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Punishment

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ሓደ መዓልቲ፡ ኣደይ ብዙሕ ፍረታት ኣምጺኣ።

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One day, mama got a lot of fruit.



"መዓስ ኢና ካብዚ ፍረታት ክንበልዕ?" ኢልና ሓቲትናያ። "ነዚ ፍረታት ሎሚ ምሸት ክንበልዖ ኢና" ኢላ መለሰት ኣደይ።

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



ራሂም ሓወይ ህሩፍ እዩ። ንኹሉ እቲ ፍረታት ጐሊሙ ጥዒምዎ። ንዝበዝሐ ካብኡ በሊዕዎ።

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My brother Rahim is greedy. He tastes all the fruit. He eats a lot of it.



"ርአዪ ራሂም ዝገበሮ!" ኢሉ ንእሽቶ ሓወይ ጨደረ። ኣነ ድማ "ራሂም ስድን ስሱዕን እዩ።" ኢለዮ።

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



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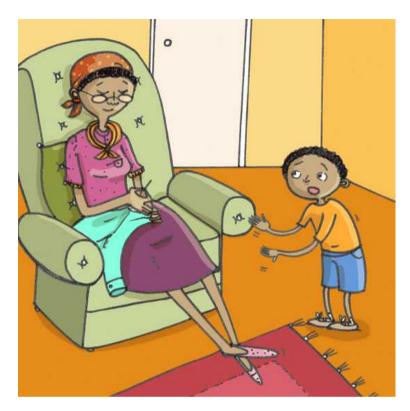
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Mother is angry with Rahim.



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We are also angry with Rahim. But Rahim is not sorry.



"ንራሂም ኣይትቐጽዒዮን ዲኺ?" ኢሉ ንእሽቶ ሓወይ ሓተተ።

"Aren't you going to punish Rahim?" asks little brother.



"ራሂም፡ ሕጅሕጂ ክትጣዓስ ኢኻ፡" ኢላ ኣደይ ኣጠንቂቓቶ።

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"Rahim, soon you will be sorry," warns mama.



ራሂም ሕማም ክስምዖ ጀመረ።

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Rahim starts to feel sick.



"ከብደይ ኣመና የቐንዝወኒ ኣሎ።" ክብል ራሂም ኣሕሸዅሸዀ።

"My tummy is so sore," whispers Rahim.



ኣደይ እዚ ከምዘጋጥም ፈሊጣ ኔራ። እቲ ፍረታት እዩ ንራሂም ዝቐጽዖ ዘሎ!

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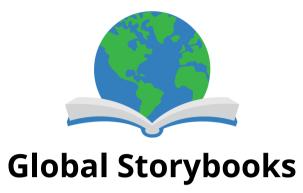
Mama knew this would happen. The fruit is punishing Rahim!



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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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