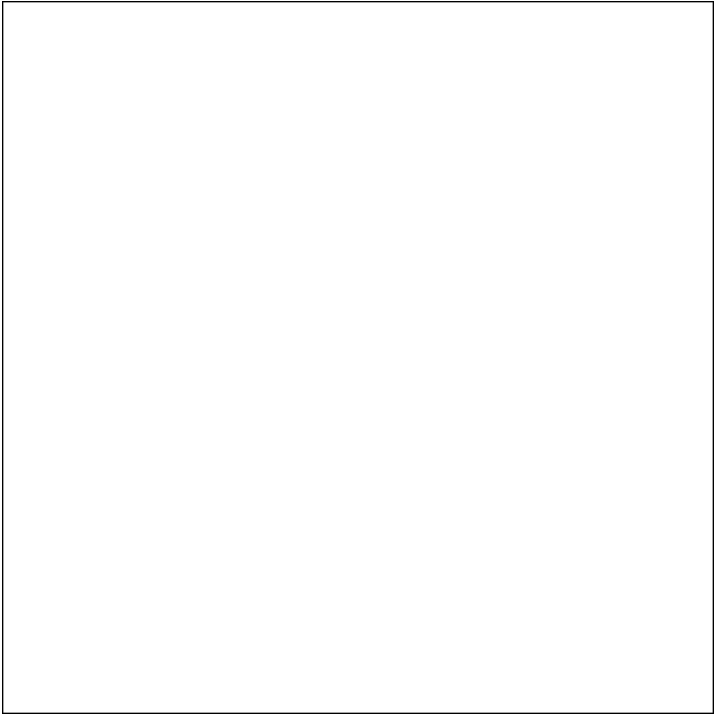




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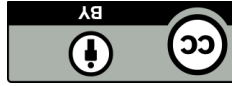
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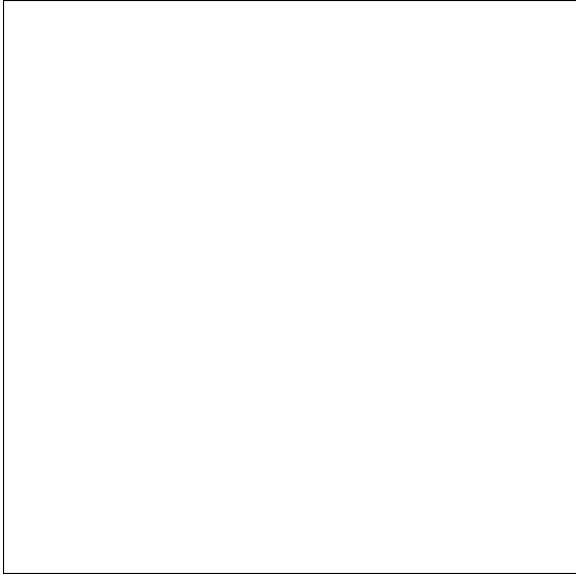
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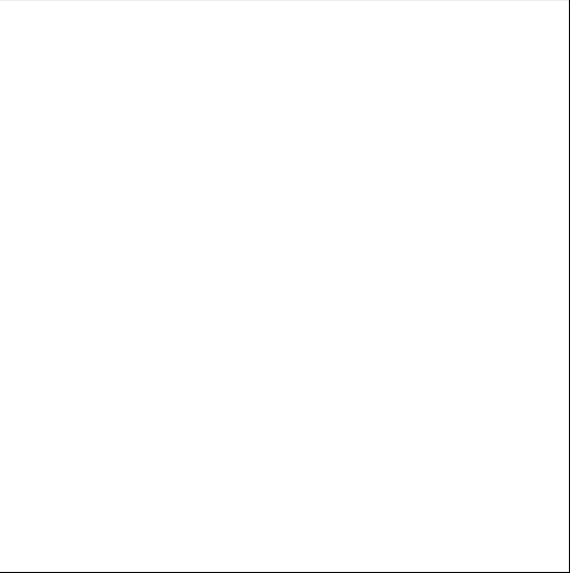
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টম এক টুকরি পাকা কলা নিয়ে যান।

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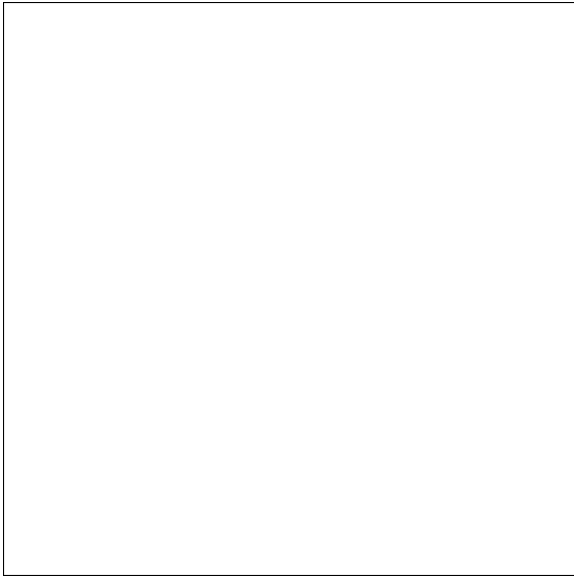
Tom carries a tray of ripe bananas.



টম কলা বিক্রি করার জন্য বাজারে যান।

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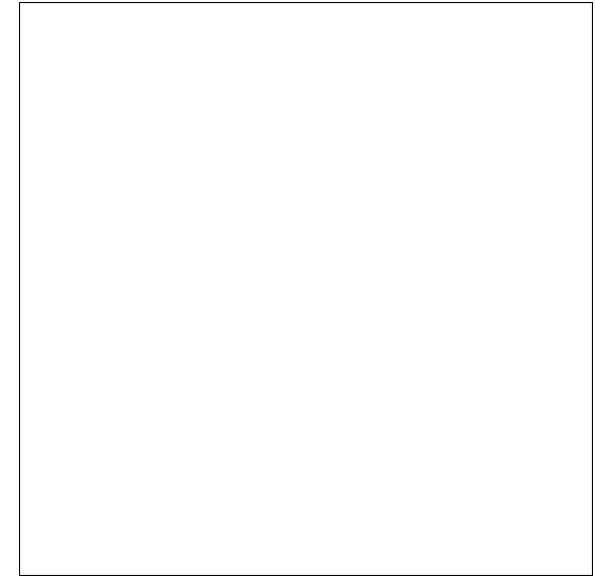
Tom goes to the market to sell bananas.



বাজারে মানুষ ফল কিনছিল।

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People at the market are buying fruit.



টম টুকরিটি তাঁর মাথায় রাখলেন এবং বাড়ি গেলেন।

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Tom balances the tray on his head and goes home.



କିଛି କେବେ ପରେ କମ୍ କିଲିଲ ନା। ତା' ମାଲିମାନେ
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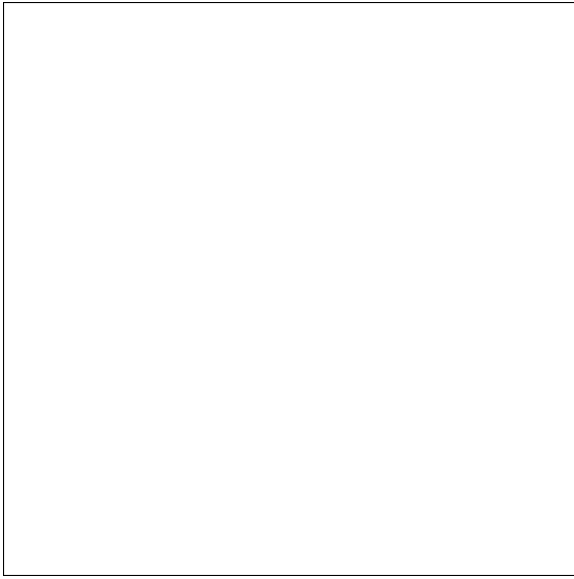
But no one is buying Tom's bananas. They
prefer to buy fruit from women.



ତା'ପର ପିଅ ଆସା, ତିନି ଟଙ୍କା କିଲିଲେ। ତିନି
ଝିଲିଆଢ଼ିଲେ ତା' ପୁଅକିଲିଲେ ତା' ଅଭଳେ।

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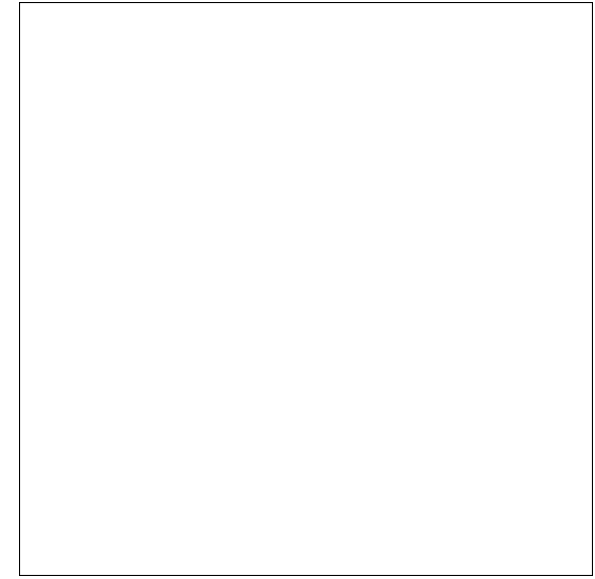
Then Tom buys soap, sugar, and bread. He
puts the things in his tray.



“আমাদের সমাজে শুধুমাত্র মহিলারা ফল বিক্রি করে,”
লোকেরা বলল। “এ কি ধরণের পুরুষ?” লোকেরা
জিজ্ঞেস করল।

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



শীঘ্রই, টুকরি খালি হয়ে গেল। টম তাঁর উপার্জিত অর্থ
গুনলেন।

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



କିଛି ଦିନ ହେବା ଯାଏନା ତା'ର ଘରକୁ ଫେରିବା, "ଆମେ କି
କିଛି ଦିନ ହେବା ଯାଏନା ତା'ର ଘରକୁ ଫେରିବା!"

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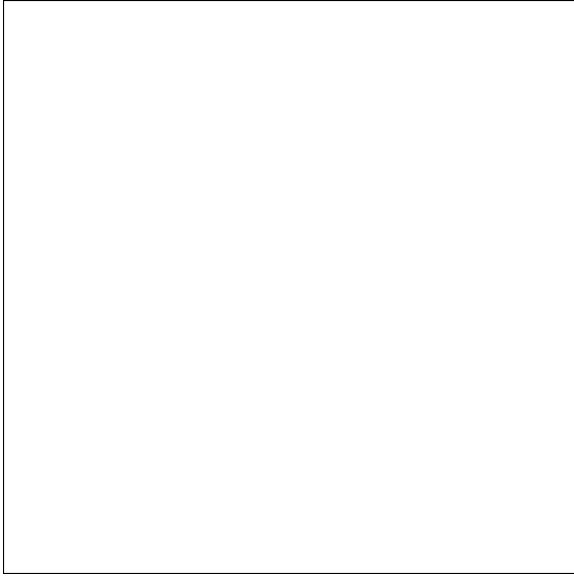
But Tom does not give up. He calls, "Buy my
bananas! Buy my sweet ripe bananas!"



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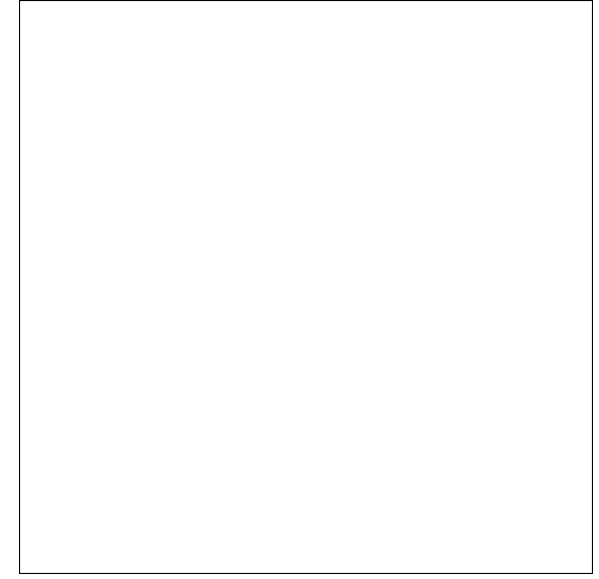
More people come to the stall. They buy Tom's
bananas and eat them.



একজন মহিলা টুকরি থেকে এক কাঁদি কলা তুললেন।
তিনি ভাল করে কলা দেখলেন।

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



মহিলা কলাগুলো কিনলেন।

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The woman buys the bananas.