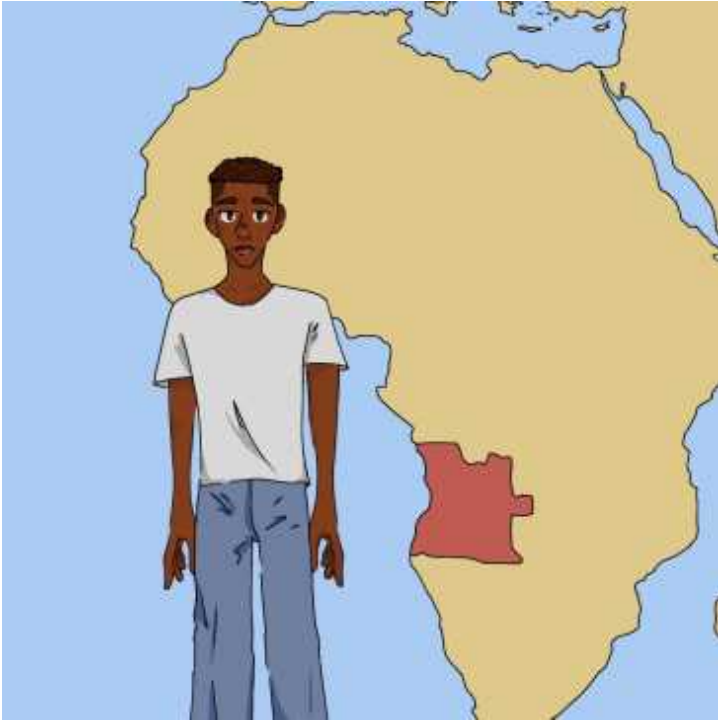




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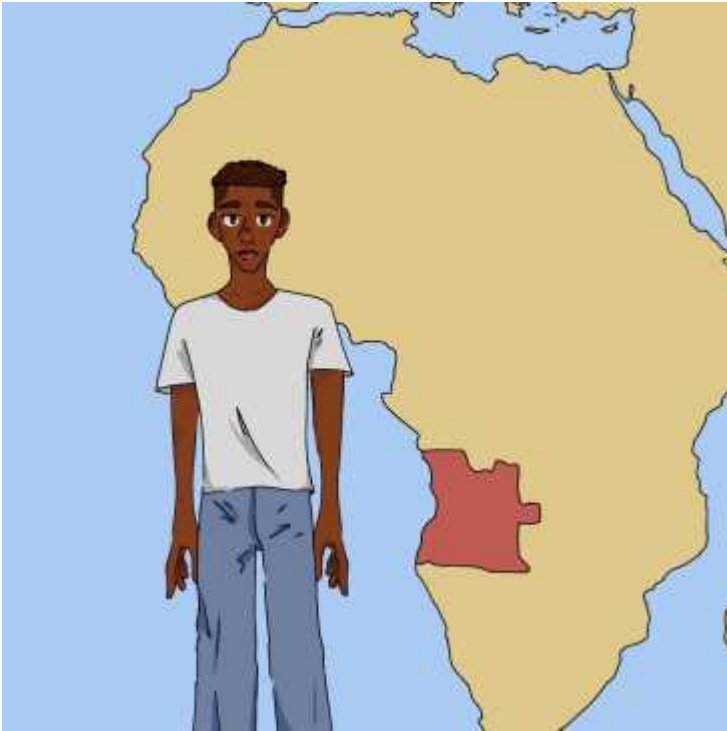
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Edson ee dhiëth pan cɔl Angola, ka pan Angola wic bë tēkbei.
Eye dhɔŋ bäär apɛi. Wɛtɔden bëër ɣen go guɔ a ŋic. Kɔc ke ye
dhɛŋ gām miith bik lathɔɔr ke ye jeec tɔŋbai ɣic ake ye wic
dhääk cīt Edson.

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Edson was born in Angola, just after the country became
independent. He was a very tall boy. Because of his height
he stood out. The people who were giving weapons to
children to fight as soldiers in the civil war wanted boys like
him.



Gölde tuεŋ ee rilic tăn Edson ee rilic wëtten cii yen atuɔj
piny, cäm bai panden, ku päädic kek ciëmthok maan tak.

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It was very difficult to begin with, as Edson missed the warm
weather, the traditional food and, most of all, his mother's
hugs and kisses.



Ee kuc thon Portugal apath. Ee rilic täde bë käken piöoc deetiic ku jam kek kɔc ye kek piöoc tök. E ye gäi lonadë bēnde Portugal pieth.

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He did not speak Portuguese well and found it very hard to follow his classes and the conversations of his classmates. He wondered if it was a good idea to come to Portugal after all.



Akäl tök go wuthadh den piöök tñj kaye ñieç thuëëc kura e gäc. Go Edson rot mat akuut thuëëc kura e gäc ku ñiic latuεη. Go guɔ ñiic thukulic ku yök pamääth. Ku yen aya go ye puou cii e ben dääk.

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One day a teacher noticed how good he was at basketball. He joined a basketball team and was very successful. He became popular at school and made friends. He also became more confident.



Emen cī ɣen ya raan cē dīt, Edson e miith kɔc cīi tɔŋ ke cop piɔɔc. Ɔn theer, bɛ̃ɛrde e wic bē ye tāāu jeecic. Emen, bɛ̃ɛrde e yen gām riel bē kɔc kɔk ya kuɔny.

. . .

Now that he is an adult, Edson trains refugee children and others at risk of being excluded from society. Once, his height put him in danger of becoming a child soldier. Now, his height gives him strength to help others feel safe.



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