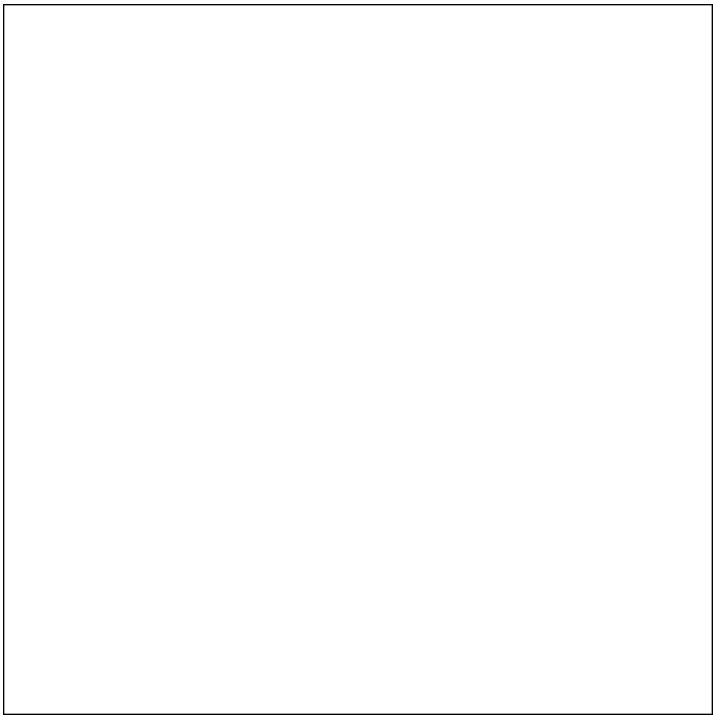




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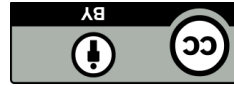
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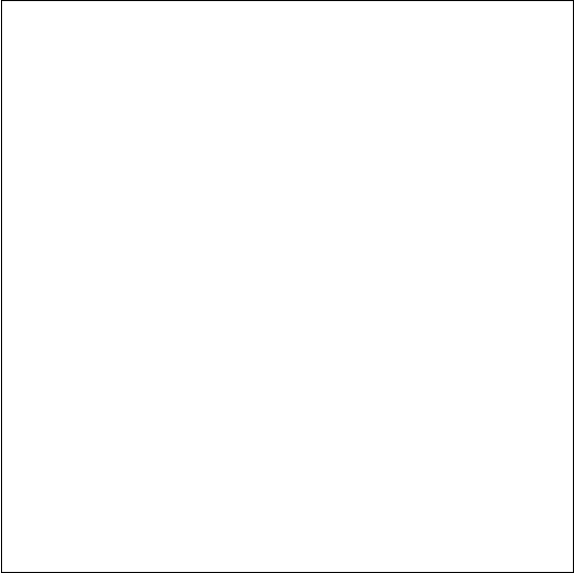
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My village had many problems. We made a long line to fetch water from one tap.

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Mon village avait plusieurs problèmes. Nous faisons la file pour aller chercher de l'eau d'un seul robinet.



We waited for food donated by others.

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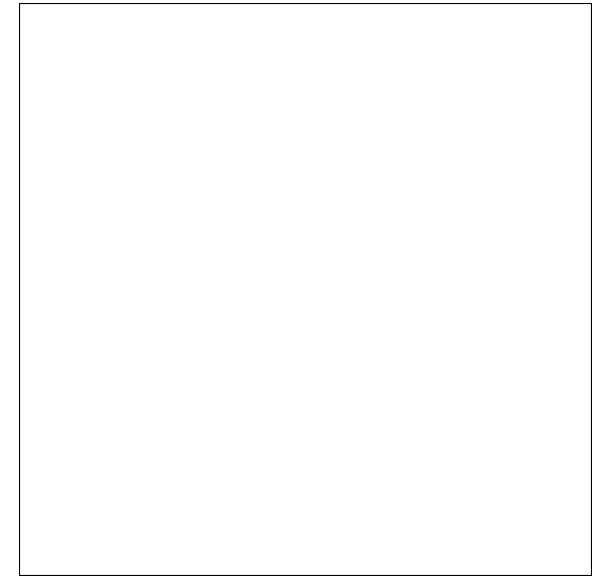
Nous attendions la nourriture donnée par les autres.



We locked our houses early because of thieves.

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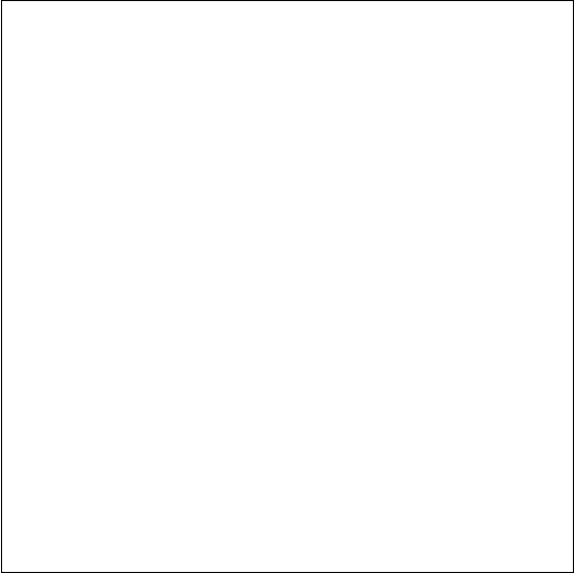
Nous avons barré nos maisons tôt à cause des voleurs.



We all shouted with one voice, "We must change our lives." From that day we worked together to solve our problems.

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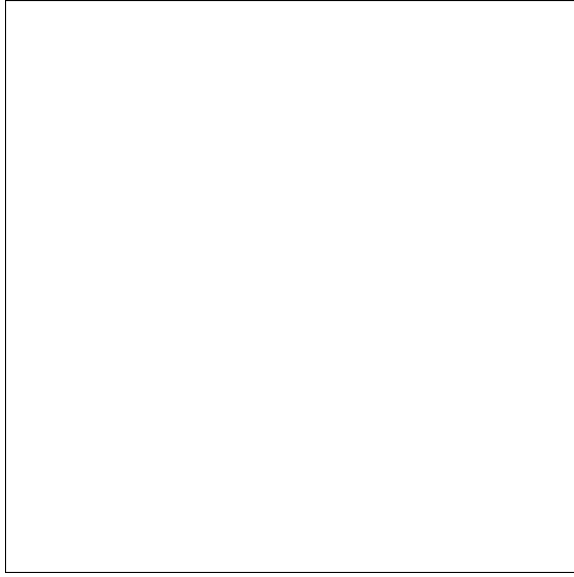
Nous criions tous avec une voix, « Nous devons changer nos vies. » Depuis ce jour, nous avons travaillé ensemble pour résoudre nos problèmes.



Many children dropped out of school.

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Plusieurs enfants avaient lâché l'école.



Another man stood up and said, "The men will dig a well."

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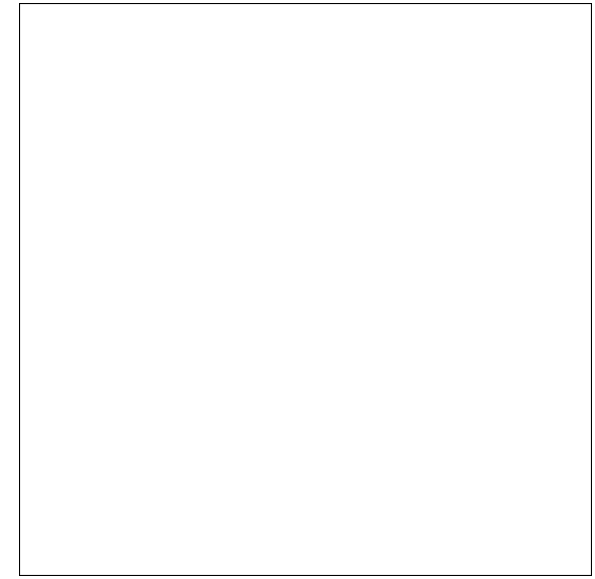
Un autre homme se leva et dit, « Les hommes creuseront un puits. »



Young girls worked as maids in other villages.

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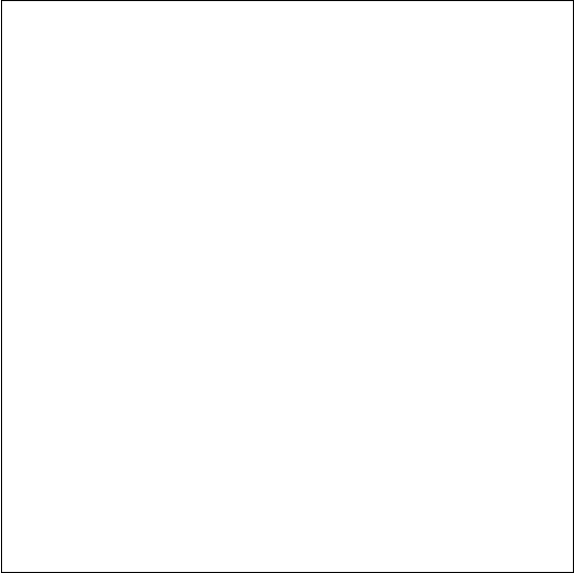
Les jeunes filles travaillaient comme domestiques dans d'autres villages.



One woman said, "The women can join me to grow food."

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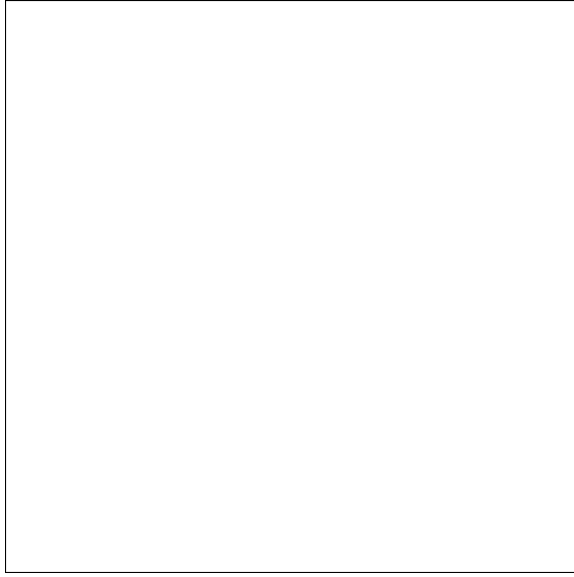
Une femme dit, « Les femmes peuvent me rejoindre pour cultiver de la nourriture. »



Young boys roamed around the village while others worked on people's farms.

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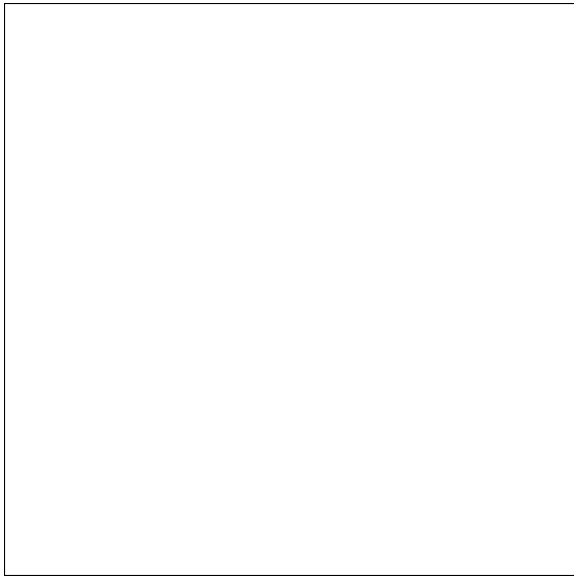
Les jeunes garçons se promenaient autour du village pendant que d'autres travaillaient sur des fermes.



Eight-year-old Juma, sitting on a tree trunk shouted, "I can help with cleaning up."

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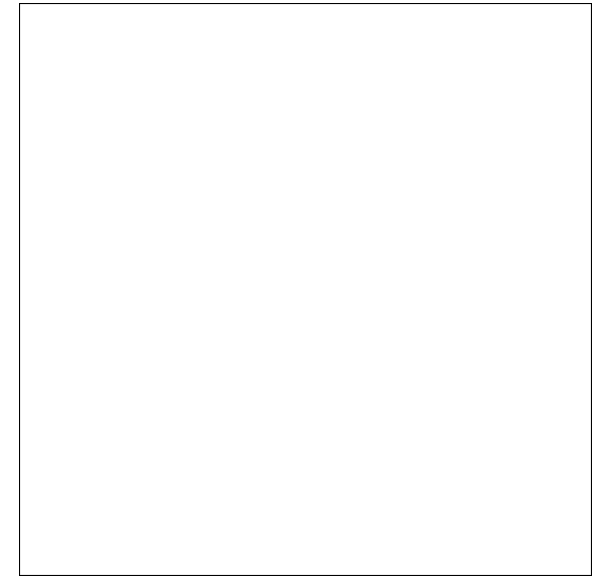
Juma, âgé de huit ans et assise sur un tronc d'arbre, cria, « Je peux aider à nettoyer. »



When the wind blew, waste paper hung on trees and fences.

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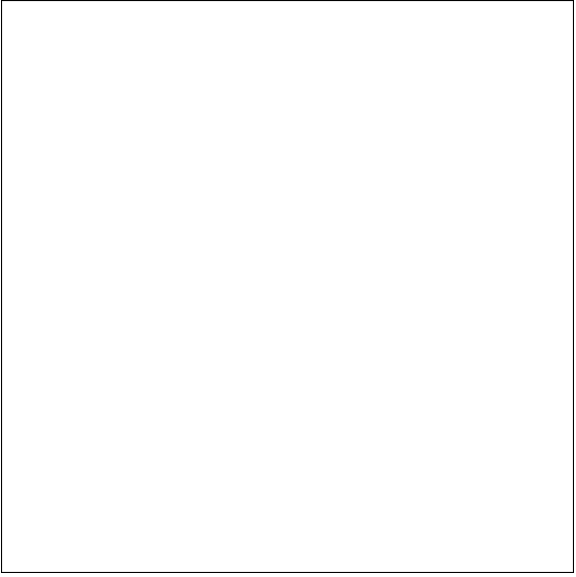
Quand le vent soufflait, des déchets de papier pendaient des arbres et des clôtures.



My father stood up and said, "We need to work together to solve our problems."

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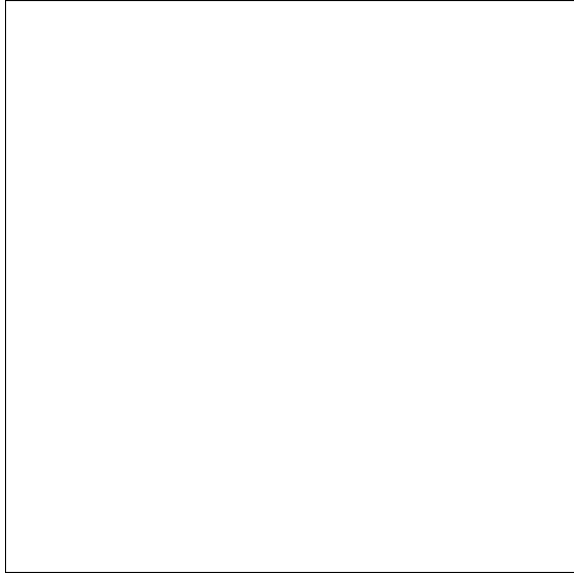
Mon père se leva et dit, « Nous devons travailler ensemble pour résoudre nos problèmes. »



People were cut by broken glass that was
thrown carelessly.

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Les gens se faisaient couper par de la vitre
brisée lancée sans faire attention.



People gathered under a big tree and listened.

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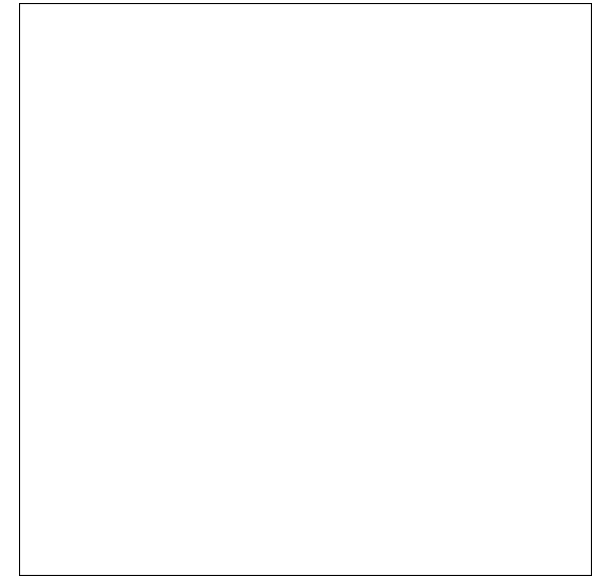
Les gens se recueillirent sous un grand arbre
et écoutèrent.



Then one day, the tap dried up and our containers were empty.

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Puis un jour, le robinet se tarit et nos conteneurs étaient vides.



My father walked from house to house asking people to attend a village meeting.

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Mon père marcha de maison en maison et demanda aux gens de participer à une réunion du village.