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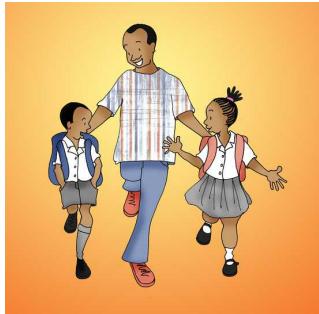
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Odongo ak Apiyo te rete laval ak papa yo. Yo tap tann vakans yo ak anpil empasyans. Se pa sèlman paske lekòl la te fèmen men tou paske yo te anvi wè grann yo. Grann yo te rete nan yon ti vilaj pechè akote yon gwo basen.

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Odongo and Apiyo lived in the city with their father. They looked forward to the holidays. Not just because school was closed, but because they went to visit their grandmother. She lived in a fishing village near a large lake.

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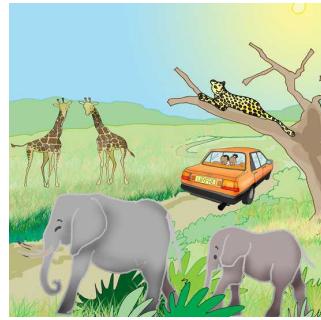
Odongo and Apoyo were excited because it was time to visit their grandmother again. The night before, they packed their bags and got ready for the long journey to her village. They could not sleep and talked the whole night about the holiday.

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Odongo ak Apoyo te kontan yo ta pral we gran yo anko. Jou lanwit sa sa yo fe malte yo enpi yo pare pou wwayaj byen long sa a. Yo pate kapab domi, yo chita pale tout lanwit lan sou vakans





Byen bonè nan maten, yale nan machin papa yo jis nan vilaj kote grann yo rete. Sou wout la yo travèse mòn ak plantasyon enpi yo kwaze bêt sovaj. Yo konte kantite machin yo wè. Yo chante.

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Early the next morning, they left for the village in their father's car. They drove past mountains, wild animals and tea plantations. They counted cars and sang songs.



Lè Odongo ak Apiyo tounen lekòl la yo rakonte zanmi yo kijan lavi a nan vilaj la ye. Gen kèk nan yo ki kwè ke lavil la bon tou. Gen lòt ki santi ke vilaj la pi bon toujou. Men, pi fò nan yo te dakò ke Odongo ak Apiyo gen yon pakèt granmanman!

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When Odongo and Apiyo went back to school they told their friends about life in the village. Some children felt that life in the city was good. Others felt that the village was better. But most of all, everyone agreed that Odongo and Apiyo had a wonderful grandmother!

Apré yon titan, timoun yo bouké, yo tonbe domi.



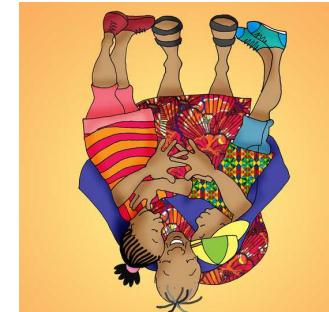
After a while, the children were tired and fell asleep.

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Odongo and Apayo both hugged her tightly and said goodbye.

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Odongo ak Apayo bo granu yo byen fo pou di orewwa.

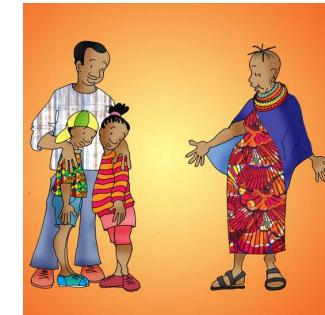




Lè yo rive papa a reveye Odongo ak Apiyo. Yo jwenn grann yo, Nyar-Kanyada, kouche atè lap dòmi sou yon nat anba yon pyebwa. Nyar-Kanyada vle di "pitim fi pèp Kanyada la » nan lang Luo. Nyar-Kanyada se te yon bèl fanm ak yon bèl karaktè.

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Father woke up Odongo and Apiyo as they arrived in the village. They found Nyar-Kanyada, their grandmother, resting on a mat under a tree. Nyar-Kanyada in Luo, means 'daughter of the people of Kanyada'. She was a strong and beautiful woman.



Lè papa yo vin chache yo, yo pa te vle ale. Timoun yo mande pou Nyar-Kanyada vini abite lavil ak yo. Men, Nyar-Kanyada souri, li di yo "Mwen twò granmoun kounyè a pou'm ale lavil. Map tann nou isit nan vilaj mwen."

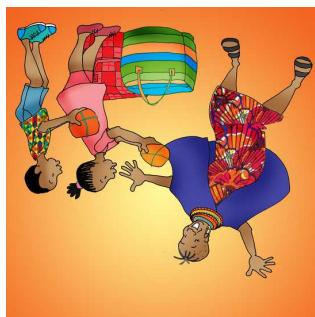
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When their father came to fetch them, they did not want to leave. The children begged Nyar-Kanyada to go with them to the city. She smiled and said, "I am too old for the city. I will be waiting for you to come to my village again."

Nyar-Kanyada welcomed them into the house  
and danced around the room singing with joy.  
Her grandchilren were excited to give her the  
presents they brought from the city. "First open  
my gift," said Odongo. "No, my gift first!" said  
Apoyo.

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Nyar-Kanyada akeyi yo lakay li enpi li dansé ak  
chte ak yo télman két te kontan. Petit ptit li yo  
te kontan bay li kado yo te pote pou li. Odongo  
di "Louvi pa'm anvan". Apoyo di « Non, se pa'm  
pou'w louvi anvan! ».



But too soon the holidays were over and the  
children had to go back to the city. Nyar-  
Kanyada gave Odongo a cap and Apoyo a  
sweater. She packed food for their journey.

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Men, fén vakans ap vini. Foke timoun yo tounen  
laval la. Nyar-Kanyada bay Odongo yon kap ak  
Apoyo yon chanday. Li mete manje nan valiz yo  
pou wwayaj la.





Lè li fin louvri kado yo, Nyar-Kanyada beni pitit ptit li yo selon lakoutim.

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After she opened the presents, Nyar-Kanyada blessed her grandchildren in a traditional way.



Nan fen jounen an yo bwè te chai ansanm. Yo ede grann nan konte lajan li fè pou lajounen an.

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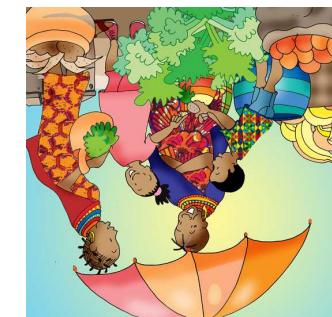
At the end of the day they drank chai tea together. They helped grandmother to count the money she earned.

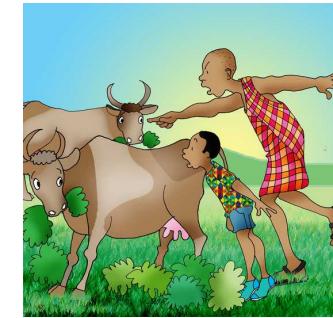
Apré sa a, Odongo ak Apayo al jwe deyo. Yo kouri  
déké papillon ak zwazo.  
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Then Odongo and Apayo went outside. They  
chased butterflies and birds.



On another day, the children went to the  
marketplace with Nyar-Kanyada. She had a stall  
selling vegetables, sugar and soap. Apayo liked  
to tell customers the price of items. Odongo  
would pack the items that customers bought.

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You lot jou, timoun yo ale nan maché ak Nyar-  
Kanyada. Li te gen youn bak pou' vanн legim, sik  
ak savon. Apayo te renmen bay kilyan yo pri  
machandiz yo. Odongo te renmen mete yo nan  
sache.





Yo grenpe pyebwa, yo benyen nan dlo basen an.

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They climbed trees and splashed in the water of the lake.

Yon maten, Odongo mennen bèf grann li nan savann pou yo manje. Yo kwaze ak vwazen an ki se yon abitan. Vwazen an te fache anpil ak Odongo. Li menase'l lap kenbe bèf yo paske yo tap manje jaden li yo. Depi jou sa a, ti gason an pa janm mennen bèf yo la ankò pou li pa gen pwoblèm.

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One morning, Odongo took his grandmother's cows to graze. They ran onto a neighbour's farm. The farmer was angry with Odongo. He threatened to keep the cows for eating his crops. After that day, the boy made sure that the cows did not get into trouble again.

Nyar-Kanyada taught her grandchildren to make soft ugali to eat with stew. She showed them how to make coconut rice to eat with roast fish.

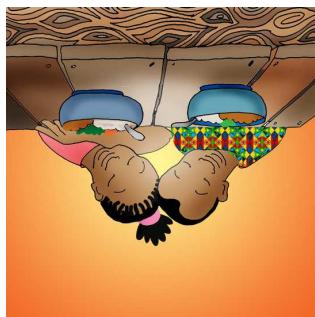
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Nyar-Kanyada prepared ugali pou yo fe diri kokyé pou manje ak pwasan pou manje ak bouyon. Li montre yo tou kijan pou yo manje fe ak bouyon. Nyar-Kanyada apprenn timoun yo prepare ugali boukanne.

When it was dark they returned to the house for dinner. Before they could finish eating, they were falling asleep!

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Lé komansé fé nwa, yo tounen lakaï granan yo pou yo manje men yo tonbe domi anvan yo fin manje!

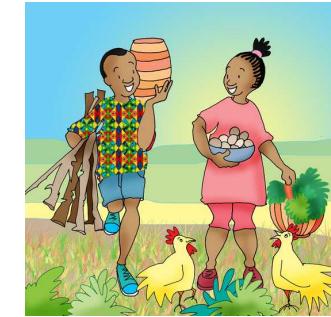




Demen, papa a tounen lavil li kite timoun you ak grann yo.

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The next day, the children's father drove back to the city leaving them with Nyar-Kanyada.



Odongo ak Apiyo ede grann yo ak kèk ti travay nan kay la. Yo chache dlo ak bwa pou fè dife. Yo pran ze poul yo ak ti pwa vèt nan jaden a.

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Odongo and Apiyo helped their grandmother with household chores. They fetched water and firewood. They collected eggs from the chickens and picked greens from the garden.