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The girl's father and Mr. Bellavista planted new seeds after the girl's father apologized to Mr. Bellavista and helped him with his garden.

Mr. Bellavista has to live in a nursing home because he was sick.



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