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#### b) Why did the driver not approve of buying fruits from the boys?

The driver did not approve of the narrator buying fruits from the two boys because of their shabby appearance.

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Nicola, the elder was thirteen years old and Jacopo was nearly twelve years old. One of them put on a worn jersey and cut-off khaki pants; the other a shortened army tunic gathered in loose folds about his skinny frame. They had brown skins, tangled hair and dark earnest eyes. On the whole they had their shabby appearance but attracted people.

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