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the banana seller

**Tom Umucuruzi Wi'mineke / Tom**

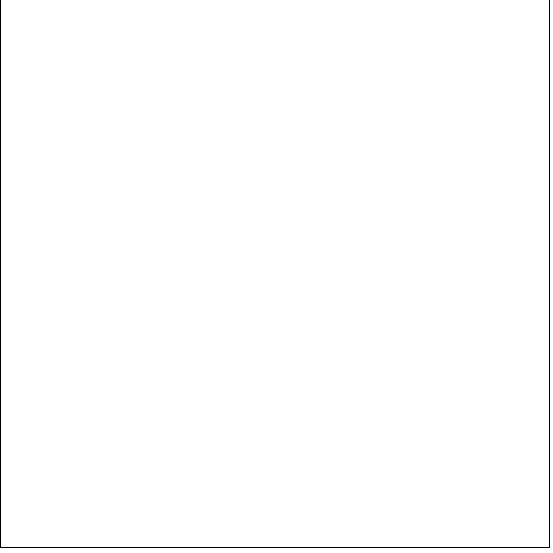
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**Tom the banana seller**

**Tom Umucuruzi Wi'mineke**



Tom atwara agataro k'imeineke (ibitoki  
b'ihiye).

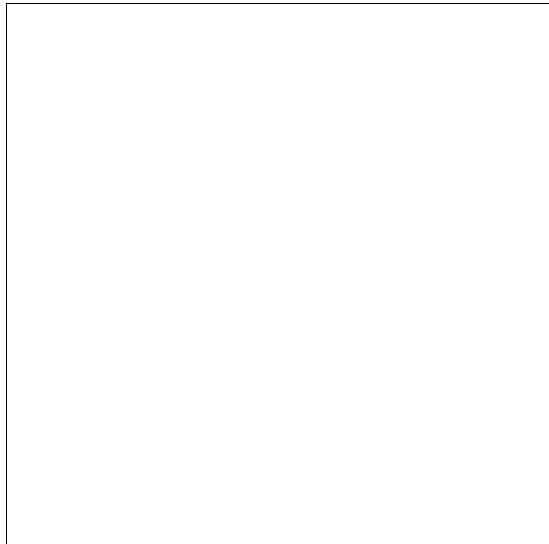
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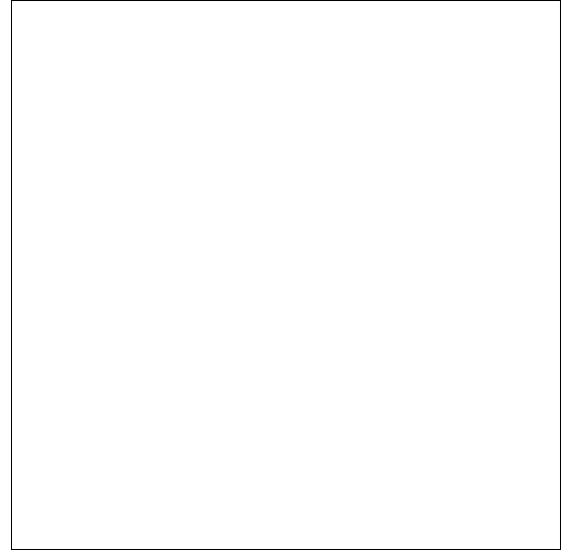
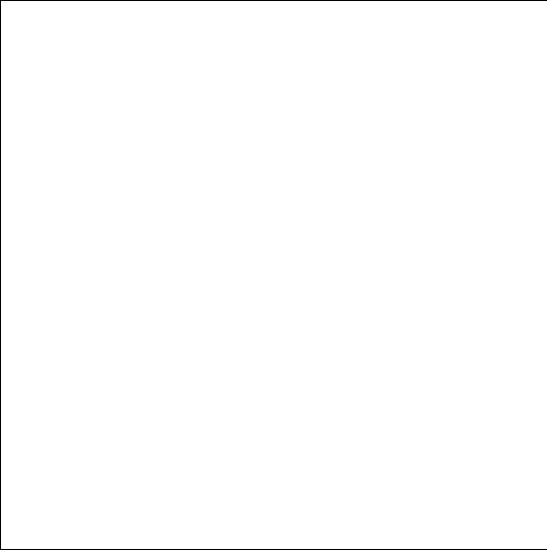
Tom carries a tray of ripe bananas.

Tom goes to the market to sell bananas.

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Tom ajya ku isoko kugurisha imineke.





abantu kw'isoko bari kugura imbuto.

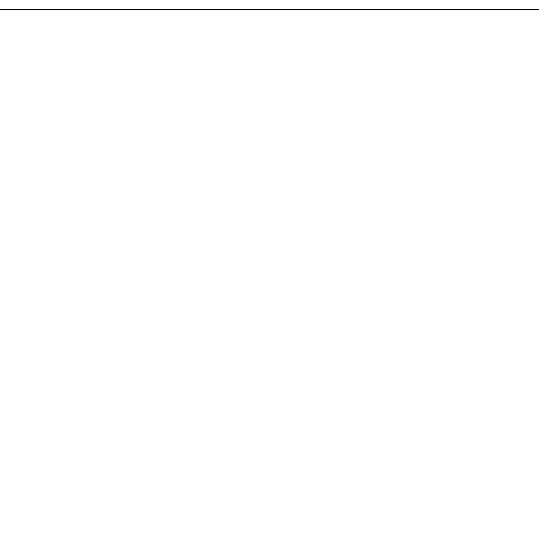
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People at the market are buying fruit.

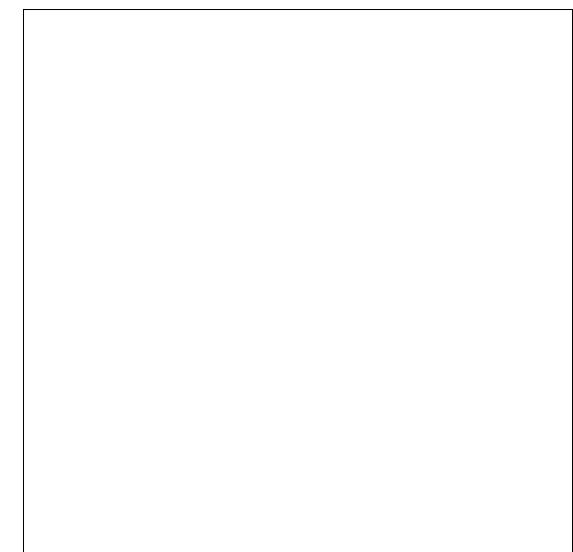
Tom yikorera agataro arataha.

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Tom balances the tray on his head and goes home.



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 n'umugati. Ashyira ibintu mu agataro  
 Tom. Bariguhitamo kugura imputo  
 Ariko ntan'umwe uri kugura iminike ya  
 z'abagore.  
 ...



He puts the things in his tray.  
 Then Tom buys soap, sugar, and bread.  
 ...

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 n'umugati. Ashyira ibintu mu agataro  
 Tom. Bariguhitamo kugura imputo  
 Ariko ntan'umwe uri kugura iminike ya  
 z'abagore.



"Mu muryango mugari wacu, abagore bonyine nibo bagurisha imbuto,"  
abantu baravuga. "Uyu ni mugabo ki?"  
abantu barabaza.

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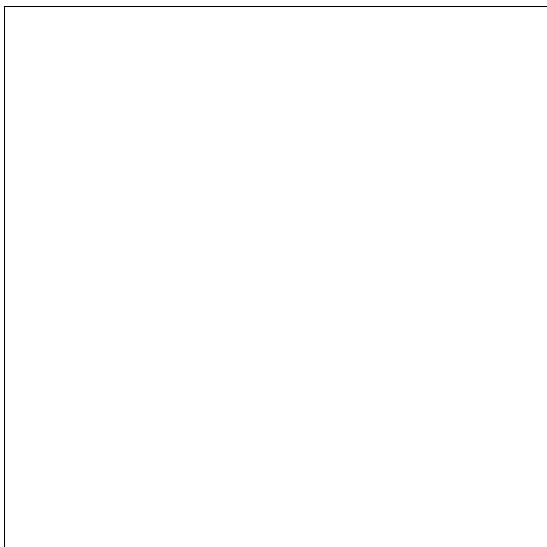
"In our community, only women sell fruit," people say. "What kind of a man is this?" people ask.

Vuba (Bidatinze), agataro kari ubusa.  
Tom abara abafaranga yakoreye.

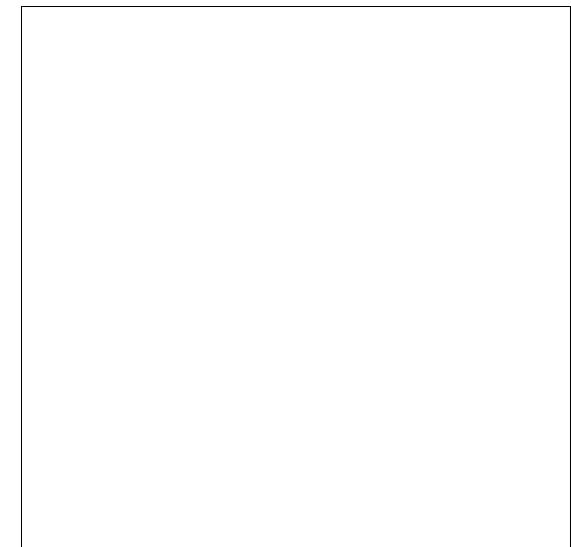
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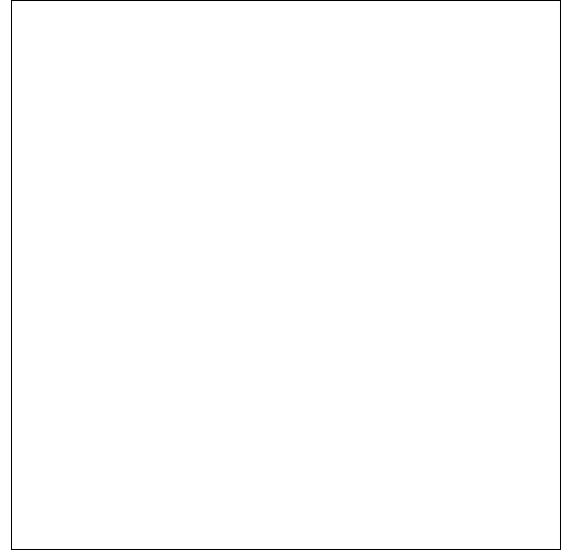
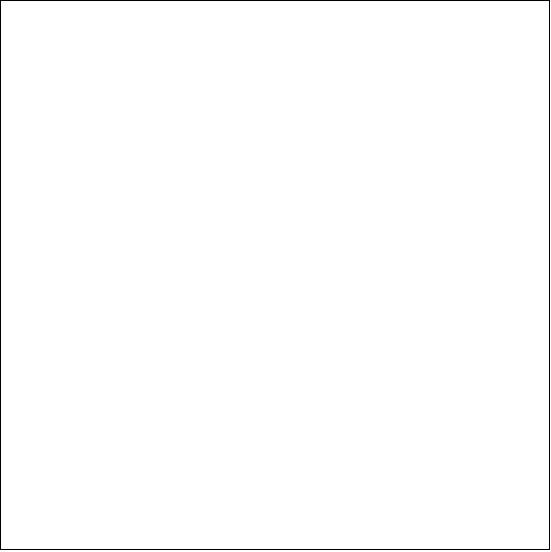
Soon, the tray is empty. Tom counts the money he earned.

Ariko Tom ntago ahara. Arahamagara,  
 "Gura imineke yange! Gura imineke  
 yange iyoshye ihiyé!"  
 ...  
 But Tom does not give up. He calls, "Buy  
 my bananas! Buy my sweet ripe  
 bananas!"



Abandi bantu baza ku itandikiro.  
 Bagura imineke ya Tom baranayirya.  
 More people come to the stall. They buy  
 Tom's bananas and eat them.  
 ...





Umugore umwe afata imineke myinshi  
kuva ku agataro. Yitegereza imineke  
yitonze.

...

One woman picks up a bunch of  
bananas from the tray. She looks at the  
bananas carefully.

Uwo mugore agura iyo imineke.

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The woman buys the bananas.