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## 6 Toad and Hawk - Sapo y Mwan

1. Ayan	inte'	ojrone	r	ak'ajn	a	e	sapo	taka	e	mwan	•
There is	a	story		is told	about	the	toad	with	the	hawk.	
Che	ke'	tanto	e diya	!	e	mwan		ub'ijnı	1	ixin	
They say	that	one da	ıy		the	hawk		decide	d	to go	
tya'	turu		e	katata'	,	tu't	k'in.		Utajwi	ub'a	
to where	is		the	Our Fa	ather	in	sky.		He end	counter	ed
taka e	sapo.										
with the	toad.										
20. Uya're		e	sapo	ke',		"Ne'n	k'ani		inxin	inxana	ı
He said to	0	the	toad	that,		"I	am go	ing	to go	walkir	ng
tichan	tya'		turu	e	dyos.'	,	E	mwan	i	e	sapo
up above	to whe	ere	sits	the	God."		The	hawk	and	the	toad
che	ke'	komp	agryob'		taka	e	sapo.		Ja'xto	e	sapo
they say	that	good f	riends		with	the	toad.		Then	the	toad
che	uya're		ukomp	agre,		"K'ani	i	inxin		takare	t."
said	he said	d to	his frie	end,		"I wan	ıt	to go		with y	ou."
38. Entonses		e	mwan		che	"Ne't	mix	uyub'i	k	chiket	!"
Then		the	hawk		said,	"You	not	able		you go	o!'

Pero	e	sapo		kay	uche			ubolsa		ukompagre.		
But	the	toad		began	he did	watch	over	his bag		his frie	end.	
Ocho	y	ch'a'n		tamar.		I	konda		ub'ijnı	1	e	mwan
He en	tered	to lie d	lown	in it.		And	when		decide	d	the	hawk
i'xin,		e	sapo	i'x		ch'a'r		tama		e	bolsa.	
to go,		the	toad	already	ý	lying		inside		the	bag.	
60. I		konda	ixto		k'otoy		e	mwan		tya'	turu	
A	and	when	then		arrived	l	the	hawk		where	sat	
e	dyos,		i	e	sapo		wak'cl	netaka		lok'oy		tama
the	God,		and	the	toad		immed			came o		from
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e the	<i>bolsa</i> bag		i and	upejka spoke		ukomp his frie	Ü		E The	mwan hawk		ya're, said,
tiic	oug		una	<b>Брокс</b>		ms me	iid.		THE	nawk		Suru,
"Tuk	ora	yo'pe'	t	tara		kompa	gre?"					
"Wha	t time	you ca	me	here,		friend?	)"					
70. E	Intonses		che	e	sapo,		"Ne'n		mas		b'ajxa	n
Т	hen		said	the	toad,		"I		more		early	
yo'pe	'n	ke'		ne't."								
I cam		than		you."								
75. Ja		e	mwan		che,		"Pero		kompa		kocha	
Т	hen	the	hawk		said,		"But,		friend,		how	

tarye't?"
you came?"

Then

he let himself

80. "Pero	tarye'n,	mas	pajxan		yo'pe'n		ke'	ne't."	
"But	I was here,	more	early		I arrived		than you."		
83. Ja'xto	konda	asutpa	tari e		mwan,		i ja'xir		
Then	when	returned	here	the	hawk,		and	he	
ketpa.	Ma'chixto	uyub'i	twa'		water		ya'.	E	
remained.	No longer	it possible	for him		to come		there.	The	
mwan,	kocha	ayan	uwich',		wak'chetaka			ch'uwa	an
hawk,	since	he had	his wings,		immediately			floated	l
tari.	Yo'pa	k'axi	ta rum.						
here.	He came	falling	to earth.						
95. I	ja'xir,	kocha	ma'chixto		una'ta		kocha		twa'
And	he (the toad),	since	not		he knew		how		to
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e'kmay,	asutpa	uwira	u't		e	rum.		Che	
come down,	returned	to look	it surface		the	ground.		He sai	d
ta <i>uyalm</i>	a, "Peru	kisas	erer		inxin		ub'an."		
to himself, "But		maybe	can		I go		the same way."		,,
101. Entonse.	s uyakta	ub'a	tari		ch'uw	an	tari		tu't

come here

floating

coming here in

k'in, konda k'axi yo'pa tama u't e the sky, and when he came falling to its surface inyajrer jek'pa unak' tya' uyob'i ub'a. e rum, all at once spread out his belly where he hit himself. the earth, Yo'pa k'axi. jek'cha unak'. Inyajrer He came falling. All at once spread out his belly. 114. I kawira kone'r nojta' poreso e sapo And that is why today the toad we see large unak'. I che chu'o'r ukejreb'. Porke' ayan wide his shoulders. Because his belly. And he has they say ke' ja'x uyob'i ub'a, e tya' tya' yo'pa where he struck himself, where he came that that is the k'axi, porke' ma'chi ixto taresna umen falling, because was brought not then by ukompagre. Ya' aktana. his friend. There he was left. 126. *I* che jente kone'r, poresu e e sapo And that is why the people today, the toad say ch'i' unak', porke' ja'x tya' uyob'i ub'a. e he struck himself. it grew his belly, because that the where

Pero	ne'n	maja'x	ya'		wa'ren		inwira		konda	
But	I	not	there		standing		looking		when	
yo'pa	tama	u'	't	e	1	rum,		ke' si	,	ya'
he came	to	its surface		the	earth,		if yes,		,	there
wa'ren		inwira	inlat'a		ani		tama		nib'ito	r
I was standing		looking	I woul	I would have		caught him			my hat	

ta' ma'chi uyob'i ub'a. so that not he strike himself.