

We made a decision

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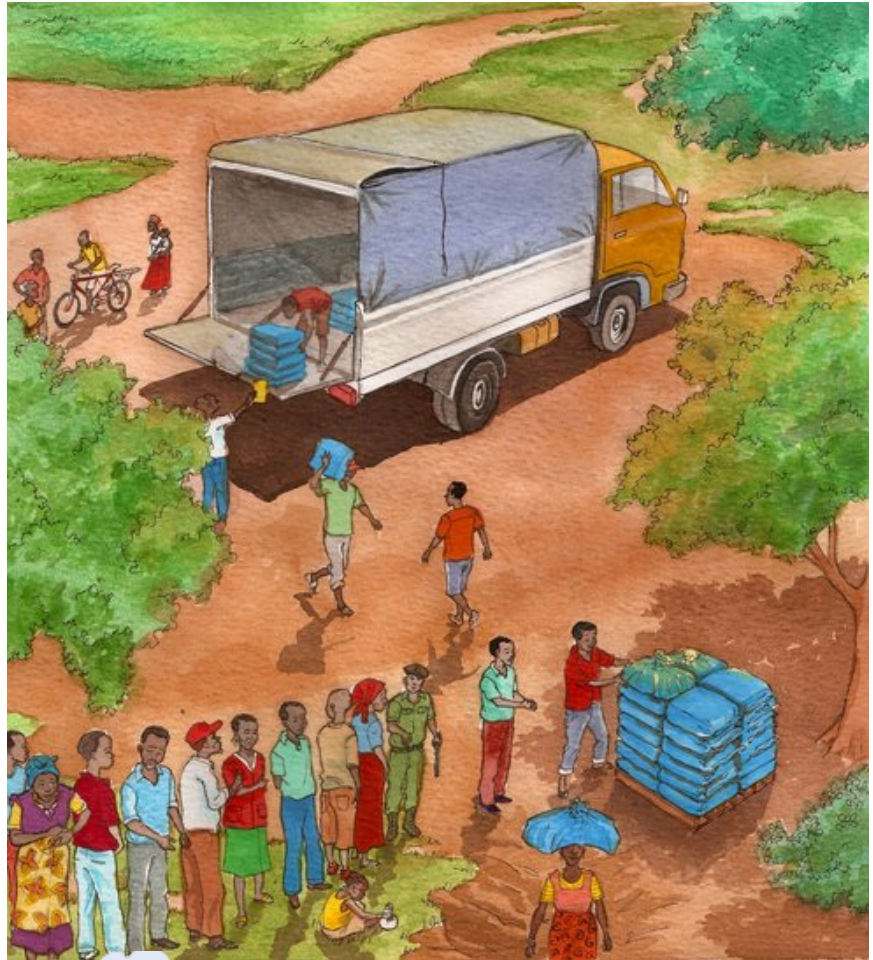
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My village had many problems.

We made a long line to fetch water from one tap.

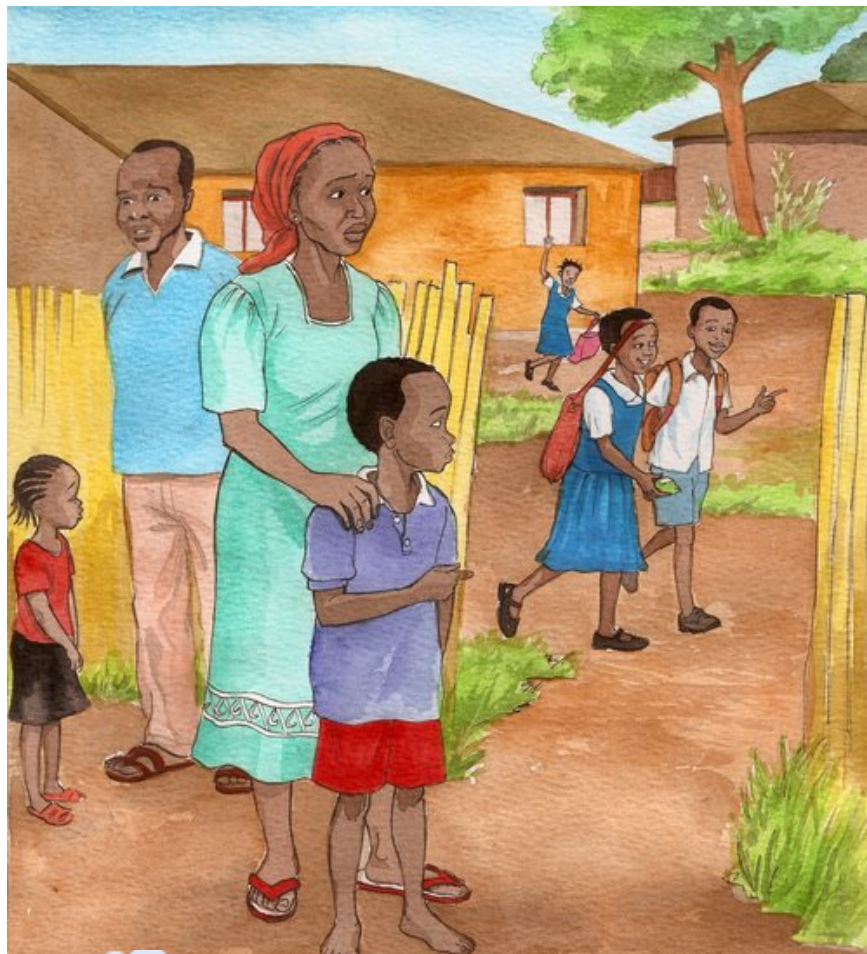
We waited under one big tree for food donated by others.

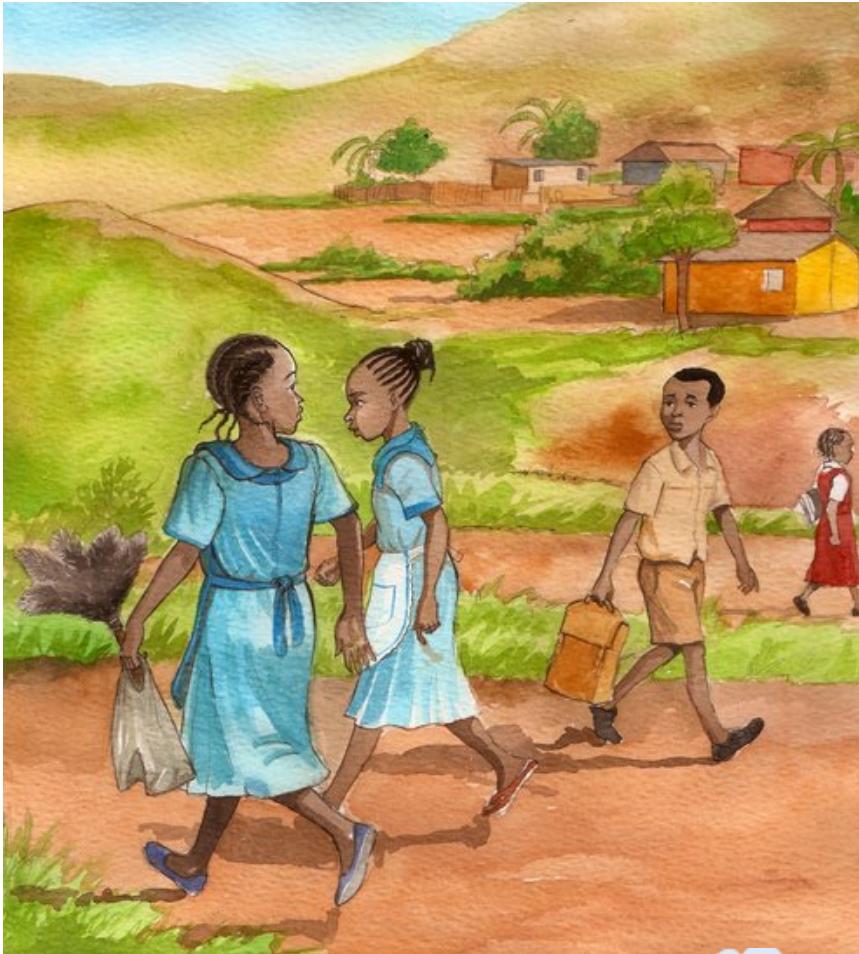




We locked our houses early because of theft.

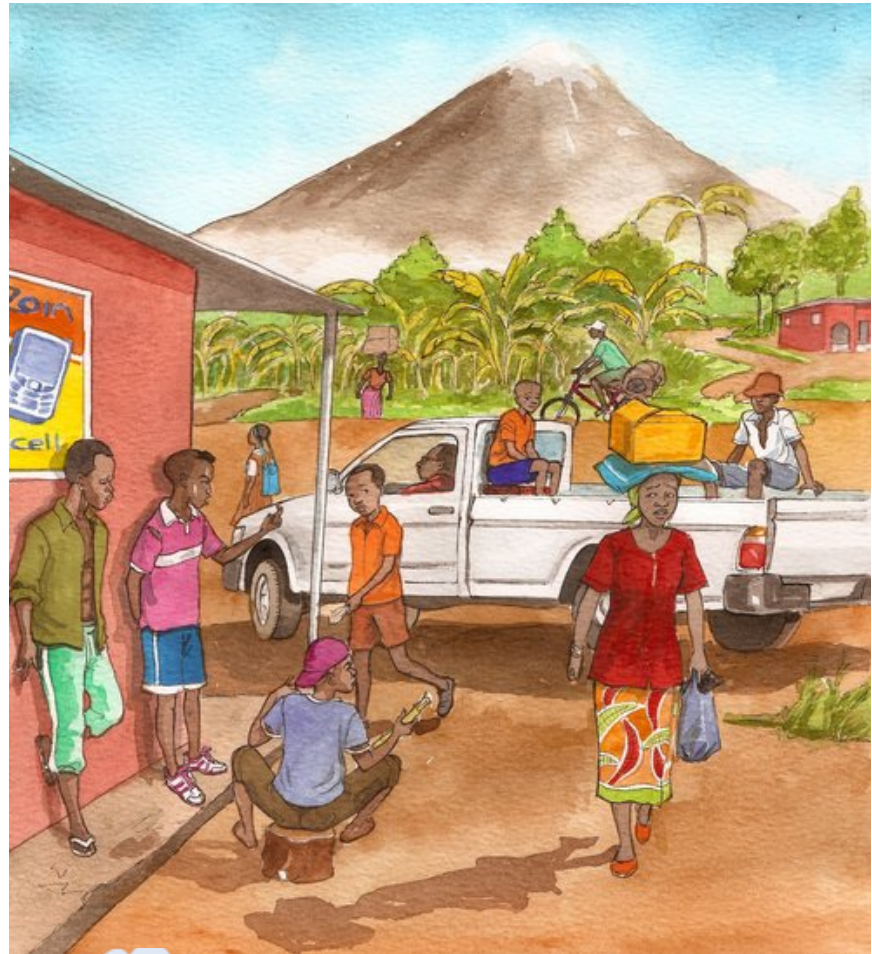
Many children dropped out of school.



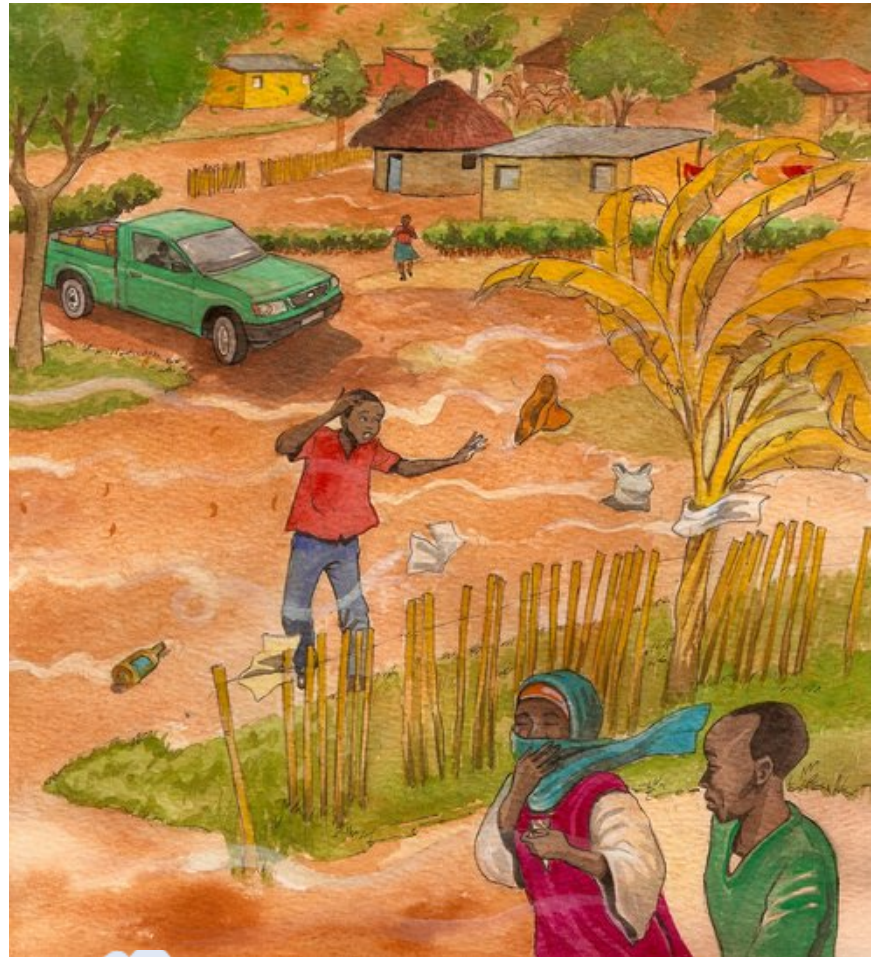


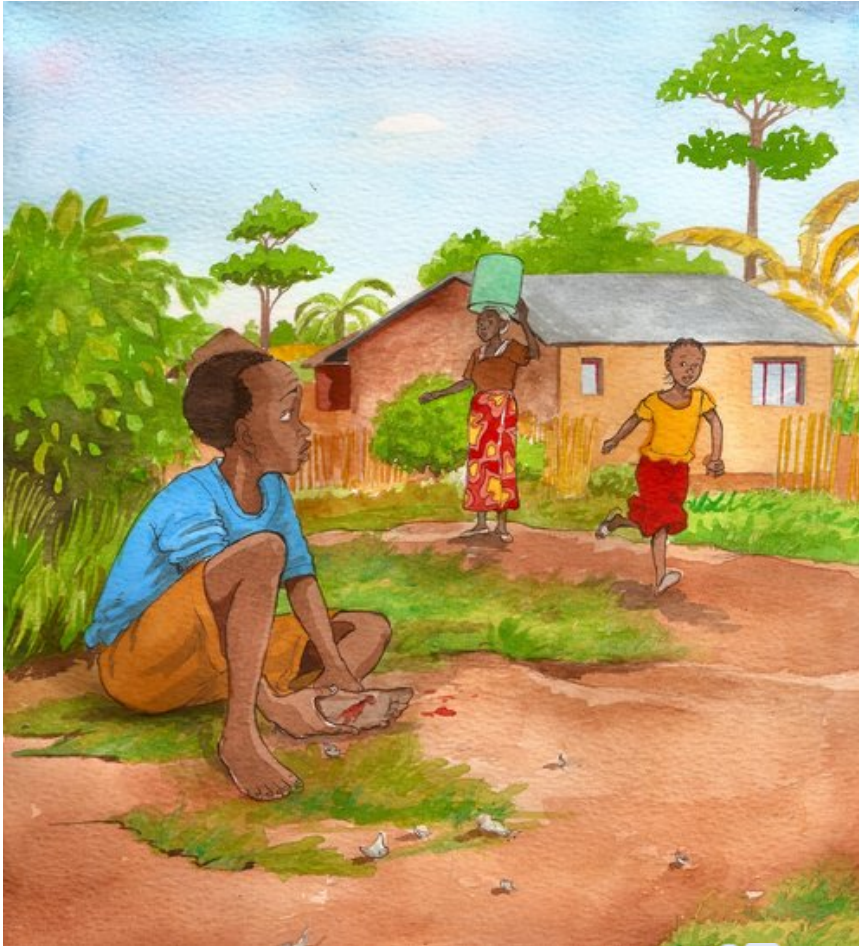
Young girls worked as maids in other villages.

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



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





People were cut by broken glass that was thrown carelessly.

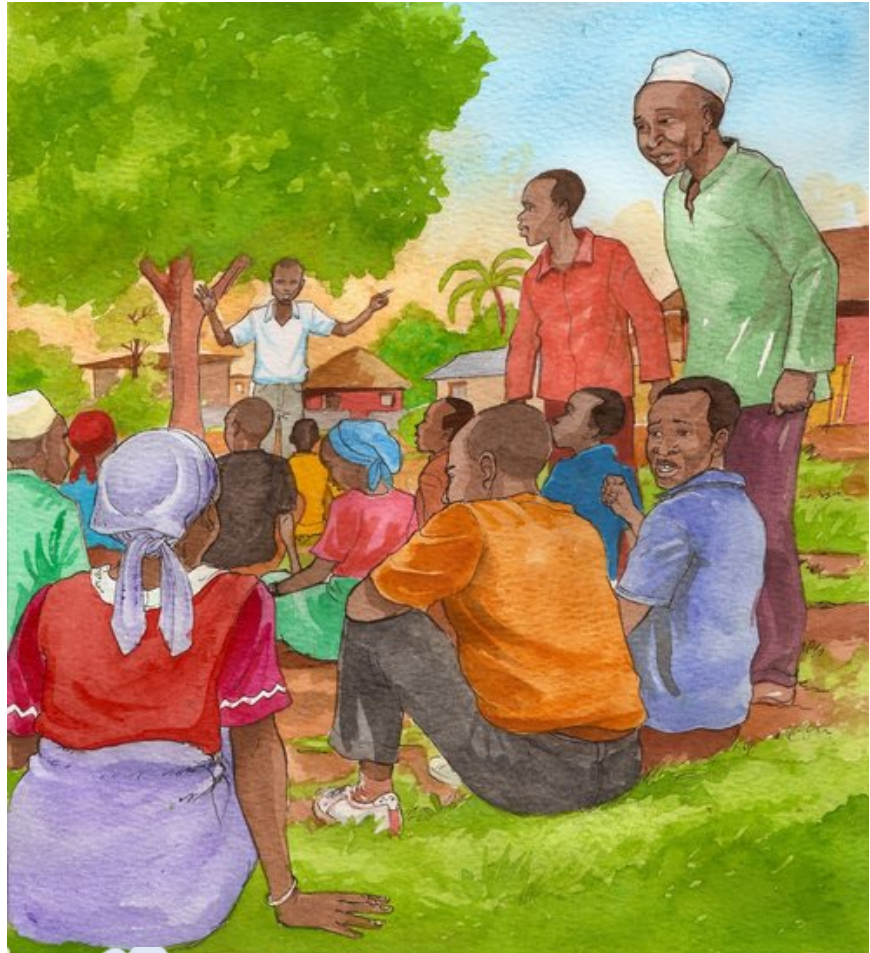
Then one day, the tap dried up and our containers were empty.

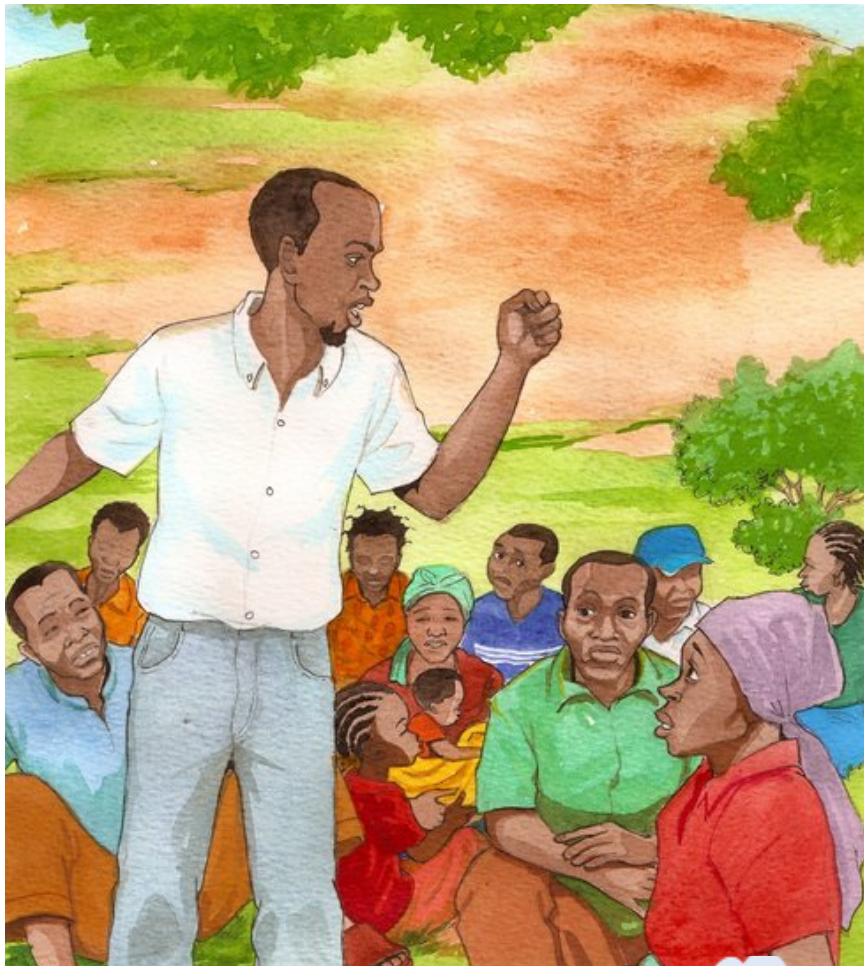




My father walked from house to house calling people to attend a village meeting.

People gathered under the big tree where we had got donated food.

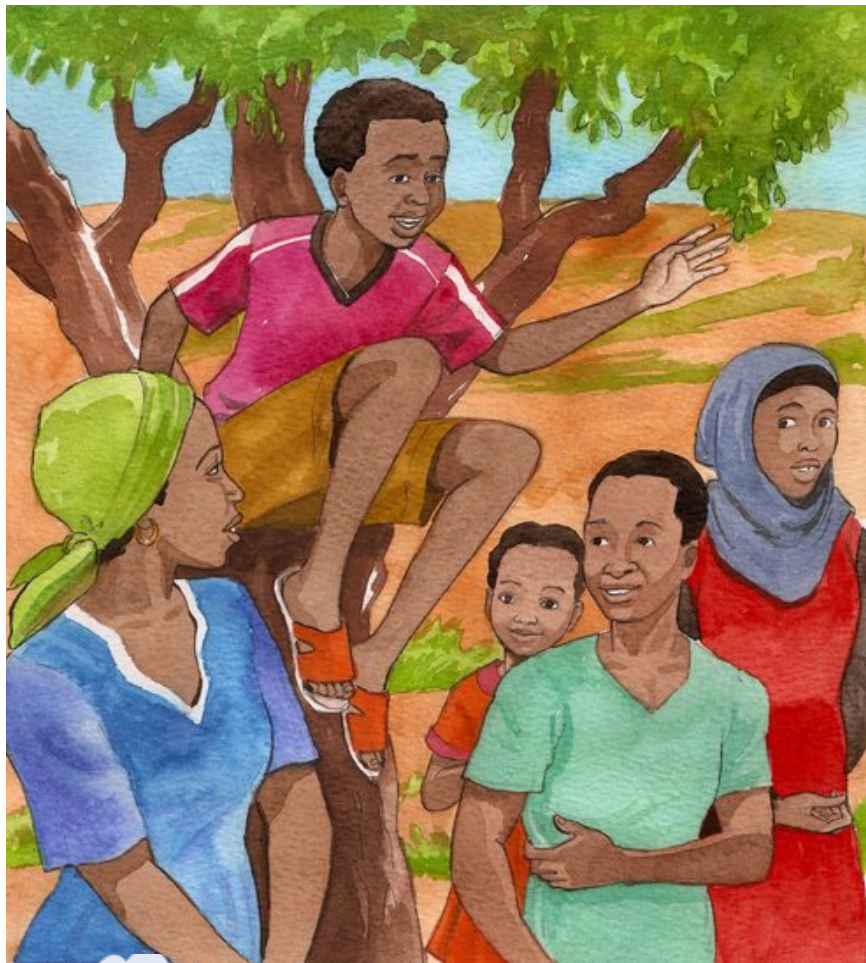




My father stood in the middle of the group.

He said, "We need to solve the problems in our village. We need to work together."

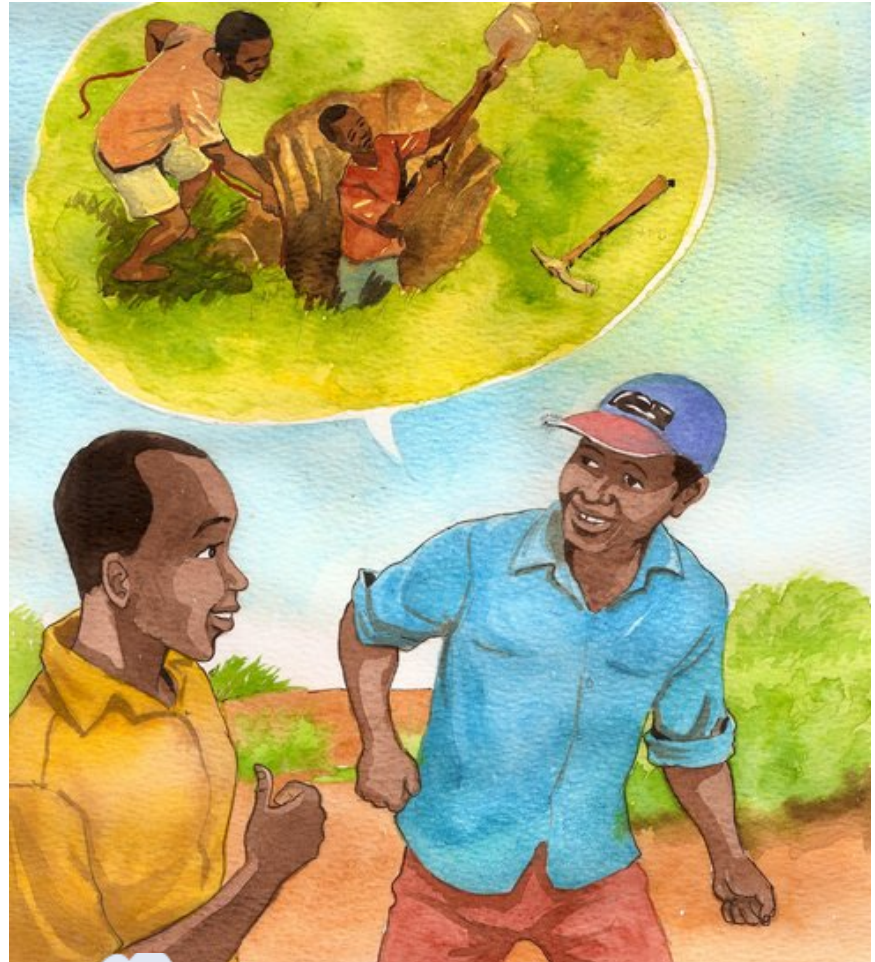
Eight-year-old Juma, sitting on a tree trunk shouted, "I can help with cleaning up."

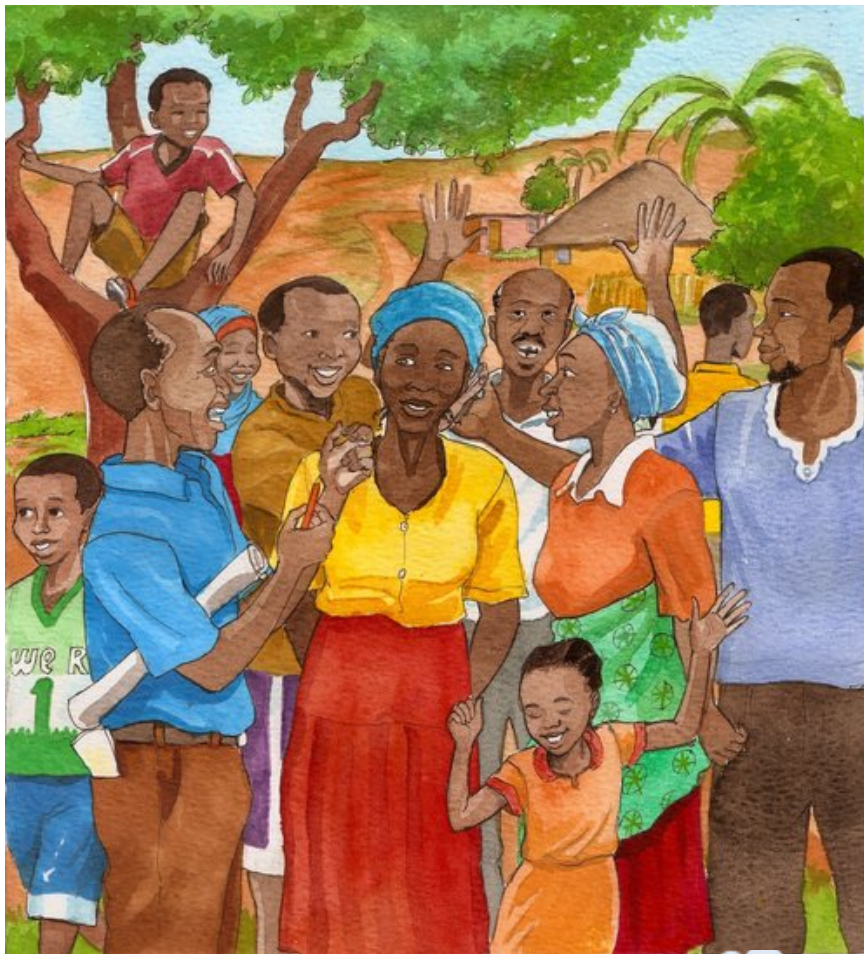




One middle-aged woman said, "The women can join me to grow food."

Another man stood up and said,
“The men will dig a well for water.”





We all shouted with one voice, “We must change our lives.”

From that day we worked together and solved our problems.

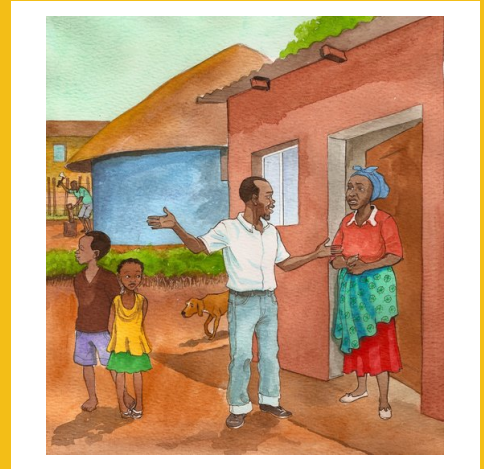
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