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## Story 2 (Part 2)

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## Mani Story 2<sup>1</sup>

ŋɔ mi kɔ ki. kena pum wɔ:n ce. kɔnɔ i cen nya yen-e-yen, fɔ long bɛt kɔ ɔ. bɔng kɔ pum, ŋɔ lɔy, pɛ lɔn lɔ. pɛ ce lɔn lɔ. o ywe pum, bɔm ce kɔ ɔ fil (original in So: kɔ falin). i kɔndi kɔ dɛ. kena ce wɔ kɔ huniɛ. wɔ lɛy nfɔl nfɔl nfɔl ma mi pak (correct would be 'nya lɛ'). nfɔl nfɔl nfɔl ma mi pak, kana fɔ mɔ langban ce kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. wɔ kɔ ko cur nya lɛ a gbenti di ywe (verb for to catch contains ɛ but storyteller says ə and transcription speaker says e). ywe ɔ:nɛ i bi nɔn. pɛlɛ awa nSɛmi wɔ bɛ lɔ wɔn kɔn. nfɔl nfɔl nfɔl ma mi pak. nfɔl nfɔl nfɔl ma mi pak. kana fɔ mɔ langban ce, ma mi pak, kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. kana fɔ mɔ mɔ. kɔ lɔ ce haan ywe ɔ wɔn kɔn. lɛ pɛ yaŋ mi yi. ɛ pɛ mpum ma celɔni mpum ma lɔy. nya lɛy. langban ce ma: pak. pɛ fɔm mɔ lay. mpum ma kɔ lɔn ko gbɔnkɔ ce kol (correct: mpum ma pɛ kɔ lɔn ko gbɔnkɔ ce kol). (incomprehensive). pɔmul wɔ lɔy, wɔni nya lɛy fɔkɔ lɔ lɔn. tek! nda fɔ la ma ɔ pak. nwo lɛ pɔmul.