Picking up the Pieces

Every day, Dorothy and her grandfather would take a walk. They would start at the house and go along the road until they reached the candy shop, then turn around and go back. When they reached the house, they would turn and start out once more. Sometimes they did this as many as four times.

picking up - 拾起
Every day - 每天
Grandfather - 爷爷
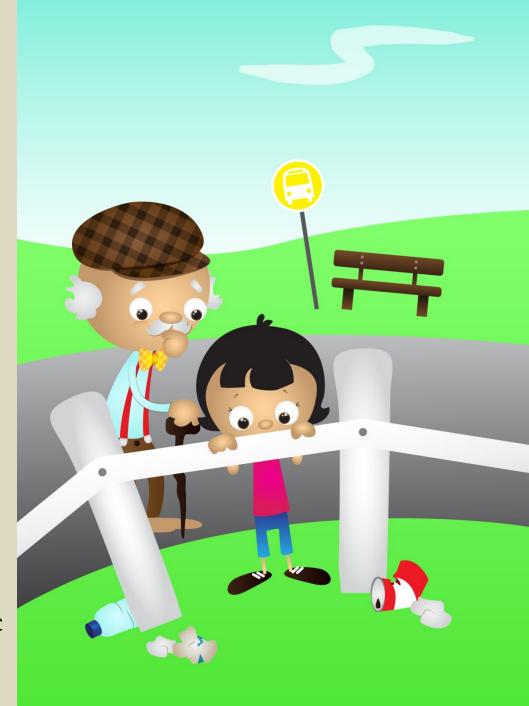walk - 走
start - 开始
house - 房子
road - 道路

candy shop - 糖果店
go back - 回去
reached - 到达
once more - 再次
sometimes - 有时
four times - 四次

Sometimes Dorothy got bored of walking with her grandfather. She began thinking about the other things she wanted to do.

Then one day, as she looked at the trees and flowers in the hedges, she thought, *It's a pretty road, but what a pity there is so much trash lying around everywhere.*
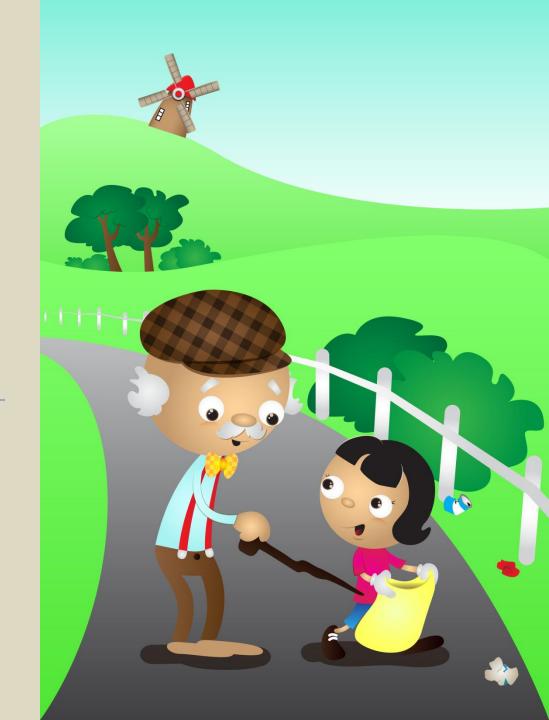
bored - 无聊
other things - 其他的事情
wanted - 想要的
one day - 一天
trees - 树
flowers - 鲜花

hedges -树篱
thought - 认为
pretty - 漂亮
what a pity - 可惜
trash - 垃圾
everywhere－ 到处

And so one day when she went on her walk, she took an empty bag and her gardening gloves with her. She began to pick up the pieces of trash and put them in her bag. Her grandfather helped her.

Every day, they cleaned up the hedges by the road.

took - 花
empty bag - 空袋
gardening gloves - 园艺手套
pick up - 拾取
pieces of trash - 垃圾片
helped - 帮助
cleaned up – 清理
by - 旁边

Then one day they heard some exciting news. There had been a competition for the cleanest village in the county, and their village had won first prize.

"I'm sure your cleaning up helped with that," Dorothy's grandfather said to her.

"You helped too!" said Dorothy with a smile, giving her grandfather a hug.

heard - 听到
exciting - 扣人心弦
news - 新闻
competition - 竞争
cleanest - 最干净

village - 村
county - 县
won - 韩元
first prize - 头彩
hug - 搂