THE GORILLA AND MONKEY CO-GODFATHERS

1. Úragati₁ le₂ jawáguti₃ ugúferani₄ luma₅ ugúferani.₆ 2. Bueno₁ 3. Ugúferani₁ le,₂ galúgüti₃ bandi₄ mudún.₅ 4. Bidin₁ lúbiñe₂ gürígie₃ le,₄ barábachun₅ yágiñe,₆ barábachun₇ yágiñe,₈ bandi₉ mudún₁₀ baríjibaña₁₁ lúbiñe.₁₂ 5. Nijá₁ jayu₂ lárigiburi₃ le₄ líbajan₅ jaweí₆ tuágu₇ touba₈ luban.₉ 6. Widü₁ piso₂ tiñu₃ luban₄ mutu₅ ligfa.₆ 7. ¡Aránseguati₁ ugúferani₂ le₃ loúagua₄ buidu!₅ 8. Añájati₁ libíña₂ ugúferani₃ le.₄

9. $\operatorname{Compa}_{1} \operatorname{le}_{2} \operatorname{jfgandei}_{3} \operatorname{"uwa}_{4} \operatorname{irúmu}_{5} \operatorname{bau}_{6} \operatorname{efbuga}_{7} \operatorname{luágu}_{8}$ $\operatorname{aban}_{9} \operatorname{wübü}_{10} \operatorname{lun}_{11} \operatorname{giárabei}_{12} \operatorname{lan}_{13} \operatorname{badáirunu}_{14} \operatorname{luban}_{15}$ 10. Lábuluguñou 1 seru. 11. Nei 1 lagánawa 2 wügűri 3 le 4 lábuguarügüñei 1 ladúga 6 leméindün. 12. Ligíarügüñei 1 ñei. 13. Sun 1 wügűri 2 le 3 lunbei 4 lidin 5 ñei, 6 laríjibei 7 sun 8 liábin 9 yétegiñe, 10

1. This₂ story, 1 it-is-about-them, 3 compadre₄ and-him₅ compadre. 6 2. Very-well. 3. This₂ Compadre, 1 he-had₃ many₄ sheep₅ animals. 3 4. Your-going₁ to-his-house₂ this₄ person, 3 your-going-to-this-side₅ here, 6 your-going-to-this-side₇ here, 8 you-will-see-them₁₁ many₉ sheep₁₀ in-his-house. 12 5. Here₁ their-wool₂ after-it₃ that-which-is₄ its-beingcut₅ from-them, 6 on-it₇ its-side₈ his-house. 9 6. Eight₁ floors₂ itsbeing₃ his-house₄ that₆ person. 5 7. This₃ compadre, 2 he-was-arranged₁ well₅ about-him!₄ 8. Here-they-are₁ his-animals₂ this₄ compadre. 3 0. Commender when mean manifest three matrix with use to walk

9. Compadre₁ who-was₂ gorilla, $_3$ three₄ years₅ with-you₆ to-walk₇ on-it₈ a₉ hill₁₀ in-order₁₁ that₁₃ it-will-be-possible₁₂ your-finding-it, ₁₄ his-house.₁₅ 10. It-was-situated-on-its-head₁ hill.₂ 11. There₁ he-lived, ₂ this₄ man, ₃ being-only-by-himself₅ because-of-it₆ his-jealousy.₇ 12. It-only-being-he₁ there.₂ 13. Any₁ man₂ who₃ it-was-for₄ his-going₅

doúnugiñe.₁₁ 14. Laríjibei $_{1} \operatorname{sun}_{2} \operatorname{lamúderun}_{3} \operatorname{lidin}_{4} \operatorname{lúbiňoun}_{5}$ 15. To₁ lanboun $_{2}$ weíriou, $_{3}$ aban $_{4}$ wanúi. $_{5}$ 16. Lárigiñe $_{1}$ wügűri $_{2}$ ligía, $_{3}$ ábanrügüñei $_{4}$ tebénari $_{5}$ luban $_{6}$ ani $_{7}$ mafúnederetu $_{8}$ lugúndun $_{9}$ síliwatu. $_{10}$ 17. Sun $_{1}$ le $_{2}$ lunbei $_{3}$ lebélurun, $_{4}$ mosu $_{5}$ laríjin $_{6}$ láfuridun $_{7}$ lídangiñe $_{8}$ aban $_{9}$ bena. $_{10}$ 18. Lemeíndün $_{1}$ loúagua, $_{2}$ ligía $_{3}$ lídinbei $_{4}$ aganóua $_{5}$ luágu $_{6}$ wübü $_{7}$ lueí $_{8}$ jeidin $_{9}$ wügűriña $_{10}$ ebéluja $_{11}$ lúbiñe. $_{12}$ 19. Bueno. $_{1}$

20. Chülü₁ aban₂ weyu,₃ leti₄ buga^{*} jígandei₅ le,₆ lachúlürati₇ dan₈ lun₉ gan₁₀ lan₁₁ cumpleaño.₁₂ 21. Ürüwarügaali₁ weyu₂ lubá₃ lani₄ jígandei₅ le₆ cumpleaño,₇ ligía₈ lachúlürün₉ lugúferan₁₀ jígandei₁₁ le₁₂ ebéluja₁₃ lumoun.₁₄ 22. Lachúlürün₁ ñei,₂ "Üg,₃ báfaguagüle,₄ compa.₅ 23. Lidan₁ dan₂ giñe₃ biábin₄ camá₅ giñe₆ sábiu₇ bugúya.₈ 24. Buséntina₁ wadúgün₂ aban₃ darádu.₄ 25. Quei₁ gíñajadi₂ ban,₃

there, he-would-see-it, all his-coming from-afar, 10 from-below.11 14. He-would-see-it, 1 all his-climbing-up his-going to-his-house.5 15. She who-was-his old-woman, a gossiper.5 16. And that man, it-was-only-one, tis-door his-house, 6 and 7 it-had-no-windows because it-was-sealed.10 17. Anyone who it-was-to-be his-entering must 5 his-seeing his-leaving through-it 8 one 9 door. 10 18. His-jealousy 1 about-the-things-about-him, 2 that-is-why 3 he-went 4 to-live 5 on-it 6 hill 7 lest-it 8 their-going men 10 to-visit 11 his-house. 12 19. Very-well. 1

20. One_2 day₃ arrived, 1 he-who₄ (past tense marker) this₆ gorilla, 5 it-was-going-to-arrive₇ time₈ for-it₉ his₁₁ having₁₀ birthday.₁₂ 21. There-had-come-to-be-only-three₁ days₂ for-it₃ his₄ birthday₇ the₆ gorilla, 5 then₈ his-arriving₉ his-compadre, 10 the₁₂ gorilla, 11 to-visit₁₃ with-him.₁₄ 22. His-arriving₁ there, 2 'Ug, 3 at-your-service, 4 compadre. 5 23. In-it₁ time₂ also₃ your-coming₄ as-if₅ also₆ wiseman₆ you.₇ 24. Iwant₁ our-making₂ a₃ contract.₄ 25. Since₁ have-the-ability-to-blow-anugúferan, $_4$ ítaga₅ tia $_6$ weyu $_7$ nani $_8$ cumpleaño, $_9$ compa, $_{10}$ buséntina $_{11}$ tia $_{12}$ selebrar $_{13}$ nani $_{14}$ lun $_{15}$ bíñajan $_{16}$ woun $_{17}$."

26. "Au₁ báfaguagüle₂ tia₃ nugúferan.₄ 27. Üg,₁ náfura.₂ 28. Mosu₁ níñajan₂ bun.₃ 29. Aná₁ gue₂ to₃ báfaguagüle,₄ sun₅ le₆ wadűgübei,₇ compadre,₈ waü₉."

30. Biámarügaali₁ weyu₂ lubá₃ abínajani,₄ ligíati₅ buga^{*} taríñagun₆ wanúi₇ to₈ toti₉ lani₁₀ buga^{*} jígandei₁₁ le₁₂ weíriou:₁₃ "Bueno.₁₄ 31. An₁ san^{*} bugúya,₂ ¿caba₃ san^{*} giñe₄ banángun₅ lubá₆ bani₇ cumpleaño₈ jarúga?₉ 32. ¿Caba₁ san^{*} au₂ bidin₃ abínaja₄?"

33. "Madíjeri₁ ba.₂ 34. Raboun₁ weyu₂ to₃ náfurida.₄ 35. Neíbuga₁ agáñeija₂ nanángun₃ yara₄ chápurugu₅ lun₆ giárabei₇ lan₈ náfuridun.₉ 36. Wéyugiru₁ lubá₂ jarúga₃!"

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{musical-instrument}_2 \ \text{you}, \ _3 \ \text{my-compadre}, \ _4 \ \text{such-and-such}_5 \ \text{day}_7 \ \text{it-is}_6 \\ \text{my}_8 \ \text{birthday}, \ _9 \ \text{compadre}, \ _{10} \ \text{I-want}_{11} \ \text{I-do}_{12} \ \text{to-celebrate}_{13} \ \text{mine}_{14} \ \text{for}_{15} \\ \text{your-blowing}_{16} \ \text{for-us.''}_{17} \end{array}$

26. $"I_1$ at-your-service₂ I-am, $_3$ my-compadre.₄ 27. Ug₁ I'm-going-to-blow.₂ 28. It-must-be₁ my-blowing₂ for-you.₃ 29. Yes now₁₋₃ I-am-at-your-service, 4 (regarding) all₅ that-which₆ we-are-to-do₇ compadre₈ mine."₉

30. It-had-come-to-be-only-two₁ days₂ before-it₃ dance,₄ then₅ (past tense marker) her-saying₆ this₈ gossiper₇ who-was₉ his₁₀ (past tense marker) the₁₂ gorilla's₁₁ old-woman:₁₃ "Very-well.₁₄ 31. And₁ question marker) you,₂ what₃ (question marker) also₄ your-clothing₅ for-it₆ your₇ birthday₈ tomorrow?₉ 32. What₁ (question marker) with₂ your-going₃ to-dance?"₄

33. 'Don't-worry₁ you.₂ 34. This₃ setting₁ sun₂ I-will-go-out.₄ 35. I-am-going₁ to-buy₂ my-clothing₃ there₄ at-the-shop₅ in-order₆ that₈ it-will-be-possible₇ my-going-out.₉ 36. There-is-yet-sun/day₁ before₂ tomorrow!''₃ 37. Sensu $_1$ san* luma? $_2$ 38. $_1$ Sügü $_1$ lau $_2$ tubána $_3$ wagádi $_4$ tuágu $_5$ tídibu! $_6$

39. Ladaüragun₁ buga^{*} wügüri₂ le, $_3$ aban₄ lachúlagun₅ tau₆ buga[°] ligálasun₇ durúrutu. 40. Le₁ aban₂ tugúdi₃ yárügüñei, $_4$ le₅ aban₆ yágütañei. 41. Le₁ aban₂ tarúna₃ lisímisin₄ durúruti, $_5$ le₆ aban₇ chátiti. 42. Lefbuga₁ wügüri₂ le₃ úmadarugu. 43. Ábanrügaali₁ larígei, aban₃ lígiri₄ taráwa. 44. Tíbiri, $_1$ jagoú₂ funa? 45. $_{3}$ Co₁ ítara₂ liña₃ lagúriajoún₄ mutu₅ le₆ ligíbuagun₇ ubóu₈ le?

46. Lachúlürübati₁ wügűri₂ le₃ ladaűrün₄ sisi₅ raboun₆ weyu₇ lúbiñe₈ lugúferan.₉ 47. Úati₁ buga compadre₂ ñei₃ lárigiti₄ buga compadre₅ ádara₆ pasu.₇ 48. Aban₁ lebélurun₂ jígandei₃ le₄ touba₅ touba₆ muna,₇ anájeina₈ le₉ jayu₁₀ mudún,₁₁ anájeina₁₂ le,₁₃ anájeina,₁₄ anájeina,₁₅ ládaraguni₁₆ labu₁₇ lúgalaga.₁₈ 49. Leíbuga₁

37. Money₁ (question marker) with-him?₂ 38. Surpassing₁ with-it₂ its-leaves₃ avocado₄ on-it₅ its-tree!₆

39. His-dressing (past tense marker) this man, 2 then his-settingout with i_6 (past tense marker) his-pants i_7 long. 40. The one itspantsleg being-only-to-here, 4 the other being-to-there. 41. The one itsits-arm his-shirt it-was-long, 5 the other it-was-short. 42. He-went this man to-the-street. 43. It-had-come-to-be-only-one his-ear, 2 one 3 nostril cut. 44. Its-other-part where could-it-be? 45. Or thus 2 its-being his-being-born, 4 this person 5 on-top-of-it this 9 earth?

46. This₃ man,₂ he-will-arrive₁ at-its-ringing₄ six₅ (of the) sun₇ setting₆ at-his-house₈ his-compadre.₉ 47. He-wasn't₁ (past tense marker) compadre₂ there₃ because₄ (past tense marker) compadre₅ out-walking.₆₋₇ 48. Then₁ his-entering₂ the₄ gorilla₃ over-the-side-of-it₅₋₆ house,₇ taking₈ this₉ their-wool₁₀ sheep,₁₁ taking₁₂ this,₁₃ taking,₁₄ taking₁₅ his-piling-it₁₆ under-it₁₇ his-arm.₁₈ 49. He-went₁ right₂ to-his-house₃ reiti 2 lúbiñoun 3 sástiri. 4 50. Ladaűrün 1 sedü 2 guñou 3 lachűlüra 4 lúbiñe 5 sástiri; 6 ladaűrünbei 7 yebu 8 nefu 9 guñou, 10 jücháwaaru 11 labíte, 12 ligálasun, 13 lisímisin, 14 lisábadun, 15 lubúnidin, 16 lubán. 17 51. Sun 1 lídañei 2 dan 3 mutu 4 le 5 tau 6 tíu 7 lilűgün 8 lugúferan 9 mudún 10 to 11 líwerujaboun. 12

52. "Mama₁ me^{*} tia₂ lun₃ beréngun₄ lun₅ compadre₆ lau₇ fweruja₈ nan₉ lan₁₀ tíu₁₁ lilúgün₁₂ mudún₁₃ toúbagiñe₁₄ luban₁₅ tun₁₆ nanángun₁₇," ligíati₁₈ jígandei₁₉ le₂₀ tunti₂₁ lani₂₂ weíriou.₂₃ 53. Ligía₁ toti₂ lan₃ weíriou₄--ja!₅ jiñáruraü₆ tura!₇--wel,₈ ;sügütu₉ tau₁₀ Litegua₁₁ yara₁₂ Bariu!₁₃

54. Chülűti₁ buga^{*} weyu₂ lun₃ gawárabei₄ lan₅ jadúgüni₆ abínajani₇ le.₈ 55. Aban₁ lachúlürün₂ íñajati₃ le₄ tidoun₅ mansión₆ to.₇ 56. Mansión₁ tugúya₂ ñűrüraü₃ ta₄ tia₅--űrüwa₆ irúmu₇ agéyedagua₈

52. 'It-had-better-be₂ not₁ (future marker) for₃ your-telling₄ tohim₅ compadre₆ about-it₇ that₁₀ robbed₈ I₉ its-wool₁₁ his-animal₁₂ sheep₁₃ from-its-side₁₄ his-house₁₅ for-it₁₆ my-clothing, "₁₇ said-he₁₈ the₂₀ gorilla₁₉ to-her₂₁ his₂₂ old-woman.₂₃ 53. Then₁ she-who-was₂ his₃ old-woman₄ --ha!₅ that₇ little-woman!₆ --well,₈ she-surpassed₉ with-it₁₀ Litegua₁₁ (bus) over-there₁₂ (in) Barrios!₁₃

54. It-arrived 1 (past tense marker) day $_2$ for $_3$ that $_5$ it-will-bepossible 4 their-doing-it 6 this 8 dance. 7 55. Then 1 his-arriving, 2 the 4 musician 3 into-it 5 the 7 mansion. 6 56. That 2 mansion, 1 small 3 she-was 4 $\begin{aligned} & |au_9 \ cara_{10} \ tarígei!_{11} \ 57. \ Ligía_1 \ le_2 \ tia_3 \ bebélurun_4 \ turágeirugun,_5 \\ & \texttt{úati}_6 \ ni_7 \ aban_8 \ wügűri._9 \ 58. \ Bandi_1 \ jiñáriñu_2 \ lueígiñe_3 \ tarígei_4 \ dagá_5 \\ & \texttt{lumoun}_6 \ tarígei._7 \ 59. \ Solo_1 \ jiñáriñu._2 \ 60. \ & \texttt{Jagáña}_1 \ funa_2 \ wügűriña?_3 \\ & \texttt{61. Machúlügiña._1} \end{aligned}$

62. Aban₁ laríñagun₂ jígandei₃ le₄ tun₅ lan₆ weíriou:₇ "Beíbagubei₈ nubá.₉ 63. Bagúrabubadina₁ ümada.₂ 64. Nagánbubei₁ láfurun₂ nugúferan.'₃

65. Aban₁ tígiragüdün₂ wanúi₃ to₄ múnadagiñe.₅ 66. Tiábi,₁ tiábi,₂ tiábi.₃ 67. Lamídan₁ úma₂ lúmagua,₃ nujein₄ aban₅ tídibu₆ wewe₇ ñei,₈ ma₉ tueírin.₁₀ 68. Lidan₁ tegéyedangubei₂ wanúi₃ to₄ lau₅ tídibu₆ wewe₇ to₈ ítara,₉ úrüwa₁₀ irúmu₁₁ tau₁₂ egéyeda₁₃ lau₁₄ tídibu₁₅ wewe₁₆ to₁₇ lubá₁₈ tárügüdüni₁₉ úma₂₀ le₂₁ surúrugu₂₂ lun₂₃ tidin₂₄ tubáruaguoun.₂₅ 69. Tugúya₁ úmada,₂ tugúya₃ úmada,₄ tugúya₅ for-a-fact₅ --three₆ years₇ to-go-around₈ about-it₉ each₁₀ its-corners! 11 57. That₁ which₂ it-was₃ your-entering₄ into-its-inside,₅ there-was-not₆ not₇ one₈ man.₉ 58. Many₁ women₂ from-it,₃ its-corner₄ to-the-other₅₋₆ its-corner.₇ 59. Only₁ women.₂ 60. Where-could-they-be₁₋₂ men?₃ 61. They-hadn't-arrived-yet.₁

62. Then his-saying, 2 the 4 gorilla 3 to-her 5 his 6 old-woman: 7 'Better-that-you-go 8 before-me. 9 63. You-will-wait-for-me 1 in-thestreet. 2 64. I-will-hear-it, 1 his-blowing 2 my-compadre." 3

65. Then here she are she as the set off, the set off of the set off of the set of the set off of the set of

82. "Ligía $_1$ la $_2$ tia $_3$ bíñaja. $_4$ 83. Maríñaja $_1$ ba $_2$ tia. $_3$ 84. Ligía $_1$ la $_2$ tia $_3$ bíñaja." $_4$

 $\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{arriving}_1 \operatorname{at-its-door}_2 \operatorname{mansion},_3 \operatorname{then}_4 \operatorname{her-calling}_5 \operatorname{to-him}_6 \operatorname{her-compade}_7 \operatorname{one}_8 \operatorname{side}_9 \\ & 71. \quad \operatorname{''Only-us}_1 \operatorname{let-it-be}_{2-3} \operatorname{with-it},_4 \operatorname{compadre}, \operatorname{''_5} \operatorname{she}_6 \operatorname{to-him}_7 \\ & 72. \quad \operatorname{''What}_1 \operatorname{lacks},_2 \operatorname{comadre}, \operatorname{''_3} \\ & 73. \quad \operatorname{''Is-it-known}_1 (\operatorname{question} \operatorname{marker}) \operatorname{to-you}_2 \operatorname{what}_3 \operatorname{that}_4 \operatorname{you-are-going-to-play}, \operatorname{''_5} \\ & 74. \quad \operatorname{''It-sure-isn't},_{1-2} \operatorname{comadre}, \operatorname{''_3} \\ & 74. \quad \operatorname{''It-sure-isn't},_{1-2} \operatorname{comadre}, \operatorname{''_3} \\ & 74. \quad \operatorname{''It-sure-isn't},_{1-2} \operatorname{comadre}, \operatorname{''_3} \\ & 75. \quad \operatorname{''And-what}_1 \operatorname{would}_2 \operatorname{it-be}_5 \\ & \operatorname{song}_3 \operatorname{which}_4 \operatorname{you-are-to-play},_6 \\ & 76. \quad \operatorname{'Maskin}_1 \operatorname{lost}_2 \operatorname{his}_3 \operatorname{sheepskin},_4 \\ & 77. \quad \operatorname{It-looks}_1 \operatorname{like}_2 \operatorname{that-which}_3 \operatorname{the}_5 \operatorname{baboon}_4 \operatorname{wears}, 6 \\ & 78. \quad \operatorname{You}_1 \operatorname{lie},_2 \\ & 79. \quad \operatorname{You}_1 \operatorname{lie},_2 \\ & 80. \quad \operatorname{You}_1 \operatorname{lie},_2 \\ & 81. \quad \operatorname{It-looks}_1 \operatorname{like}_2 \operatorname{that-which}_3 \operatorname{the}_5 \operatorname{baboon}_4 \operatorname{wears}, 6 \\ & 81. \quad \operatorname{It-looks}_1 \operatorname{like}_2 \operatorname{that-which}_3 \operatorname{the}_5 \operatorname{baboon}_4 \operatorname{wears}, 6 \\ & 82. \quad \operatorname{''That}_1 \\ \operatorname{let-it-be}_2 \operatorname{for-a-fact}_3 \operatorname{your-playing}, 4 \\ & 83. \quad \operatorname{Not-tell}_1 \operatorname{you}_2 \operatorname{you'd-better-not}, 3 \end{array}$

84. That let-it-be for-a-fact your-playing."

85. "Catei lanichigubei le, comadre?"

86. "Ligía₁ la₂ bíñaja,₃ compa.₄ 87. Ligía₁ la.₂ 88. Naríñagubei₁ bun₂ jarúga."₃

89. Aban₁ lanúgüni₂ wügüri₃ le₄ liffdu,₅ lidin₆ touboun₇ muna,₈ joúchagua₉ lei,₁₀ joúchagua₁₁ lei,₁₂ joúchagua₁₃ lei.₁₄ 90. Lídañei₁ dan.₂

91. Nújeinguati₁ buga^{*} aban₂ jiñáru₃ mebéluraügiruti₄ ladűga₅ quei₆ buídumeraü₇ tan,₈ nibúsigaritu₉ lueí₁₀ gurírügüaü.₁₁ 92. Daúdaüñaja₁ tiñáti.₂

93. Nijáti₁ jígandei₂ le, $_3$ ádaja₄ pasu₅ ñei₆ lúbiñe₇ aríjei₈ ida₉ liña₁₀ lan₁₁ lagánbun₁₂ luágu₁₃ catei₁₄ le. 15

94. "Ug!₁ 95. Caba₁ san^{*} ora₂ liábin₃ compadre₄ lubá₅ láfurun?₆ 96. Wíngubei₁ au₂ jamúga₃ tia₄ lubá₅ compa.₆ 97. Quei₁

85. 'What₁ it-means, $_2$ this, $_3$ comadre?''₄

86. "That₁ let-it-be₂ your-playing,₃ compadre.₄ 87. That₁ let-itbe.₂ 88. I-will-tell-it₁ (the meaning of the song) to-you₂ tomorrow."₃

89. Then₁ his-taking-it₂ the₄ man₃ his-wind-instrument, $_5$ his-going₆ to-its-side₇ house, $_8$ trying₉ he-it, $_{10}$ trying₁₁ he-it, $_{12}$ trying₁₃ he-it. 14 90. It-was-all right. $_{1-2}$

91. There-was-still₁ (past tense marker) a_2 woman₃ who-still-hadn'tentered₄ because₅ since₆ very-beautiful₇ she,₈ she-was-bashful₉ from-it₁₀ crowds.₁₁ 92. Hiding,₁ she-was.₂

93. Here-he-is, 1 the 3 gorilla, 2 pacing $_{4-5}$ there 6 in-his-house 7 tosee-it 8 what 9 its-being 10 that 11 his-hearing 12 about-it 13 this 15 thing. 14 94. "Ug! 95. What 1 (question marker) hour 2 his-coming 3 compadre 4 for 5 his-music ? 96. It-would-be-better-to-play-now 1, 3 itwould 4 I 2 for-him 5 compadre. 6 97. Since 1 that 3 compadre 4 he-hasn'tmayábijali₂ lan_3 compa,₄ níwinragubei₅ lun_6 lagánbuni₇ náfurun₈ yétegiñe₉ lun_{10} giárabei₁₁ lan_{12} liábin₁₃ compadre.''₁₄

98. Nijáti₁ buga^{*} jígandei₂ le₃ asánsiragua.₄ 99. Nujáguati₁ labíte₂ jígandei₃ le₄ dajéñu.₅ 100. Láfurati₁ buga^{*} lugúferati₂ le₃ lunti₄ buga^{*} lagánbuni₅ compa₆ le₇ yagűroun₈ lubáti₉ buga^{*} giárabei₁₀ lan₁₁ liábin₁₂ yétegiñe₁₃ lueígiñe₁₄ San₁₅ Gil₁₆ le₁₇ ñei₁₈ lubeí₁₉ laganoúa.₂₀

98. Here-he-was₁ (past tense marker) the₃ gorilla,₂ getting-dressed.₄ 99. There-it-was-still₁ his-jacket₂ the₄ gorilla,₃ hung-up.₅ 100. The₃ compadre₂ he-began-to-blow₁ (past tense marker) in-order-that₄ (past tense marker) his-hearing-it,₅ the₇ compadre,₆ way-over-there₈ for-it₉ (past tense marker) that₁₁ it-will-be-possible₁₀ his-coming₁₂ from-over-there₁₃ from-it₁₄ San₁₅ Gil₁₆ which₁₇ there₁₈ it-be₁₉ he-lived.₂₀

111. "Üg," ligía.₂ 112. Dagá₁ ñeijein;₂ ragü₃ la $_4$ isíresi₅ adúga₆ ida₇ luba $_8$ lan₉ láfadajanu.₁₀ 113. "Lídañou $_1$ dan," liña $_3$ wügűri $_4$ le. $_5$

114. Lachúlünti₁ buga^{*} luágu₂ tarígei₃ wewe₄ to₅ garánaboun,₆ ñeiña₇ ladúgei₈ garáraguaü₉ ligíra₁₀ űrüwa₁₁ irúmu₁₂ lubá₁₃ lárügüdüni₁₄ üma₁₅ le₁₆ surúbei.₁₇ 115. Únteti₁ buga^{*} weíriou.₂ 116. Únteti₁ buga^{*} mutu₂ to₃ lueígiñe₄ üma₅ le.₆

117. Tótima₁ buga^{*} buídutimaboun,₂ siendo₃ que₄ le₅ buga^{*} nijá₆ lan₇ buga^{*} ugúferani₈ le₉ íñaja,₁₀ ligía₁₁ bugáti^{*} tidáni₁₂ jiñáru₁₃ to₁₄ tebélurun.₁₅ 118. Aban₁ tidin₂ añúra₃ lidan₄ aban₅ caná₆ muñúguñaja₇ tugúyati₈ ñei,₉ tarígeirugu₁₀ muna.₁₁

119. Murúsu₁ ora₂ anjein₃ belú₄ weíriei₅ wagánga.₆ 120. Ligíati,₁ ca₂ funa₃ buga^{*} uágu₄ madágun₅ lubáli₆ le₇ lunbei₈

111. "Ug!"₁ said-he.₂ 112. Jumped₁ to-one-side;₂ grabbed₃ he₄ scissors₅ to-do₆ how₇ that₉ it-be₈ his-repairing-it.₁₀ 113. "It's okay."₁₋₂ said₃ this₅ man.₄

114. When-he-arrived 1 (past tense marker) at-it₂ its-corner₃ tree₄ which₅ was-thick₆ there₇ he-did-it₈ that₁₀ turn₉ three₁₁ years₁₂ for₁₃ his-getting-hold-of-it₁₄ road₁₅ which₁₆ was-straight-ahead.₁₇ 115. There-she-came₁ (past tense marker) old-woman.₂ 116. There-she-came₁ (past tense marker) this₃ person₂ along-it₄ the₆ road.₅

117. She-who-was-most₁ (past tense marker) beautiful, $_2$ since₃ that_{4,5,7} here-is₆ the₉ compadre₈ to-play, $_{10}$ that₁₁ (past tense marker) her-time₁₂ this₁₄ woman₁₃ her-entering.₁₅ 118. Then₁ her-going₂ tosit₃ in-it₄ a₅ corner, $_6$ in-an-attitude-of-humility₇ was-she₈ there₉ in-itscorner₁₀ house.₁₁

119. Little hour 2 and 3 entered 4 old-man 5 lizard. 6 120. He, 1 who-knows 3 why 2, 4 (past tense) didn't-do 5 he-it 6 that 7 which-should-have-been 8

ladáguni₉ lúbiñe.₁₀ 121. Lachülürün,₁ adágu₂ ligía₃ pasu,₄ adágu₅ ligía₆ pasu,₇ adágu₈ ligía₉ pasu.₁₀ 122. Dan₁ le₂ lachülürün₃ ora₄ lun₅ líwinrun₆ íñajati,₇ ligía₈ láfuridun₉ wügűri₁₀ le₁₁ asísija.₁₂ 123. Dan₁ meti^{*} liábin,₂ úaaru₃ meti^{*} jiñáru.₄ 124. Ábanrügaaru₁ jiñáru.₂ 125. Ábanrügaaru₁ meti^{*} jiñáru₂ to₃ buídumeraütimaboun₄ to₅ yágütaboun₆ canárugu.₇ 126. Buídumeraütu₁ tia₂ jiñáru₃ tugúya!₄

127. Deti₁ buga^{*} lebélurun₂ jígandei₃ le,₄ "Win₅ ba,₆ compadre.₇ 128. Win₁ ba,₂ compa.₃ 129. Wabínaja₁ tia₂ ya₃ áriabu₄ to."₅ 130. Nujáti₁ buga^{*} wanúi₂ to₃ luáguti₄ tarígei₅ muna₆ íchajati₇ coba₈ lun.₉ 131. Íngirati₁ buga^{*} cutéte₂ le₃ asísija₄ quei₅ lagánbuni₆ íñajani₇ le.₈

132. Lidin₁ jígandei $_2$ le $_3$ áluajoun $_4$ weíriou. $_5$ 133. Lachúlürün $_1$

his-doing-it₉ at-his-house ?₁₀ 121. When-he-arrived, $1 \operatorname{did}_{2} \operatorname{he}_{3} \operatorname{a-turn}_{4}$ (about the hall), did₅ he₆ a-turn, $7 \operatorname{did}_{8} \operatorname{he}_{9} \operatorname{a-turn}_{10} 122$. Time₁ which₂ its-arriving₃ hour₄ for-it₅ his-blowing₆ musician, $7 \operatorname{then}_{8}$ his-going-out₉ this₁₁ man₁₀ to-urinate.₁₂ 123. When₁ (future tense marker) his-entering, $2 \operatorname{there-is-no}_{3}$ (future tense marker) woman₄ (with whom he can dance). 124. There-has-come-to-be-only-one₁ woman.₂ 125. There-has-come-to-be-only-one₁ woman, $2 \operatorname{she-who}_{3}$ is-most-beautiful₄ who₅ is-over-there₆ in-the-corner.₇ 126. That₄ woman₃ was-beautiful₁ she-was! 2

127. When 1 (past tense marker) his-entering 2 the 4 gorilla, 3 "Play 5 you, 6 compadre. 7 128. Play 1 you, 2 compadre. 3 129. We'll-dance 1 here 3 this 5 night, 4 we-will. 2 130. Here-is 1 (past tense marker) the 3 gossiper 2 at-it 4 its-corner 5 house 6 giving 7 bother 8 to-him 9 (the musician). 131. There-he-is 1 (past tense marker) the 3 lizard 2 to-urinate 4 as 5 his-hearing-it 6 the 8 playing. 7

132. His-going the $_3$ gorilla to-look-for-her old-woman. $_5$

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luágu 2 bena, 3 jucu 4 loun, 5 lagáraragunu 6 lun₇ gawárabei 8 lan₉ jamícsirun 10 pisi₁₁ ligía.₁₂ 134. Loúburunu, 1 lárügüdünu, 2 lagáraragunu, 3 chúla₄ anjoun 5 ñüdü₆ lubá₇ agábulegüdeina.₈ 135. Iníte₁ weíriei 2 tárigi. 3

136. Lebélurati₁ buga^{*} cutéte₂ le₃ lárigiñe₄ lasísijan,₅ aríagua₆ ligía,₇ aríagua₈ ligía.₉ 137. Nujá₁ jiňáru₂ to₃ ítagañou.₄ 138. Lújati₁ buga^{*} jua₂ to₃ tarígeirugu₄ muna₅ to.₆ 139. Incha₁ lei₂ larúna₃ tun.₄ 140. Janúfudeti₁ lugúndun₂ jabúja₃ jiňáru₄ to.₅ 141. Incha₁ lei₂ ya.₃ 142. Janúfudeti₁ tueí₂ den!₃ 143. Línchabaliya₁ tun,₂ tagáraragun.₃ 144. Lújaburuguñou.₁ 145. Ítara₁ tiña₂ lubá.₃

146. ''Wel, $_1$ compadre, $_2$ gíñajatibu. $_3$ 147. $_3$ Ida $_1$ liña $_2$ san * bíñaja $_3$ le, $_4$ compadre ? 148. Lídañeigiñeti $_1$ dan, $_2$ compa.''₃

133. His-arriving $_1$ at-it $_2$ door, $_3$ hooked $_4$ (arms) he-her, $_5$ his-turning-her $_6$ so $_7$ that $_9$ it-will-be-possible $_8$ their-mixing $_{10}$ (dancing to) the $_{12}$ piece. $_{11}$ 134. His-embracing-her, $_1$ his-grabbing-hold-of-her, $_2$ his-turning-her, $_3$ threw $_4$ he $_5$ (her) and-she $_6$ went $_7$ before-him $_8$ wiggling-her-waist. $_9$ 135. There-he-came $_1$ old-man $_2$ after-her. $_3$

136. He-entered₁ (past tense marker) the₃ lizard₂ after-it₄ hisurinating,₅ looked-around₆ he,₇ looked-around₈ he.₉ 137. Here-is-she₁ the₃ woman₂ being-thus.₄ 138. The₃ frog₂ swollen-up₁ (past tense marker) in-its-corner₄ the₆ house.₅ 139. Extended₁ he-it₂ his-arm₃ to-her.₄ 140. He-was-afraid₁ because-of-it₂ she-was-very-swollen-up₃ (with anger) the₅ woman.₄ 141. He-it₂ extended-again.₁ 142. He-was-frightened₁ ofher₂ then!₃ 143. His-extending-it-again₁ to-her,₂ her-turning-around.₃ 144. She-was-being-there-in-his-hands.₁ 145. This₁ her-being₂ beforehim.₃

146. "Well, 1 compadre, 2 you-know-how-to-play. 3 147. How 1 itsbeing 2 (question marker) your-playing 3 (like) this, 4 compadre? 5 148. It's 149. Le_1 tia₂ jañúrubei₃ jiñáriñu₄ ja₅ tidan₆ mansión₇ to, 8 úati₉ jalaú.₁₀ 150. Chagúga,₁ chagúga,₂ chagúga.₃ 151. Nujá₁ amu₂ asta₃ luágu₄ tege₅ amu₆ lun₇ giára₈ lan₉ jeméragun₁₀ jiñáriñu₁₁ ja₁₂ tidan₁₃ muna₁₄ to,₁₅ lugúndun₁₆ buin₁₇ muna₁₈ jau₁₉ abíñajatiñu.₂₀ 152. Ligía₁ jiñáru₂ to,₃ queisi₄ lígiragüdünu₅ wagánga₆ canárugun,₇ mañúrutu₈ jadan.₉ 153. Buídumeraütugu₁ túnguañouti₂ queti₃ buga.^{*}

154. Lígiragüdünu₁ jígandei₂ le₃ compañera₄ to,₅ ñüdüya₆ tia₇ buga^{*} bougudin.₈ 155. Boúgudiñou₁ ta.₂ 156. Mánjatu₁ tia₂ teréderun₃ múnada₄ quei₅ tugúya₆ lan₇ cuncusáboun₈ lun₉ íñajati.₁₀

157. "Üg, compa₂ waü, giñajatibu."

158. "Báfaguagüle, 1 compa, 2 ani 3 ítara $4 \text{ meme}_5 \text{ wamá."}_6$

okay, 1-2 compadre."3

149. That₁ which-was₂ their-sitting₃ the₅ women₄ in-it₆ the₈ mansion, 7 there-were-no₉ chairs.₁₀ 150. Occupied, 1 occupied, 2 occupied.₃ 151. Here-is-she₁ another₂ to-the-point-of-being₃ on-it₄ her-shoulder₅ another₆ in-order₇ that₉ it-be-possible₈ their-resting₁₀ the₁₂ women₁₁ in-it₁₃ the₁₅ house₁₄ because₁₆ full₁₇ house₁₈ with-them₁₉ dancers.₂₀ 152. Then₁ the₃ woman, 2 since₄ he-turned-her-loose₅ lizard₆ in-thecorner₇ she-didn't-sit₈ among-them.₉ 153. Yes-she-was-lovely, 1 thereby-herself₂ as₃ before.₄

154. His-turning-her-loose, 1 the 3 gorilla 2 the 5 companion, 4 sheagain-went 6 she-did 7 (past tense marker) outside. 8 155. Being-outside 1 she. 2 156. She-was-unwilling 1 she-was 2 for-her-remaining 3 inside 4 since 5 that 7 she 6 the-one-who-gave-the-accusation 8 to-him 9 the-musician 10 (and she knew that a fight was about to begin).

157. "Ug, 1 compadre 2 mine, 3 you-know-how-to-play!" 158. "At-your-service, 1 compadre 2 and 3 thus 4 may-be-we 6 (the) same." 5 159. "Wíngubei₁ bágia₂ catei₃ lun₄ giára₅ lan₆ nájingichujan₇ catei,₈ compadre."

160. Úati 1 wügüri 2 lun 3 labínajan 4 tuma 5 wanúi 6 to 1 lugúndun 8 wügüri 9 le, 10 emeíndüti. 11 161. Ligía 1 tia 2 boúgudi 3 tubeí. 4 162. Sun 1 labínajan 1úmagiñe 3 ladaúnrün 4 disi 5 bou 6 tarúgan, 7 aban 8 jiñáru 9 to 10 163. Mígiragüdün 1 lumútu. 2 164. Ligía, 1 dan 2 le 3 laganoúbei 4 luágu 5 wübü 6 ligía, 7 ábanrügü 8 lubeí 9 tebénari 10 luban. 11 165. Mafúnederetu. 1 166. Anjein 1 erédera 2 daúdaüñaja 3 yágüta, 4 laríjibei 5 sun 6 le 7 lunbei 8 lebélurun 9 tidoun 10 muna 11 to, 12 porque 13 ñeígiñeba 14 lebélura. 15 167. Bueno. 1

168. ''Wiña₁ ba,₂ compadre.₃ 169. Wiña₁ ba.₂ 170. ''Wiña₁ ba,₂ an₃ abínaja₄ námuga.''₅

171. "Báfaguagüle, an $_2$ náfuraya $_3$ bun $_4$ lun $_5$ giára $_6$ lan $_7$ babínajan."

159. "Better-to-play₁ you-again₂ thing₃ (another piece) so₄ that₆ it-be-possible₅ my-wiggling₇ thing₈ (waist), compadre."₉

160. There-was-no₁ man₂ for₃ his-dancing₄ with-her₅ the₇ gossiper₆ because₈ this₁₀ man₉ he-was-jealous.₁₁ 161. That's-why₁ it-was₂ outside₃ she-was.₄ 162. All₁ his-dancing₂ from-it₃ its-ringing₄ ten₅ (until) breaking₆ dawn₇ this₁₀ one₈ woman.₉ 163. Not-turn-loose₁ he-her.₂ 164. That's why_{1,9} time₂ which₃ his-living₄ on-it₅ the₇ hill,₆ only-one₈ its-door₁₀ his-house.₁₁ 165. It-had-no-windows.₁ 166. If-he₁ (anyone) remained₂ hidden₃ over-there,₄ he-will-see-him,₅ anyone₆ who₇ is-to₈ enter₉ into-it₁₀ the₁₂ house₁₁ because₁₃ it-will-be-through-there₁₄ he-must-enter.₁₅ 167. Very-well.₁

168. "Play-again₁ you, 2 compadre. 169. Play-again₁ you. 2
170. Play-again₁ you₂ and 1-would 5 dance."
171. "At-your-service₁ and 1-will-blow-again₃ for-you₄ in-order₅

172. Lajúcurunu 1 jiñáru to, 3 garáragua 10un. 173. Manúfudeeliti 1 cutéte 1013 jiñáru to 105 den. 174. Línchuni 1 1arúna 1014 tadágarun 100001, "Üg! 175. Üg! 176. Maní 12 120001, 10001, 10001, 10001, 10001, 10001, 10001, 10001, 10000, 1000, 1000, 1000, 1000, 1000, 1000, 1000, 100

177. "Ida₁ liñági₂ abínajani₃ le,₄ compadre?"

178. "Bídinbei₁ aríñaga₂ nuágu₃ ítara?"₄ 179. Ayánujaruti₁ buga^{*} wanúi₂ to₃ lunti₄ buga^{*} tani₅ weíriei₆ que₇ 'Maskin₈ lus₉ his₁₀ chipskin₁₁ an₁₂ torn₁₃ laik₁₄ a₁₅ bon₁₆ di₁₇ werams,'₁₈ luáguti₁₉ lanti₂₀ buga^{*} weíriei.₂₁ 180. "An₁ compadre₂ waü, 3 cágie₄ uágu₅ biábibei₆ aríñaga₇ yara₈ que₉ Maskin₁₀ lus₁₁ his₁₂ chipskin₁₃ an₁₄ torn₁₅ laik₁₆ a₁₇ bon₁₈ di₁₉ werams?₂₀ 181. Jalíagi, 1 compadre, 2 nidín₃ íwerujei₄ tíu₅ bilűgün₆ mudún₇ tun, 8 nege, 9 nisábadun₁₀

that, it-be-possible, your-dancing."8

172. He-hooked-arms-with-her₁ the₃ woman, $_2$ turned₄ he-her.₅ 173. Lizard₂ was-no-longer-afraid₁ from-her₃ the₅ woman₄ then.₆ 174. His-extending-it₁ his-arm₂ to-her₃ for₄ her-dancing₅ with-him,₆ ''Ug!₇ 175. Ug!₁ 176. Let-it-be₂ quiet₁ the₄ dance,₃ compadre₅ mine."₆

177. "And how is it 1-2 the dance, compadre?" 5

178. 'Will-you-go₁ to-say₂ about-me₃ thus?''₄ 179. She-hadconversed₁ (past tense marker) the₃ gossiper₂ to-him₄ (past tense marker) her₅ old-man₆ that₇ 'Maskin₈ lost₉ his₁₀ sheepskin₁₁ and₁₂ it-looks₁₃ like₁₄ that-which₁₅ the₁₇ baboon₁₆ wears,₁₈ that₂₀ it-was-about-him₁₉ (past tense marker) old-man.₂₁ 180. ''And₁ compadre₂ mine,₃ and-what₄ about₅ your-coming₆ to-say₇ there₈ that₉ 'Maskin₁₀ lost₁₁ his₁₂ sheepskin₁₃ and₁₄ it-looks₁₅ like₁₆ that-which₁₇ the₁₉ baboon₁₈ wears?'₂₀ 181. When,₁ compadre,₂ my-going₃ to-rob₄ its-wool₅ your-animal₆ nigálasun, 11 nabíte, 12 nisímisin, 13 nubúnidin, 14 nubádun, 15 compadre? 16 182. Túmagiñe weyu 2 le, 3 compa, 4 giárati 5 magúferagua 6 wamá, 7 boy. 8 183. Gudá!"

sheep₇ for-it₈ you-say₉ my-shoes,₁₀ my-pants,₁₁ my jacket,₁₂ myshirt,₁₃ my-hat,₁₄ my-cane,₁₅ compadre?₁₆ 182. From-it₁ this₃ day,₂ compadre,₄ it-is-possible₅ no-longer-to-be-compadres,₆ we,₇ boy.₈ 183. This-is-a-delicate-matter!₁ (And they began to fight.)

- * Grammatical markers: <u>buga</u> past tense; <u>me</u> future tense; <u>san</u> question marker.
- ** English orthography.
- *** A Creole song from Punta Gorda.

THE GORILLA AND MONKEY CO-GODFATHERS

(Story-telling is an important feature of a Carib novena. The stories provide entertainment, help to keep the guests awake, and demonstrate the Carib outlook on a variety of subjects. The following story was told on such an occasion.)

This story is about one godfather and another godfather. Very well. This godfather, the monkey, had many sheep. If you went to the home of this godfather, from this side of the house to that side of the house you would see many sheep. There was the wool after it had been shorn from them, stored on the walls of the house. That person's house was eight stories high. He had it well arranged! There were the animals of this godfather.

In order to arrive at the home of the other godfather, the gorilla, you would have to spend three years walking on a hill in order to find his home. It was on top of a hill. There this man lived alone because he was jealous. He was the only one there. Any man who was to go there, the gorilla would see his arrival from way off down there. He would see him climbing to go to his house. She who was his wife was a gossiper. And this man, his house had only one door and no windows because it was sealed. All who were to enter, he had to see them leave through one door. He was jealous, that's why he went to live on a hill, so that men wouldn't go visit his house. Very well.

The day arrived for this gorilla, the day arrived when his birthday was approaching. Only three days to the gorilla's birthday, when the gorilla's cogodfather arrived to visit with him. When he arrived there, (the gorilla said): "Oh, at your service, co-godfather. You came at a good time, as if you were a mind-reader. I want us to make a bargain. Since you can play music, my co-godfather, and since my birthday is almost here, I want to celebrate it with your playing for us."

"I'm at your service, I am, my co-godfather. Oh, I'm going to play. I must play for you, and now I'm at your service about all that we're going to do, my co-godfather."

When it was only two days before the dance, then this gossiper said to the gorilla who was her husband: "Very well. And you, what will be your clothes for your birthday tomorrow? With what will you go to dance?"

"Don't worry, the gorilla said. This afternoon I'm going out. I'm going to buy my clothes there at the shop so that I can go out (to the dance). There's still lots of time before tomorrow."

Did he have money? More than the leaves on an avocado tree!

This man got dressed and went out with his long pants on. One pant leg was only to here (it was short), and the other was to there (it was long). One shirt sleeve was long and the other was short. This man went to the street. He now had only one ear, and only one nostril. The other part, who knows where it was? Or perhaps he was born on the earth that way? This man arrived at six o'clock in the afternoon at the home of his cogodfather. The godfather wasn't there; he was out taking a walk. Then the gorilla entered over the side of the house, taking sheep wool, taking this, taking, taking, piling it up under his arm. He went directly to the home of the tailor. At seven o'clock at night he arrived at the home of the tailor; by nine o'clock his coat was made, his pants, his shirt, his shoes, his hat, his socks. The man had made out all right with the wool from the sheep of his co-godfather, which he had stolen.

"You are not to say to co-godfather that I robbed his sheep's wool from the wall of his house for my clothes," said the gorilla to his woman. And she who was his woman--ha! That little woman! Well, she went faster than the Litegua bus there in Barrios!

The day arrived for them to have the dance. Then the musician (the monkey) arrived at the mansion. That mansion was little it was--three years to turn each of its corners! (But) when you entered inside, there was not one man. Lots of women from one corner of the hall to the other. Only women. Where were the men? They hadn't arrived yet.

Then the gorilla said to his woman: "It's better for you to go on ahead of me. You will wait for me in the street. I will hear the playing of godfather from here." (He sent her on ahead in order to find out if the monkey was talking about the robbery.)

Then the gossiper left the house. She went, she went, she went. In the middle of the road there was a tree--my, how big it was! When the gossiper went around the tree thus, it took her three years to go around the tree in order to take the straight road to go on her way. She was on the way, on the way, on the straight road to go on her way. She was on the way, on the way, on the arrived at the door of the mansion, then she called to her co-godfather to come to one side. "Let this be just between us, co-godfather," she said to him. "What's the matter, co-godmother?" "Do you know what music you're going to play?" "No, I don't, co-godmother." "What should be the song for you to play?" she said. (You should play):

"Maskin lost his sheepskin. It looks like that which the baboon wears. You lie. You lie. You lie. It looks like that which the baboon wears."

(But she gave him the words in Creole, and he didn't understand them.) "That's what you'll play," she said. "You shouldn't tell. That's what you should play." "What does the song mean, godmother?" asked the monkey. "That's what you'll play, godfather. Let it be that. I'll tell you tomorrow what it means."

Then this man took his cornet, he went to the side of the house, he tried it, he tried it, he tried it (the song which she had suggested that he play). It was all right.

There was still a woman who hadn't entered yet because, since she was so handsome,¹ she was shy in crowds. She was hiding along from one place to another.

There was the gorilla, pacing back and forth there in his house waiting to see what he would hear about this thing.

"Ug! At what hour will godfather come for his music? It would be better for me, it would, to play for godfather. Since godfather hasn't come, I will play so that he will hear my playing from there so that godfather will be able to come."

There was the gorilla getting dressed. There was the gorilla's coat still hung up. His co-godfather began to play so that the other godfather would hear it 'way off there and come from there, from San Gil where he lived.

"Ug! He has played. That's my co-godfather. Ug! That's the playing of my co-godfather for a fact." The gorilla jumped to be able to put on his coat. He got it down. He put his arm in one sleeve--o.k. When he put his arm in the other sleeve, the coat ripped down the back. It was too tight. "Ug!" he said. He jumped to one side, grabbed the shears to mend it according to custom. "All right," said this man (after he had repaired the coat.)

He arrived at the corner of the thick tree; it took him three years to make the turn and get on the straightaway. There came his wife. There came this person along the road.

She who was most beautiful, (a way of stating that she was very ugly) decided that now since the godfather was playing, this would be her opportunity to enter unobserved. Then she went to sit in a corner of the house, cuddled up and head down.

A little later Mr. Lizard entered. Who knows why he didn't do that which he should have done at home? When he arrived he promenaded up and down the salon. When the time arrived for the musician to play, then this man went out to relieve himself. When he will enter there will be no women (with whom he can dance). Only one woman. There will be only one woman, she who is the most beautiful there in the corner. That woman was beautiful, she was!

When the gorilla entered (he said): "Play, godfather. Play, godfather. We're going to dance, we are, here tonight." There was the gossiper in the corner of the house molesting the musician. There was the lizard relieving himself when he heard the music.

The gorilla went to look for his woman. When he arrived at the door he hooked arms with her, he turned her so they would be able to dance to this piece. He hugged her, he grabbed her, he gave her a turn, he threw her, he let her go ahead of him waggling her body. There was her man behind her.

The lizard entered after relieving himself. He looked around, he looked around. There was this woman, thus. This frog (the "beautiful" woman) was swollen up in the corner of the house. He extended his arm to her. He was afraid because this woman was swollen up (indicating that she was very angry). He extended his arm again to her. He was afraid of her, for a fact! When he extended his arm again to her she turned, and he had her in his hands. Thus she went ahead of him dancing. "Well, co-godfather, you know how to play," said the gorilla. "What do you do to be able to play this well? It's okay, co-godfather!"

When the women sat down in the mansion there was not one chair vacant. Occupied, occupied, occupied. (It was so crowded that) there was one on the shoulder of another in order that these women rest in the house, because the house was full of dancers. And this woman (the frog), since the lizard released her (from dancing) at the corner of the house, she didn't sit among the other women. Yes, she was very beautiful, sitting there by herself as before.

When the gorilla released his companion after they had danced, she went outside again. She stayed outside. She was unwilling to remain in the house since she was the one who had told the musician about the robbery and she knew that soon they would be fighting inside because of the robbery.

"Ug, my co-godfather, you know how to play!"

"At your service, co-godfather, and may the dance go on as happily."

"Better play another song so I can wiggle my waist, co-godfather."

There was no man to dance with the gossiper because this man was jealous. That's why she stayed outside. All of his (the gorilla's) dancing from ten o'clock until dawn was with this one woman. He didn't release her to another. That's why he lived on that hill, and why there was only one door to his house. It had no windows. If someone were hiding along from place to place from a distance (in order to sneak up to the gorilla's house) the gorilla would see anyone who might enter the house because through that one door he had to enter. Very well.

"Play again, godfather. Play again. Play again and I would dance."

"At your service, and I will play again for you so you can dance."

He (the lizard) hooked arms with this woman (the frog) and turned her. Now the lizard wasn't afraid of this woman anymore for a fact (because he had danced with her before and everything had gone well). But when he stretched out his arm to her to dance, "Ug! Ug! Stop this dance, my co-godfather," (said the gorilla).

"What do you mean, 'stop the dance,' co-godfather?"

"What do you mean, going around talking about me like that?" The gossiper had told her old man that the song "Maskin lost his sheepskin and that it looked like that which the baboon wore" was dedicated to him, and referred to him. "And, my co-godfather, what about your saying there that 'Maskin lost his sheepskin and that it looks like that which the baboon wears?' And when, co-godfather, did I go to rob your sheep's wool in order, you say, to make my shoes, my pants, my coat, my shirt, my hat, and my socks, co-godfather? From this day, co-godfather, we can't be co-godfathers any longer, boy. This is a serious business." And with that they started to fight.

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