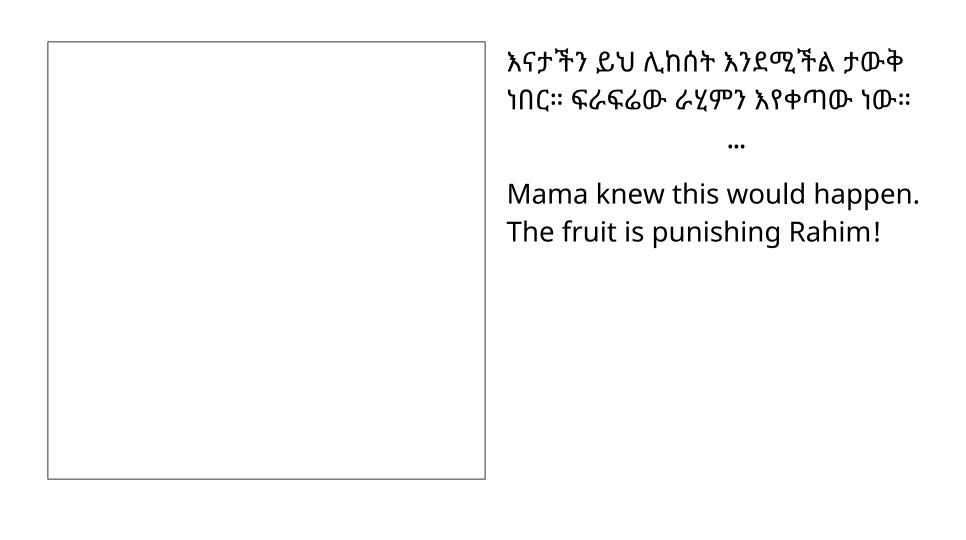


‹‹ራሂምን አትቀጭውም?›› ሲል ትንሹ ወንድሜ ጠየቀ። "Aren't you going to punish Rahim?" asks little brother.



ራሂምም ወዲያው ይታመም ጀመር።
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Rahim starts to feel sick.

‹‹ሆዴን በጣም አመመኝ›› በማለት ራሂም አልጎመጎመ። "My tummy is so sore," whispers Rahim.



በኋላም ራሂም ይቅርታ ጠየቀን። ‹‹ከእንግዲህ ዳግመኛ ስግብግብ አልሆንም›› በማለት ቃል ገባ። ሁላችንም አመንነው።

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Later, Rahim says sorry to us. "I will never be so greedy again," he promises. And we all believe him.



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