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Bahati was the Princess of the land of Sushusa.



For many years, Sushusa didn't receive a single drop of rain. Famine

struck the land. All sources of water dried out. As a result, people had no food or water. Plants started to die and animals suffered.



Princess Bahati's father, the King of Sushusa , worked hard with his

advisors to find a solution.





Princess Bahati liked sitting with her father during these meetings. She

listened as advisors made one suggestion after another.



Princess Bahati started to think about a possible solution as well. She

couldn't stand to see the people,  
plants, and animals suffer.



She wanted to share her ideas with her father, but he considered Princess

Bahati far too young to be taken seriously in the matters of running a kingdom.



She went to her mother, the Queen.  
The Queen listened to her proposal,

and promised to help Princess Bahati  
get a fair hearing from the King.





The Queen pleaded with the King and his advisors to hear out Princess

Bahati.



Finally, the King agreed and granted Princess Bahati the chance to explain

her plan. Princess Bahati stood before the royal court and started explaining her idea.



She advised that the people of  
Sushusa could harvest rain water the

next time it rains, by digging a big water reservoir.



They can also direct water from the river into the reservoir. The King and his advisors were impressed. They accepted her plan, and executed it with the citizens of Sushusa.



Princess Bahati led the youth of Sushusu to help execute the plan.



Together, they dug a big reservoir.



The next time it rained, all of the rain water was directed into the reservoir.

The river water was also channeled into it.



Eventually, there was abundant water for people, animals and plants alike.

Thanks to Princess Bahati, new life  
now flourished in the land of  
Sushusa.



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