## A long journey

Amani and Tumaini are starlings who live in Norway were born. They are migratory birds and every winter they fly from Norway to warm countries to hibernate there.

Both are very much looking forward to their great journey to Africa.

In October they take off and fly across and across the country to see all their of the same species. It will more and more. Soon it will be several hundred, maybe even a thousand friends who like a huge black carpet through the airs and wavy spectacles show.

They learn to do this in school in Norway. There all children go to the and learn for their lives.

Amani, Tumaini and their friends are making on their way.

They fly over the Baltic Sea. After they Denmark behind them,

you will reach the beautiful island
Fehmarn in northern Germany. There
they're meeting a lot more friends. Because
here the starlings, as well as many
other migratory birds, every year on their
Journey to Africa.

You have a lot to tell each other, because many of them have already been to Africa. The two friends are eagerly listening to their Stories. Everything they hear sounds like this beautiful and exciting.

But one of her friends tells me that there are there are far too few schools for the children. Amani and Tumaini can't do that. understand and become very sad. That don't exist, they think. About they talk day and night.

Then another star tells us that there are
Norway people who decided to
to help out there. They donate money,
selling at flea markets, knitting
socks and caps, which they can also be used for
Offer for sale. This money they send

to the Congo.

"That's interesting," Amani thinks. ""Aber why are they sending the money so far away? In Norway and Germany they have but also problems." A star watches him and says: "That's right, but this is where every child has the opportunity to attend a school. to visit me, not there."

"But will the money even come

Tumaini wants to know.

"Yes," another star says.

an NGO organization\* that supports Urafiki that is Swahili and means

Friendship" It's a friendship

between Bergen in Norway and Bukavu

in the Congo. This money is transferred directly to the

NGO Urafiki in Congo and sent it to the

School construction. The people

need knowledge of their country independently

to lead and organize.

Congo is very rich in natural resources, such as

Cobalt, coltan and gold. This

Natural resources are exploited by the western

of the world's powers. The Congolese have

not the knowledge of mining their treasures.

We need these materials urgently.

Because without these natural resources.

no cell phone or pad.

Amani and Tumaini listen attentively.

Suddenly a star says: "I heard,

there are also people here on Fehmarn,

who want to help."

They find that very exciting. Who

these people, and where are they?

You're going out with some friends

and fly over the island. you

looking everywhere and they think of something

a different house. It is

Scandinavian red painted.

They sit down in the old, gnarled white

and hawthorn trees and observe the

People who live on the large, cosy

Sitting on the terrace. On closer inspection

discover in the house the self-built

Doors and lamps. You also think of the

homemade pictures. Tumaini looks

and says: "Here we are

right. See those self-made birds?

They look just like us.

Norwegian and Congolese clothing

"for the first time."

You're asking a pheasant who lives almost every day walking over the crease. He tells them, the hosts, Wenche and Thorsten, have to have a dream with these holiday homes is fulfilled. You are aware of the happiness they have to create such a thing. And this

They want to share happiness, across all borders out. It should give people the opportunity and the hope of it,

that someday peace on earth

is. For this hope to grow, we need the children know.

The pictures of the birds were taken by fifteen and sixteen-year-old students in the Congo.

Your hostess, Wenche, supports
Urafiki for ten years. She's got tight
Contact to the management of Urafiki in

Norway, which regularly visits the Congo to see the projects.

Through a fundraising campaign Wenche and your friends have more than 200 children who Possibility given, at tables on to sit on benches instead of the dusty Soil. Now whole schools there built.

Also with your vacation you support the project, as a small amount per a night's lodging.

Maybe there's one or two of them, who can add something extra and or by purchasing homemade norwegian socks to support the project. Say Just Wenche or Thorsten! Amani and Tumaini are very moved by what they hear and so excited that she immediately with all her hair.