### THE TREASURE MAP



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#### DEDICATED TO MY PARENTS

In Brazil there is a town named Salvador, one kilometer from Salvador lived Fred and Tom, they were best friends.

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In school they were the poorest kids, everyone bullied them. Fred did not care but Tom did.

Fred was the smartest in his class.



One day on their way to school they heard someone cry for help. Tom said not to help them but Fred could not stand it and ran to help.



It was the evil bandit that only cares about money. He was stealing from the richest kid in school.



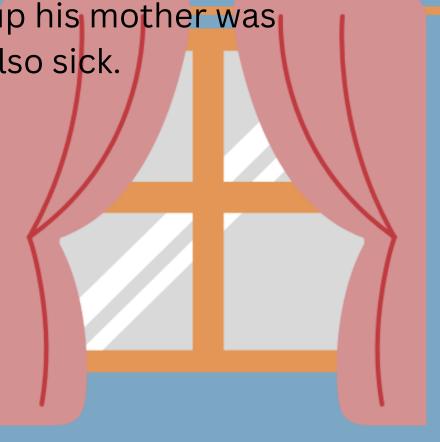
They asked an adult for help but the evil bandit was running away. The adult who came to help chased him but the evil bandit got away.

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Then Tom and Fred went to school. In recess time there was a big group. Someone had found something. It was a map to the Amazon River and it looked like it was a treacherous journey to get there. Fred took the map home. A few days later when Fred woke up his mother was sick. Tom's mother was also sick.







They unfortunately did not have enough money to take their mothers to the hospital. Fred was thinking on what to do.



Then suddenly he had an idea he told Tom his idea. He said to Tom the only way to find money was to follow the map to the Amazon River.

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Tom said we may not make it because it is a treacherous journey, but there is no other way.

## We may not make it there.

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They looked at the map and planned where to go. They started to follow the map.



They walked all the way to the Amazon River but there was one problem, they did not have a boat, and so they built one. They tried to sail their boat and it worked. They got on their boat and sailed away. Then it started to get dark. Fred and Tom were both tired and hungry so they decided to stop their boat to eat. After they ate, while they were getting ready to sail again they heard something. It was another boat and it was the evil bandit. They sailed as fast as they could. They lost him so they decided to rest and they went to bed.

The next day they went hunting for food. While they were, the evil bandit was about to attack them but a huge cat came to their rescue and saved their lives. The evil bandit ran away.

# it fish and the cat liked us.Tom named the cat Tim.

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We found some berries and went back to the boat. But we had to go through rocks and strong currents on the boat.

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We had to stop and make repairs to the boat. While we made repairs we had to camp at the place where stopped.Tom made a fire. The next morning Tim was fighting a leopard that came to our camp area.

## The leopard ran away.Tim got a few scratches but he was fine.

A day later Fred and Tom found the treasure. But then the evil bandit showed up, Fred fought with him. Tim got angry and swallowed the evil bandit whole. Fred and Tom went back with the treasure together without tim they left him in the forest where he can be free. When they got back home they used the treasure to bring their moms to the hospital. Their moms got better. But then with all the power and money they now had they turned into mean people.

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Fred and Tom went back to school. At school they showed off and made fun of other people who did not have what they had, and then nobody wanted to be their friend anymore.

> Ha ha you do not have this.

They then realized that money is not the answer to everything because they had turned so mean to everyone and nobody wanted to be their friend.

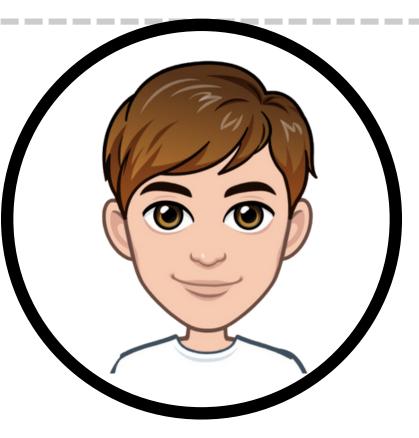
Now nobody is our friend.

Because of their behavior as a result of the treasure and money they had, they forgot what's really important, and that is to have friends.



So Tom and Fred went and apologized to everyone at school. They said sorry for being a bully and being mean. Some of their money they gave it to the hospital that their moms went to. They helped a lot of people. We are sorry too. We are sorry.

The moral of the story is that money does not solve all our problems, and it can sometimes lead to other problems. It is important to not be mean to other people if they do not have what you have, we should be grateful for what we have and our friends, the end.



Hello my name is yago. I am from Peru. I like surfing, skating, soccer and teakwondo. I got inspired by adventure stories and how good they are. The Treasure Map tells the story of Tom & Fred who explore the Amazon River on a treacherous journey to find treasure, and then learn that money is not the answer to everything.

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