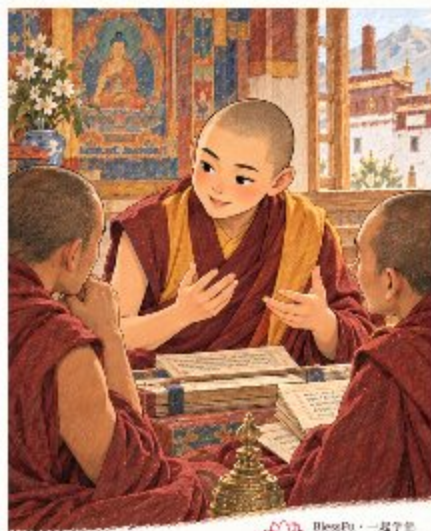
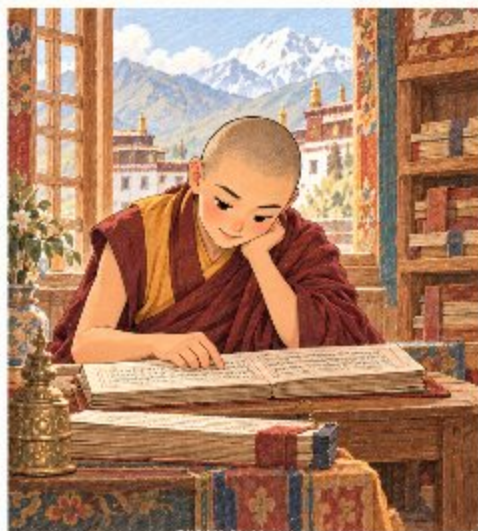
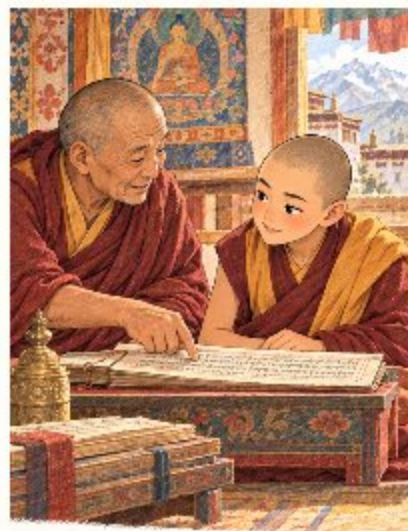


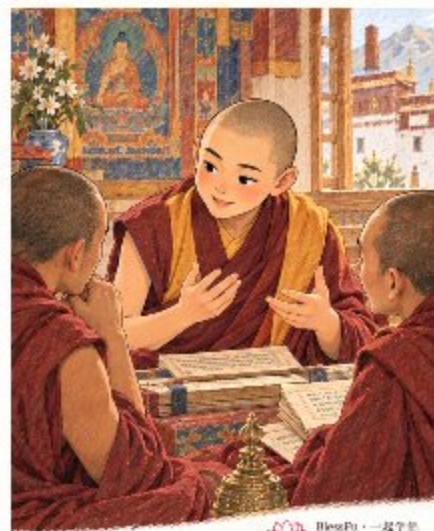
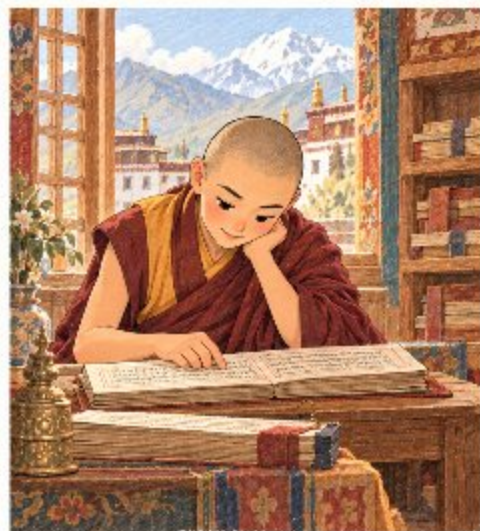
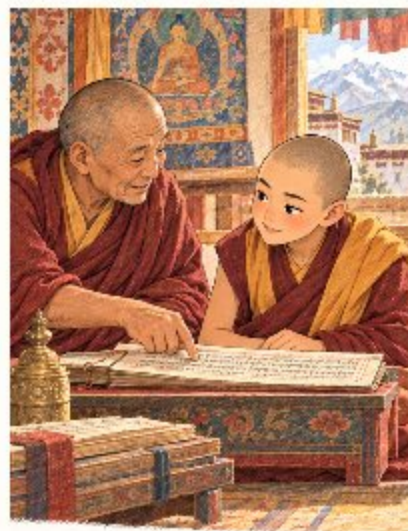
Tsongkhapa: Learning a Little Deeper

Learn together, one small step.

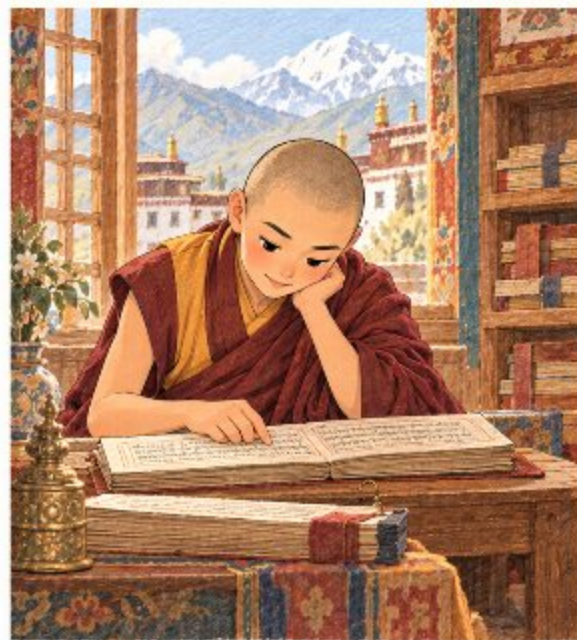


Look closely

Does knowing words by heart mean fully understanding them?



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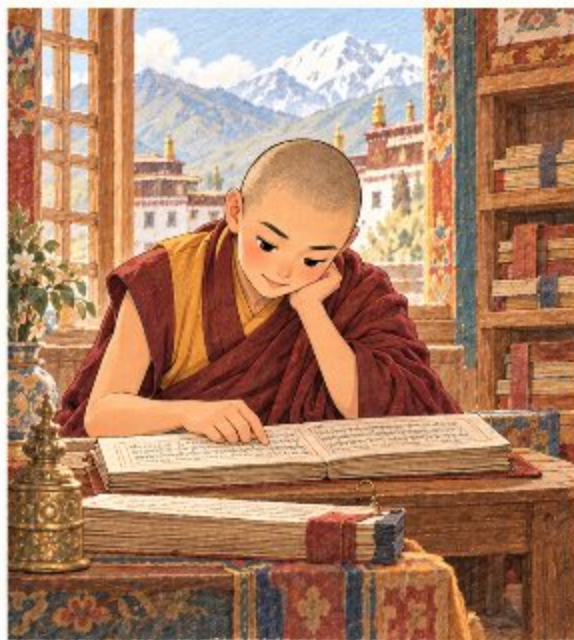


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Tsongkhapa lived in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries and is closely associated with the beginnings of the Gelug tradition. He studied in Amdo, then travelled to central Tibet to learn from teachers of different traditions. These three pictures imagine scenes of learning.

Pause and ask: Did he learn only from teachers in one place?

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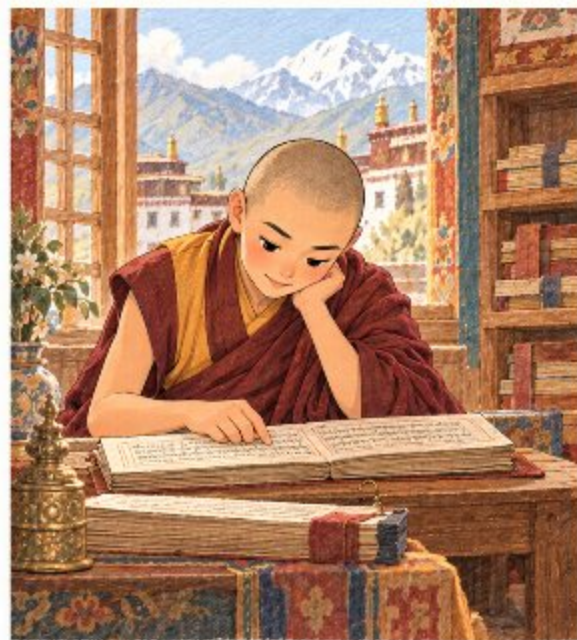


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His studies included reading, listening to explanations and debate. His biography also describes asking for teaching again on texts he had already studied. Could hearing something again, or thinking from another angle, reveal something we missed?

Pause and ask: What might studying the same text again reveal?

Story 3 / 3



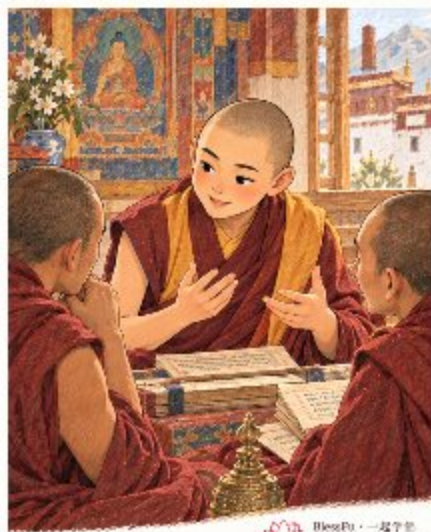
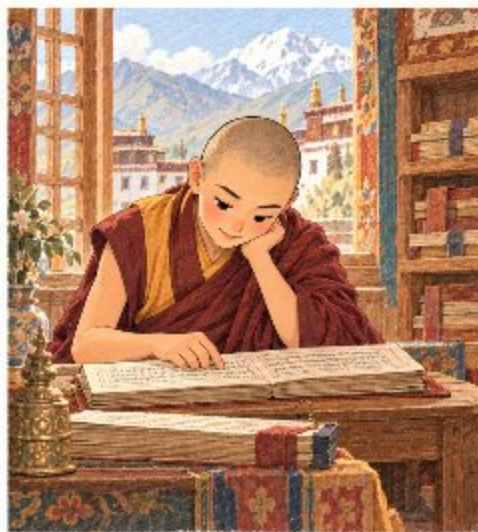
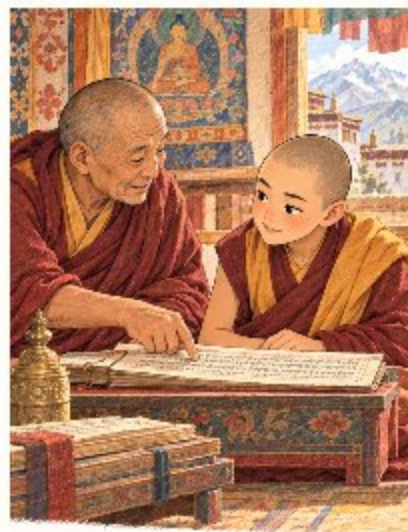
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He later wrote and taught, connecting learning with practice. We do not have to learn everything at once. Choose one question that matters to you. Explain your current idea, look for a trustworthy source and try telling a family member. Keep asking about what is still unclear.

Pause and ask: Which question will you carry into the next group?

A Buddhist idea

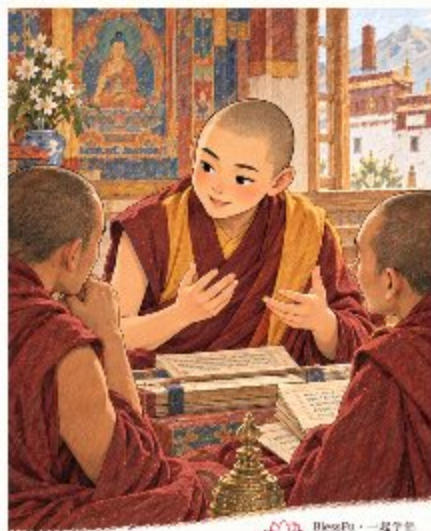
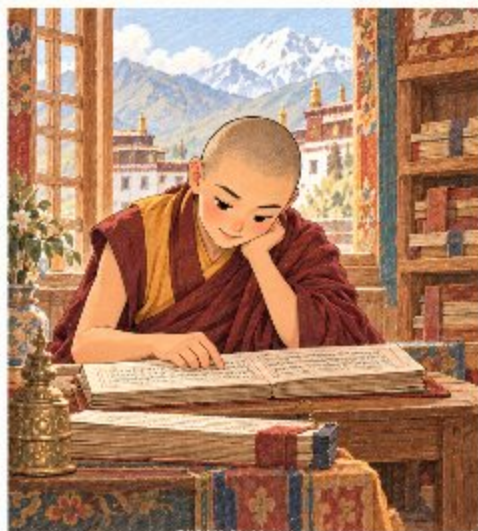
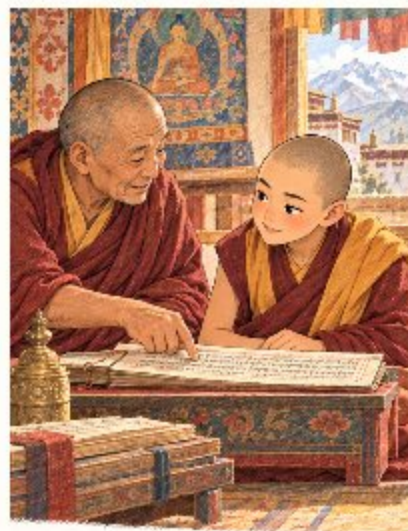
Learning can deepen
with respect for other traditions.



Talk together

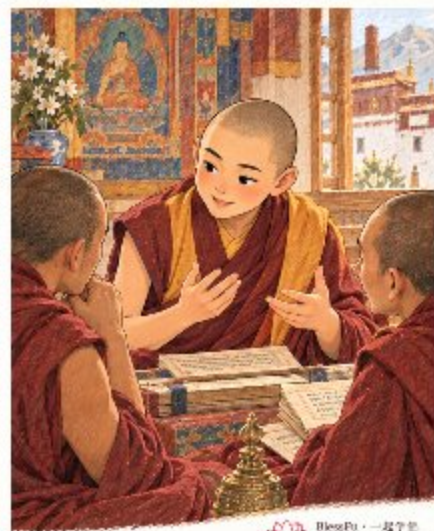
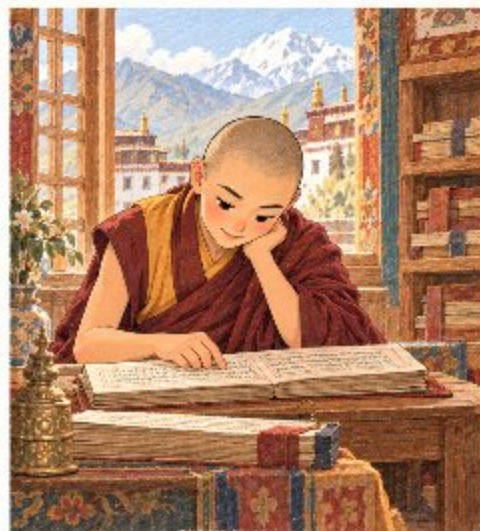
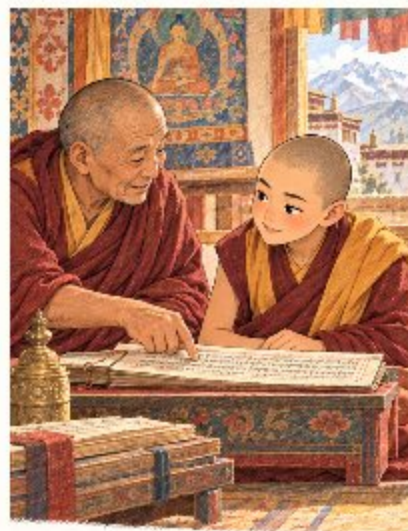
Does asking about the same passage again mean someone is a poor learner?

How could you tell that you remember words but do not yet understand them?



Try an activity

Make a “My little question” sheet.



For grown-ups

Read aloud, discuss and try a small activity.

Stories and exercises: BlessFu

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Full references and guidance are in the companion booklet.

