

## Voksborna

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Det var ein gong ein lukkeleg familie.

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Once upon a time, there lived a happy family.



Dei krangla aldri. Borna hjelpte foreldra sine heime og i åkeren.

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They never fought with each other. They helped their parents at home and in the fields.



Men dei fekk ikkje lov til å gå nær elden.

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But they were not allowed to go near a fire.



Dei måtte gjera alt arbeid om natta. Fordi dei  
var laga av voks!

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They had to do all their work during the night.  
Because they were made of wax!



Men éin av gutane lengta etter å gå ut i  
sollyset.

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But one of the boys longed to go out in the  
sunlight.



Ein dag vart lengsla for sterk. Brørne hans  
åtvara han.

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One day the longing was too strong. His  
brothers warned him...



Men det var for seint! Han smelta i den varme sola.

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But it was too late! He melted in the hot sun.



Voksborna vart lei seg av å sjå bror sin smelte bort.

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The wax children were so sad to see their brother melting away.



Men dei la ein plan. Dei forma ein fugl av den smelta voksklumpen.

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But they made a plan. They shaped the lump of melted wax into a bird.



Dei tok med seg fuglebror sin opp på eit høgt fjell.

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They took their bird brother up to a high mountain.



Og då sola steig, flaug han syngande inn i  
morgonlyset.

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And as the sun rose, he flew away singing into  
the morning light.



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