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utterance

[001] lēn qōñ ne vōwal n buskat won gōsuwō

[002] duru 'a 'ow'ow lēn vunu ne vōwal lēn nimē ne vōwal

[003] durum 'og kēlkēl

[004] qōn̄ ne vōwal n 'ekē ga i'in lēn lōlō m̄oruō

[005] buskat ne tek mēn e gōsuwō

[006] bulsal gōduk van tetel 'a lo

[007] gōsuwō ne tek mēn e buskat

[008] 'alē bulsal duk van

[009] durum van van 'ēqel din suw 'a

[010] me' ga kō'

[011] n buskat ne tek mēn e gōsuwō

[012] 'ō bul dum van ma 'anē' n

[013] me' ga rōrvō kō'

[014] gōsuwō ne tek kel mēn e buskat

[015] bul siwo gōdō vanvan lēn me' lēn vovoñodo

[016] ba nik me 'a'aram enteg mē no

[017] sin mem lõl nik me 'a'aram enteg mē no

[018] wōle no dowdow ros

[019] wo no ga se' lē...lēn naw

[020] sin nawm qal no si nom dow no me ma'

[021] gōsuwō ne ka...

[022] buskat ne kalraka ne tek mē di so

[023] o ga gitok bulsal

[024] no me 'ēn'ēn

[025] nom'ēn si son mem lōl no me no mak 'aram enteg mē nike

[026] durm van rōw vovoñodo

[027] buskat di 'ōn qē gogo

[028] magarsine bus...buskat di 'ōn vus

won n gōsuwō di 'ōn qegogo' [029] durum vovoñodo vovoñodo

vovoñodo vavan

[030] n bēlēl a rekson gōsuwō ga gis dim wur nēnēn

[031] duruk van kal van kal sar lēn nērē'iē

[032] me' ne lōl kal ma

translation

[001] One day, a cat and a rat.

[002] The two ...in the past on one island in one house,

[003] the two lived together.

[004] One day, as it was so hot inside their house.

[005] cat said to rat:

[006] "Friend, are we two gonna go to the sea?"

[007] So rat said to cat:

[008] "Allez, friend, we two are going."

[009] They went, and when they arrived down at the sea,

[010] the reef was dry.

[011] The cat said to rat:

[012] "Oh, friend, we came here,

[013] and the reef is completely dry."

[014] Rat in turn said to cat:

[015] "Friend, while we are going on the reef to fish,

[016] you will inform me well

[017] if the reef is getting flooded, you tell me clearly.

[018] I shouldn't get wet,

[019] and I am bad in the sea.

[020] If the sea gets me and I get wet, I will die."

[021] Rat got...

[022] Then cat got up and said to him:

[023] "That's all right, friend,

[024] I will be watching it.

[025] If I see that the reef is getting flooded, I will ...I will tell you immediately."

[026] They went down fishing.

[027] Cat was with the fishing rod ...

[028] sorry, cat was with bow and arrow and the rat was with the rod.

[029] They fished and fished until

[030] the basket that the rat took with him was full.

[031] They went up onto the shore

[032] as the water rose covering up the

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[033] durum din sar

[034] gōsuwō ne tek mēn e buskat

[035] bulsal non milinsal

[036] gōsuwō gōsuwō nēm tek mēn e buskat

[037] bulsal non miliñsal

[038] buskat ne kalraka ne tek so

[039] 'ēqēk 'a 'ow'ow nom da 'i sa sarmanē

[040] duō vekres qēn mes

[041] duk van sar duk 'ēn

[042] duk van lulu duk van lu bēne

[043] duk 'ēn so sin wova'al bēne duk gen

[044] qē' gēdu mak mulō

[045] gōsuwō ne tek mēn e buskat

[046] o ga gitok

[047] durum vekres qē' ēn mes van kal

[048] van kal sar lēn 'ēqē duruk 'ēn sagēn 'ēn'ēn volvol n 'erē 'uvu' 'uvu' wova'al 'anē'ē ne gitag qē' bēne

[049] 'uvu' 'uvu' va'al ne vōwal wuva wēwē ne wēwē ne vōwal ga mine

[050] buskat ne kalraka ne tek so

[051] o bul wēwē wova'al ne vōwal sarēnē ga mine

[052] ne'ē sa gēdu me gen ē

[053] ba 'enei e sē me rem

[054] gusuwō ne kalraka ne tek so

[055] o bul nik sa me rem ē

[056] wanag e buskat ne tek so

[057] o wölēn 'ēqēk

[058] gudum van ma nik me rem

[059] e gōsuwō ne tek so

[060] bul no mas rem m̃as sirēn 'erē wulen busuk ga tiktik si ga qōqō soksok 'amēn nok kor ēn qan wova'al

[061] gusuwō ne tek ne tek mēn buskat

[062] buskat si bul nik sa me rem ēn wova'al ē sire 'erē wōwōle qe busum di ga luluwō

[063] nikēm 'aq mēn qañ wova'al

[064] nik me kor marmar mas

[033] When they arrived on top,

[034] rat said to cat:

[035] "Friend, I am hungry."

[036] Rat, rat said to cat:

[037] "Friend, I am hungry."

[038] Then cat got up and said:

[039] "My garden from before that I made is right up here.

[040] Let's gut all the fish

[041] and then we go upwards and have a look

[042] We will go through, go through it,

[043] if we see that there are pawpaws we will eat them.

[044] Then we go home."

[045] So rat said to cat:

[046] "Oh, all right."

[047] They gutted all the fish and went upwards.

[048] Having gone up to the gardens they looked around up there, looked at all of these pawpaw trees, and there was nothing (on them).

[049] Only on one tree, one banana tree had fruits, one fruit was ripe.

[050] Cat got up and said:

[051] "Oh, friend, this one pawpaw fruit up there is ripe.

[052] Exactly this one we will eat."

[053] But who is gonna climb now?

[054] Rat got up and said:

[055] "Oh, friend, it's right you who's gonna climb."

[056] And then cat said:

[057] "Oh, over there ¡wol¿ is my garden.

[058] When we get there, you will climb."

[059] Rat said:

[060] "Friend, I can't climb because my finger nails are too small or too short in order to scratch (into) the side of the pawpaw tree."

[061] Rat then said, said to the cat:

[062] "Cat, or friend, it's you right here who will climb this pawpaw because your finger nails are big.

[063] If you bend it towards the side of the pawpaw tree

[064] you can scratch into it heavily.



1	[065]	nikē	van	kal	mas

^[066] buskat ne tek mēne gōsuwō so

[069] durum tek kēlkēl mē duru senē va va va van

[070] buskat ne tek mēne gōsuwō so

[071] nike rem

[072] alē gōsuwō ne rem

[073] gusuwōm rem rem rerem rem rerem rem din sagē

[074] buskat ne sagsag lēn qe'an ne tek mē di

[075] bul wova'al ē di sanē

[076] alē gōsuwō ne van 'aval wova'al 'anē 'ēqēl ma wal (sarēn) gakō wova'al

[077] buskat ne 'aram ēnteg mē diē

[078] dim sag sur suwō dim kur 'ēn san gako wova'al ē

[079] buskat ne al qel suwe len qe'an

[080] gusuwō dim 'ēn esenē vidir kal ma sagē lēn wova'al luma sagē kur ēn qorogi ne që'eg kurkur en qorogi luma sagë

[081] buskat dim sag dar dar dar dar dar

[082] van van va va va van

[083] o bul rōvrōv'ē nike kur kirmōn gako wova'al ē

[084] o bul rōrōv'e qe'i mōnōgi lik

[085] ba di e lama'i di e lama'i ros bēne so

[086] gōsuwō di man tēv luluma sagē

[087] di man 'ēqēl van dan qorogin

[088] di man kur ēn 'erē wēwē wova'al 'alēn lōlōgi ēn 'aqagi man 'oq

[089] dinē 'av'av luō

[090] dinēk gen vēlē

[091] gusuwō n buskat suwēn 'a milinsal en miliñsal

[092] bul nom dar va va va va van ne gitag va'anē

[093] gusuwō ne tek qēl ma mē die

[065] You can go upwards."

[066] Then cat got up and said to rat:

[067] "I have to climb . . . I can't climb.

[068] You, you will climb."

[069] They kept talking to each other like this until

[070] cat said to rat:

[071] "Climb!"

[072] All right, then rat climbed.

[073] Rat climbed and climbed, climbed to the top

[074] and cat was sitting on the ground and then said to him:

[075] Friend, the pawpaw, that's the one!"

[076] All right, then rat went to the other side of the pawpaw and came down straight to that pawpaw stalk.

[077] Cat told him clearly,

[078] he sat down and bit into this pawpaw stalk

[079] and cat bowed its head down

towards the ground. [080] Rat saw this, jumped up here onto the pawpaw, through hither, bit a hole,

started to bite a hole into it going through upwards.

[081] Cat sat and waited, waited and waited

[082] on and on and on.

[083] "Oh, friend, is it close that you break the pawpaw stalk?"

[084] "Oh, friend, almost, just wait a bit longer."

[085] But he didn't know that up there ...

[086] rat, he had already got through to the top.

[087] He had already gone down and made a hole.

[088] He had already eaten the pawpaw fruits from inside, his belly was already full.

[089] Then he shit into them.

[090] He finished them.

[091] Rat ...the cat down there was very hungry.

[092] "Friend, I have been waiting and waiting, but no longer now."

[093] Rat said downwards to him:

^[067] no mas rem no mas rem ros

^[068] nike nik me rem

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- [094] bulsal rōvrōv'e rōvrōv'e ne kirmō
- [095] dar kēlkēl dar kēlkēl va van
- [096] n buskat ne tek kal lik ma mē die
- [097] bul nik ga misin va'ē nok rem kal sag sa'ēnē
- [098] nok kur mama' nikē birin san wova'al anē'ē
- [099] gusuwō ne dim rōn 'i sene
- [100] kur kur kur lōlō wova'al m kur qē' 'av'av sug lēn lōlō wova'al 'anē kalu kel den ēn qoro wova'al qoro wēwē wova'al 'anē
- [101] van lēn 'ēqēl lēn 'aval wō...wōva'al
- [102] 'ēqēl 'ēqēl 'ēqēl 'ēqēl suw lēn ge'an
- [103] buskat e 'ēn wal ros die
- [104] 'ēqēl din suwō
- [105] van rak sar lēn m̄o'
- [106] 'aviēn wōmōmō' dim 'ōg bēne
- [107] gil ēn qaraña ne vōwal kēnē'
- [108] sag sag 'i sar lēn ma'a qaraña anē
- [109] buskat dim dar kēlkēl dar kēlkēl vanvan ne rem
- [110] ne rem kal sag diñ man wova'al 'a rekson ga mine ne 'ēn suw lēn lōlōgi
- [111] o bulsal ba sogo nikēm dōrōg gal no
- [112] ga itok nike van
- [113] nom sök sier nik 'avie
- [114] qinim sa kene'
- [115] no me kur nikē
- [116] no me kur qēqē ban qi'im vuva di me 'ōg 'i
- [117] sin gō...gōlōm vuva di me 'ōg 'i
- [118] so n kakaka dim din kene'
- [119] si nikē 'ēn'ēn menteg qiri 'enei
- [120] buskat dim sōk sier ēn gusuwō
- [121] di me kur mama' ēn gusuwō
- [122] sirēn sava sirēn wova'al
- [123] rekso miliñsal m qal duruō durum van lēn 'ēqē'
- [124] gusuwō dim dōrōg ēn buskat
- [125] so n kakaka dim qē' 'i sa kēnē'

- [094] "Friend, almost, almost it breaks."
- [095] Waiting on and on,
- [096] then the cat said hither upwards to him:
- [097] "Friend, you will still need some time, so I'll climb up there and
- [098] bite you dead and eat these pawpaws.
- [099] Rat ...hearing this
- [100] he ate and ate the inside of the pawpaw, and when he was done he shit down into this pawpaw, got out of the hole in the pawpaw, this pawpaw fruit
- [101] and went ...went down at the other side of the pawpaw.
- [102] Went down and down, down to the ground.
- [103] Cat didn't see him at all.
- [104] Went down
- [105] and then went out into the bush
- [106] where there is bush, where he lives,
- [107] dug a hole there
- [108] and was sitting now up in this hole.
- [109] Cat, he waited and waited until he climbed.
- [110] Climbed up on top, and when he reached this pawpaw that was ripe, he looked down into it:
- [111] "Oh, friend, you have really cheated me.
- [112] All right, go!
- [113] Wherever I find you,
- [114] your traces are right there,
- [115] I will eat you.
- [116] I will eat you and only your head will be left,
- [117] or just your tail, it will be left.
- [118] So, the story is over here.
- [119] If you have a close look today,
- [120] cat, if it finds a rat
- [121] it will bite the rat dead.
- [122] Why? Because of the pawpaw,
- [123] i.e. hunger stroke the two and they went to the garden
- [124] and rat, he betrayed the cat.
- [125] So, the story is over for now right here.