

Y York has made the following changes to *The Last Paving Stone*:

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**CHANGE**

ITO. Hush. Just listen. (*to GROUND*) She can hear you now.

**TO**

ITO. Hush. Just listen. (*to GROUND*) Jassmin can hear you now.

**CHANGE**

ITO. It asked me something. (*to GROUND, embarrassed.*) It's a nose.

**TO**

ITO. It said "Howdedo, Jassmin." Then it asked me something. (*to GROUND, embarrassed.*) It's a nose.

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**CHANGE**

ITO. Oh, man.

**TO**

ITO. Oh, man. (*Talks to the newly paved ground.*) Hey, hey, can you hear me? Can you shout real loud or something? We need you.

**CHANGE**

ITO. I'm right where you left me.

**TO**

ITO. What are you talking about? I'm right where you left me.

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**CUT**

JASSMIN. Hey, I can't rhyme either.

**THROUGH AND INCLUDING**

ITO. I don't know, I just don't know. I'm so mixed up.

**REPLACE WITH**

JASSMIN. Sure you can. "Make up a rhyme in the nick of ...suspenders...make up a rhyme in the nick of...lunar eclipse...make up a rhyme in the nick of ...underpants—." Hey! What's going on?

ITO. The Ground is covered. No rhymes.

JASSMIN. (*She takes off her ears*). You mean we're gonna stay this miserable forever?

ITO. It might even get worse.

JASSMIN. What do you do besides rhymes to get happy?

ITO. Fast walking.

JASSMIN. Show me.

*(Ito does fast walking, Jassmin follows for a moment, then they slow and stop. It didn't make them happy.)*

JASSMIN. Makes my knees sore.

ITO. What do *you* do besides rhyme to get happy?

JASSMIN. I sniff you out!

*(Jassmin does a big sniff but can't smell because her nose is covered. They are sad. They sit down, back to back. They are silent and sad for a moment. A blade of grass pokes up through the pavement..)*