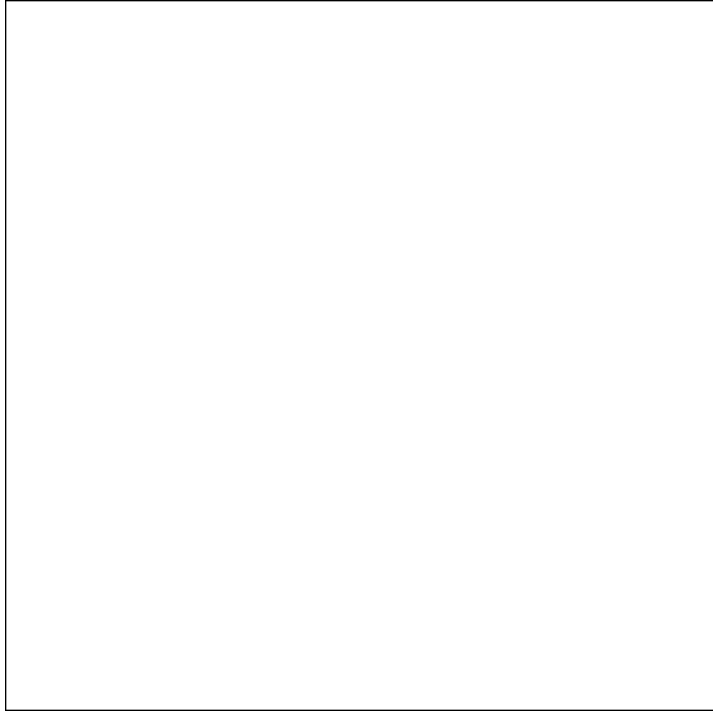




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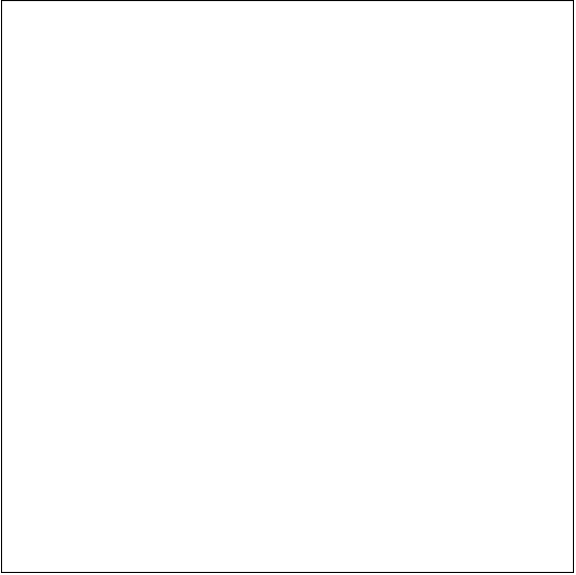
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Mi pueblo tenía muchos problemas. Hacíamos una larga fila para recolectar agua de una llave.

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



Esperábamos la comida que otros donaban.

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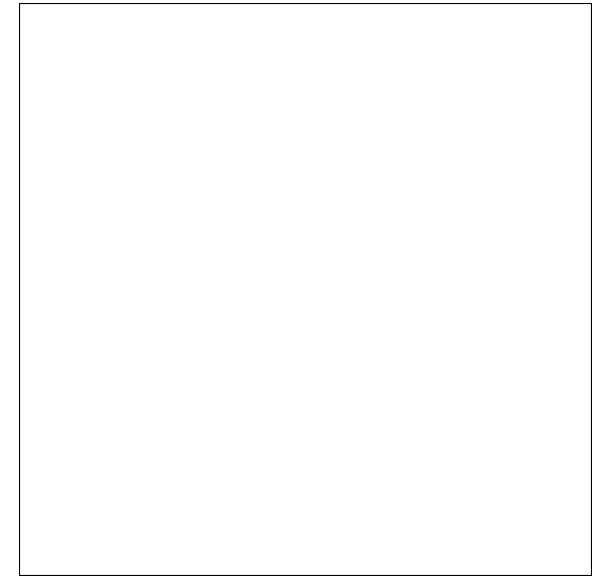
We waited for food donated by others.



Cerrábamos con llave nuestras casas temprano por los ladrones.

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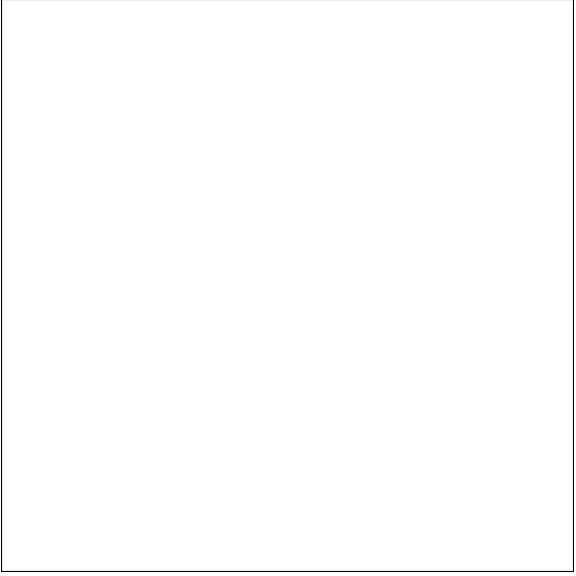
We locked our houses early because of thieves.



Todos juntos gritamos a una voz, "Nosotros debemos cambiar nuestras vidas." Y desde ese día, todos trabajamos juntos para solucionar nuestros problemas.

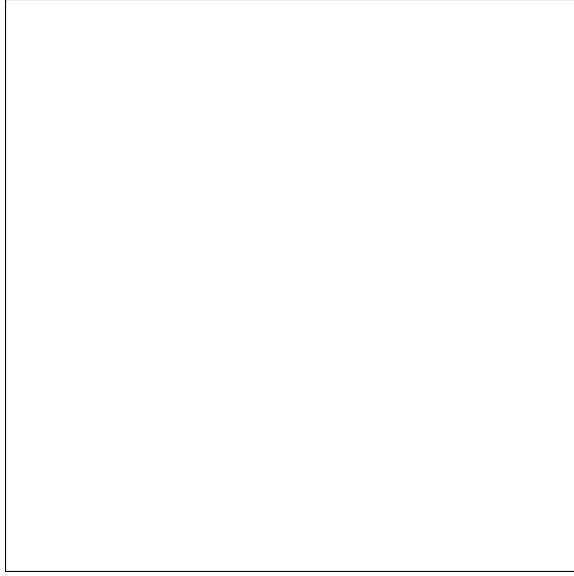
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We all shouted with one voice, "We must change our lives." From that day we worked together to solve our problems.



Muchos niños abandonaban la escuela.  
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Many children dropped out of school.



Otro hombre se puso de pie y dijo, "Los  
hombres construiremos un pozo."

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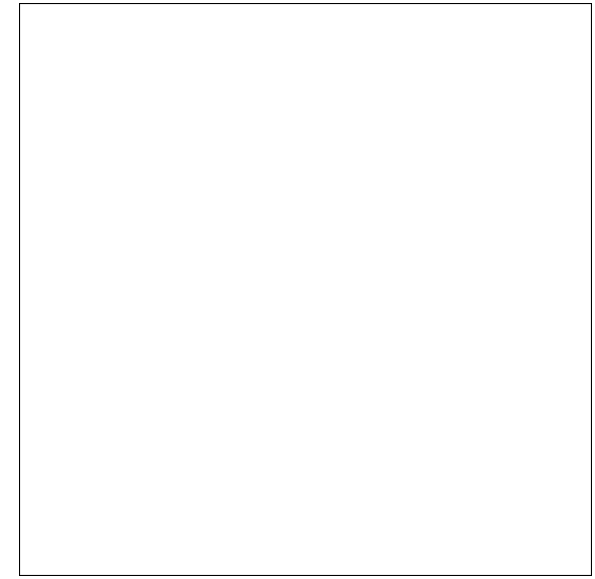
Another man stood up and said, "The men will  
dig a well."



Las chicas jóvenes trabajaban como sirvientas en otros pueblos.

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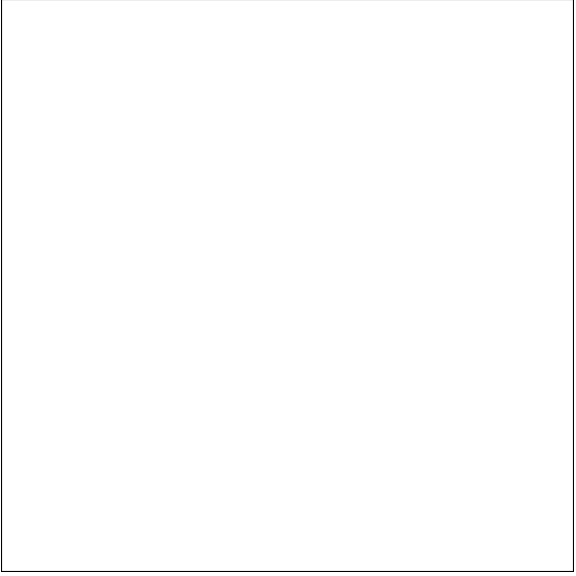
Young girls worked as maids in other villages.



Una mujer dijo, "Las mujeres pueden reunirse conmigo para cultivar alimentos."

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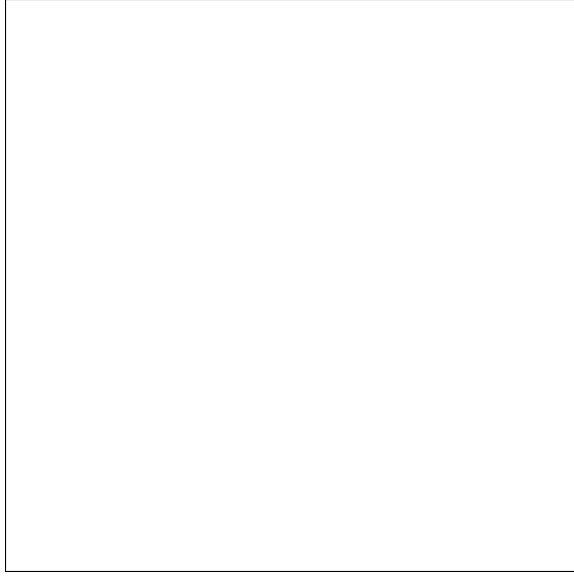
One woman said, "The women can join me to grow food."



Los chicos jóvenes daban vueltas en el pueblo  
mientras otros trabajaban en granjas.

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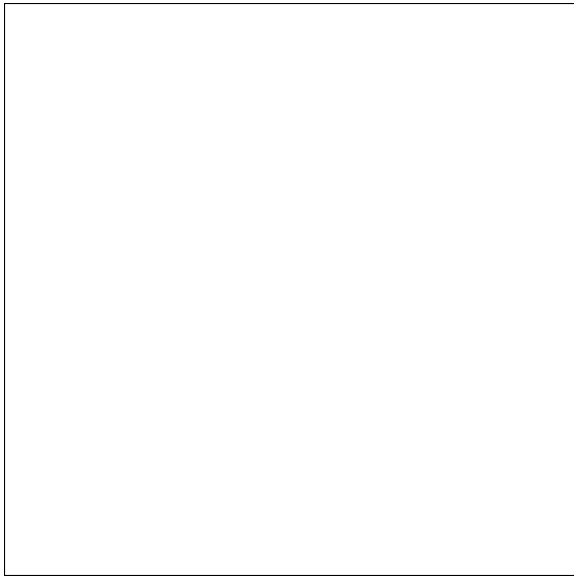
Young boys roamed around the village while  
others worked on people's farms.



Juma, quien tenía ocho años y estaba sentado  
en un tronco de un árbol, gritó, "¡Yo puedo  
ayudar limpiando!"

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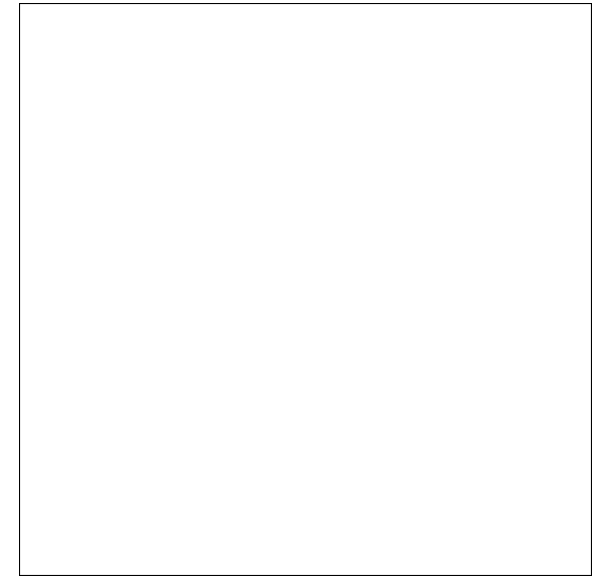
Eight-year-old Juma, sitting on a tree trunk  
shouted, "I can help with cleaning up."



Cuando el viento soplaba, residuos de papel quedaban colgando en los árboles y cercas.

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

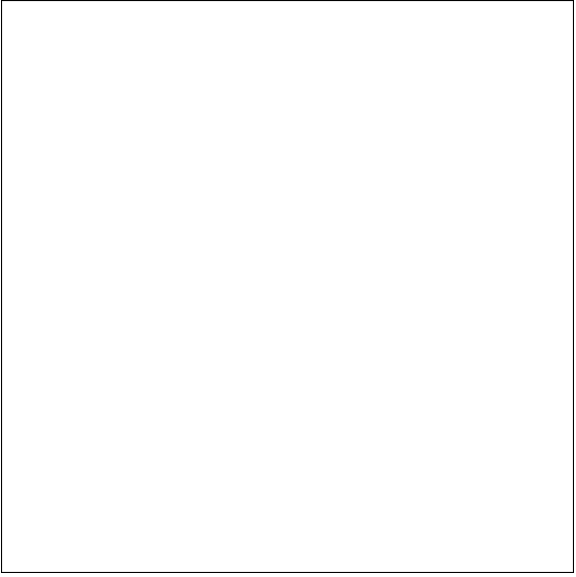


Mi padre se puso de pie y dijo, "Necesitamos trabajar juntos para resolver nuestros problemas."

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

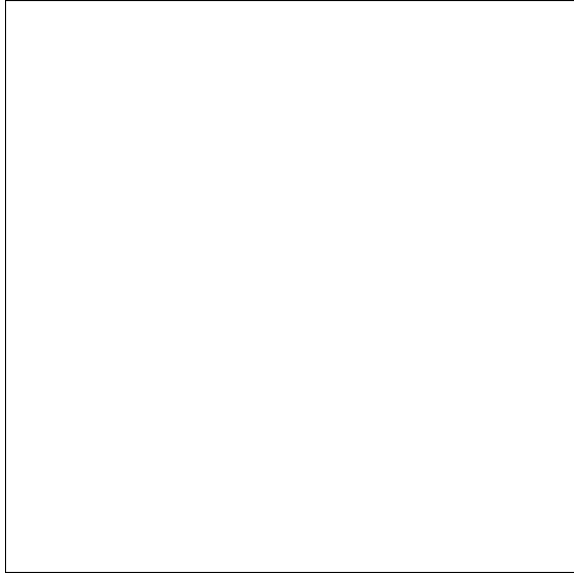




La gente se cortaba con vidrios rotos que habían sido tirados descuidadamente.

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People were cut by broken glass that was thrown carelessly.



La gente se reunió debajo de un árbol grande para escuchar.

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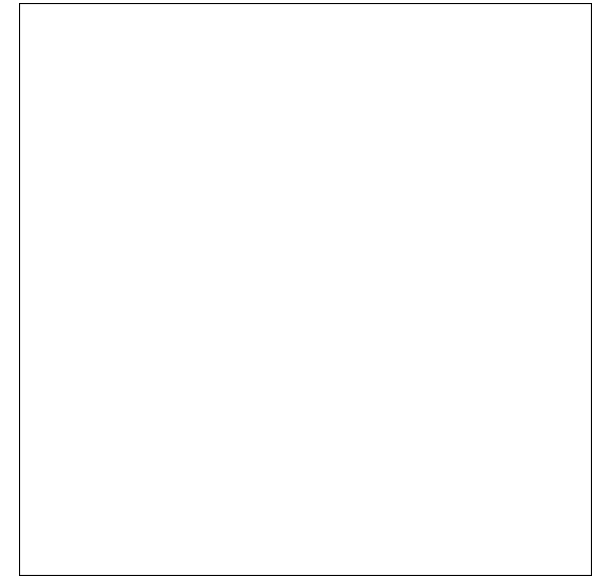
People gathered under a big tree and listened.



Hasta que un día, las llaves se secaron y nuestros contenedores quedaron vacíos.

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



Mi padre recorrió todas las casas pidiéndole a la gente que asistiera a una reunión en la villa.

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