B: These are, a- all this stuff is always going to affect the poorest of the poor because they .

B: w- will wash their babies in the rivers that are from these streams, in the, it's because we've had so much rain, .

A: yeah .

B: and the the urine from the rats that are in the garbage .

A: oh gosh .

B: travels the waterways .

A: oh they do .

B: if people do their wash in the rivers, .

A: yeah .

B: it it can come through their clothes.

B: pe-.

A: oh .

B: babies are bathed in that .

A: yeah .

B: the people bathe in that so it's it's ah.

B: many times you know when you think of, am I in danger, I there are precautions you know that I take that .

A: yeah .

B: the poor just don't have .

A: they just don't have .

B: no .

A: so do you have a\_lot\_of the people around you with that?

A: a\_lot\_of people near you?

B: no it's more in the north.

B: we're we're further south, here in Managua .

A: oh .

B: in the north, where all these mountain streams come down and form these rivers .

A: yeah .

B: but now the rains, uh I think the rains are coming to an end.

B: we had an-, a little rain the day before yesterday, but .

B: by the time December starts, we have .

B: ah, the wind, the lovely winds of December.

A: oh, and December has started .

B: yeah, so that the rains will pr-.

B: maybe it'll rain a li-, a few more times but not not hard like we've ha-, we've had a .

B: very rainy season I mean, that's that's how the rainy season is .

B: it's just that for seven years we never had one.

A: oh, gosh .

B: I always thought it was a little mild on the &=distortion rain side you know .

A: yeah .

B: thinking oh boy .

A: yeah .

A: how are the kids doing?

A: your children that you ah .

A: work with .

B: oh, we we have a we had their finale yesterday for the activities from October to November .

A: oh you did .

B: oh, it was so cute.

A: what did you do?

B: the little fixing set, what?

A: what did you do?

B: well, every, every group like we had flute and and these there were four .

B: that completed the first book of the Suzuki method.

B: they've been .

A: right.

B: going now for two years, four semesters .

B: and they played four lovely songs .

A: oh .

B: and then these other kids that are that just started in August, some knew a few more than others, so as I introduced .

B: the song they knew that they had ah taken their exam in it or not, and then they they'd come in and join the group that was there already .

A: oh, my .

B: so there were about four different groups of kids that came in according to the songs they knew .

A: yeah .

B: that was cute.

B: and then .

B: Carol Seline Fantile was at, at uh activities I have with six and seven year olds .

A: uh huh .

B: and they were just precious.

B: They they learned hi, and goodbye .

A: they did .

B: maybe I told you on the tape .

A: I've, yes .

A: and we loved the tape .

B: and this one kid's .

B: he that one kid's .

B: hi, like it's a karate word .

A: ooh .

B: so I said, when we all get up there, we're going to say, I'm going to say one, two three, and we're all going to say hi .

B: we're karofelt infantiles and they did .

B: and then they learned a little English, for their uh, there's a little rhyme you know like, eyes, head shoulders knees toes eyes .

A: yeah .

B: ears mouth nose.

B: well I had a\_lot\_of fun with that, we played Simon Says and all sorts of stuff so .

B: they went through that little routine, and then sang a song that's um Reno\_del\_Reves the kingdom of reverse.

A: oh .

B: and it had six different little verses, one nuttier than the other and they, and they put the actions to it it was so cute.

A: yeah.

A: did they have a big audience?

B: all the parents come .

A: oh .

B: and brothers and sisters, yeah, it was a nice big audience .

A: and, is this like outside?

B: uh huh, abajo a, a, underneath a a ranchone which is just a construction of a thatched roof on poles.

A: yeah .

B: so you don't have walls, it's nice and airy.

B: it's real nice .

A: oh .

B: and then of course they have oh and we also had stories that s- some of the kids wrote.

B: and the ones that ah wrote the best story got .

B: a prize yesterday, and all the children that ah .

B: came half time or more .

B: to these courses got a certificate of participation .

A: oh .

B: so they all came up, and each one got their certificate .

B: my, it was so official .

A: so what do you do now, do you get ready for the next semester?

A: you're finished?

B: right.

B: yeah.

B: well next e-.

A: finished with the semester .

B: next ah, well tomorrow, I said this isn't any class, and it isn't ah you don't have to come if you don't want to .

B: uh .

B: to prac-, to just play songs to Parisima .

A: oh, and they'll come .

B: ah, yeah, and see some some families .

B: uh, I just thought this was a cultural thing I don't want to impose any religion on anybody .

A: yeah .

B: but I said d- uh, s- and so some some children do not .

B: sing Parisima songs I said well you don't have to come .

B: but the next monday we're going to sing Christmas songs .

B: so come next monday .

A: oh.

B: so we'll have some fun .

A: you sing .

B: and the chil- some of the children are still in school, but the .

A: yeah .

B: majority have finished .

A: you sing [song name]?

B: is the what?

A: do you sing [song name]?

B: oh yes, uhhuh .

A: [singing].

A: oh, this is so good to talk to you to think that we don't have to pay for this Wana .

B: yeah .

B: you you s- you sound better than the last time, you sounded so tired I think you fell asleep .

A: I- I I probably did .

B: o, and then when I heard Michael was there I thought oh, my .

A: yeah that's why .

A: that's why, Michael is in Omaha .

B: yeah .

A: he calls every day though practically .

B: oh, gosh .

A: he knows he's four and a half years old .

A: and he's got everything under the sun plus a little .

A: kitchen now .

A: so .

A: yeah, he calls all the time, and then when he wants to hang up.

A: he goes .

B: aw .

A: well you go take care of Mary Pat, hallelujah goodbye, I love you .

A: and then he hangs up .

B: how's &Vicky holding up under all that?

A: well, she gets her her colds and she gets her pneumonia, but .

B: ah .

A: she's worried about him because Michael has about three kinds of pneumonia going through him right now .

B: oh lord .

A: but he just goes ab-, he goes about doing what he's going to do.

A: and they take antibiotics .

A: you know, do your children get real sick there?

B: aw.

B: they, they have, eh some of them have such little resistance .

B: because there, there's a susceptibility for a a respiratory problem .

A: uh huh .

B: they've the and so ah .

B: when they get a cold, they get so sick .

A: oh:.

B: and ah you know they just can't come for the activities, and when they do come back, you can just see it in their little eyes, they they don't want to miss again .

B: but there's, they are they're so sick .

A: oh.

B: and because of the rain, when it rains the, I mean they're ju- they're not walking with an umbrella and they, they, like to be out in the rain but it's kind of chilly, and then they get a cold and .

B: I don't mind, I don't find it chilly, but they do .

A: hm.

A: but you've been well huh?

B: well I I am well now, .

A: what happened?

B: I had a goofy November .

A: you did?

B: oh, yeah, up to .

A: thinking about you especially hard in November .

B: aw-.

A: did you have a cold?

B: I'll tell you when I see you .

A: yeah.

A: okay .

B: n- oh it was something different this year .

A: oh, dear .

B: started out with, it started out with diarrhea .

A: aw and you're better now?

B: and ah, oh yeah, oh yeah, we had some doctors here from Spain .

B: who come, well this is the second year now .

A: yeah .

B: and they're oh, it's so beautiful, they, they divide their time between Ciudad\_San\_Dino and Acawalinca which is this .

B: barrio that's right on this polluted lake and the end of the garbage route .

A: uhhuh .

B: and ah, Bata\_Ola .

A: yeah .

B: and so two days a week, they'd come out to Ciadad\_San\_Dino .

A: yeah .

B: so I I went to them and they gave me some tough medicine.

A: oh .

B: and ah, you know when you get the tough medicine then after that right now I happen to be drying leaves that ah .

B: Alejandro brought me because his grandmother .

B: always takes that when her feet swell.

A: oh, she does .

B: I yeah, I'm sure it's a kidney .

B: tail end of this .

A: yeah, yeah .

B: medicine, so yeah .

A: oh, my goodness .

B: yeah, I'm fine.

B: I I'm really feeling good again.

A: you're feeling good again.

A: thank god .

B: yeah, yeah .

A: well, thank god, he you know ah .

A: when I hang up with you, then then I'm going to get mom dialed to talk to you, so don't go too far away, okay?

B: oh okay .

A: but each one has to be a special call .

B: wonderful .

A: so yeah, it is really great, so I I'm the first one that must've called Irene has .

B: how did you ever find this?

A: through through Sister Kathy\_McNulty in our community.

A: she gave it to Fran .

B: oh .

A: you know to Kate .

A: and it says here .

B: oh .

A: call home free anywhere in the world and .

A: ah, as part of these studies we're you are offered a free long distance phone call anywhere in the world .

A: and ten dollars for your time .

A: we can talk once .

B: oh .

A: with anyone for up to thirty minutes.

A: both parties should be native .

B: oh how marvelous .

A: yeah, we have to be native speakers of American English .

A: so the identities of the participants will be kept confidential .

B: oh .

A: but isn't that great?

B: a- yeah .

A: she's working on this research through the University of Pennsylvania .

B: she herself .

A: please .

B: she herself, as McNulty is .

A: yeah, I think so.

A: yeah .

B: ah .

A: or that or she works ah, I forgot the organization that she works for I should have .

A: I should remember that and put that down , because she does work .

B: well god bless her .

A: here, she works out of an office here .

B: ah .

A: ah, yeah, yes .

B: how's your health?

A: oh, fine .

A: fine I'm I'm doing fine.