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3. Zhuo Shui Xi (濁水溪)

Zhuo Shui Xi is the longest river in Taiwan, but do you know its original name was Qing Shui Xi?

In the past, a young man called A-Ming lived by Qing Shui Xi. One day, he saved a rabbit from a leopard. Since the rabbit was hurt, A-Ming took care of it. After a couple of weeks, when the rabbit was completely healed, it ran back into the forest.

One day, a lady came and said to A-Ming, "A few days ago, you saved my life. I want to appreciate your kindness, so I will give you a purple seed and do the housework." A-Ming buried the seed in the soil, and many passion fruits were soon grown. The lady and A-Ming lived together happily.

One day, when A-Ming finished farming and went home, he couldn't find the lady, but he heard a voice from a faraway place, "Help!"

The lady was kidnapped. A-Ming ran to save her. However, he could not cross Qing Shui Xi because the river was deep.

Suddenly, many huge passion fruit branches fell and formed a bridge. A-Ming went across the river and ran through forests. Although his feet were bleeding, A-Ming still wanted to find the lady. Luckily, A-Ming found her, and they began to run home.

Then, the group of bad guys chased after them. After A-Ming and the lady crossed the river, they hid nearby. When the bad guys came on the bridge, A-Ming chopped it down, so the bad guys fell into the river. They struggled in the river and caused the river to be muddy. From then on, people called the river Zhuo Shui Xi.