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An old man sits in the park. He is feeding the birds. It's cold. The icy wind cuts his face like a blade. A small boy stands on the path and looks at the man. He thinks the man's face looks kind.



“Hello,” the boy says, and sits down next to the old man. The boy likes to chat.





“Good morning,” says the man. He
throws the last bit of bread to the birds
and then he blows into his hands.



“Does that keep you warm?” asks
the boy.



“Not for long.” The man smiles.

“How come you’re on your own? Where is your mum?”

