

Sakima's song

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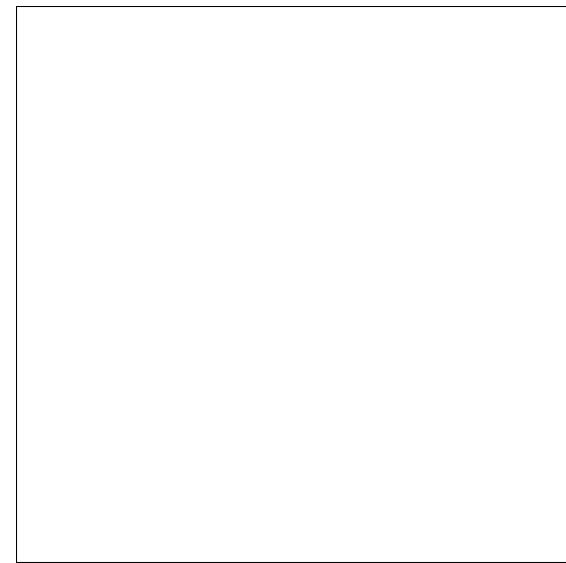
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Sakiimaan warra isaatifi obbolette isaa ishee waggan afuri walin jirata. lafa namaa soressa tokko gubbaa jiratan. Manii citaa isaani mukkenin marfamtee jiriti.

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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.

Namni soressi sun mucaan isaa agrachuu isaatin bayee gammadee. Sakiimman wan isaa sabbarsiseef badhaasa laatef. Sakiimaa fi mucaa issaa gara mana yaalla gessee.

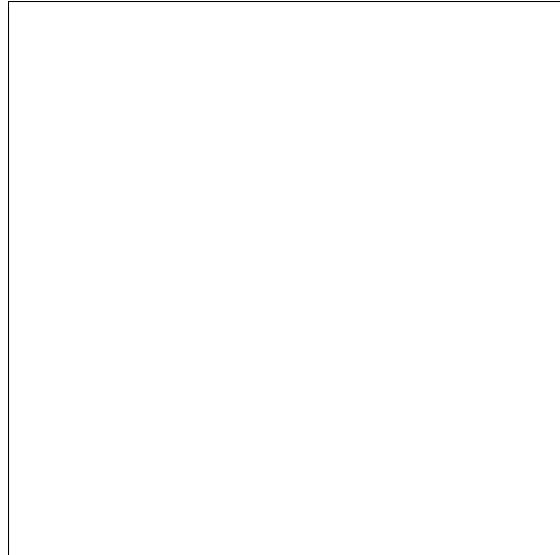
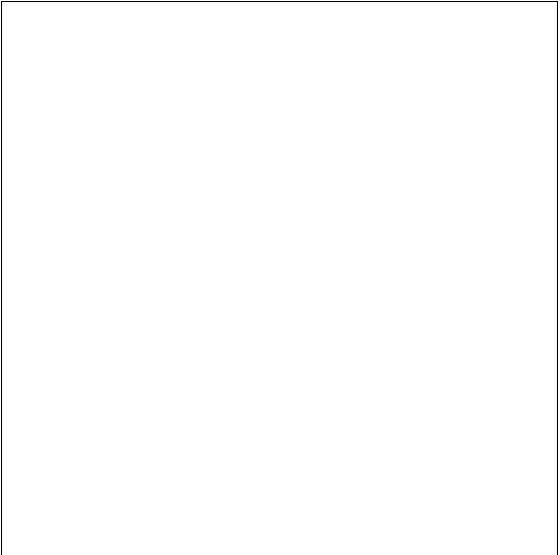
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The rich man was so happy to see his son again. He rewarded Sakima for consoling him. He took his son and Sakima to hospital so Sakima could regain his sight.

Yeroo umrin Sakimma wagga wagga sidi ta'e kufee ji
 Isaa jaame. Sakimman mucaa jimaat ure.
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 When Sakima was three years old, he fell sick
 and lost his sight. Sakima was a talented boy.

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.

Yeroodauma san namni lama nama wahi
 Sireedhan batani dhufan. Mucaan nama
 soreessa sana rukkutame karra qubbaba irratii
 gatamee argan.



Sakiimaan hojii bayee warri wagga jahaa
hihojane hojata. Fakeenyaaf, maanggudootii
ganda wajjiin taa'e dhimaa cimaa irrati
nimari'ata.

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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.

Sakiimaan sirbaa siaa xummure jenaan deeme.
Nomitichi sooressi suni gadii bahee, "Mee irraa
deebi'i sirbi adaraa."

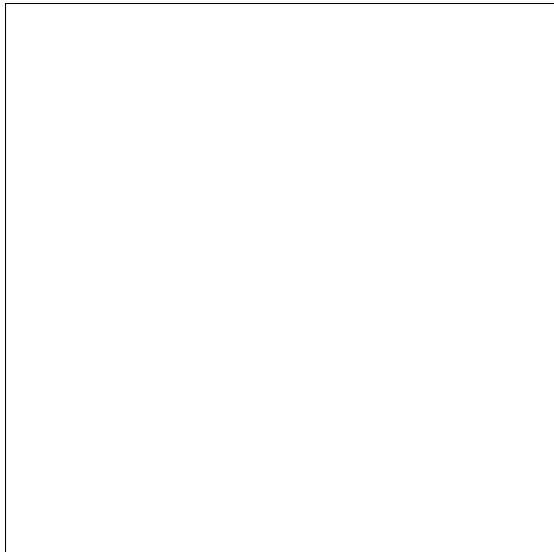
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Sakima finished singing his song and turned to leave. But the rich man rushed out and said, "Please sing again."

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.

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Matin Sakima mana nama sorressaa kessa
hogaatan. Isanis ganamaan bahani gal gal
Sakima obboleti isaa wajjiin manatti dhisani
deeman.

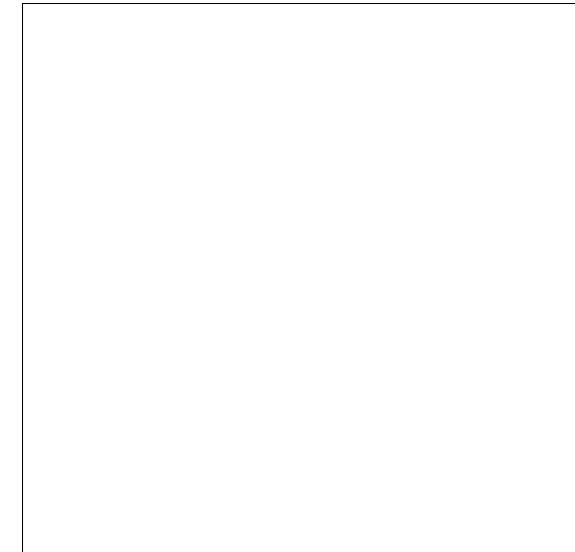


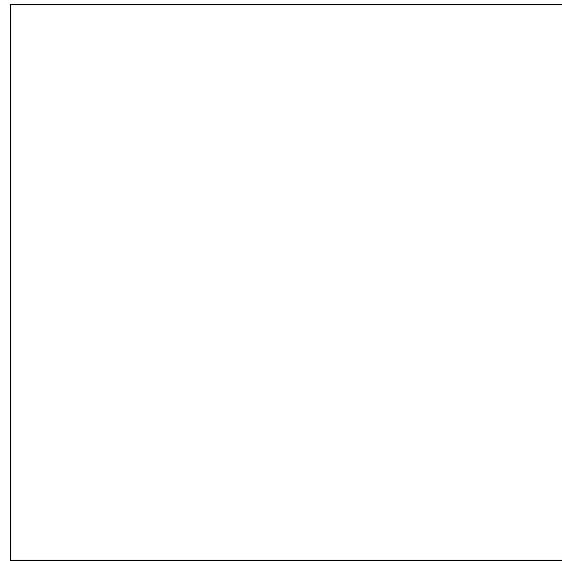
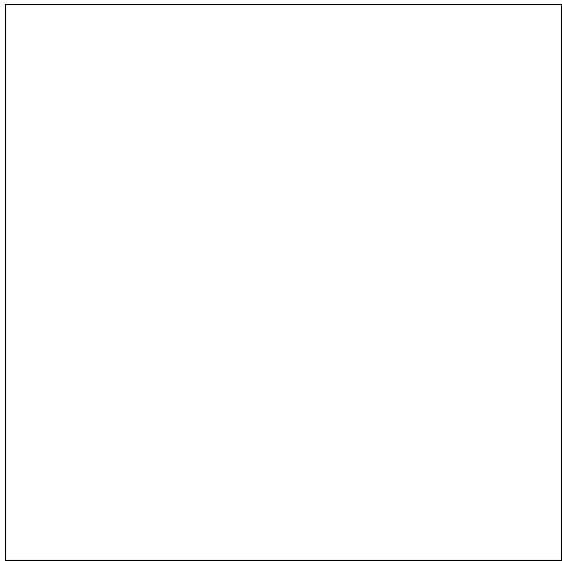
Hojjatoni hojji isani nidaaban. Isanis sriba
bareeda Sakima dhaageefatan. Namichi too
akkjan jedhe, „Namni tokko iyu hoggana keynaa
sabbarsisu hindamada u. Mucan jamaa kuni
waandanda u ittifikataa?“
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They listened to Sakima's beautiful song. But
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isaa akkan jete isa gafatte. "Sakiimaa sirboota
kana isaa barratee?"

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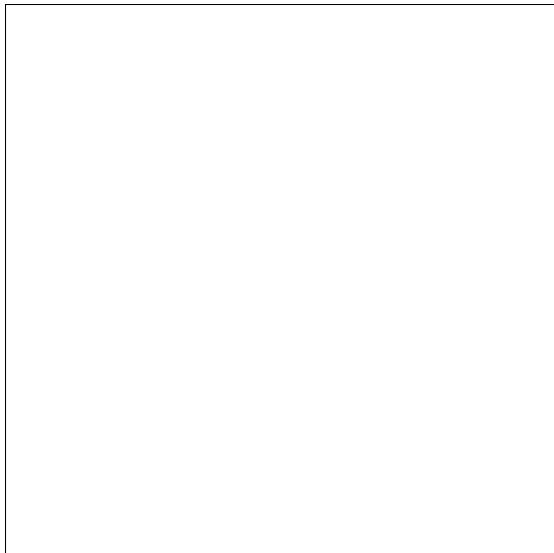
Sakima loved to sing songs. One day his mother
asked him, "Where do you learn these songs
from, Sakima?"

Foddaa guddaa tokko jala dhaabatee sirbuu
calqaabe. Suuta jedhe mataan namtichaa
soressa gara foddaati muldhatee.

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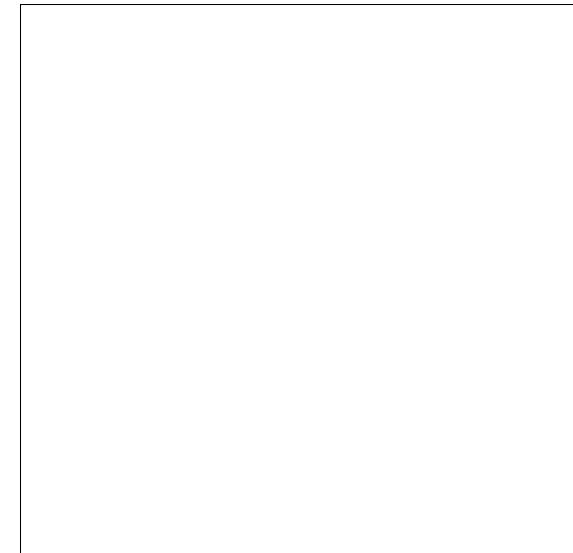
He stood below one big window and began to
sing his favourite song. Slowly, the head of the
rich man began to show through the big
window.

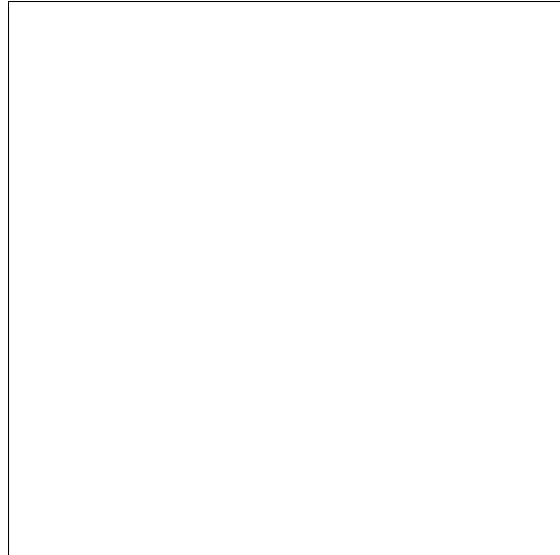
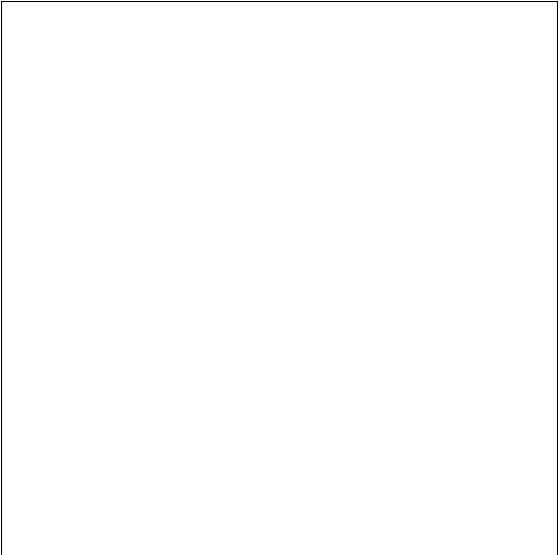
Guyya ittianu, Sakimaman obbolettin isaa gara mana namticcha soressa itti agarssilistu gafatee.
 Sakimamanis debise, "Sirbonni akasuman dhufeu,
 harme. Sammuu kootin dhaaggefadhen isaan
 sirba." . . .



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

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





Sakiimaan obboletti isaatif sirbu jalata, kessaa
yeroo isheen aarte. Obbolettin isaas
nidhagefati. Isheen sutta jette sirbitti.

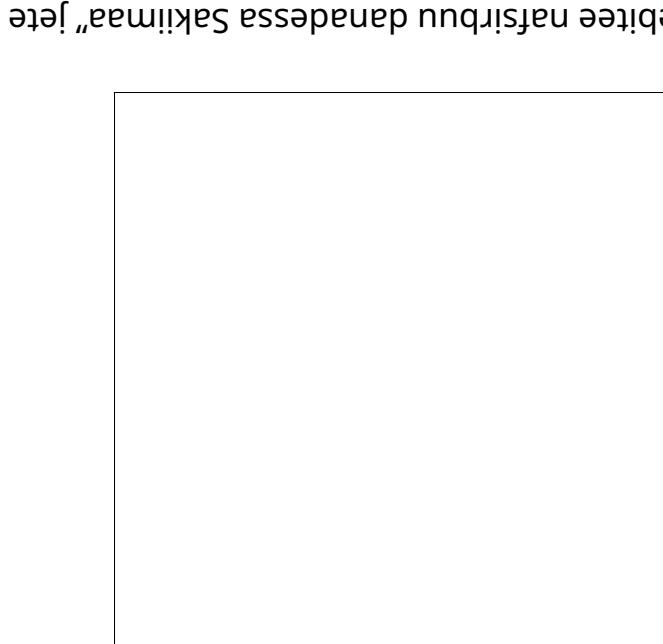
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Sakima liked to sing for his little sister,
especially, if she felt hungry. His sister would
listen to him singing his favourite song. She
would sway to the soothing tune.

Hata'uu malee, Sakiimaan shakkali isaa ittumma
fufee. Obbolettin quxussun isaas isaa gargaarte.
Akkam jette, "siribi Sakiimaa yeroon anigadee
bayee nagaragar. Haluma kanan nama soressa
kanas nigargaara."

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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."

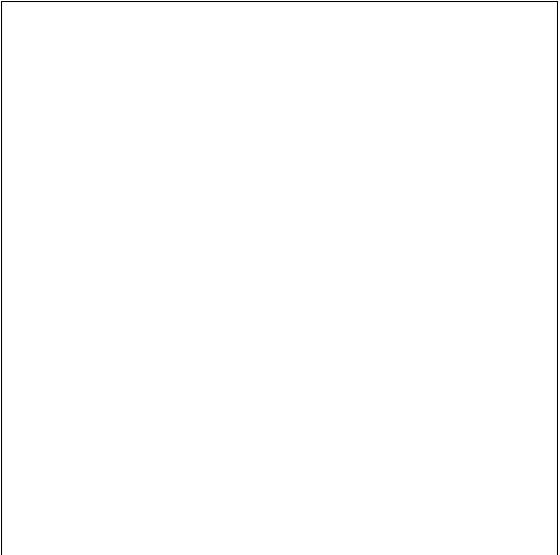


“Irra debitee nafisribuu danadesa Sakimaa” jeté
gafate obbolettin isaa.
“Can you sing it again and again, Sakima,” his
sistér would beg him. Sakima would accept and
sing it over and over again.

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

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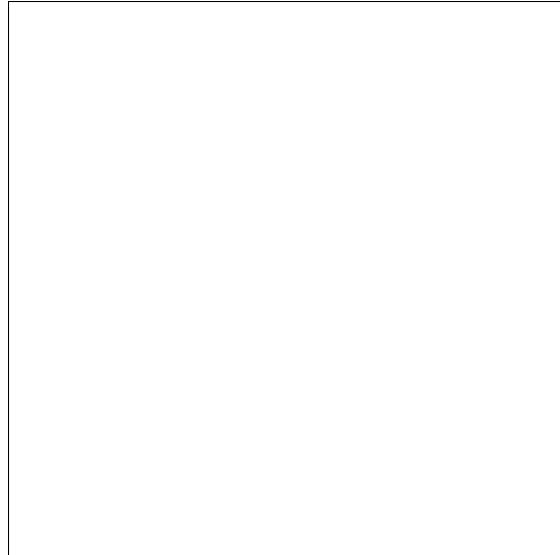
Sakimaa “Ani sirbuuf nandanaadaa innis
nigamada,” jedhe warra isatî hime. Garru warri
isaya yadaa kana hinfudhanne, “Inni bayee
soreessa. Ati mucaa jamaa dha. Siribi kee wan
isan garagaru sitifakkataa?”



Galgala tokko warri isaa gara manaa deebi'anii,
cal jedhanii ta'an. Sakiimaan wanti tokko akka
ta'ee nibeeka ture.

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



"Maltu badee abba koo, harmee ko?" jedhe
gaafate Sakiimaan. Sakiimaan mucaan nama
soressa sani badee jira. Namitichis qophaa isaa
wanta'ef aare ture.

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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.