

Mo and the Beggar

One day Mo was up on the roof of his house mending a hole in the tiles. He had nearly finished and he was pleased with his work. Suddenly, he heard a voice below call.

"Hello."

When he looked down, Mo saw an old man in dirty clothes standing below.

"What do you want?" asked Mo.

"Come down and I'll tell you," called the man. Mo was annoyed, but he was a polite man, so he put down his tools carefully and climbed all the way down to the ground.

"What do you want?" He asked when he reached the ground.

"Could you spare a little change for an old beggar?" Mo thought for a minute. Then he said, "Come with me."

He began climbing the ladder again. The old man followed him all the way to the top. When they were both sitting on the roof, Mo turned to the beggar.

"No," he said.

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