## CultureTalk Zimbabwe Video Transcripts: http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu Challenges for Rural Primary Schools

## **English translation:**

I started with primary school. From [the start of] primary school up to grade seven then I went to start my form one up to form four. The area [where I lived] was an area that had few schools that were very far. So we traveled for about fifteen to twenty kilometers to school. It was very far such that many people were always late. There were no houses near that school so many people would arrive late and eventually stop going to school because it was very far. The education system there was bad. I managed to go to school, and my mother found a job at another school, then we went to live at that school were she worked as a clerk. Staying there, school became better for me in that I was now learning and living at school so I realized that it enabled me to... My grades improved as compared to the grades that I had previously when I had to travel for a long distance to school.

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