

"I am sad when they take me from my mom and dad to the Children's House. I wonder if I would get another family. One month, I wait. Some people come from America. They look at me and my sister. They don't like us. They don't take us."

Excerpt from *My New Life* by Ruslan Sharpe, grade 4  
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"Every day in my country, I draw in the sand with my friends. We draw flowers, our house, and people. At school we had desks made out of sticks. We drew but we did not paint."

Excerpt from *From My Village to America* by Ange Munyaneza, grade 5  
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