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Foreword

The islands, forests, and mountains of our country are home to many distinct cultural communities, each with its own language and tradition. Their cultures are integral pieces of the beautiful mosaic that is the Filipino nation.

We owe a debt of gratitude to our countrymen from the cultural communities. Through the centuries their customs, languages, and noble spirit have contributed to the development of our national character. As we gain greater understanding of these cultures, we can only take greater pride in the remarkable richness of our Filipino heritage.

For these reasons, it is imperative that the languages and traditions of the Filipino cultural communities be preserved. This book, in the language of a cultural community, is intended to assist in that preservation. It is designed to build reading and comprehension skills and to expand knowledge through the medium of the reader's own language. This first language approach to learning builds pride in the mother tongue and makes reading a rewarding experience. The skills and confidence thus acquired help equip the reader to pursue further education in the national language.

The Department of Education, Culture and Sports is pleased to introduce this book, the most recent in a series designed to promote literacy in the cultural communities. In serving these communities, the good of the entire nation is served.

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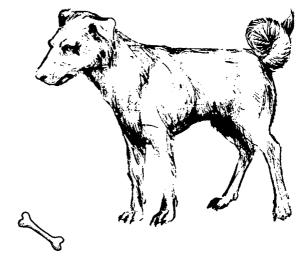
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Ha Alilliwan Chi Asu

Langchas chi osa'n asu si tung-ey. Tilangela ot umoyon. Ha ayola un umoyon, ked mangoy si anchu un illatoy. Ustu'n langgilawa un malidtidchayan, lailala osa'n asu si chayom chi chelum un tatangyola bo tung-ey. Laapos chi hachi'n asu un awed si illatoy. Piola un eyan chi tung-ey un tatangyola. Olipun iluy-uyala hachi'n asu un ilischungala si chayom chi chelum. Latayak chi tatangyola un tung-ey. Laamusan siya ot kalala, "Lu achiyak makamumusan, achipulak otyan lan-uy-uy ta achi latayak uwak un tung-ey."

Cha 'Iit'

Awed chi osa un ili un amod chi peykasla. Losan kalu'n tagu si hachi'n ili ked malagesaged. Lappun mailam un kaisaw si cha paway ti billigat un malaged cha. Osa'n eygew, mangwa pun chi



meymeyong-eg un mangngachen Timbung, lansomsomok si lawwing. Lummabi pun, ummoyla ilakaw cha losan un iit chi hachi'n ili. Intodchakla ot umoyla koon si biyoyla si tuktuk chi adchayuwan un bilig. Lagamput ked lakwa biyoyla, chaampunla longkon ot gummatong si byali un amod chi pigsala. Ipeyakla biyoy Timbung.

Liwaliwalis ya lappun kamkamgatla akit. Laslasmok Timbung chi langey-ala si kingwala chi biyoyla. Lanchachauli ot somsomkola un mangulin umoyon si ilicha. Gumatong ked si ilicha, lakasuggayat si intullongla. Man-aliwangsey losan un paway. Amod chi kaisaw ti lappun un malaged cha tagu.

Ha killingwan Timbung ta umuli peykas chi ili, ummoy langaya si achu-achu un iit ot koola si saged. Umoyla iwayas kan cha tagu. Illugicha bo kasin un malaged kan cha pappawaycha. Ot lipuuli peykas chi ilicha. Latetteyok si Timbung ti ummuli biliyun chi ilicha.

Aggung kan Ugsa



Si osa'n eygew, cha Aggung kan Ugsa ummoycha lan-ay-ayam. Todtodchak kalu ayayamoncha ta ilancha cha labibbilog kan

chicha un chuwa. Ha mallugiyancha wain ked kigedcha bo wain. Ot lallugicha, illiggan pagey Ugsa binseyla un malodchak. Ngumilangilas kalu ta achi maabyak. Oliked, lichuum si osa'n wain ot, umillong. Pokawala pun si Aggung, sumongbyat un kalala, "Gung, gung!" Lakasogayat si Ugsa ti ha somsomokla ked mambilog si Aggung. Kasin bo ngumilangilas un malodchak. Lausala bo kasin chi osa'n wain. Mampokaw pun lappun sumongbyat. Ammala umillong masuyop ti kalala un chaampun si Agqung michuum. Oliked laeyot chi suyopla.

Bummangon pun si Ugsa, latataeg ti lummachema.

Illiggala bo kasin chi bilogla un malodchak ot lausala si Aggung un mangkadkadchayap. Ummulloy chi somsomokla ot amammaala. Oliked lichuum si wain un kiged chi tudchakoncha.

Lampokaw kakma ot sumongbyat si Aggung, "Gung, gung"! Kalan Ugsa un amod chi biinla,

"Lilausak kabbo sika un mangkadkadchayap si chayan." Asila ot kalan, "Mambilog ka eben Aggong." Achipunla ammu un ked mambelitang cha aggung si wain un sumongsongbyat si pokawla.

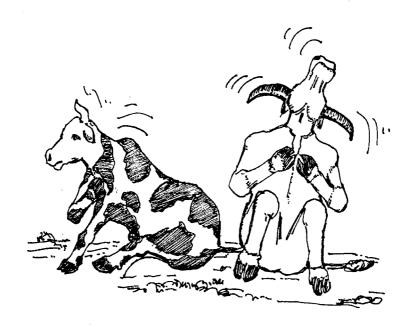
Cha Luwang kan Byaka

Mankadwa cha Luwang kan Byaka. Lu eygew, pasig cha nantun-ud lu awed ayancha. Ked lu labi bo, mangkasuyopcha.)sa'n mamatok, amod chi attub. Chilegas Byaka si Luwang ta moy cha man-omos ud chewwang. Lichuumcha ked, langkaan cha



si silupcha ot ammancha ibelat si teyanteg. Lampisukcha si chelum. Pin-acha man-ay-ayam mangkillayu. Amod chi galas cha'n chuwa.

Umooli pun, allat chi leyaki'n singkuwa kan Luwang. Ooglela chakey'n aplit un sumanga-sanga. Intullong cha Luwang kan Byaka ot manchokchokas cha umoy mangaya si silupcha. Si kamu kan ogyatcha, lanilleyos chi lapichit cha un silup. Si Byaka ha laeyala ked uwan Luwang ked si Luwang bo uwan Byaka laeyala. Kakma cha mansilup ot umawid cha. Ot, hachin lansillukatan chi silupcha, inggala si sala, susumyot chi kublit Luwang ked kumikissang bo kublit Byaka.



Lansomsomkan chi Osa'n Alak

Cha Pokway kan Silumagen ked man-ila cha. Kaasi biyegcha ti si kaben-og Pokway latoy si amala. Lasukin kan lasachut bo si Pokway. Lappun ammola un bumachang si ilala. Abus un itutullongla ked hachi'n eygewon ilala'n ilabbu. Lu achipun masusuyop si eygew, umoy malliklikwos ked asi bo chumuung lu kumilop, ked abus bo kakan si kingwala. Inggan chi kaben-ogla inggala si sala'n chummakey, lappun ituyungla si ilala.

Osa'n eygew, gummatong pun uwacha si Pokway un umoy lanliklikwos, langkachamsaala umoy lallokwat si kalola. Lappun

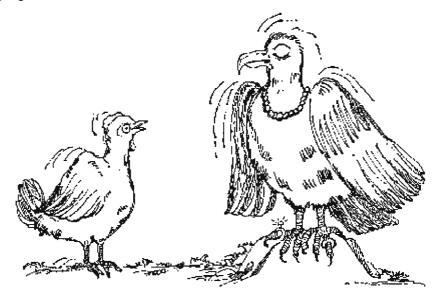


inggew kan cha byangacha. Pokawala si ilala ot lappun sumongbyat. Mantuwili pun si pat-ing, allat chi mankakallumun. Mawalaswas ot luksayala kagoyla. Ot si ilala eben un tumugtug-om ti amod chisigebla. Lakosyawan si Pokway. Lan-ibi-ibin siya chingngeyn pun cha cheegcha ummoy cha illila lu puggey. Ot inchesancha ilan Pokway un amod chi aliwongla. Biledngancha si Pokway un langachug kan langayyuwan si ilala. Achipun labeyeg ot lakaan chi sigebla.

Ot si Pokway, achu lailala un bibiyu un angwat cha uchum un tagu kan siya. Inggan chi hachi un lakwa kan ilala, laidchen siya si somsomok. Illugila un tuyungan si ilala. Lansingit si labbula ot ha tangchenla pasigla idchon kan ilala. Kiged chi hachi bummayu biyegcha un man-ila. Lummaus pun cha eygew, buyan, ya tawon, cha Pokway kan Silumagen un man-ila lummin-awa biyegcha ing-inggala.

Puggey un Mangkagaykay Chi Maluk

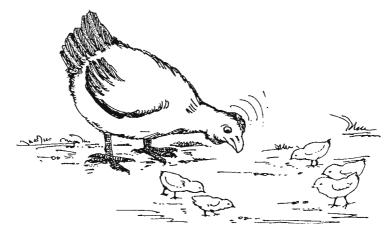
Si sin-eygew, awed kalu cha Maluk kan Gayang un inggew si laleyman un gilubyat, ked cha alla un amacha ya ilacha lantuyagencha un man-asawa-oncha lu chumakchakey cha.



Lummaus chi achu'n buyan ya tawon, chummakey cha. Olipun, osa'n eygew si Maluk ummoy langgaggakay si alla'n gilubyat. Malidtidchayan ked ilabutla paat ya laleyman un Kawitan. Umillong ot lantigtigammucha. Intuyuycha lan-ug-uggud un malidtidchayan inggan chi hachi lallugi un lan-illayom. Choncholoy ot man-asawacha.

Olipun chingngeyn ked Gayang un si Maluk un bilelatala ked lan-asawacha kan Kawitan, amod chi sangala. Ummoy si Gayang uwancha Maluk ta makasingin si lubey un belatla kan siya. Gumatong ked si Gayang, lumalutlut un mangimus kan Maluk. Si Maluk amod chi ogyatla. Kalala kan Gayang, "Alusam Gayang, lappun maiyulinku ti latayakku hachi'n lubey." Laam-amod chi sangan Gayang. Ibegala kan Maluk, "Otoyok kan sin-ossaok kalon cha isiwlu ti lappun akit biinlu kan sakon. Sabyali kabbo ilasawam, tilayaklu bo ilidchok un belatlu," kalan Gayang. Olipun lagaayuk si Maluk ot kalala, "Achim kalon cha isiwku ta inyak sington chi hachi'n lubey. Ibegak bo kan cha alla'n isiwku un tuyungalak un mansingit." Ot illugin Maluk un pin-a mangkagaykay si pita. Ot, lappun akit inchesala si hachi'n lubey.

Ot inggala si sala ha Maluk ya isiwla pin-acha mangkagaykay si pita. Ti sessiya un pin-acha sington chi lubey Gayang un latayak. Si Gayang bo, itudchakla isiw Maluk lu awed mailala ti sessiya un mansasanga kan siya.



Cha Pangog kan Sachut



Awed cha chuwa'n mancheeg un Pangog kan Sachut. Si Pangog ipapuutla umoy mansingi-singit si tipyola. Si Sachut man-iiway pagey si gumatong un kalola.

Langwa pun si Pangog si osa'n eygew, "Inyak gey mansingit si tipyok" kalala. Eyala sambyegla, ot umoyon. Gumatong pun si igid chi chewwang, inchesala si Buwaya ya ha alakla un lakampuyan si amod un qaqatey.

"Himma ayam?" kalan Buwaya kan Pangog ot ibegala un umoy mansingit si tipyola.

Kalan Buwaya kan siya, "Oglem chi alakku ta sakon chi umoy mansingit." Ot, inte-un Pangog.

Ha killingwan Buwaya, ummoy yan lantayu ta isiimla choon Pangog koon si alakla. Amman kalu Pangog immos, lagamput pun, inggoygoyla. Lasuyop pun inyuligla.

Matetteyok si Buwaya ot umoyon mansingit si tipyon Pangog. Pillula chi sambyegla si mangkangkalasi un makan un leypu si chewwang. Ilidchola kan Pangog ot umoyon.

Ichesala si Sachut un man-iiway uwacha. Bukatala pun chi sambyegla amod un matipoy chi illiggan Buwaya. Laapos si Sachut ot umoy kalu bo kan Buwaya. Gumatong gey ot ibegala kan siya un oglela hachi'n alakla, ta umoy kalu Buwaya isngitan si matipoy. Inte-un Buwaya ot umoyla yan isisiim.

Si Sachut pin-ala pagey aplitan chi alak Buwaya ti man-ibiibin. Kalan Buwaya, "Kaapus ka Sachut." Ot umoyla puluwun chi sambyegla si cha uyog, geyyaman ya kubbyabong ot ammala takchon si wakey.

Ot idchola kan Sachut. Ammala bililon ta amilola puntan cha abut uwacha ta achi cha umawid.

Gumatong gey ot ibukbukla sambyegla. Lummayug cha inggew. Lakaligwawong, ot mampokaw pun ked kan cha cheegcha lappun gey kumatam umoy tumuyong kan siya.

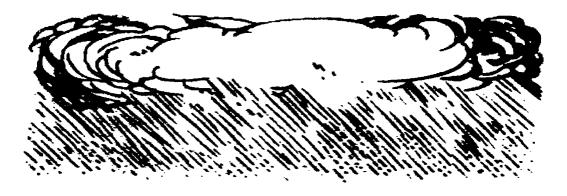
Cha Igom kan Sintuk



Timpun chi chegun ked amod chi ilit. Lasapa si Igom umoy mansingit si makan. Intullong Sintuk siya. "Atumaga kawachim, Igom" kalan Sintuk kan siya.

"Chimman!" kalan Igom. Ot ibyegala un lappun in-ilon un mangkawachi lu iggala agilid ti amod chi tunglin kan uchen.

Liyokyok Sintuk siya si hachi'n ilugudla. Ot telala si Igom, umoyon mampeypeytok. Impapuut Igom man-aku-akut si asila kalon lu umagilid. Allagey si Sintuk un mampeypeytok chi ipapuutla koon.



Achipun labiyeg, illiggala un umuche-uchen. Si Igom, mallinot ya ammala man-aallichu ya lanchawi-chawis ud uwacha. Ked si cheegla un Sintuk, allat si pat-ing un mamaypayogpog. Lakumog ti tumuchu biyoyla. Lapilok kan labitin, lappun islaola.

Laslasmokla si Igom ot kalala "Inyak gey kan Igom gumawat si kalok."

Ummoy ot lichuum pun si popot-akan lampokaw siya. Tumamaang pun si Igom ta itullongla, si Sintuk eben. Pilelukla siya, idchela bo si mampokosla ot asila amman iyakuchen ta mangan. Chummelat kan lassug siya. Olipun kalala kan Igom, "Bibiyu ka tuwa un kadwa ya cheeg. Liyokyokku sika si amod chi mangkakawachim, alla un sika lalaud un laluyung kan sakon." Ot hachi lallugiyan Sintuk un mangkawachi kan mansingit si makan un itepunla.



Cha Ummula un Tilin

Cha Bella kan Alus ked man-asawacha. **U**mmalak cha si kapin un bebyai. Ha kawachin Bella ked mamayaw ked ileygew un



umoy masiput. Lu umoy alus ituychen si asawala ha koola ked iggala cha hachi'n alakla si inchayun ked lakkobela chicha si langaya. Gumatong ked sessiya cha un masusuyop. Kalayun un kamadchi pin-ala koon lu awed eyala.

Osa'n eygew pun, umoy lamileg si Alus ot manchegas maminga si pappayaw. Labeyeg siya ot umoyon ked ichesala cha hachi'n alakla un sin-aagaeg. Kakmala imbelat chi

bukudla ot akliyola cha hachi'n alak. Sinlalapingit gey cha lupacha ti labeyeg cha pagey un umag-agaeg. Achipun si Alus latilog, sessiya un pin-ala chicha teylan un abus.

Lummaus cha achu'n eygew, chummakchakey cha hachi'n kapin.
Lasusuyop cha ked si osa'n eygew,
Iummawa si Alus ot umoyla todchakon chi
bililegla'n paguy. Bummangon ked cha
hachi'n kapin, Iappun si ilacha. Lumibbyat
cha ta umamoy cha sington ngim achipun
cha inchesan. Ot pachasoncha pun un
pumeytok, Iambyalincha un sissiwit.
Gumatong si Alus ot chagus un umoyla



chicha ilan si langiyuligela kan chicha ot lappun cha hachi'n alak ot lakosyawan. Mampokaw kan cha cheegcha ta makaimus lu awed ummoy langaya kancha alakla si uchum un tagu, lappun kalancha. Lummawa siya ot alla chuwa'n sissiwit un man-issu-issu si paway. Ammala pun ilonglong ilan, kalala un cha kapinku pagey, ot inchisanla chokmaan, kakmacha hachi'n sissiwit tumayap.

Si Alus lampokaw un patuyung, ustu un sumawang chi asawala ot makaimus lu puggey. Ot ibegala lakwa. Tilung-udcha'n man-asawa lasikutan cha sissiwit ot allacha si pappayaw un pin-a mangan si paguy. Umoy chi ila kumatam kan chicha ta pachasala'n makaug-ugud kan chicha ot summongbyat cha hachi'n sissiwit un kalancha, "Man-alaklu paguylu. Pasiglu chikami teyteylan, ked ha koonmi, inggala si sala pin-ami umoy kalon chi paguy un imuyam."

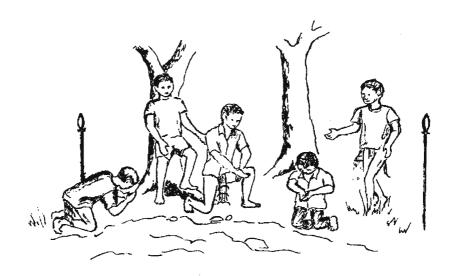
Amod chi sigeb chi angos Alus si lakwaan cha alakla'n kapin. Achipun labeyeg, inyaliwongla sigeb chi angosla ot olipun latoy. Ked cha hachi'n kapin, hachi kalu leypuwan cha ummula un tilin.



In-ilop Nardo (Lechu)

Si Nardo alak un mampawot si ay-ayam. Ha biyoycha ked adchaliyan si chegsi. Osa'n maschom ilayagela cha bibiyunla ta umoycha man-omos si hachi'n chegsi. Ummoycha ot pin-acha lanay-ayam un lansisillayu. Lummaus chi mallalaku si byayat ot langngilacha. Lagamputcha ked killan lan-iweysi cha si ukis si chegsi, ot man-ay-ayam cha kasin si chelum ked gilanggalascha.

Si labin chi hachi amod chi suyop Nardo ti laungey. Lan-inilop un lauwaw siya. Umoy pun ud chegsi lappun akit chelum.



Ladngeyla un awed chi mayokyokyok ked lappun tagu si mailala. Amod chi ogyatla. Lappun ammula si koola. "Simman ka?" kalan Nardo. Summongbyat ot kalala, "Sakon si chegsi achipulak mangatod si chelum kan sika!" Kalan Nardo, "Himma kingwak un lawwing?" Summongbyat si chegsi, "Amod chi eyangwam, kilisawam chi chegsi, laplu si ukis chi byayat ot bilumyoy cha ilok ya lingaw. Mangatod cha si sakit kan cha umili!"

Olipun, langkadkachegu si Nardo un kalala, "Idchelak si chelum, intalu paat ta ilumok."

Ot kalan chegsi "Lai, intalu matoyka!"

"Macheguka alla akit angosku," kalan Nardo.

Ot sumongbyat bo kasin si chegsi un ibegala intalu matoy si Nardo ti achipunla ammo un achugen chi chegsi un ilidchon Apudyus kan siya.

Amod chi ogyat Nardo. Laminpinpin ya achipun makaangos ot ipatutula chiyaton chi atala. Bummangon pun in-ilop eben chi hachi un lakwa kan siya.



Ot kalala, "Istay chi, ti in-ilop abus chakampun si tuttuwa. Inggala si sala," kalan Nardo. "Peypeykasok chi alla un chegsi ta achi pumeysot kan achi maksit chi alla un chelumla."

Ansisit

Awed chi osa'n manggogoob un bibiyu somsomokla kan cha manggugulayla. Pasig un kumacheygu kan tumuyu-tuyung kan cha uchum un tagu. Si simmaschuman pun un lagamput chi kawachila, umoyon ud uwacha. Malidtidchayan pun si igid chi pappayaw, cheycheyasala ti lappun akit umsiyong si tagu ked lagamput un gummikbot. Inggew ked si mangkalachuwan chi luut, mammaeg chi alla ibin un madngeyla. Atingigola ti meypu si amochen chi luut. Umoyla ilan, alla alak un kaiyalak ya lalulussayan. Kalan chi mangqogoob, "Kaisaw chi somsomok chi ilam."

Ot kakmala akliyon chi alak ot isuksukla si biyukungla ta chumeylat. Latatyok chi agaeg chi alak.

Umooli pun magiklan chi manggogoob un kumulukulut chi hachi'n alak. Luksayala pun silupla, lakasuggayat. Langngasiit chi alak kan siya. Umogyat ti mangkachakkey ngiponla.

Ammala pun ischungan itullong, ansisit eben un lawwilawing, mambutigege cha atala. Iwayegweg chi manggogoob itum-ey.

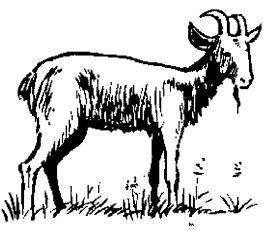
Umawid un patuyung kan Apudyus. Mantuwili pun chi manggogoob si palos chi illoyla, ot kalan ansisit un mangngangassiit, ile-elugek sika. Ot lambyalin lappun.

Cha Pummeysot un Ayam

Awed cha mangkakadwa un ayam un si Kusa, Keyching, Byaka, Kawitan, ya si Asu. Ummoy cha pun langgeggakay si sabyali'n ili. Amod chi ogyatcha ti ab-abbus cha un lumawa. Si hachi'n ili, intullongcha mangkakachakkey un biyoy. Ot lanuugudcha ta masin-ossa umoy paayyuwan kan cha tagu'n inggew si hachi'n biyoy. Ot siya killingwacha.

Osa'n eygew pun lan-aaspuycha ot lan-iillimoscha lu silu makmakwaancha.

Si Kusa, kalala "Amod chi bos-en chi igewku ti pin-ala



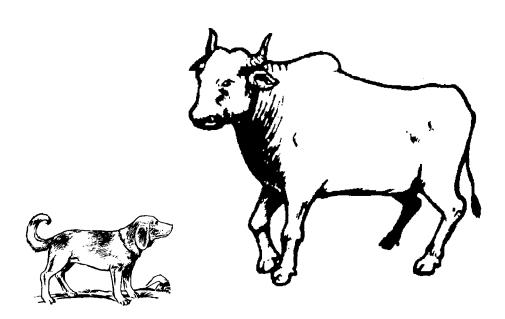


sakon bokbokon."

Si Byaka, amod kalu lastug chi igewla ya pumang-ok lu umillong akit si kawachila. Ot si Keyching, laalus chi igewla, ammala siya om-omson ti asila kalu siya amman chawichawison.

Ot, kalan Kawitan, "Man-isuta Keyching, lu meyakayak ked ya achipulak makatullakuk, asila sakon lalawon." Olipun kalancha Iosan, "Alla pay amod chi uyung cha tagu. Umawid taku, lappun meyed un pin-a mabokbok ya michawichawis."

Langwa cha pun lambibilin cha ot umawid cha.

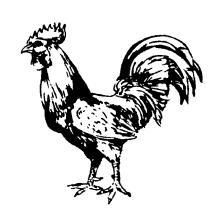


Malidtidchayan cha ked si gilubyat, inchesancha likankan-og ya laleyman un biyoy. Man-siim cha pun lailacha liman leyaki un mambila-bilang si achu'n pilak ya buyawan. Lansomsomok cha hachi'n ayam si kooncha, ta og-ogyatoncha cha man-aakaw. Ha killingwacha lanchichisancha lampakuy. Lakaogyat cha man-aakaw ot kakma cha ummawid. Amod chi ogyatcha ti ha kalancha ayan chi lampakuy. Lipasali cha hachi'n ayam lumlok, akuponcha ot itayu cha bilaklang un tilelan cha man-aakaw. Intoycha silaw ot mansagalacha iwayon ti ammucha un umoy cha ulilon cha

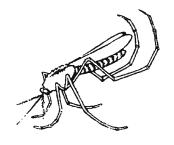
tileylancha. Ummoy si Kusa si gawan chi cheypong. Si Byaka, langgoled si sawang, mansap-ey si Asu si lamisaan, ummoy si Maluk si tapyay ot si Keyching ummoy lan-iway ud pichong.

Umooli pun, langulin tuwa cha man-aakaw. Manchokchokas cha un lumlok ti sessiya ogyatcha, mawalaswas si Keyching ot siluwala osa ot mipat-ug. Silagguchen Byaka cha uchum, liweysi osa chi lamisaan, kintob Asu, ot umawid.

Ot umoyla oyya osa apuyan chi cheypong ta kalala lu byaya cha atan kusa'n mammusilok, lilayugen Kawitan. Kumayebkeb pun, labeyaw si chebu ot kakman Kusa kam-usan. Manchokchokkas cha umawid si ogyatcha. Lappun langulin kan chicha. Sintotogaak cha mayokyok kan cha hachi'n tagu'n umogyat kan chicha. Cha hachi'n ayam, inchagascha illinggew si hachi'n biyoy si gilubyat ot bummayuwan cha ilakaw chi tagu.



Cha Ilok, Kawa, ya Etiyot





Mangkakadwa cha Ilok, Kawa, kan Etiyot. Cha alla'n tiyu ked pasigcha mantutun-ud lu umoycha man-ay-ayam. Awed kabbo kooncha, kingwacha losan, lappun sumilasila. Ked lu masuyopcha, machappatcha bo.

Osa'n eygew pun, umagaagaeg si Etiyot. "Paman, himma lakwa kan sika" kalan Kawa. "Kintob Ilok sakon."

insongbyat Etiyot. Ot si Kawa imbegala bo un kintob Ilok siya si osa'n labi. Summanga cha un chuwa. Mantuyeg cha umoy sington si Ilok. Lappun inchesancha kan siya. Si Ilok umoy mantayu-tayu ti ammula un lakabyasuy. Umoqyat kan cha Kawa kan Etiyot.

Si sala, lu awed mailan chi kawa ya etiyot si ilok, pin-acha kalon ti mambubusuycha. Ibyayoscha kotob ilok kan chicha.

Si Chillalayan

Si Chillalayan ked kabiyuwan kan chicha'n teyu'n mansusulud un bebyai. Achu cha meyed un mangasawa kan siya ked pasig un umachi-achi. Chingngeyn



ked Tabbed un inggew si sabyali'n ili gummatong uwancha Chillalayan. Ibegala kan Geyyaman un aman Chillalayan un itallayla siya ud ilicha. Achipun Geyyaman iteun ti umogyat lu kalon Tabbed si Chillalayan. Summanga si Tabbed ot isabidla pun chi ipusla si tukud cha Geyyaman, lummuswa amod un chelum si paway ot malapyak chi biyoy. Lakaogyat si Geyyaman ot ibegala kan Tabbed un kaalola litap, ked iteunla un mitun-ud si Chillalayan kan siya. Kilaan Tabbed chi litap.

Allapun un umoyon cha Tabbed, pilaamuyla si Chillalayan si ochogla. Mantodtodtod chi luwala si chayan. Lummaus cha si ilin cha pin-a ummayom kan siya, kalancha un "Masimlu Chillalayan, uyog chi asawam. Issam gey chikami." Ot laam-amod lan-ibin ti amod chi biinla.

Gummatong cha si ilin cha Tabbed. Inchuungla siya si chakey ya laleyman un biyoy. Lumlok cha ot alla bo laleyman un leyaki'n man-iiway kan chicha. Lummawa si Tabbed ud paway ot kakma mampisuk si lobong. Ibegan chi leyaki un amala si Tabbed. Ug-uguchola un lambyalin uyog ti lasungsungla angilit chi maluk, ta siya kopyacha kamadchi. Imbegala bo un Bayantok chi ngachenla. Achipun labeyeg lan-asawacha.

Lummaus cha buyan kan cha tawon, ummayu si Chillalayan kan amala. Imbegala kan Bayantok un ummoycha manggeggakay ot ite-unla ked achipun mitun-ud. Ummoy si Chillalayan ot amod chi galas amala ti sessiya eben un latattagu siya. Lakaimuscha pun ilug-uggudla biyegcha si ilin Tabbed. Cha suludla achipuncha patiyon, inggala kalu un mailacha chi hachi'n asawala. Ummoyon langulin si Chillalayan si ilin chi asawala.

Achipun labeyeg ummalakcha. Si Chillalayan piola bo un umoy igeggakay chi alakla kan amala. Ibegala bo kasin kan Bayantok ta kadwaala chicha. Si Bayantok achipunla pion ti umogyat lu awed ked mallangon si maluk. Ha kingwan Chillalayan, imbilinla kan cha kailiyala un achicha mallangon lu awed cha si hachin ilicha. Lalekot si Chillalayan ot umoycha un simbeyan. Sin-eygew chaked si ilin Chillalayan, ummoy bo osa'n lakikipposan lallangon si guweb cha aman Chillalayan. Lasungsung Bayantok. Olipun mallugi un mambyalin uyog chi chapanla. Ibegala kan asawala ot kakmacha umoyon. Alla pun un michuumcha si popot-akan cha, kiged si begangla. Ikakamun Bayantok makaugud kan asawala. Ibegala un umoycha mangkuyung un man-ila ud chayom. Ot tiluttuwacha imbegala. Man-ischung pun si Chillalayan, lambyalin uyog si Bayantok un

asawala. Ot lumayug si lobong un umoy mitipug kan Tabbed un amala. Si Chillalayan amod chi chachaulila, ti impatutla ilayagen chi asawala un umoy manggeggakay uwancha amala.

Si Suwan Sachut



Si Suwan ked osa'n alak un masachut. Awed ked pakwacha kan siya, asngaala. Abus un piola'n koon mangan kan masuyop. Lu umoy man-iswila, sabyali sikutola. Ked lumawa kabbo cha asin-allakla lakalawa bo.

Simmamatukan, gummatong gey ot kalala kan ilala, "Ammok chi tipoytaku ila." Ot ibegala pun tuttuwa. Olipun kilalayun un kamadchi pin-ala koon, un pin-a mampugtu si tipoycha. Ked si ilan Suwan, kalala bo lalaing chi alakla ti ammola pin-ala koon. Achipunla ammo un achipun pin-a umoy man-iswila, ked guweb chi pin-ala ayan masuysuyopan. Lumawa bo lu lumawa cha man-iswila.

Osa'n eygew biluun ilala un umoy mangngila si tipyoncha'n agoma. Mangkallut chi lumibyatala si sachutla.

Gummatong gey si ngingillaan ot mangaya ot mangulin umoyon. Malidtidchayan ked, illiggala un man-uwe-uweb. "Allagey suyopku" kalala, "achu pun cha ikiyu un agoma, umun-ula kayu uwami umoyon."

Imbokbokla chicha ot ibilinla un gumatong cha ked ipautu



cha kan ilala. Ot ammala umoy masuyop mangkayang si puun chi kayu un inchesala si chayan. Lan-angguyuk lasuyop.

Lummamatuk, lappun gey sumawang kan Suwan uwacha. Amod chi omeyn ilala kan siya ti labeyeg ked chaampun gey malipoy. Oliked

lummachema pun bummangon si Suwan ot umoyon. Mangkakachemsaala man-imus si kalola.

Kalan ilala,

"Chimma langin-am?"

"Amod chi
beyeglu!" Kalan Suwan,

"Ummula kabbo cha
agoma umoyon ti
lasuyopak, ked asngaak
chi malidchayan un
mambubukud." Om-omyan
ilala siya. Tudtuchuwan
pun ilala, ha kingwan bo
Suwan ummoy langkud-ey
ot maeyot bo suyopla, ked
lappun bo chingngeyla si
tudtuchu.



Pinggyan



Cha Pinya kan ilala ummoy cha bilumyoy si osa'n bilig ti ummoycha un manguma. Mallagpot chi ila ked amod chi muyacha. Osa'n eygew, mansigeb chi long-eg chi ila ot achipun makabyangon. Labitin pun, imbegala kan Pinya un umoy otyan man-isla ta mangan cha. Ot umoy man-apuy. Alla pun un iyasugla islala, ilimusla igew chi bilayu ya cha losan un awed un iyuseyla. Lasngay si ilala un pin-a malongbyat ot kalala kan Pinya "Umachu otyan chi atam ta mailam losan un useyom. Awed kaggey killingwam pasigka lan-imu-imus."

Si Pinya lummawing chi somsomokla un langngey si ilugud ilala. Lummawa ot umoy si uma. Lummaschom pun lappun chumuung kan siya. Inggala lummaus chi achu'n eygew, lappun sumawang si hachi'n alak. Lummin-awa ked chi ila, ummoy si umacha lanlangyanga. Olipun inchesala sabyali un muya. Eyala ot bibbiliyula pun laattaattaan. Kalala, "Allaya pagey si Pinya un alakku." Ot ngadlola "Pingyan" chi hachi'n muya.

Puggey un Anchu Ingan Chi Labit

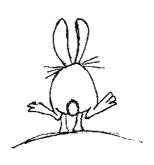
Si sin-eygew, ha Pangat cha Iosan un ayam un inggew si gilubat ked si Kuup ti siya kalu achu ammula. Osa'n eygew, chilagupla cha Iosan un ayam ta man-uugudcha panggob si kooncha ya lintogcha. Matetteyok cha ti mantitillullong cha Iosan. Alla pun un ilugicha, matmatan Kuup cha ayam un lachagup, lappun si Labit. Imusola pun lappun ammucha si



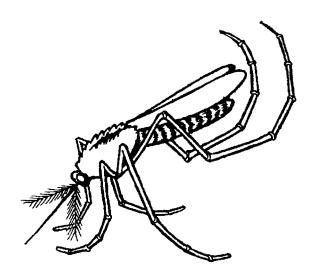
awedla. Tumayap gey kalu ot umoy si biyoy Labit. Pukawala si gumatong. Lappun guminga kan Labit. Lampokaw kasin si Kuup un amod chi sangala. Kalala "Lu achika pun lumawa paanchuwok chi ingam!" Ot tuliyon Labit. Lantumtumyong ot ammala masuyop. Mapalos pun si alla'n makimit chi atala, giliklala un uman-anchu

ingala. Labyelangon ot pukawala si Kuup. Imbegala un umoy makachetchetonq kan cha kadwala un ayam.

Umooli pun, inyagey chi ingala un umanchu. Amod kalu biin Labit kan cha kadwala. Ot umoy umachali kan Kuup. Ibegala kan Kuup "Paagubbyaom chi ingak ta iyageyku un mangisik si pin-am ibega." Kalan Kuup, "Lait chi maayam ti achipun ka tumuttuwa. Ta malomsomkam si sukinlu, illuwan chi ingam un anchu." Lanyung-ut si Labit ot mateyudtud chi luwala. Inggala si sala anchu ingan chi labit.



Ha Gapun chi Ngumuchu Kan Kumtob cha Iloķ



Si sin-eygew ummili cha alla'n ilok un isun cha tagu si osa'n bilig. Awed chi alla'n pangat cha'n pin-a mangichayan kan chicha. Pipion kan tuttuwaon cha siya. Cha alla'n losan un ilok bibiyu bo angwat cha kan cha uchum un tagu ya cha amin un awed si lap-at chi pita.

Awed chi alak chi pangatcha un patunged laleyman, ked amod cha meyed un umoy mangasawa kan siya. Lu sin-udchuman, umoy cha siya kankantaan kan cha labi ked pasig cha lagalas. Si hachi bo un lugey un inggewan cha ilok, awed si Angngalu un piola un asaw-on si Ilok. Issan chi aman Ilok ti sabyali leypuwala un ili, kan osa bo, chakampun si chugan cha alla un ilok siya.

Osa'n eygew, ummoy cha bibiyu'n Ilok kilantaan siya. Si biliyun chi kantacha, amman Ilok ummoy pilumkot si osa'n tubu ot masuyop. Laeyot chi suyopla ot mabukey umoyon cha hachi'n bibiyunla. Si hachi'n lasuypan Ilok awed si Angngalu un mantatayu mangisisiim kan Ilok. Ammula pun un ummabus si Ilok, ummoyla siya intudchak, ot iyoyla siya si adchayuwan un ili.

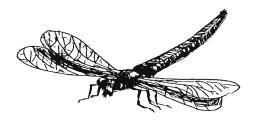
Lummaschom ked sington amala si Ilok ti lappun siya ud uwacha. Lakaimus kan cha bibiyunla lu himma ummoyala, ot ibegacha un awed si tubun chi kayu si pawaycha un masusuyop. Pukawala siya lappun sumongbyat. Lumogsed ot umoyla itullong, lappun pagey. Ummogyat si Pangat Ilok, ti ha lilumlok si somsomokla ked intudchak Angngalu alakla.

Si Pangat Ilok ilayagela losan cha kadwan ilok ta umoyla pasngit chi alakla. Imbegala kan cha losan un ilok un lu lappun laochesan kan Ilok un alakla, kotbencha losan un tagu ya ayam ta ibayos cha killingwan Angngalu si alakla. Ked inggala si sala, cha ilok kumtob cha, ked siya umag-aguchuuchen cha bos-eycha un pin-a mangngit si hachi'n langitudchak si alak Pangat Ilok.

Cha Beliling kan Eyaga

Mambibiyun cha Beliling kan Eyaga. Osa'n eygew ummoycha lasiput. Lummaschom pun ummoyoncha. Si chayancha un umoyon inchesancha chegsi. Mangwacha ked kalancha, "Manomosta gey ta mampeykasta lu gumatongta." Ot mallusucha kan cha silupcha. Si Beliling, ilulala uyula itaya. Oliked laputing buggey ot matoy siya. Mantuwili ked si Eyaga, alla long-eg Beliling un mibebellat. Ha killingwan Eyaga, chokmaala bey-eyla ta umoy mambyaeg. Ipadpadchayanla igga, ot etola pun lapetoy chi awakla ot matoy bo.





Lummaschom, lappun sumawang kan cha Eyaga kan Beliling si bebbeyoy. Mangwa ked cha kailiyancha, losan cha umoy sington chicha. Gumatong cha pun si chegsi, alla gudwan chi long-eg cha Eyaga kan Beliling. Sington cha pun cha uyucha, lappun maichesancha. Si sala, cha beliling ked mansiksikchucha si chelum ti sessiya un umoycha ischungan chi uyun chi hachi'n kadwacha. Cha eyaga, mabuyobuyog cha ti singsingtoncha uyun chi kadwacha'n latoy.

Alinta

Si sin-eygew awed chi osa'n alak un mangngachen Talinggaya. Pasig un umuluulud. Awed kappagey ayan ilala lanibi-ibin kan lipukapukaw pay. Lu achipun ilala awiton, ipatutula mitun-ud.

Osa'n eygew mangkamkammu un umoy masiput si ilala. Ummulud bo si Talinggaya ot si ilala, achipunla pilupuut ti makamu. Ot umag-agaeg un mituntun-ud. Olipun laodcheg si Talinggaya ot mapulig si picheyn chi payaw. Labeyeg ked lakagilok ga ibin Talinggaya. Lampuuli pagey kalan ilala. Mantuwili pun, lappun si Talinggaya. Man-ischung pun, awed siya si cheya'n payaw un abus chi uyula si mampatak. Man-osog ot umoyla ilan. Guyuchola pun si Talinggaya, alinta long-egla ot kakma kan siya lapapkot. Pukpukala pun, laam-amod lipakot.

Si Talinggaya lambyalin alinta. Mansusup kalu si chaya ti sessiya un sumusu hachi'n alak. Mipapakkot bo ti pasig umuluulud.



Kalu kan Chopo

Mansulud cha Kalu kan Chopo. Byaklang kan panguyu si Chopo, siya kewala amod chi agumla. Si Kalu ked uchichi, kapus, ya amod chi alusla.

Awed chi osa'n eygew un lappun kalon cha Kalu un simbeyan. Lappun ammula si umoyla manggawatan. Olipun, simsimmokla si Chopo un byaklang un suludla. Achu makan cha ked lu umoy mangkochew, mangatod pagey kan siya. Mansagala ot umoy.

Lummaschom pun lichuum. Kakmala ibega kan suludla igageyala. Si Chopo, kalala lappun ipakchewku, ked lu piom pagawatak sika ked masapuy un umalak lu iyulinlu. Inteun Kalu ti lappun uchum si umoyla manggawatan. Ot umoy Chopo iloswa cha hachi'n ilimus suludla. Siya ilidchola paguy un lappun bugasla, pidchakus bo beyok, pati bo cha maluk, lamin cha lalukung. Ilalusan Kalu eyan ot umoyon. Intidtidchayanla pin-a malluwalu inggala lichuum uwacha. Ummamoy ot somsomkola koola. Olipun kalala un inyak gey imuya alla un paguy ta umachu ked alla mambyayedku si gilawatku. Umoyla imuya. Lammuya bo si lated ta alla ipakanla si beyok un ayyuwanla. Ammala leman un mangayyuwan kan cha malukla. Achipun labeyeg, ummachu cha ayamla. Lakwa bo cha muyala. Lummin-awa biyegla. Ot umoyla iyoy kan beyachen cha buwa kan gawatla si suludla un laagum.

Osa'n eygew ummoy si Kalu langkawachi si pappayaw. Laungey pun, ammala langkayang si puun chi kayu. Laeyot chi suyopla ot lan-in-ilop. Ilin-ilopla osa'n alak un makaug-uggud kan siya. Ibegbegala panggob si ay-ayamla un mantinyu. Ked lu imantinyu kalu, ichisan ibega pion ked itokweyla. Ummoy chi alak intuchu inggewan chi hachi'n ay-ayamla kan siya. Umooli pun labyangon si Kalu un malinglingtan. Kalala, in-ilop eben chi hachi. Ot somsomkola imbegan chi hachi'n alak kan siya. Mangwa ked ummoyla intullong chi intuchun chi alak un igew chi mantinyu. Tuttuwa un awed. Eyala ot umoyon uwacha. Gumatong gey ot kakmala pachason koon. Ha kingchew Kalu kilabyaklang ya bibiyu un angos. Laam-amod bummayu biyegcha.

Ot lummaus cha achu'n tawon. Ladngeyn Chopo un bummayu chi biyeg Kalu un pilagawatala si sin-eygew. Lawwing chi somsomokla ti maapos. Inggettokla siya un ummoy ilan. Gumatong gey ot makaimus. Ilug-uggud ked Kalu langeala si mantinyu. Umoyon ot mangaw-as si hachi'n lugey. Gumatong gey ot pin-a mampokwey kan cha betu. Ustu-ustu un gumatong chi alak un lailan Kalu si in-ilopla. Summanga hachi'n alak kan siya. Ipaklila siya un langaya si mantinyula. Langisiw chi hachi'n alak ot lasalawang cha achu-achu un alak un kadwala. Lampaspasaliyan cha butbuton chi ongeyn Chopo inggala un malanggayed umanchu. Olipun lambyalin lappun cha hachi'n alak.

Cha Gayyaman kan Asu

Lantun-ud cha Asu kan Gayyaman. Inggew cha ked si chayan inyeyawas Gayyaman kotben si Asu. Lan-ibin ngim ituyuyla malidtidchayan. Aptoncha si Kusa ot makaimos lu puggey. Imbegan Asu kingwan Gayyaman kan siya. Ituyuy cha bo un umoyon. Laungeycha ked, lallamagen cha akit ot kasin bo Gayyaman si Asu kotben. Mangwa ked si Asu ti lasngay, tileylala si Gayyaman ot umun-ula umoyon. Olipun allat bo si Gayyaman





un mipakapakaw un mitun-ud.

Lapalus pun inchesancha wangwang. Ummula si Asu chumemang. Tileylala si Gayyaman ti umogyat lu manchesan cha, kotbela siya si gawan chi chelum ked pakalawa ta maaludcha. Inggew ked si Asu si gawan chi chelum, chingngeyla pukaw Gayyaman un patuyung. Piola un tuyungan siya ngim laslasmokla kuligat Gayyaman kan siya. Olipun pin-an Gayyaman mampokaw. Kummachegu ked si Asu, lampauli. Abyaola si Gayyaman ichemang si wangwang. Lichuum cha pun si teyyanteg, kintob bo Gayyaman chi ochog Asu. Summanga si Asu ot imusola gapun chi pin-ala mangtoben. Ibegan Gayyaman un lawwing kalu angosla lu achipun kumtob. Ha insongbyat Asu, lu kopyam tuwa lumoswa pagey.

Geyait Gatan

Awed cha teyu'n mansusulud ya ilacha un bilumyoy si tattayun. Lu umoy makapangu ilacha, pasigla chicha bili-bililon un achicha malliklikwos si gilubyat ti awed si Gatan un mangan si tagu.

Osa'n eygew ummabus cha ti ummoy si ilacha lakaosok. Mangwa ked chi panguyu, imbegala kan cha suludla un umoycha mangaya si geyait ud gilubyat. Ummoycha losan. Gumatong cha gey ot mambuyas cha. Umooli pun allat si Gatan un pumalakuy, sumanga si geyaitla. Lanchichisancha umawid un umoy mantayu ud uwacha. Tilun-ud Gatan chicha. Lichuumpun si Gatan si sawang. Chileyasancha'n mantayu. Ha panguyu ummoy summakay si chopeg, lallukut si obok chi kumadwa, ot mantup-ung si angang chi uchichi. Umooli pun insuweg Gatan chi olob, lumlok ot singtola chicha. Mantanged pun lailala inggew si chopeg, achewayula siya ot ikam-utla. Inchesala inggew si obok, killanla bo. Hachi'n lantayu si angang alla bokosla'n lumoswa. Umogyat un mambokos ti lu chongyon Gatan, ochesala siya. Olipun, achipun maattuman ot lakalibut, amod chi tobegla. Lakasuggayat si Gatan ot sumeyapaw umawid.

Lummoswa uchichi'n lantayu si angang, lailala tung-en cha suludla un mambyelitang ot maagaeg. Ustu'n gumatong si ilacha'n ummoy lakapangu, ochesala uchichi'n alakla'n man-ibi-ibin. Makaimus pun imbegala lakwa. Kalan chi ila si hachi'n alak, achipun kayu ossiya tumuttuwa si bilin, chimma inta mangngitan kan cha suludlu? Ot amod chi chachaulin chi hachi'n alak ti lappun cha suludla un pasigla kaay-ayam, ked manchachauy bo.

Ila Achu

Inggew pun kalu osa'n ila ummoy lasipot. Ilabyala tagibila ot iyawitla ti lappun man-ochon. Lichuumcha ked si umacha, kalala inyak gey mangaya si gabi ot umoy. Gumatong pun si gawan chi uma, imbyelatla alak ot ibegala un umaammoy ta iwayola siya un mangaya si gabi. Lugiyala mangkaub. Alimpogos gey ot kakma mitabulo gabila. Olipun, maeg chi leloswa kamallusung un tuttuwachu. Kumata-katam si alak. Lakasuggayat chi alak ot pukawala ilala. "Ila achu! Ila achu!" inyipkawla. Ha ila summongbyat, "O, achu gabitaku." Achipunla ammu un awed chi amod chi kachakeyla un tuttuwachun umogyatan chi alak. Olipun, lichuum chi tuttuwachu si alak, ikam-utla, lukmusula. Lapalus pun, kalan chi ila, "Lasuyop chi alakku, lakagilok ga pukawala," ot umoyla ilan. Lappun chi alak. Langyangaola losan chi hachi'n uma lappun kamkamgat chi tagu. Olipun lalimuchela patunged chakeyn tuttuwachun mangkadkadchayap umoyon. Achipun mat-op ot umoyla bo kasin alimutan chi mampasigid si uma, lappun teyon inchesala si alak, ot maagaeg umoyon.



Si Bukaw ya cha Uchum un Ayam



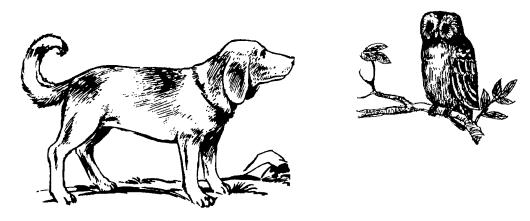
Si sin-eygew mangkakadwa cha Iosan un ayam. Amod chi galascha si ewa-ewa un peyeg. Kan cha hachi'n ayam awed bo si Kasi un kumiwkiw. Si Kasi un lasikap lansomsomok. Kalala, "Oliyan, mangwaak si mantitiliwan cha uchum un ayam, isun cha Asu kan Bukaw. Maaposak si mantuntun-udcha. Lagalascha ti mansap-e kabbo si Bukaw si ochog Asu pin-ala bo chilutchutan chi tilangla ked illiwo-liwos bo Asu siya un mansasap-e si ochogla. Sakon otyan chi ipasali'n Asu" kalan Kasi un apposan.

Ummoy si Kasi kan Asu lanchiwin si ugudla. Gumatong pun kan Asu, ilimusla lu awed si Bukaw ot ibegan Asu un lummawa ummoy langgeggakay. Ot kalan Kasi kan Asu, "Pin-achika likuchun kan Bukaw un kadwam. Lawwingka kalu, amod chi angchodlu." Achu imbegan Kasi un tilutuli ta yam-alola cha Bukaw kan Asu.

Gapu ta achipunla ammu un maapos si Kasi kan chicha'n mangkadwa, tiluttuwala cha imbegan Kasi.

Olipun gumatong si Bukaw ot umawid si Kasi. Summanga si Asu kan Bukaw. "Sipsip! Matuli! Iyibitlu sakon," kalan Asu un mamaypayogpog un mangibega. Matataeg si Bukaw kan siya. Ot ibegan Asu kan Bukaw un ummali si Kasi kan siya ot ibegala losan un lawwik un ilugudla. Kalan Asu, "Otuyok sika!" Alla akit un machokmaala si Bukaw lu achi la alistu un tummayap.

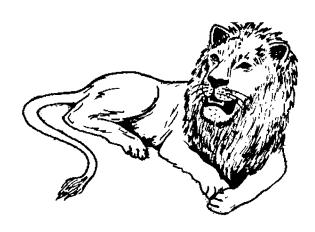
Ummoy lampilit si Bukaw kan cha chogala un sissiwit.



Ummoy bo si Asu lampilit kan cha Lion, Luwang, Ugsa, ya cha losan un opat cha ikicha. Summanga cha losan. "Mantitiliw taku," kalan Layun. "Tiliwontaku losan un kadwan Bukaw." Ustu un mangmangan, gummatong losan un ayam. Langkakadwa cha sinoppat cha ikicha. Lampaspassig cha alla payakcha. Ot illugicha'n mantitiliw, simpapalakoy. Impatud Kabyayu cha maluk, gansu, kamit. Ingkam-ot Asu cha isiw. Tilukkayan cha sissiwit cha atan

cha kusa, byaka, ya cha uchum. Achu cha latoy. Sin-aakikis cha losan. Laungey cha ot gumilok cha.

Olipun lummoswa si Kuup un lantatayu si gawis chi kayu. "Kup, kup, kup" kalala, "Manchongey kayu! Kingkingwan Kasi alla un lantitiliwantaku. Chingngeyk chi ug-uggudcha kan Uyog. Kalancha lu lasuyopak si ug-uggudcha'n chuwa. Si Kasi otoyontaku ta siya matuli." Ha killingwacha lachagupcha losan ot man-uugud cha si alla un bumayuwancha. Kalan Layun, "Ossaan abus chi lawwik chi angosla kan chitaku. Itchentaku si chusala ta matilog." Ot killingwacha. Olipun, lambobochong cha. Liyulin kasin chi lallalluscha.



Cha Chuwa'n Mansulud

Awed cha chuwa'n mansulud un ulila. Pin-a cha umoy mangalup kan malissiwit si ileygew ked siya abus un mangeancha si ikatagucha.

Osa'n eygew pun, ummoy cha lalissiwit si ewa-ewa un peyeg. Oliked awed chi ladngeycha un maluntullakuk. Umoycha achaliyon chi meypuwala. Ot



lailacha maluk un kawitan. Pin-ala kagaykayon chi pita, olikabbo intuyupla tukkayla. Silallutan cha hachi'n maluk ot ayancha. Itullongcha pun chi pin-ala kilagaykay un pita alla chelum un lummoswa. Latetteyok cha ti hachi'n maluk langchas si uud. Pilaypayyaw cha ta maumung.

Mangwa ked cha hachi'n mansulud, illugicha un mamboka si cheeg chi uud. Lailan cha kailiyancha pin-acha koon. Makaimus cha pun kan chicha, ibegacha un mangwa cha si payaw. Liyokyokcha chicha. Kalancha "Himma ingkayu mangean si manchelumyu?" Ked layokyok cha bo kasin. Cha hachi'n mansulud impapuutcha mambokaboka. Sessiya un pin-ancha tagu chicha amsiwon. Inggala un ewa-ewa gilamputcha, asicha iyagey. Ot umoycha ipaoy chi chelum un inchesan maluk si hachi'n bokacha. Lambyalin langatuwewe. Arnod chi iyaman cha hachi'n mansulud. Si galas chi angoscha si chelum un inchesancha, langaya cha si maluk ot ipat-ug cha utuwon si pongod, ta achi kalu malebuk umawid chi hachi'n chelum un inchesancha.

The Dog's shadow

A dog found a bone. He took it in his mouth and went home. On his way home, he went over a long bridge. When he was in the middle of the bridge, he looked down and saw another dog in the water who also had a bone in his mouth. The dog on top of the bridge got jealous. He wanted to get the other dog's bone. So he barked at the dog he saw in the water. The bone in his mouth fell and he lost it. The dog said, "If I had not been so greedy, I would not have barked. Then I would not have lost my own bone."

The Stick Brooms

There is a place that is very clean. Everyone in that place is always sweeping. No garbage is seen there because every morning they sweep. One day, an old man named Timbung thought of an evil plan. When nighttime came, he stole all the stickbrooms in that place. He ran away with all the stickbrooms and used them for making his house on top of a faraway mountain.

When his house was finished and he hadn't yet stayed in it, there was a strong typhoon. It hit Timbung's house. Everything was destroyed. Then he remembered where he got the things he used to make his house. He was very sorry and he thought of going back to his home.

When he was back home, he was shocked over what he saw. Every yard was topsy-turvy. It was so dirty because there were no brooms to use.

So to get the town back to being clean again, Timbung went to gather lots of coconut sticks. Then he made them into stickbrooms. He gave one to every person in that town. Everyone started to sweep their yards again. The town became clean once more. Timbung was very happy that their town went back to its original beauty.

The Snail and the Deer

A snail and a deer went to play one day. They were racing to see who could run faster. The starting point was a creek, and the final point was another creek. So they started, and the deer ran with all his strength so that he would not lose.

When he reached a creek he rested. He called for the snail and the snail answered, "Gung, gung". The deer was afraid. He thought the snail was running faster than he was. So he started running fast again.

When he came by another creek, he called and nobody answered. So he stopped to rest, because he thought the snail hadn't arrived yet. While he was resting, he fell asleep.

When he woke up, he was surprised to find it was already late in the afternoon. So he started to run fast again. Then he passed by snail who was creeping very slowly. He was glad and went a bit slower.

When the deer reached the final point, right away he called for the snail. He answered, "Gung, gung". Then the deer, who was so embarrassed, said, "I over passed you creeping very slowly along the road". But what the deer didn't know was that there were plenty of snails in the creeks answering his call.

The Carabao and the Cow

The carabao and the cow are friends. During the day, they go everywhere together. And at night they always sleep together. One afternoon, it was very hot. The cow went to call the carabao to go take a bath in the river. When they were at the river, they removed their clothes and laid them on the riverbank. Both went into the river and started splashing each other. The two of them were so happy.

Suddenly, the owner of the carabao arrived. He was holding a stick and was very angry. When the cow and the carabao saw him, they immediately ran and grabbed their clothes. Because both were frightened and in a hurry, each picked the wrong clothes. The cow got the carabao's clothes, and the carabao got the cow's clothes. They dressed in a hurry and ran away from the man. Since each of them had the wrong clothes on, to this day, the skin of the carabao is so tight, while the skin of the cow is very loose.

How A Child Learned A Lesson

Silumagen and Pokway are mother and child. They are very poor because when Pokway was still a small child, his father died.

Pokway is stubborn and lazy. He does not want to help his mother. He always depends on the money his mother earns. During the day when he is not sleeping, he goes gallivanting around and comes home only when it is dark, eating his food and doing nothing. Ever since he was small, he has never helped his mother.

One day when Pokway came home from roaming around, he immediately looked for something to eat. There was nothing in the pots. He called for his mother, but nobody answered. He noticed someone in the corner of the house, covered with a blanket. When he removed the cover, he found it was his mother, moaning with pain. She was burning with a fever. Pokway was frightened. He cried.

When his neighbors heard him, they went to see what was wrong. They discovered Pokway's mother was very sick. They helped care for his mother. Not long afterward, his mother got well.

Pokway saw the goodness of others towards him. This experience with his mother gave Pokway a lesson to think about. Since then he has started to help his mother. He looks for work and gives his wages to his mother.

After that their lives started to prosper. The days passed to months, and months to years. Pokway and Silumagan lived happily ever after.

Why the Chicken Scratches

Once upon a time a chicken and an eagle lived in a beautiful forest. Now the parents of these two had arranged that when both of them came of age, they would marry.

Months and years passed. They both grew up. One day, the chicken went for a walk in the forest. When she was walking, she met a handsome rooster. Both stopped and each introduced themselves. As they continued walking together, they became better acquainted. Since that time they became close friends and fell in love with one another. Eventually they got married.

When the Eagle learned of the marriage between these two, he was furious. He went to the house of the Chicken to get back the dowry he had given her. The Chicken was afraid of him. She said to the Eagle, "Please bear with me, for I don't have it. I lost it."

The Eagle became very angry. He said to the Chicken, "I am going to kill and eat every chick you will have because you have never respected me. You have married another man and now you have also lost my dowry."

Then the chicken pleaded and said, "Please don't eat my chicks. I will look for that dowry. I will also ask my chicks to help me hunt for it".

So the chicken started scratching the ground but she never found the dowry, a gold earring, of the eagle.

So to this day, the hen and her chicks scratch the ground because they are still trying to find the lost dowry of the eagle.

And the eagle, every time he sees a chick, catches and eats it because he is still angry at the hen for losing his dowry.

The Industrious and Lazy

Once there were two neighbors who were called Industrious and Lazy. Industrious always went to look for food, while Lazy sits and waits for that which is given to her. One day Industrious said to herself, I am going to gather vegetables for viand. So she got her bag and went on her way.

When she reached the riverbank, she saw Mrs. Crocodile with her baby who was covered with some kind of skin disease. "Where are you going," asked the crocodile to Industrious. She told her she was going to gather vegetables for viand. The crocodile then told her "You take care of my child and I will look for you". So Industrious accepted the offer.

What Crocodile did was to hide and check first how Industrious took care of the baby. Industrious bathed the baby. After that, she rocked her to sleep and laid her on her bed. The Crocodile was happy to see how Industrious took care of the child.

So, she went to get the vegetables. She filled the bag with all kinds of good food from the river. She gave it to Industrious who left for home.

Industrious found Lazy in her home waiting. When she opened her bag, she found out that Crocodile had filled it with all kinds of good food. Lazy became jealous.

She went to the crocodile. When she arrived at the Crocodile's place, she immediately told her that she would take care of the baby crocodile so that mother crocodile could go and look for food for her.

The crocodile said yes. Before she went, she hid again and checked on Lazy's work. Lazy spanked and spanked the child because she was crying. The crocodile, seeing what Lazy did, said, "You will see for yourself Lazy." She went to fill the bag with snakes, centipedes and worms and tied it shut.

She gave it to Lazy and told her to be careful or they might all run away. When Lazy arrived home, she dumped out what was in the bag. She was frightened, so she called for her neighbors but nobody came to help her.

The Ant and The Grasshopper

It was summer time and it was very hot. Early one morning, the ant went to gather food. The grasshopper saw her. "Ant, you have plenty of work," said the grasshopper. "Yes," said the Ant. Then she told her that there's no way to work during the wet season because it will be so cold and there will be lots of rain. The grasshopper laughed at what she said. Then she left the ant and went on hopping. The Ant continued gathering her food for the future, while the grasshopper was there hopping and hopping all the time.

Soon it began to rain and rain. The Ant was safe in her home, warm and with food to eat, while her neighbor, the

grasshopper was cold and shivering in the corner of her house, because her roof was leaking. She was wet and hungry. She had nothing to eat.

Soon she thought of the ant, and said, "I will go and borrow food from her." She went, and while she was still at the frontyard she called. The ant looked through the window to see who was calling. Oh! It was Grasshopper.

She let her come in, gave her wrappings to warm her body and food to eat. She became warm and full. Then she said to the ant, "You are a very nice friend and neighbor. I have laughed at you when you worked so hard, yet you were the one to help me in my time of need." Since then the grasshopper started working and saving food for the future.

The First Ricebirds

Bel-la and Alus are husband and wife, and they have twin girls. Bel-la's work is farming, so everyday he goes to the farm. Whenever his wife brings his food, she puts the children in a cradle and covers them with a basket. When she arrives again from the farm, they are still sleeping.

So she does this every time she goes somewhere.

One day she went to get palay, and on her way coming home she gathered snails from a ricefield. It took her so long that when she arrived she found the children crying. She put down her load, held her children, whose faces were all reddish from crying, for a long time. But even then, she didn't learn a lesson because she continued leaving them alone.

Days passed, the twins grew. When they were sleeping one day, Alus went out to get palay. When the twins woke up their mother was not home. They tried getting up so they could sit but they couldn't do it. They tried to jump but turned into birds.

When their mother arrived, she immediately checked on where she put them to sleep. They were not there so she became frightened.

She called her neighbors to ask if someone had taken them out. They said nobody came. When she came out of the house, she saw two birds in the yard that looked exactly alike. When she looked at them, she said, "They might be my twins." She tried to catch them but they flew away.

Alus was calling for help when her husband arrived. He asked what happened so she told him. The couple went to check where the birds flew. There they were in the ricefields eating palay. The mother tried to talk to them, but they answered her, "You make your palay as your children. You always left us alone. From now on, we will always eat the palay that you plant."

Alus was heart broken over what happened to her children. It didn't take long before she got sick and died. The first Ricebirds originated from those twin children.

Nardo's Dream

Nardo is a playful child. His house is near a spring. One afternoon, he called his friends to go and take a bath in that spring. They went and were playing and splashing water on each other. Then someone selling bananas passed by them and they bought some. After they ate the bananas, they threw the peelings in the spring and they continued playing. They were enjoying themselves.

Nardo was so tired that he slept soundly. He dreamed that he was thirsty. When he went to the spring there was no water at all. He heard someone laughing but could not see anybody. He was afraid. He did not know what to do.

"Who are you?" said Nardo.

The voice answered "I am the spring and I will not give water".

Nardo answered, "what terrible thing did I do?"

The spring answered back "You are very naughty. You made the spring dirty. It is full of banana peelings and mosquitoes and flies are starting to live there. It will make the village people sick".

Nardo pleaded saying, "Please give me water, even just a little."

The spring answered, "No, I won't, even if you die." "Pity me, I can't breathe" said Nardo.

The spring answered back and said that it is all right if Nardo dies because he does not know how to care for the spring that God has given him.

Nardo was so frightened. He was trembling and could not breathe. He forced his eyes open. When he woke up, he realized he was only having a dream.

So he said, "I am thankful that it was a dream and did not really happened. From now on" said Nardo, "I will always keep the spring clean, so it will not feel bad and its water will not dry out."

The Elf

There was once a nice carpenter who was a very good man. He was always kind and helpful to others. After his work one afternoon, he went home. He was walking fast by the rice fields because it was so quiet and already getting dark. When he came near the place where many tall grasses grew, he heard a cry. It was coming from the tall grasses. He went to see what it was and found a newly born baby without any wrappings.

The carpenter said, "Oh, your mother is very crue!!"

He picked up the baby and warmed him on his chest. The baby stopped crying. After a while, the carpenter felt that the baby was scratching his chest. He pulled up his shirt to see.

He was frightened because the baby was showing his very big teeth. He carefully looked down at the baby, and became more

frightened. The baby was an ugly elf with huge eyes. He shook the baby away and it fell to the ground.

The carpenter ran and prayed for help from God. After a while, he looked back. The ugly elf was still there grinding his teeth. Then the elf said to him, "I tricked you!" and he disappeared.

The Persecuted Animals

There were animals who were all friends. They were the Cat. Goat, Cow, Rooster, and Dog. When they went for a journey in a different country, they were afraid because it was their first time to go to that place. In that foreign country, they saw big houses. They said to each other that each of them should go and be cared for by the people living in the big houses. So that's what they did.

One day, it happen that all of them saw each other, so they all asked how each one was doing. The cat said the man she is living with is a hard man and always beating her. The cow stated that his master is very proud and beats him when he takes his rest. The Goat said her master is very kind, always giving Goat a bath because he is going to roast her. Then the Rooster said, "It is the same with me, Goat. I am very old and I cannot crow so my master will cook me for dinner."

So they all agreed, "People are so cruel. Let's all run away. We don't like to be beaten and cooked."

After they all talked to each other, they all ran away. When they were walking in the forest, they came across a small, beautiful house. They peeped in and saw five men counting a lot of money and gold.

The animals decided to think of something to do to scare those robbers. So they all yelled at the same time. The robbers got scared and ran away. They were all scared because they thought it was a ghost that yelled. The animals entered the house after them and hid all the riches the robbers had left. They turned off the light and waited because they knew those robbers were going to return for the money they had left behind. The cat sat herself in the middle of the stove; the cow took his place near the door; the dog sat on the table; the rooster went to sit on the ceiling; and the goat waited behind the house.

After a while the robbers returned. They walked past each other because they were still afraid. The Goat went near one man and caught him with his rope so he stumbled down. The Cow chased the others and one was thrown near the table so the dog bit him. The one bitten ran. He was going to kindle the fire because he thought the eyes of the cat were coals when the rooster jumped on him. The rooster flapped his wings; ashes blinded the man; and the cat scratched him. So, because they were all afraid, they all ran away. They never returned. The animals laughed at the men who were afraid of them. Those animals then stayed in the little house in the forest and lived happily with what man had stolen.

The Mosquito, Spider and The Lizard

The mosquito, spider and the lizard are friends. They always go and play together. They do their work together and play together. They never separate.

One day the lizard was crying. "Why, what happened?" asked the spider. "Mosquito has bitten me", answered Lizard. Then Spider told him that Mosquito had bitten him the other night too.

They got angry and said they would go and look for him. But they could not find him. Mosquito was hiding because he was guilty. He was afraid of Spider and Lizard.

From then on whenever Spider and Lizard see a mosquito, they eat it because they became enemies. They are doing that because the mosquito has bitten them before.

Chillalayan

There were three sisters and Chillalayan was the prettiest. There were many who wanted to marry her, but she didn't like any of them. When Tabbed, a snake who lived in another country, heard about her, he came to see Chillalayan. He talked to her father, Geyyaman (centipede). He said that he wanted to take Chillalayan to his country. Geyyaman did not consent because he was afraid that Tabbed would eat Chillalayan.

The snake became angry and slapped his tail on the post of the house of Geyyaman. Water began to fill the yard and the house started floating away. Geyyaman was frightened and asked snake to stop it. He said snake could take Chillalayan with him. So Snake stopped the flood.

When Chillalayan and Tabbed were starting to go, he let Chillalayan ride on his back. She cried continuously along the way.

When they passed by a village where some of her suitors lived, the "friends" said, "That's what you get for being proud! Now you are married to a snake."

Chillalayan cried even harder because she was so embarrassed.

When they reached snake's country, he brought her to a large and beautiful house. When he let her in, a handsome man was there waiting for them. The snake went out and right away got into a pool. The man told Chillalayan that the snake is his father. He told her he became a snake when he smelled a chicken being roasted, because that is the way they are made. He also told her his name is Byayantok (snake). Not long afterwards they were married.

Months and years passed and Chillalayan became homesick. She told Byayantok that they should go home for a visit. He agreed but said he himself would not go along. So Chillalayan went home.

Her father was very happy to see her still alive. When asked, she told how they lived in the snake's country. Her sisters would not believe until they saw her husband. Then Chillalayan returned to her husband.

Soon they had a son. She wanted to have her son see his grandfather. So she asked Byayantok to accompany them to her father's home. Byayantok did not want to go because he was afraid someone might roast a chicken while they were there. So Chillalayan sent word to her people that they should not roast any chicken when they were there. Chillalayan prepared rice cakes and they began their journey.

They had only been with her father for a day when one jealous village mate of Chillalayan's went to roast a chicken under her father's house. Byayantok smelled the chicken. His feet started to turn into a snake. He told his wife and right away they left.

By the time they had reached their front yard his body, from his feet up to his neck, was turning into a snake. Byayantok said to his wife "Take our son inside the house." She obeyed him.

When Chillalayan looked out of the house, her husband turned into a snake completely. He went down to the pool to be with his father the snake. Chillalayan was very sorry she had forced him to go along to her father's house.

John the Lazy

John was a child who was very lazy. If you gave him something to do, he would not do it. He only wants to eat and sleep. Instead of going to school with the other children, he hides. When school is dismissed he comes out of hiding.

One afternoon, when he came home, he said to his mother, "I know what we are having for lunch today." His guess was correct. After that he always guessed what his mother cooked for lunch. John's mother said that her son is intelligent because he can always guess what she is cooking for lunch. She is not aware that her son does not go to school but hides under the house and sleeps. He also comes out of hiding when the other children arrive from school.

One day John's mother sent him to buy crabs for lunch. He really did not want to go because he was feeling so lazy. Finally when he reached the market, he bought some crabs and left. When he was walking home, he began to yawn. "I'm sleepy," he said, "since you crabs have lots of feet, you walk home." He let them out of his bag and told them to go home and tell his mother to cook them for lunch. Then he lay down under a tree and fell asleep. Soon he was snoring.

By noon, John had not yet arrived home. His mother was angry with John for taking so long and she hadn't even cooked lunch. It was late in the afternoon when John woke up and went home.

Right away he asked his mother for something to eat. His mother said, "What did you buy? What took you so long?" John answered, "The crabs left ahead of me because I went to sleep. Anyway, I was too lazy to carry them." His mother scolded him. While his mother was still scolding him, John went to lie down and fell asleep. So, he never heard the advice.

Pineapple

Pina and her mother went to live in the mountains so they could do some gardening. The mother was very industrious and she had lots of plants. One day the mother felt some pain in her body and could not get up. When she felt hungry she told Pina to cook them something to eat. So she started the fire. When she was ready to start cooking the rice, she asked her mother where it was. She also asked where all the things she needed for cooking were. The mother got tired of answering and she said to Pina "I wish your eyes would become plenty so you could see all the things you need. Every time you do something, you always ask."

Pina was hurt because of what her mother had said so she went out to the garden. She did not come back home that evening. Then days passed and no child returned to their home. When the mother got well, she went to look around in their garden. Then she found a plant she did not know. When she looked at it, it looked like it had lots of eyes. She said, "Maybe this is my daughter Pina." So she named the plant Pineapple.

Why the Rabbit has Long Ears

A Long time ago, the leader of all the animals living in the forest was the owl because he was very wise. One day, he gathered all the animals so they could talk about their work and their laws. They were happy because they would see each other. When they were about to start, the owl checked every animal that

was gathered and saw that the rabbit was not there. When he asked where Rabbit was, nobody knew.

So Owl flew to the Rabbit's house. He called when he arrived and Rabbit did not answer. The owl called angrily again. He said, "If you will not come out, I will make your ears longer." But the rabbit did not believe. She ignored it and slept. When she was about to wake up, she felt her ears growing long. She got up and called for the owl. She told him she would go and join the other animals.

After a while, her ears stopped growing. Rabbit was embarrassed. She went near the owl and told him to make his ears shorter and she would stop disobeying him. Then the owl told her, "That's what you get for being disobedient. So that you will always remember your stubbornness, let your ears remain long." Rabbit was very sad and cried. Since then the rabbit has long ears.

Why the Mosquito Buzzes and Bites

A long time ago, like the people, the mosquitoes lived on one of the mountains. They had a leader whom they loved and obeyed. These mosquitoes respected the people and everyone on the earth.

Their leader had a very beautiful daughter and many wanted to marry her. Sometimes, they would sing for her during the night and they were so happy. In that place where the mosquitoes lived, is Angngalu, who wanted to marry Miss Mosquito. The father of

Miss Mosquito did not like him because he came from another country and besides that, he was not from the mosquito clan.

One day, Mosquito's friends went to sing for her. Because their song was so sweet, Mosquito flew on a leaf and slept. She slept so soundly that her friends left her alone. Angngalu was hiding near where the mosquito slept. When he knew that Mosquito was alone, he hooked her and brought her to a very far country.

When evening came, her father looked for her. He went to ask her friends where she went. They told him she was sleeping on a leaf in their yard. He called for her but there was no answer. He went down to look but she was missing. Leader mosquito was frightened because Angngalu had kidnapped her.

Leader Mosquito called all the mosquitoes so they could **go** and look for his daughter. He told all the mosquitoes that if they would not find his daughter, they would bite all people and every living animal to avenge what Angngalu did to his daughter. From that time on, until now, the mosquitoes bite and they make noise because they are still angry with Angngalu who kidnapped their leader's daughter.

The Dragonfly and the Ant

The dragonfly and the ant are friends. One day they went to the fields. They went home late in the afternoon. On their way home, they passed a spring. So they said, "Let's take our bath so we will be clean when we arrive." So they took off their clothes. The dragonfly showered first his head but when the water was pouring over him, his head came off so he died. When the ant looked through where dragonfly was standing, she saw his body on the ground. So the ant picked up his g-string and put it on so he could go and tell what happened to the others.

While the ant was walking, he kept pulling up his g-string and tightening it so much that his body was cut into halves. So he died as well.

It was already getting dark and the ant and the dragonfly hadn't yet come home. So their village mates went to check on them. When the village people reached the spring site, they saw the body of the dragonfly and the ant on the ground, both dead and divided into halves. They looked for the halves but found none. Since then, a dragonfly always seems to be looking for something when near a spring. And the ants too always walk in groups because they are still looking for the half of the body of their friend who died.

The Leach

Once upon a time, there lived a girl named Talinggaya. She always wanted to be brought along. Whenever her mother went somewhere she cried and wanted to go along. If her mother did not take her along she insisted. One day her mother was in a hurry to go to the farm. Talinggaya wanted to go, and because her mother was hurrying, she did not attend to her. She cried while she followed her mother. Then Talinggaya fell down to a field

below. It didn't take long for her to stop crying. Her mother thought she returned back home. When she looked back to check, Talinggaya was not there. When the mother looked down below, Talinggaya was there in the rice field, her body buried in the mud and only her head could be seen. She walked down to get her. When she pulled her up, her body turned into a leech and immediately stuck to the mother's body. She tried to shake it off, but the more she shook, the more it stuck. Talinggaya became a leech. She sucks blood for she is not yet weaned. The leech always sticks because, like Talinggaya, it wants to always go along.

Maybe and Sure

Maybe and Sure are brothers. Sure is older, rich, and he is very greedy. Maybe is younger, poor, and he is very kind. There was a day that Maybe and his family had no food. He did not know where he could go and borrow. Then he thought of his rich brother, Sure. They have plenty and if he would go and ask, Sure would give. So he prepared and went.

He arrived late in the afternoon. Right away he told his brother why he had come. Sure said that he does not give away freely, but if his brother wanted to, he could borrow and when he pays it back, he must add interest. Maybe accepted, for he had no one else to ask from. So Sure brought out all the things Maybe needed. What he gave was not very good: a very thin pig and chickens that were already ravaged with sickness. Maybe patiently accepted them and left. He prayed on his way home

until he reached his house. He sat down and thought of what to do. And then he said, "I will go and plant this palay so that when I harvest, I will have some to pay my debt to my brother." So he went to plant. He planted kamote so he would have food for his pigs. He took care of his chickens. It didn't take too long before his animals became plenty. His plants grew. Their life improved. And he went to pay back what he borrowed from his greedy brother.

One day Maybe went to work in the fields. When he got tired, he went to rest under a tree. He fell asleep and had a dream. In his dream a child was talking to him. This child told him about his toy hammer. When you use it, tell it what you want and it will give it to you. The child showed where he put it. After a while Maybe woke up perspiring and said, oh it was only a dream. But he thought of what the child told him. So he went to see where the child put the hammer. It really was there. He took it and went home. When he reached his house, he tried it. He asked for wealth and goodness of the heart and his life prospered.

Years passed. Sure heard that Maybe was now wealthier than he was. Sure was not happy, for he was jealous. So he went to see Maybe. When he arrived, Maybe told him where he got it. Sure left and went to the place. When he arrived, he removed every stone he saw looking for the hammer. The child Maybe saw in his dream arrived, and Sure got angry for he blamed him for taking his hammer. The child whistled and other children arrived. One after the other, they pulled the nose of Sure until it became very long. Then all of a sudden they disappeared.

The Centipede and the Dog

The dog and the centipede walked together. When they were along the way, the centipede bit the dog. He cried but continued walking. They met a cat, and he asked what happened. The dog told what the centipede did to him. They went on. When they got tired they stopped for a while, and again the centipede bit the dog. When the dog got tired, he left the centipede and went ahead. The centipede still followed him.

After a while, they reached a big river. The dog swam ahead. He left the centipede for he was afraid he might bite him in the middle of the river and he would drown.

When the dog was in the middle of the river, he heard the centipede calling for help. He wanted to go and help, but he thought of the cruelty of the centipede to him. The centipede kept calling and calling for help. The dog had compassion, so he returned back for him. He put the centipede on his back and crossed the river.

When they reached the riverbank, the centipede again bit the dog. The dog got angry at him and asked why he was doing that. Then the centipede told him that he felt bad if he doesn't bite. The dog answered him, "Your character is evident by your actions."

The Guava of Gatan (Giant)

There were three sisters, and their mother who lived in the country. Whenever the mother went to work, she would tell her children not to roam in the forest because there's a giant named Gatan who eats people.

One day, they were left alone when their mother went to work, planting. The eldest convinced her sisters that they needed to go gather guavas from the forest. They all went. When they arrived, they started gathering. After a while, Gatan came yelling. He was angry that they were taking his guavas. They all ran away and took refuge in their home. Gatan followed them. They were still trying to hide when they heard Gatan's footsteps at their front door, so they hastily hid. The eldest climbed into the ceiling of the house, the second rolled herself in a mat, and the youngest hid in a barrel.

After a while, Gatan pushed open the door, entered, and looked for them. When he looked up, he saw the eldest in the ceiling. He pulled her down and ate her immediately. He found the other rolled in the mat and ate her too. The one in the barrel had to cough. She was afraid to cough because if Gatan heard it, he would find her. But when she could control it no longer, it came out and it was so loud. The giant got scared and quickly ran away.

The youngest came out from hiding. She saw the bones of her sisters scattered around the house and she cried. By then her mother arrived from work and found her daughter crying. When asked what happened, she told her story. The mother said to the child, you don't obey what I tell you, now where will we go to look for your sisters? The girl was sorry and sad for she has no sisters to play with. She was also lonely.

Mother Plenty

There was once a mother who went to the farm. She put her little girl on her back and brought her along for there was no one to watch her. When they arrived, she said, "I will go gather gabi." So she went. When she reached the middle of her field, she left her girl and told her to sit and wait while she gathered gabi. She started digging and it was not long before she had gathered plenty. Then, a caterpillar as big as a mortal appeared. It was headed toward the child. The child was afraid of it so she called her mother. "Mother plenty! Mother plenty!" she shouted. Her mother answered back, "Yes we have plenty," not knowing that there was a very big caterpillar whom the child was afraid of.

After a while, the caterpillar reached the child and swallowed her. Later the mother thought, "Maybe my daughter fell asleep for she stopped calling. So she went to see. Her child was not there. She looked all around the field but there was no child. After a while she saw a very, very big caterpillar creeping away. She was not satisfied, so again she went to look around the whole field. She never found the child, and she went home crying.

The Eagle and the Other Animals

A long time ago, the animals living in the forest were all in good terms. They were all a very happy group. Among all these animals, the parrot was always the troublemaker. Tricky Parrot thought, "Wait, I will do something to make the other animals fight, like the dog and the eagle. I am jealous because they always go together. They are always jolly because Eagle rides on the back of Dog; And while riding, Eagle removes his fleas while Dog rides him around. I wish to be the one to ride," said the jealous Parrot.

So Parrot went out to tell lies to Dog. Arriving at Dog's house, he first asked if Eagle was around, but Dog told him he went visiting. Then the Parrot told Dog, "Your friend Eagle is always talking about you. He says you are ugly and smelly." The parrot told lies to destroy the friendship of the dog and the eagle. The dog didn't know that the parrot was very jealous of their friendship, but he believed what he told him.

When the eagle came back, Parrot ran away. The dog got angry at Eagle. "Cheat, liar, you betrayed me," said the dog trembling. The Eagle was confused. Then Dog told Eagle that Parrot came, and related everything he heard from Parrot. Then Dog said, "I will kill you." He hit the eagle until he flew away.

Eagle went to ask for help from the other birds. The dog also went to Tiger, Carabao, Deer, and other animals with four legs. Everyone was angry. "Let's fight," said the Lion. "We will fight the group of Eagle." It was in the morning when all the

animals were gathered. All the animals with four legs grouped together and those with wings grouped together too. They started fighting and yelling. The horse kicked the chickens, geese, and ducks. The Dog ate the chickens. The birds pecked at the eyes of the cat, cows and others. Many died. Everyone was screaming. After some time they got tired, so they stopped.

Then the owl, who was hiding on top of a tree, came out. "Kup, Kup, Kup, Kup," he said. "Listen, Parrot is responsible for all this trouble. I heard their conversation with Snake. They thought I was asleep when they were making plans. Let's kill Parrot for he is a liar." So what they did was they all gathered together and discussed how to improve their situation. The Lion said, "Only one among us is very evil-minded. Let's punish him so he will learn." So they did. Then they made a peace pact. And their unity was restored.

The Two Brothers

There were two brothers who were orphaned. Everyday they hunted for their living.

One day, while they were hunting in a big forest, they heard crowing. They looked for where the crowing was coming from. Finally they saw a rooster. He kept scratching the ground, and then putting his beak to the ground. The brothers caught the chicken. They checked the area he was scratching and water was coming out of it. They were very happy that the chicken had found

a source of water. They made it into a little pool so the water would gather.

Then the brothers started digging next to the water source. Their friends saw what they were doing. Wondering, the friends asked them what they were doing. The brothers said they were making a field. Their friends laughed at them. They said, "Where will you get the water?" The friends mocked the brothers again. The two brothers just continued digging. Their friends kept laughing at them.

The brothers did not stop digging until they had finished a wide area. Then they let the water that the chicken had found fill the area. Amazingly, there was plenty of water. The brothers were very thankful. Because they were so happy that they had found the source of water, they went to get a chicken and cook it near the source so that it would not dry out.





