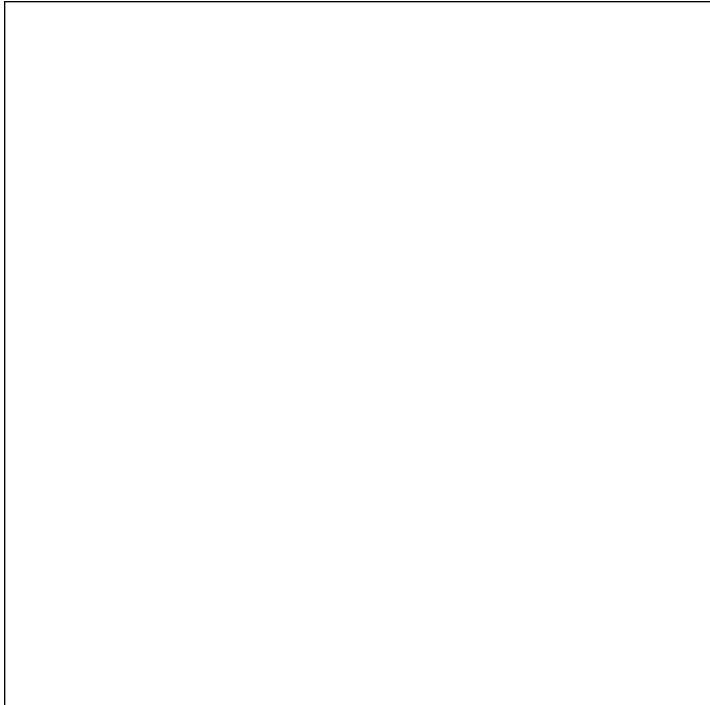




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Isang araw, pasan ni Tom ang isang kahon ng sagin.

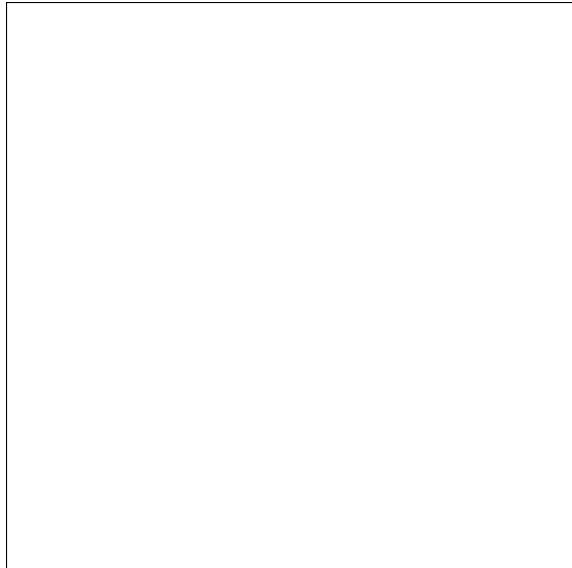
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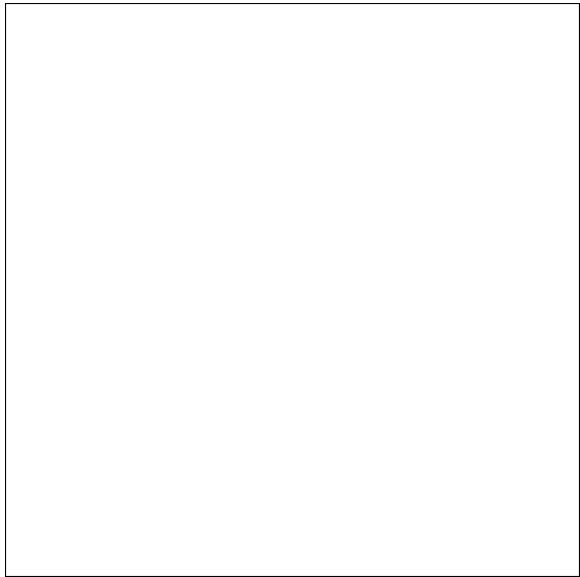
Tom carries a tray of ripe bananas.

Tom goes to the market to sell bananas.

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Dala-dala niya ito sa palengke para itinida.

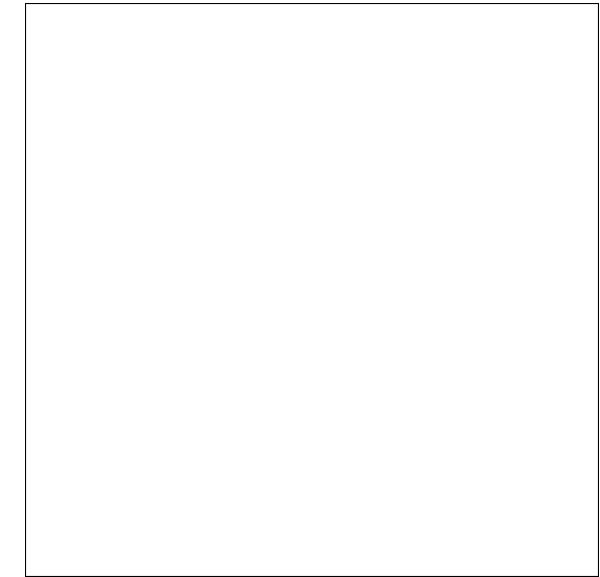




Namimili ng prutas ang mga tao sa iba.

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People at the market are buying fruit.



At pinasan niya ang lahat pauwi.

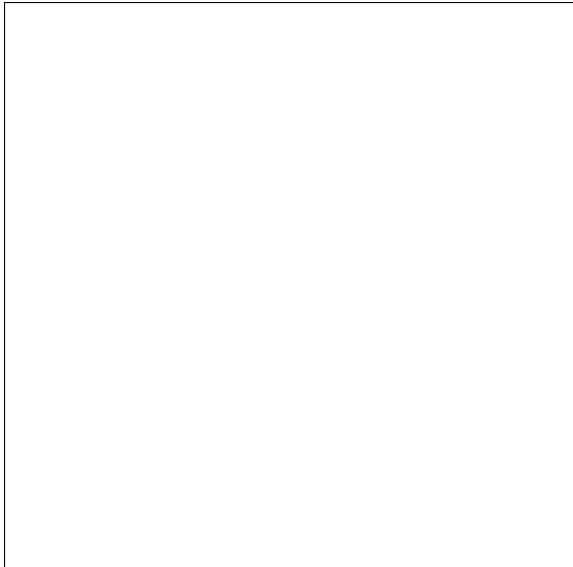
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Tom balances the tray on his head and goes home.

But no one is buying Tom's bananas. They prefer to buy fruit from women.

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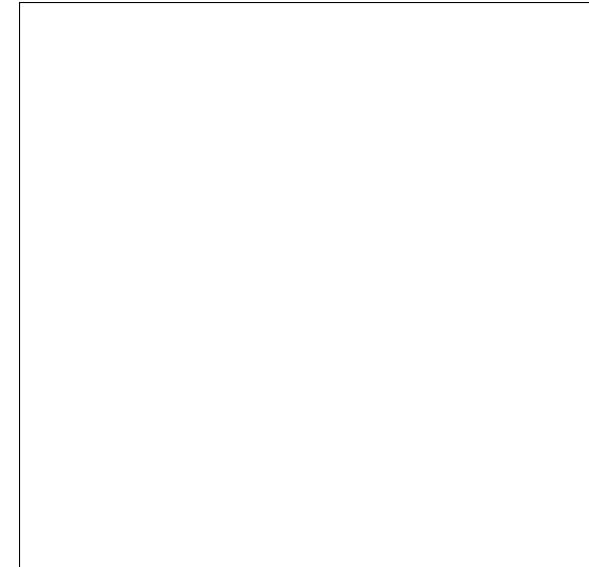
Però walang bumibili kay Tom. Mas gusto nila ang mga babaeng tindera.

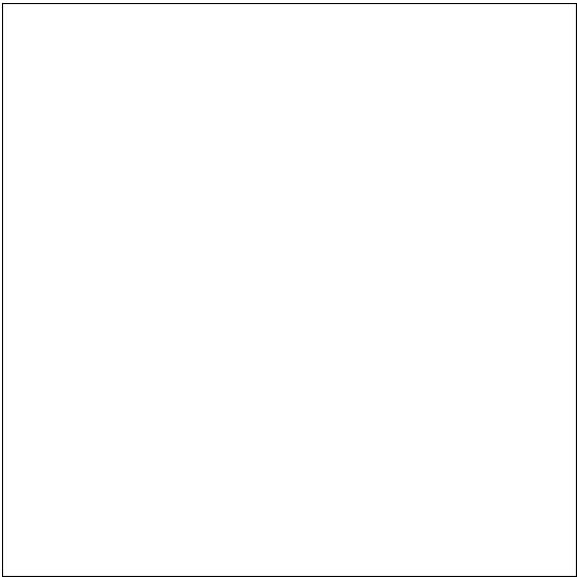


Then Tom buys soap, sugar, and bread. He puts the things in his tray.

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Saka siya bumili ng sabon, asukal at tinapay. Nilagay niya ang mga iyon sa tray.

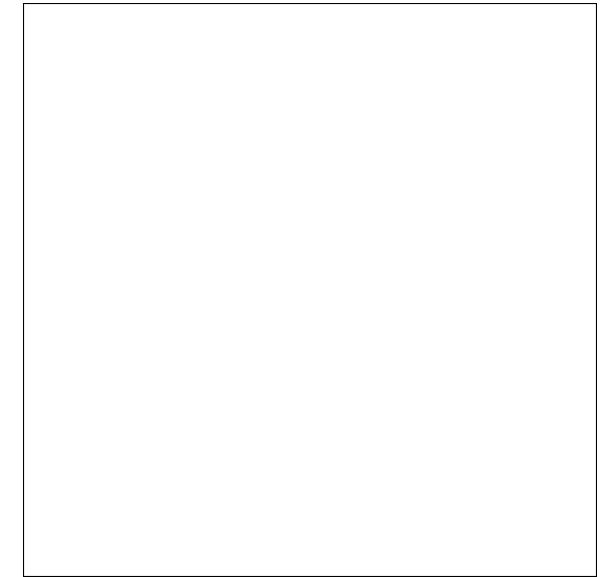




“Dito sa atin, babae lang ang naglalako,” sabi nila. “Anong klaseng lalaki ito?”

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



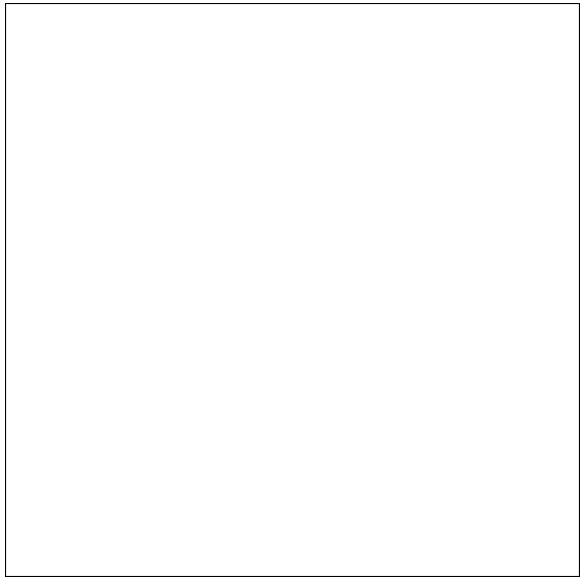
Mabilis na naubos ang saging. Agad binilang ni Tom ang kanyang kita.

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

Lumapit ang mga tao sa puwesto ni Tom.  
Però hindi si Tom sumuko. "Bili na kayo ng sagiñg! Matamis na sagiñg kayo ryan!" sigaw niya.  
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But Tom does not give up. He calls, "Buy my bananas!  
Buy my sweet ripe bananas!"

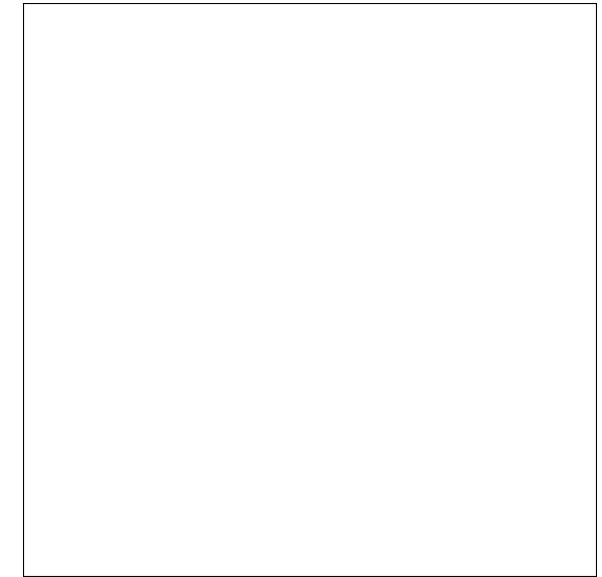
Bumili sila ng sagiñg at kinain nila ito.  
More people come to the stall. They buy Tom's bananas and eat them.  
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May isang aleng lumapit kay Tom. Dinampot ang isang piling at matagal na tiningnan ang saging.

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



At saka bumili kay Tom.

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The woman buys the bananas.