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好耐好耐之前,有一個好快樂嘅家庭。

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Once upon a time, there lived a happy family.



班細路仔從來都唔會打交, 中成日烯屋企同埋農田 度幫爹哋媽咪做嘢。

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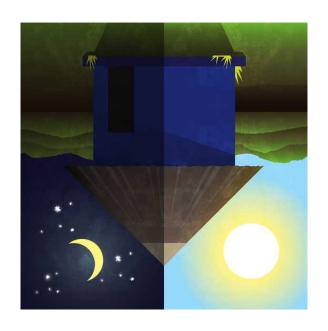
They never fought with each other. They helped their parents at home and in the fields.



但係佢哋唔准靠近火。

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But they were not allowed to go near a fire.



信她淨係可以喺夜晚黑做嘢。有計啦,因為佢她都 係用蠟做嘅!

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

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And as the sun rose, he flew away singing into

the morning light.

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但係其中一個男仔好想出去,感受一下陽光。

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

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佢哋將變成雀仔嘅兄弟帶去一座高山上面。

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They took their bird brother up to a high mountain.

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题告警踏弟兄然雖。妯**主**要公约然可,日一*章* ……

One day the longing was too strong. His

brothers warned him...

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但係佢她說出咗—個好辦法: 就係將融化咗嗰嚿蠟 捻成—隻雀仔。

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

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但係已經太遲啦!佢喺炎熱嘅太陽底下融咗。

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

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其他蠟做嘅細路仔見到佢哋嘅兄弟逐漸融化、消 失,非常之傷心。

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