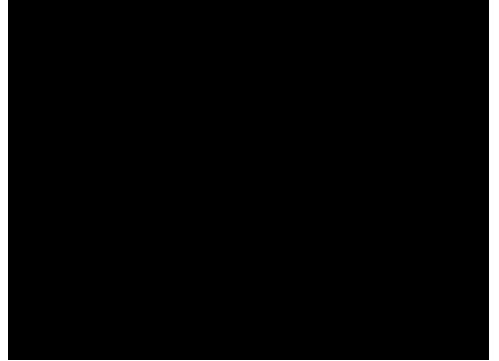
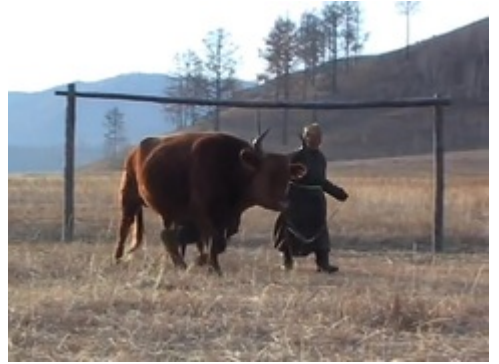


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it is good to travel a long distance...



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to hold my beloved mother's hand



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The kite never lands on the lone tree...



on the face of the mountain



My silver-haired mother cannot come to me again



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The most important animals to me are the cattle





We pay close attention to the cows and watch who will be next to give birth...



When they are first born, sometimes they can't breathe properly...



so we pull out their ears and resuscitate by blowing in each ear



When they're born the wrong way around, Ochero pulls the calf out



If the placenta doesn't come out, we boil a medicinal plant...



so that the placenta will release. If it still isn't expelled, the cow...



becomes tired... it's the same with goats and sheep



If the placenta still doesn't come out, then it is taken out by hand

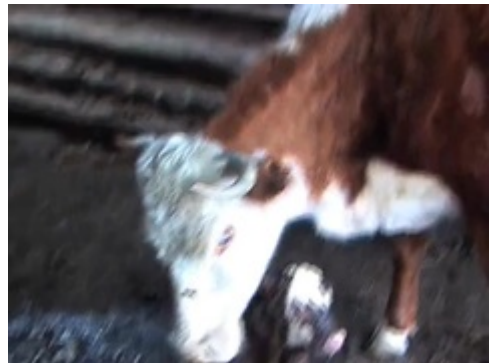




Oh, poor little calf...



Boy, or girl...ah, it's a girl





Oh, the hooves are so long.  
How can they be that long?



Lift, lift...ah, good calf



Good calf, you stood up...  
It's taking a long time to stand



OK, now the calf should suck  
her mother's milk



Poor thing. I'll name this calf 'Birthmark'  
because she has a birthmark...



on her forehead





Now the calf needs to suck from all four teats



OK, now stand, stand, stand...



'Oodon', 'Oodon', lick your calf well.



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