

The Blind Man

and

The Crippled Man

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1. What was the name of the blind man?
2. What town did he live in?
3. Who was Mr. Fotorma's neighbour?
4. How did Mr. Fogelema get around?
5. What happened to the blind man one day?
6. Why didn't the crippled man get out of the way?
7. How did Fotorma and Fogelema decide to help each other?

On a clean sheet of paper draw a picture.

Here are some ideas:

- The blind man being led by a boy holding his arm.
- The crippled man being carried.
- The blind man falling over the crippled man.
- The two neighbours helping each other.