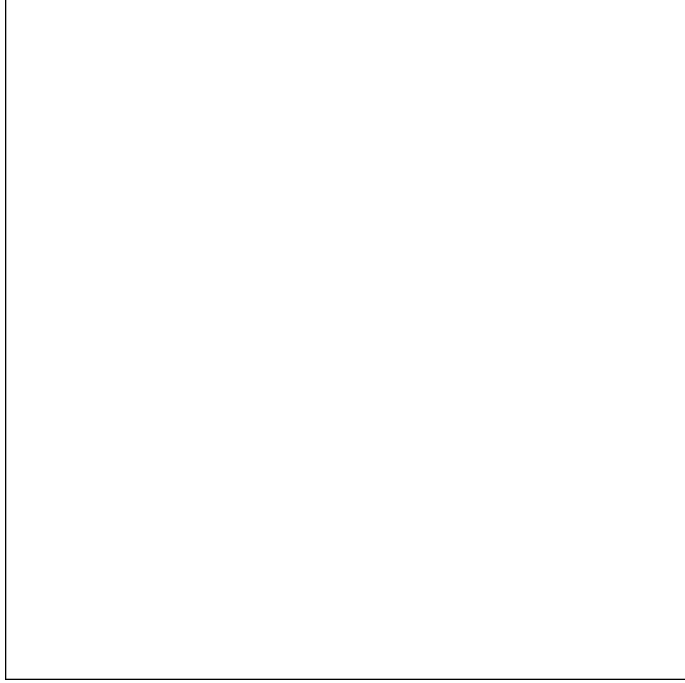




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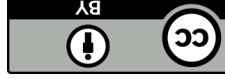
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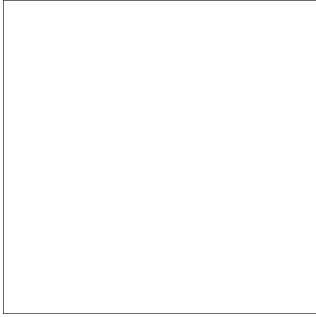
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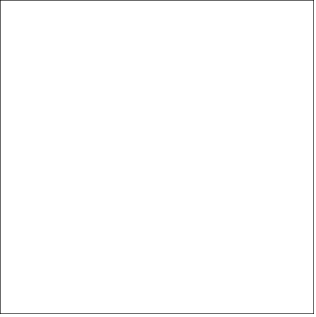




Yon maten byen bonè, grann Vuzi rele li, “Vuzi, tanpri, pote ze sa yo bay manman ou pou mwen. Li vle fè yon gwo gato pou maryaj sè ou.”

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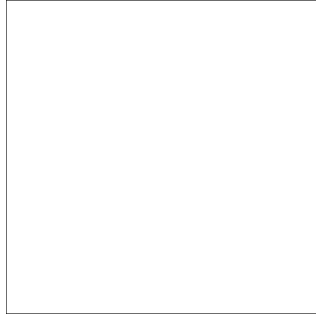
Early one morning Vusi’s granny called him, “Vusi, please take this egg to your parents. They want to make a large cake for your sister’s wedding.”



Pandan Vuzi ap mache pou lale kay paran li yo li
rankontre de ti gason ki tap keyi fwi. Yonn nan ti
gason yo pran ze yo nan men Vuzi enpi li voye
yo sou yon pyebwa. Ze yo kraze.

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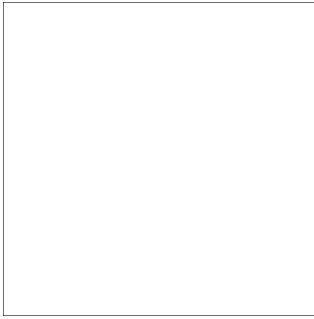
On his way to his parents, Vusi met two boys
picking fruit. One boy grabbed the egg from
Vusi and shot it at a tree. The egg broke.



Sè Vuzi vin reflechi sou sitiyasyon an epi li di
Vuzi "Vuzi frè mwen, kado yo pa enpòtan pou
mwen, gato a pa enpòtan pou mwen. Sa ki pi
enpòtan pou mwen se ke tout moun la avèk
mwen. Kèm kontan anpil. Koulyè a, al mete
bèl rad ou enpi an nou fete jou sa ai Se sa Vusi
fè.

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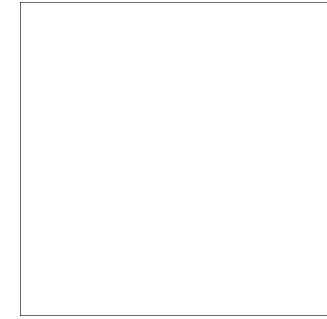
Vusi's sister thought for a while, then she said,
"Vusi my brother, I don't really care about gifts. I
don't even care about the cake! We are all here
together, I am happy. Now put on your smart
clothes and let's celebrate this day!" And so
that's what Vusi did.



Sa ou fè la a? "Vuzi di li « Ze sa yo se te pou yon gato maryaj sè'm nan. Ki sa sè'm nan pral di si pa gen gato nan maryaj li?

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"What have you done?" cried Vusi. "That egg was for a cake. The cake was for my sister's wedding. What will my sister say if there is no wedding cake?"



"Kisa pou'm fè? Vuzi mande "Bèf la se te yon kado abitan an te bay pou ranplase zèb yo ke bòs mason yo te banm paske yo te kase baton an ke ti gason yo ki tap ranmase fwi yo te banm pou ranplase ze yo ke yo te kase pou fè gato a. Gato a se te pou maryaj la. Koulyè a pa gen ze, pa gen gato, pa gen kado. "

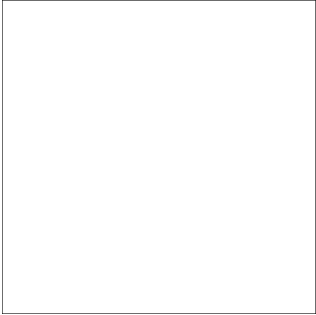
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"What shall I do?" cried Vusi. "The cow that ran away was a gift, in return for the thatch the builders gave me. The builders gave me the thatch because they broke the stick from the fruit pickers. The fruit pickers gave me the stick because they broke the egg for the cake. The cake was for the wedding. Now there is no egg, no cake, and no gift."

Ti gason yo te regret anpil deske yo te pase Vuzi nan jwèt. "Nou pa ka fè anyen pou gato a koulyè a, men nou kapab ba ou yon baton pou sè ou " Vuzi kontinye wout li.

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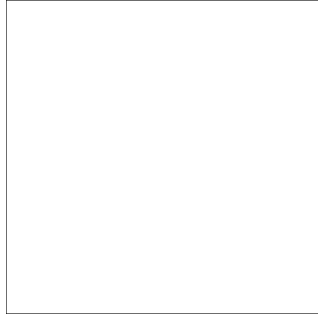
The boys were sorry for teasing Vusi. "We can't help with the cake, but here is a walking stick for your sister," said one. Vusi continued on his journey.

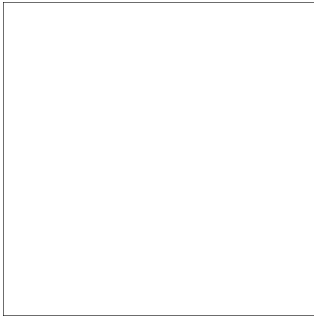


Men lè manje an vin rive, bèf la chape pou' l tounen lakay mèt li. Vuzi pèdi chemen li enpi li rive ta nan maryaj sèl. Envite yo te kòmanse ap manje.

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But the cow ran back to the farmer at supper time. And Vusi got lost on his journey. He arrived very late for his sister's wedding. The guests were already eating.

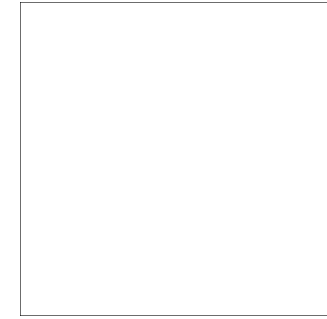




Sou wout la, li jwenn ak de gason ki tap konstwi yon kay. Mesye yo mande li “Èske ou ka bannou baton solid sa a ? » Men, baton an pate solid kont...li kase.

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Along the way he met two men building a house. “Can we use that strong stick?” asked one. But the stick was not strong enough for building, and it broke.



Bèf la te regrèt ke li te visye konsa. Abitan an decide voye bèf la ak Vuzi kòm kado pou sè li. Vizu kontinye wout li.

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The cow was sorry she was greedy. The farmer agreed that the cow could go with Vusi as a gift for his sister. And so Vusi carried on.



“Sa nou fè la a? Vuzi mande pandan lap kriye.
“Baton sa a se te yon kado pou sè'm nan. Ti

gason yo ki tap ranmase fwi banm li paske yo te
kraze ze pou fè gato sè'm nan. Kounyè a, pa gen
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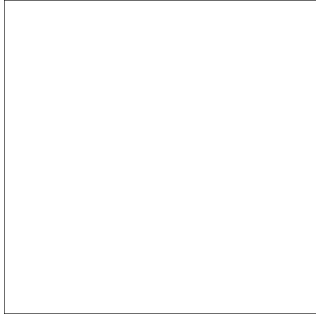
was a gift for my sister. The fruit pickers gave

me the stick because they broke the egg for the

cake. The cake was for my sister's wedding. Now

there is no egg, no cake, and no gift. What will

my sister say?”



« Sa pou'm fè? Vuzi mand li. “zèb sa a se te yon

kado pou sè m nan. Bòs mason yo kap knostwi

yon kay ban mwen yo paske yo te kase baton ti

gason kap ranmase fwi yo te banm. Ti gason sa

yo te banm baton an paske yo te kraze ze ki pou

te fè gato sè m nan. Gato a te pou maryaj sè m

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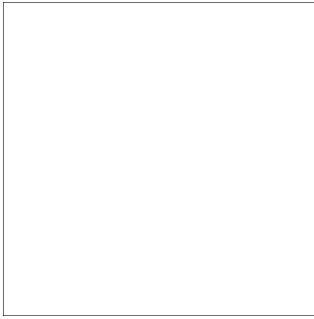
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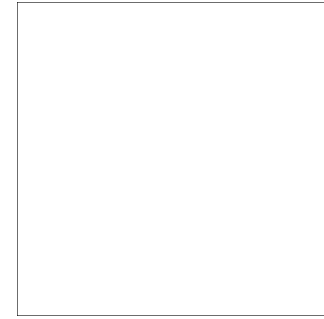
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The builders were sorry for breaking the stick. “We can’t help with the cake, but here is some thatch for your sister,” said one. And so Vusi continued on his journey.



Sou wout la, Vuzi wè yon abitan ak bèf li. Bèf la di « A la bèl zèb, ou ka banm yon ti kras ladan'l ? ». Men zèb la te tèlman bon ke bèf la manje tout !

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Along the way, Vusi met a farmer and a cow. “What delicious thatch, can I have a nibble?” asked the cow. But the thatch was so tasty that the cow ate it all!