

# NAL'IBALI

## Are you a read-aloud family?

Is your family a read-aloud family? In a read-aloud family, the adults make reading to their children for at least 15 minutes a day part of their daily routine. Why? Because reading aloud to children is the most important thing adults can do to develop children's literacy!

When we start reading aloud to children every day from birth, we prepare them for lifelong learning success. And when we keep reading to them – even when they can read for themselves – we continue to build on the solid foundation we have laid. Every time we read to children, we improve their learning advantage.

### 3 WAYS TO READ ALOUD

- Read the pictures.
- Read the words.
- Retell the story.

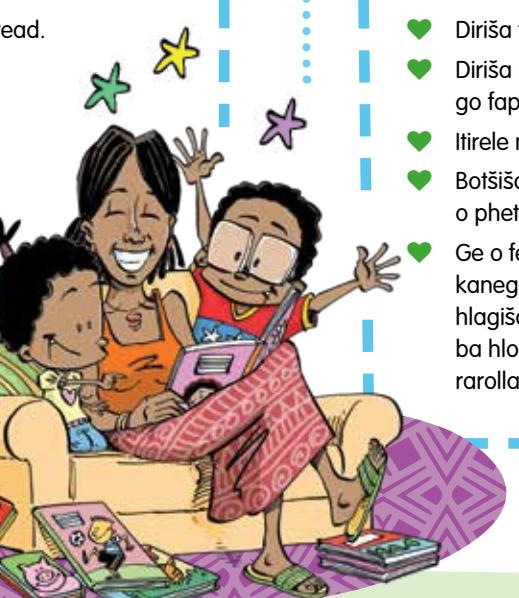


### MAKE READING PART OF YOUR DAY!

- Choose a time each day to read to your children.
- Before or after nap time
  - After meals
  - At bedtime

### MAKE READING ALOUD ENJOYABLE!

- Put lots of expression into your voice as you read.
- Use different voices for different characters.
- Make up sound effects.
- Ask what might happen next before turning the page.
- Once you have finished reading, ask questions about the story that will help your children express their feelings and opinions, and encourage them to problem solve.

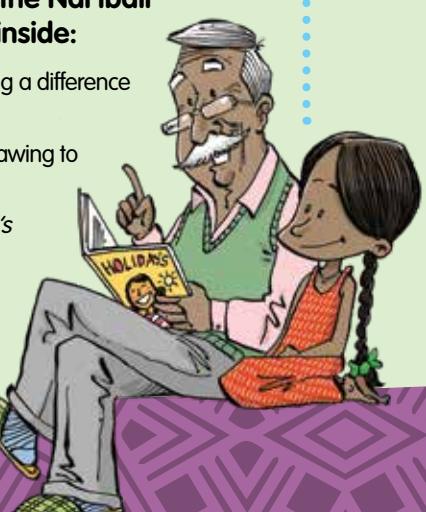


August is Women's Month in South Africa and we're celebrating women in this edition of the Nal'ibali Supplement! Here's what you'll find inside:

- How our story star, Mpumy Ndlovu, is making a difference in children's lives (page 2).
- Ideas on how to use reading, writing and drawing to celebrate Women's Month (page 4).
- A story about a strong woman – Miss Helen's magical world (starting on page 5).



Drive your imagination



## Lelapa la go bala ka go hlaboša lentšu?

Naa lapa la geno ke lapa la go bala ka go hlaboša lentšu? Ka lapeng la go bala ka go hlaboša lentšu, batho ba bagolo ba dira gore go balela bana ba bona metsotso ye 15 ka letšatši e be karolo ya bophelo bja bona bja ka mehla. Ka lebaka la eng? Ka lebaka la gore go balela bana o hlaboša lentšu ke selo sa bohlokwa kudu seo batho ba bagolo ba ka se dirago go hlabolla tsebo ya go bala le go ngwala baneng ba bona!

Ge re balela bana ka go hlaboša lentšu ka mehla go thoma ge ba fetša go belegwa, re beakanyetša bana katlego ya go ithuta ya bophelo ka moka. Gomme ge re phela re ba balela – le ge ba šetše ba tseba go ipalela – re tšwela pele go aga motheong wo re o adilego. Nako le nako ge re balela bana, re kaonafatša monyetla wa bona wa go ithuta.

### DITSEL A TŠE 3 TŠA GO BALA KA GO HLABOŠA LENTŠU

- Bala diswantšho.
- Bala mantšu.
- Anega kanegelo leswa.



### DIRA GORE GO BALA E BE KAROLO YA LETŠATŠI LA GAGO!

- Kgetha nako letšatši le lengwe le le lengwe o balele bana ba gago.
- Pele goba morago ga go otsela
  - Ka morago ga dijo
  - Ka nako ya malao

### DIRA GORE GO BALA KA GO HLABOŠA LENTŠU GO BE BOSE!

- Diriša tlhagišo ye ntši lentšung la gago ge o bala.
- Diriša mantšu a go fapano go baanegwa ba go fapano.
- Itirele medumo.
- Botšiša gore go tlo direga eng sa go latela pele o phetla letlakala.
- Ge o feditše go bala, botšiša dipotšišo ka ga kanegelo ye e tlo thusago bana ba gago go hlagiša maikutlo a bona le dikgopololo, le go ba hlohleletša go diriša mabokgoni a go rarolla mathata.



Phato ke Kg wedi ya Basadi Afrika Borwa gomme re keteka basadi ka kgatšong ye ya Tlaleletšo ya Nal'ibali! Fa ke tše o tlo di hwetšago ka gare:

- Ka fao naledi ya rena ya dikanegelo, Mpumy Ndlovu, a hlolago phetogo maphelong a bana (letlakala la 2).
- Dikeletšo ka ga go diriša go bala, go ngwala le go thala go keteka Kg wedi ya Basadi (letlakala la 4).
- Kanegelo ya mosadi yo maatla – Lefase la maleatlana la Mtšana Helen (go thoma letlakaleng la 5).



IT STARTS WITH  
A STORY.  
GO THOMA KA  
KANEKOLO.

## Story stars



**Storyteller and TV actress, Mpumy Ndlovu, is a FUNda Leader. She is committed to changing children's lives through theatre and literacy. We spoke to her about how she is doing this.**

### Where did you grow up?

I was born and bred in the township of Umlazi in KwaZulu-Natal. It is the fourth largest township in South Africa, and the only township with its own car registration plate: NUZ!

### Tell us about Umlazi.

Life in Umlazi is not easy. A high rate of AIDS-related deaths has led to many children being orphaned and having to be the head of their homes. These children often have to drop out of school and search for jobs to support themselves and their siblings. A shared love of the performing arts, reading and storytelling has helped keep the young people of Umlazi connected. I believe in the power of these things to uplift children.

### What should childhood be like?

A child's place is on the playground, where they can play, explore and enjoy their childhood.

### Tell us more about your passion for children.

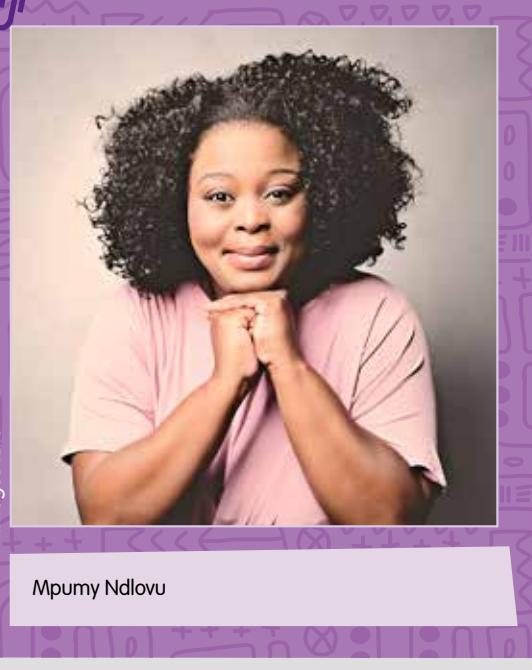
I believe that "your child is my child". We are all responsible for the children around us. We need to become one big family working together to raise all our children. And all children deserve equal opportunities. No one's future should be determined by their background or where they were born. Every child should be allowed to dream because there is always potential for those dreams to come true, especially with community support.

### How are you making a difference in children's lives?

In 2009, the young people of Umlazi set up a non-profit organisation which focuses on the performing arts and is dedicated to the children of our community. We started a project – *Dlala Mntwana* (isiZulu for "Play, Dear Child") – where children get to do what they do best: play. They also, often for the first time, experience a theatre performance aimed at sparking their imagination and curiosity. Then, with the support of our local library, we sign the children up for library cards to encourage them to read. I know that belonging to a library helped me so much as a child.

### What should all adults do for children?

We must share whatever knowledge and skills we have with the next generation while we can. We must empower them through literacy. We must help them to imagine better prospects for themselves through stories and storytelling.



Mpumy Ndlovu

## Dinaledi tša dikanegelo

**Moanega-dikanegelo yoo gape e lego modiragatši thelebišeneng, Mpumy Ndlovu, ke FUNda Leader. O ikgafile go fetola maphelo a bana ka teatere le tsebo ya go bala le go ngwala. Re boleše le yena go kwa gore o dira se bjang.**

### O goletše kae?

Ke belegetšwe le go golela motsesetoropong wa babaso go la Umlazi kua KwaZulu-Natal. Ke motsesetoropo wa babaso wa bone ka bogolo Afrika Borwa, gape ke motsesetoropo wa babaso fela wa go ba le nomoropolata ya ona ya sefatanganaga: NUZ!

### Re botše ka Umlazi.

Bophelo ga bo bonolo kua Umlazi. Mahu a mantši a go amana le AIDS a dirile gore bana ba bantši e be dišiwana gomme ba fetoge dihlogo tša malapa. Bana ba gantši ba tlogela sekolo ba ya go nyaka mešomo gore ba kgone go iłlhokomela le bana ba gabon. Lerato la go abelanwa la

bokgabo bja go diragatšwa, go bala le go anega dikanegelo di thusitše go dira gore baswa ba Umlazi ba dule ba kgokagane. Ke dumela go maatla a dilo tše a go godiša bana.

### Bongwana bo swanetše go ba bjang?

Lefelo la ngwana ke kua lepatlelong la go bapala, fao ba ka bapalago, ba hlohlomiša gomme ba ipshina ka bobjana bja bona.

### Re botše tše dintši ka ga lerato la gago la bana.

Ke dumela gore "ngwana wa gago ke ngwana wa ka". Ka moka re na le maikarabelo go bana bao ba re dikologilego. Re hloka go ba lelapa le letree le legolo la go šoma mmogo go godiša bana ba rena ka moka ga bona. Gomme bana bohole ba swanetše go hwetša menyeta ka go lekana. Boitheko le moo a tswetšwego gona ga tša swanelo go laola bokamoso bja motho. Ngwana yo mongwe le yo mongwe o swanetše go dumelelva go lora ka gobane go dula go na le kgonagalo ya gore ditoro tše di phethagale, kudu ka thekgo ya setšhaba.

### O hlola phapano bjang maphelong a bana?

Ka 2009 baswa ba Umlazi ba hlamil mokgatlo wa go se be le letseno wa go nepiša bokgabo bja go diragatša gomme ba ikgafile go bana ba setšaba sa bona. Re thomile projek – *Dlala Mntwana* (ke "Bapala, Ngwana" ka seZulu) – fao bana ba dirago se ba se dirago bokaonekaone: go bapala. Gape, la mathomo bophelong bja bona, ba itemogela tiragatša ya teatere ya go ikemišetša go utulla dikgopolo tša bona le tumo ya go tseba. Gomme ka thekgo ya bokgobapuku bja rena bja selegae, re ngwadišitše bana go dikarata tša bokgobapuku go ba hlohllelša go bala. Ke a tseba gore go ba leloko la bokgobapuku go nthušitše kudu ge ke be ke sa le ngwana.

### Batho ka moka ba bagolo ba swanetše go direla bana eng?

Re swanetše go abelana tsebo le mabokgoni a re nago le ona le moloko wo o latelago mo go kgonegago. Re swanetše go ba matlafatša ka tsebo ya go bala le go ngwala. Re swanetše go ba thusa go nagana ka dikgonagalago tše di kaone tša bona ka dikanegelo le go anega dikanegelo.



Go to [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org) to find out more about the FUNda Leader Programme. You'll also find our special *FUNda Leader Kick-off Kit* on our website. It's filled with ideas about how you can help to get South Africa reading. Download it today and get started!

Eya go [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org) go hwetša tshedimošo ye ntši ka ga Lenaneo la FUNda Leader. O tlo hwetša le *FUNda Leader Khiti-ya-go-Thoma* ya rena ya go kgethega weposaeteng ya rena. E tletše ka dikeletšo tša go thusa go dira gore Afrika Borwa e bale. E laolle lehono o thome!

**WIN! FENYA!**

For a chance to win some Book Dash books, write a review of the story, *Miss Helen's magical world* (pages 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12), and email it to [team@bookdash.org](mailto:team@bookdash.org), or take a photo and tweet us at [@bookdash](https://twitter.com/bookdash). Remember to include your full name, age and contact details.

Go hwetša monyetla wa go thopa dipuku tša Book Dash, ngwala tshekatsheko ya kanegelo ya, *Lefase la maleatlana la Mtšana Helen* (matlakala a 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 le 12), o e emeilele go [team@bookdash.org](mailto:team@bookdash.org), goba tše senepo o re romele tweet go [@bookdash](https://twitter.com/bookdash). O gopole go akaretša maina a gago ka bottlalo, ngwaga le dintilha tša kgokaganyo.



Drive your imagination

## Collect the Nal'ibali characters



Cut out and keep all your favourite Nal'ibali characters and then use them to create your own pictures, posters, stories or anything else you can think of!

### About Gogo

**Grandchildren:** Neo, Mbali

**Languages she speaks:** isiZulu, isiXhosa, Sepedi, English and a little bit of French

**Favourite things to do:** reading, running a reading club on a Saturday afternoon for the children who live near her, and visiting friends

**Favourite colour:** yellow

**Favourite snack:** biscuits (with tea)

**Stories she likes:** romance novels and stories on the radio

### Here's an idea ...

- Cut out and colour in the picture of Gogo. Write a title on the front cover of the book she is reading and then paste the picture on a large sheet of paper. Add other things to the picture to make it your own picture. Then write a caption for your picture.
- Write a few paragraphs of the story that Gogo is reading next to the picture of her.
- Keep the picture in a safe place and when you have collected all the Nal'ibali characters, use them to create your own Nal'ibali poster!



## Kgoboketša baanegwa ba Nal'ibali

Ripa o boloke baanegwa ba Nal'ibali ba o ba ratago ka moka gomme o ba diriše go hlama diswantšho tša gago, diphouse taro, dikane gelo goba se sengwe le se sengwe se o se naganago!

### Ka ga Gogo

**Batlogolo:** Neo, Mbali

**Dipolelo tše a di bolelogo:** seZulu, seXhosa, Sepedi, Seisemane le seFrench gannyane

**Dilo tše a ratago go di dira:** go bala, go sepeša sehlapha sa go bala ka Mokibelo mosegar le bana ba go dula kgauswi le yena, le go etela bagwera

**Mmala wa mmamoratwa:** serolane

**Seneke sa mmamoratwa:** dikokisana (le teye)

**Dikanegelo tše a di ratago:** dipadi tša marato le dikanegelo tša seyale moyo

### Kgopolo ke ye ...

- Ripa o be o khalar ka gare ga seswantšho sa Gogo. Ngwala thaetele lekgateng la ka pele la puku ye a e balago gomme o kgomaretše seswantšho letlakaleng le legolo la pampiri. Tsenya dilo tše dingwe seswantšhong go dira gore e be seswantšho sa gago. O ngwale se sengwe ka ga seswantšho sa gago.
- Ngwala ditemana tše mmalwa tša kanegelo ye Gogo a e balago kgauswi le seswantšho sa gagwe.
- Bea seswantšho lefeleng la go bolokega gomme ge o kgoboketše baanegwa ba Nal'ibali ka moka, ba diriše go hlama phouse taro ya gago ya Nal'ibali!

## Have you heard about the FUNda Sonke Loyalty Programme?

FUNda Sonke is a loyalty programme for everyone in the Nal'ibali network. It's Nal'ibali's way of saying "thank you" to those who have joined us in bringing the power of stories and reading to children. FUNda Sonke acknowledges the everyday heroes who generously volunteer their time to encourage and support reading in their communities. It is also a place for everyone to share their literacy experiences, successes and challenges, and to support one another.

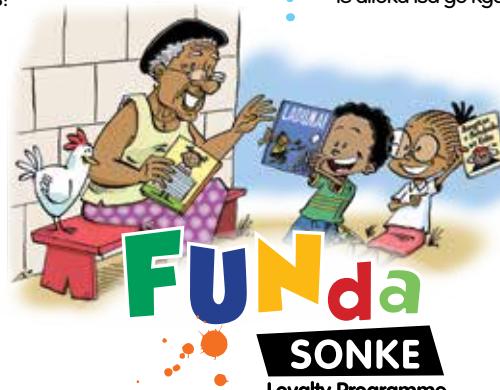
### FUNda Sonke encourages you to:

- take part in regular literacy-based challenges that earn you points
- share your challenges and successes
- stay motivated to continue your literacy journey.

FUNda Sonke members can take part in our monthly literacy challenges, which will earn them points. These points can be used for rewards like books, airtime, subscriptions to the Nal'ibali Newspaper Supplement and special prizes. Join today and earn rewards while you are inspiring others!

### How do I register?

1. To register, you need an email address and a password.
2. Go to [www.nalibali.mobi](http://www.nalibali.mobi) and sign up by creating your profile.
3. You can start earning points as soon as you have joined the FUNda Sonke Loyalty Programme.



## Naa o kwele ka FUNda Sonke Loyalty Programme?

FUNda Sonke ke lenaneo la potagalelo la batho bohole netewekeng ya Nal'ibali. Ke tsela ya Nal'ibali ya gore "ke a leboga" go bao ba bilego le rena ge re tlisa maatla a dikanegelo le go balela bana. FUNda Sonke e lemoga bagale ba ka mehla ba go neelana ka nako ya bona ka tlhalalo go hloholetša le go thekga go bala ditshabeng tša bona. Gape ke lefelo leo go lona batho bohole ba abelanago maitemogelo a bona a tsebo ya go bala le go ngwala, dikatlego le ditthotlo, le go thekana.

### FUNda Sonke e go hloholetša go:

- tsea karolo ditthotlong tša tsebo ya go bala le go ngwala tša ka mehla fao o hwetšago dintsha
- abelana ka ditthotlo le dikatlego
- dula o hlotleletsegile o tswela pele ka leeto la gago la tsebo ya go bala le go ngwala.

Maloko a FUNda Sonke a ka tsea karolo ditthotlong tša rena tša tsebo ya go bala le go ngwala tša kgwedi ka kgwedi, fao ba tlogo hwetša dintsha. Dintsha tše di ka fetolelw go ba meputso ye bjalo ka dipuku, moyo, boingwadišo go hwetša tlaleletšo ya Kuranta ya Nal'ibali le difoka tša go kgethega. Tsenela lehono o hwetše meputso mola o tutuetša ba bangwe!

### Ke ingwadisa bjang?

1. Go ingwadiša, o hloka aterese ya emeile le phasewete.
2. Eya go [www.nalibali.mobi](http://www.nalibali.mobi) o ingwadiše ka go hlama profaele ya gago.
3. O ka thoma go hwetša dintsha ge o sena go tsena go FUNda Sonke Loyalty Programme.



Drive your imagination

## Celebrate women!

In South Africa during August, we honour the role that women have played and still play in building democracy in our country. Here are some reading, writing and drawing activity ideas that you can use to create opportunities for children to think about the influence women have on their lives. Choose the ones that are best suited to your children's ages and interests.

- ★ Read the story, *Miss Helen's magical world* in this edition of the Nal'ibali Supplement and then find other stories about strong women to read during the month. (We have featured cut-out-and-keep books about women in past editions of the supplement. You can download them for free from the Nal'ibali website – [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org). Look for these editions: 72, 113, 126, 128 and 142.)
- ★ Write a letter to a woman that you admire. (It can be someone you know or someone you have just read or heard about.) Tell her about the difference she has made in your life.
- ★ Write down all the words that come to mind when you think of strong women. Use these words, together with pictures from newspapers and magazines, and your own drawings to create a poster that shows your understanding of what it means to be a strong woman.
- ★ Write down favours for a woman in your life who inspires you and/or who you really appreciate. Cut up some paper or thin cardboard to make 10 blank cards that are about 10 cm x 4 cm big. Write a different favour on each card. (A favour can be something small, like: **Make a cup of tea every morning for a week**, or **Give a foot massage**, or anything else you know she will enjoy! Add one or two open favours, like: **Choose your own favour**.) Give the pack of favours to the woman you chose so that she can enjoy these favours during Women's Month.

## Keteka basadi!

Mo Afrika Borwa ka Phato, re hlompha karolo ye basadi ba e ralokilego ebile ba tšwela pele go e raloka go aga temokrasi nageng ya rena. Fa ke dikgopololo tša mešongwana ya go bala, go ngwala le go thala ye o ka e dirišago go hlamelala bana menyetla ya go nagana ka tutuetšo ye basadi ba nago le yona maphelong a bona. Kgetha tša go swanelala mengwaga ya bana ba gago le dikgahlego tša bona bokaone.

- ★ Bala kanegelo ya, *Lefase la maleatlana la Mtšana Helen* ka kgatišong ye ya Tlaleletšo ya Nal'ibali gomme o hwetše dikanegelo tše dingwe tša basadi ba maatla tše o ka di balago mo kgwedding. (Re tsentše dipuku tša ripa-o-boloke tša go bolela ka basadi ka dikgatišong tše di fetilego tša tlaleletšo. O ka di laolla mahala weposaeteng ya Nal'ibali – [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org). Lebelela dikgatišong tše: 72, 113, 126, 128 le 142.)
- ★ Ngwalela mosadi yo o mo ratago lengwalo. (E ka ba motho yo o mo tsebago goba yo o kwelego goba o badilego ka yena.) Mmotše ka phapano ye a e dirilego bophelong bija gago.
- ★ Ngwala mantšu ka moka ao a tlagoo monaganong ge o nagana ka basadi ba maatla. Diriša mantšu a le diswantšho go tšwa dikuranteng le dimakasineng, le tše o di thadilego go hlama phousetara ya go bontšha kwešiso ya gago ya mosadi o maatla.
- ★ Ngwala tše di botse ka ga mosadi yo a lego bophelong bija gago yo a go tutuetšago le/goba yo o mo ratago kudu. Ripa pampiri goba khatepote ye sese go dira dikarata tša go se ngwalwe selo tše 10 tša bogolo bija 10 cm x 4 cm. Ngwala se sebotse karateng ye nngwe le ye nngwe. (Se sebotse e ka ba selo se sennyane bjalo ka: **Go dira komiki ya teye ka mehla beke e tee**, goba **Go šidulla maoto**, goba se sengwe le se sengwe se o tsebago gore o tlo ipshina ka sona! Tsenya selo se tee goba tše pedi tše dibotse tša go ba le kgetho bjalo ka: **Kgetha se o se nyakago**.) Efa mosadi yo o mo kgethago lepakana la tše dibotse gore a ipshine ka tšona mo Kgwedding ya Basadi.



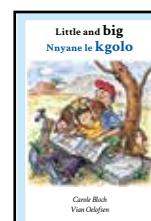
### Create TWO cut-out-and-keep books

#### Little and big

1. Tear off page 9 of this supplement.
2. Fold the sheet in half along the black dotted line.
3. Fold it in half again along the green dotted line to make the book.
4. Cut along the red dotted lines to separate the pages.

#### Miss Helen's magical world

1. To make this book use pages 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12.
2. Keep pages 7 and 8 inside the other pages.
3. Fold the sheets in half along the black dotted line.
4. Fold them in half again along the green dotted line to make the book.
5. Cut along the red dotted lines to separate the pages.



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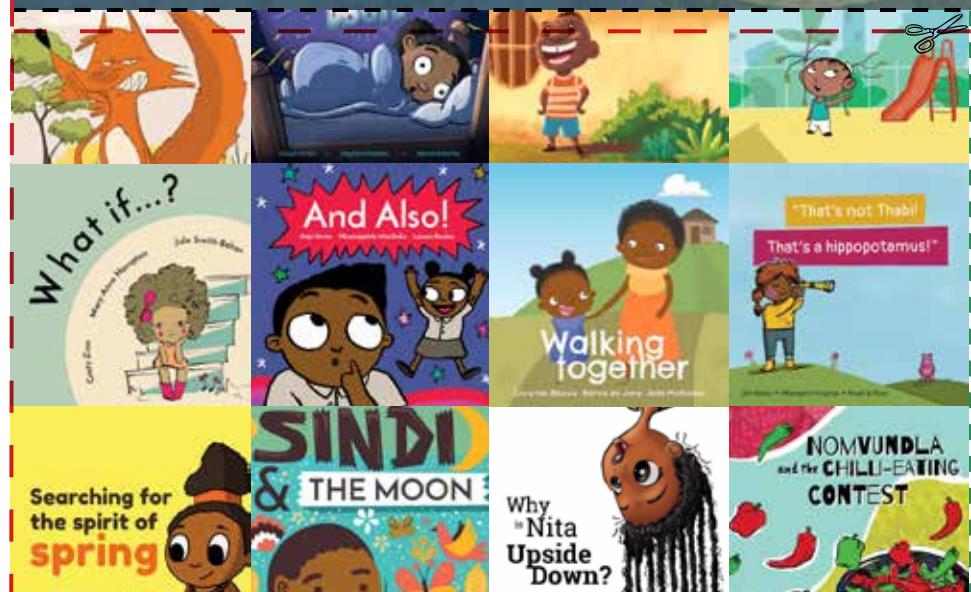
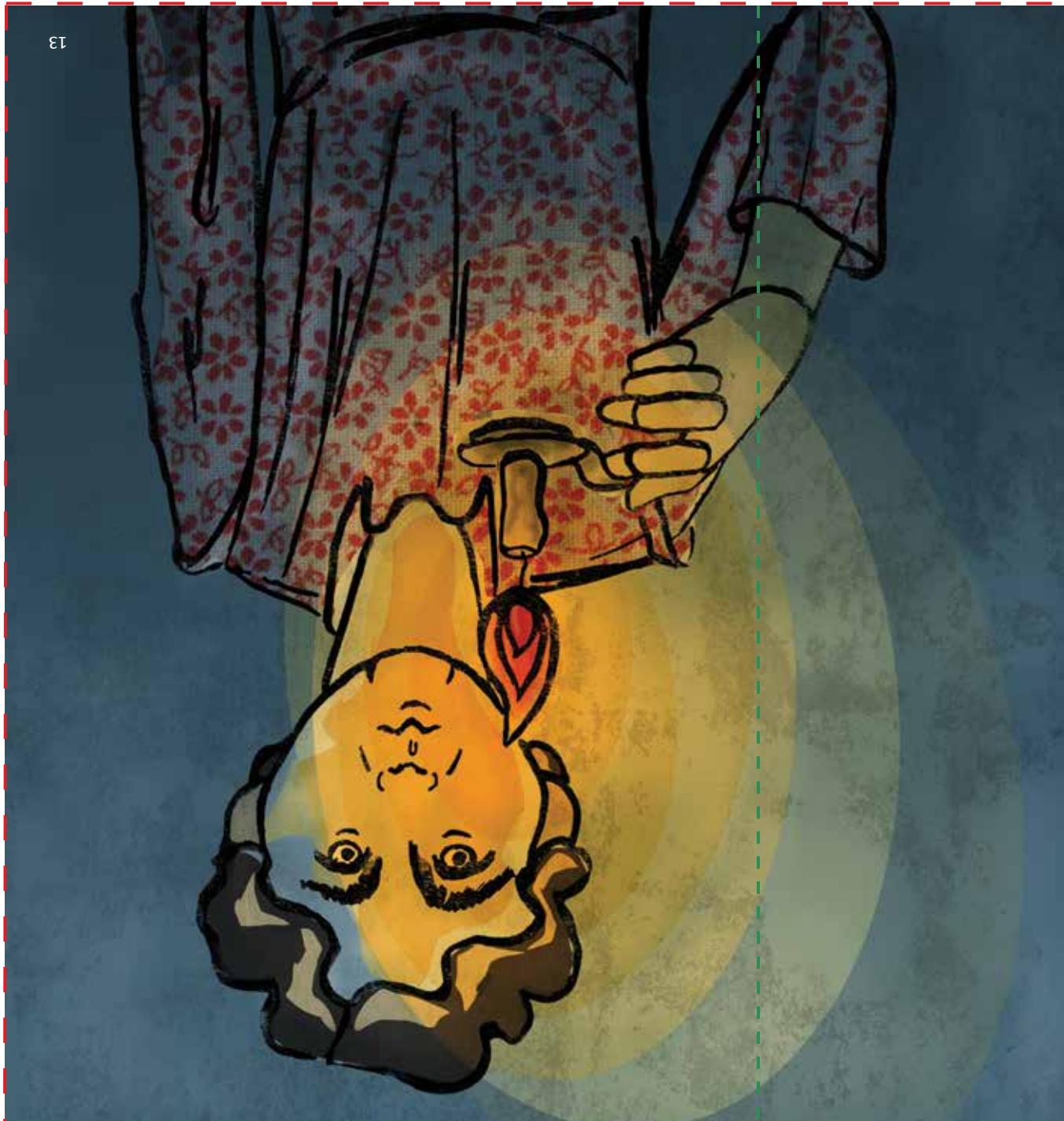
#### Nnyane le kgolo

1. Nišha letlakala la 9 la tlaleletšo ye.
2. Mena letlakala ka bogare go bapela le mothaladi wa marontho a maso.
3. Le mene ka bogare gape go bapela le mothaladi wa marontho a matalamorogo go dira puku.
4. Ripa go bapela le methaladi ya marontho a mahubedu go aroganya matlakala.

#### Lefase la maleatlana la Mtšana Helen

1. Go dira puku ye diriša matlakala a 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 le 12.
2. Boloka matlakala a 7 le 8 a be ka gare ga matlakala a mangwe.
3. Mena matlakala a pampiri ka bogare go bapela le mothaladi wa marontho a maso.
4. A mene ka bogare gape go bapela le mothaladi wa marontho a matalamorogo go dira puku.
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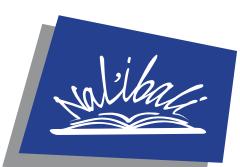




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Nal'ibali ke lesolo la go-balela-boipshino la boisetshaba la go utulla le go tsenyelets'a setso sa go bala go selaganya Afrika Borwa ka bophara. Go hwets'a tshedimošo ye nngwe, etela [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org) goba [www.nalibali.mobi](http://www.nalibali.mobi)



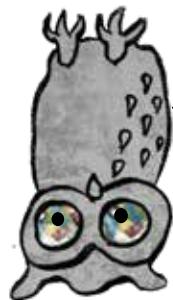
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Helen didn't feel so afraid of  
the help of that little light. With  
beside her bed all night. With  
Helen kept a candle burning  
The night her mother died,  
thought she was strange.  
She kept to herself. People  
mother was so ill, and her  
Helen was not happy. Her  
father was so grumpy.

## Miss Helen's magical world Lefase la maleatlana la Mtsana Helen

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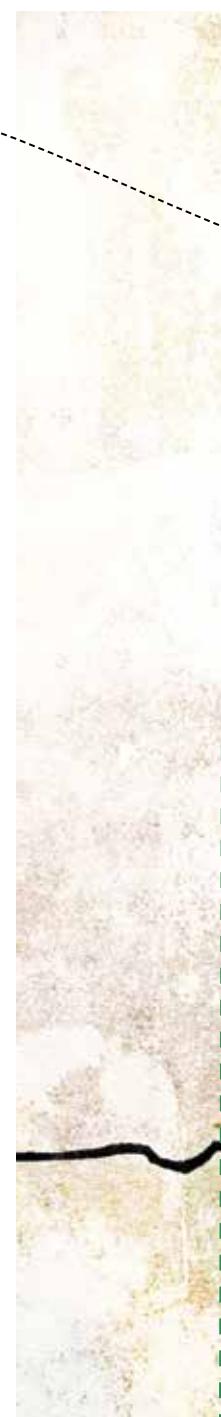


E file ge mma go Helen a lwalla kudu, a  
akanyga goré ke nako ya go boela gae.

Helen le Johannes ba ile ba uyalana. Ba  
ile ditropone tse dintsi tsa go fapania ba  
ruta ebile ba diragatsa dipapadi. Helen o  
ile a nagaana go thoma go ba le lapa, bala  
ka boesi ba gagwe. Efela go be go sa  
kgonege. Yena le monna wa gagwe ba be  
ba phela ba elwa.

When Helen's mother became very ill, she  
decided it was time to go back home.

Helen and Johannes got married. They  
travelled to many different towns, teaching  
and performing plays. Helen thought she  
might start a family, like her sisters had done.  
But it was not to be. She and her husband  
were always fighting.



O taditsé dibopiswa tsa go kgahissa ka  
tshengwaneng ya gagwe ya ka morago. Go be go  
na le difimki, dikamela, bathohlapi le dikatse. Le  
maribisi a mantsimtsi! O be a e bisisa jarata ya gagwe  
ya dikamela. Mo legoreng o ditile leswao la lethale  
Le be le re: "This is my world" (Le ke lefase la ka).

Le same nete.

ba dira ditlo tse a bego a di nagaana ka matħale  
Adams, Piet van der Merwe, and Koos Malgas, made  
bathusi. Banna ba go tswa mo motseng, Jona  
sekgoba se a lego go sona. Efela o be a hloka  
bopheloneg bja gagwe. O thomile ka go refola  
Helen o ile a akanyga goré o hloka go kganya  
Helen le Johannes ba ile ba uyalana. Ba

"This is my world".

Yard. On the fence she made a wire sign. It said:  
And lots and lots of owls! She called it her camel  
There were sphinxes and camels, mermaids and cats.  
She filled her back garden with interesting creatures.

Helen decided she wanted brightness in her life. She  
began by changing the space around her. But she  
needed helpers. Three men from the village, Jona  
Adams, Piet van der Merwe, and Koos Malgas, made  
the things she imagined out of wire and cement.



Meet my friend, Helen. She was born in a little Karoo town called Nieu Bethesda. There was not much going on in this town. But she made a whole world here. She even made me. And she named her house after me. It is called "The Owl House".

Tsebana le mogwera wa ka, Helen. O belegetšwe torotswaneng ya Karoo ya go bitšwa Nieu Bethesda. Go be go se na tše dintsi tse di bego di diragala torotswaneng ye. Efela o dirile lefase lohle fa. O dirile le nna. O file ntlo ya gagwe leina la ka. E bitšwa "The Owl House" (Ntlo ya Leribiši).



### About Miss Helen

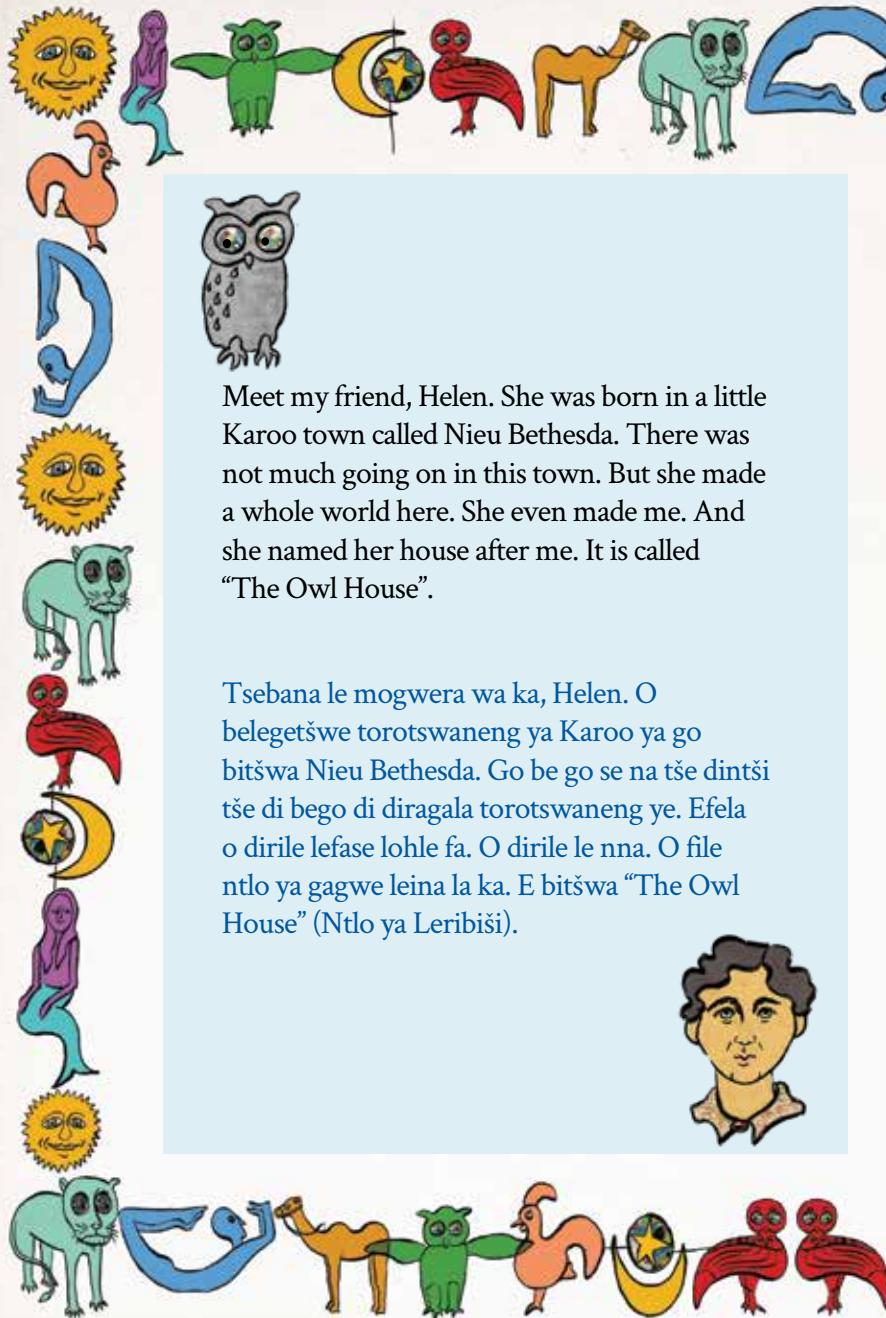
Miss Helen's real name was Helen Martins. She was an artist who made her imaginary world real. A lonely woman living in a small town, she travelled to faraway places in her mind. She turned her home and garden into a magical creative space.

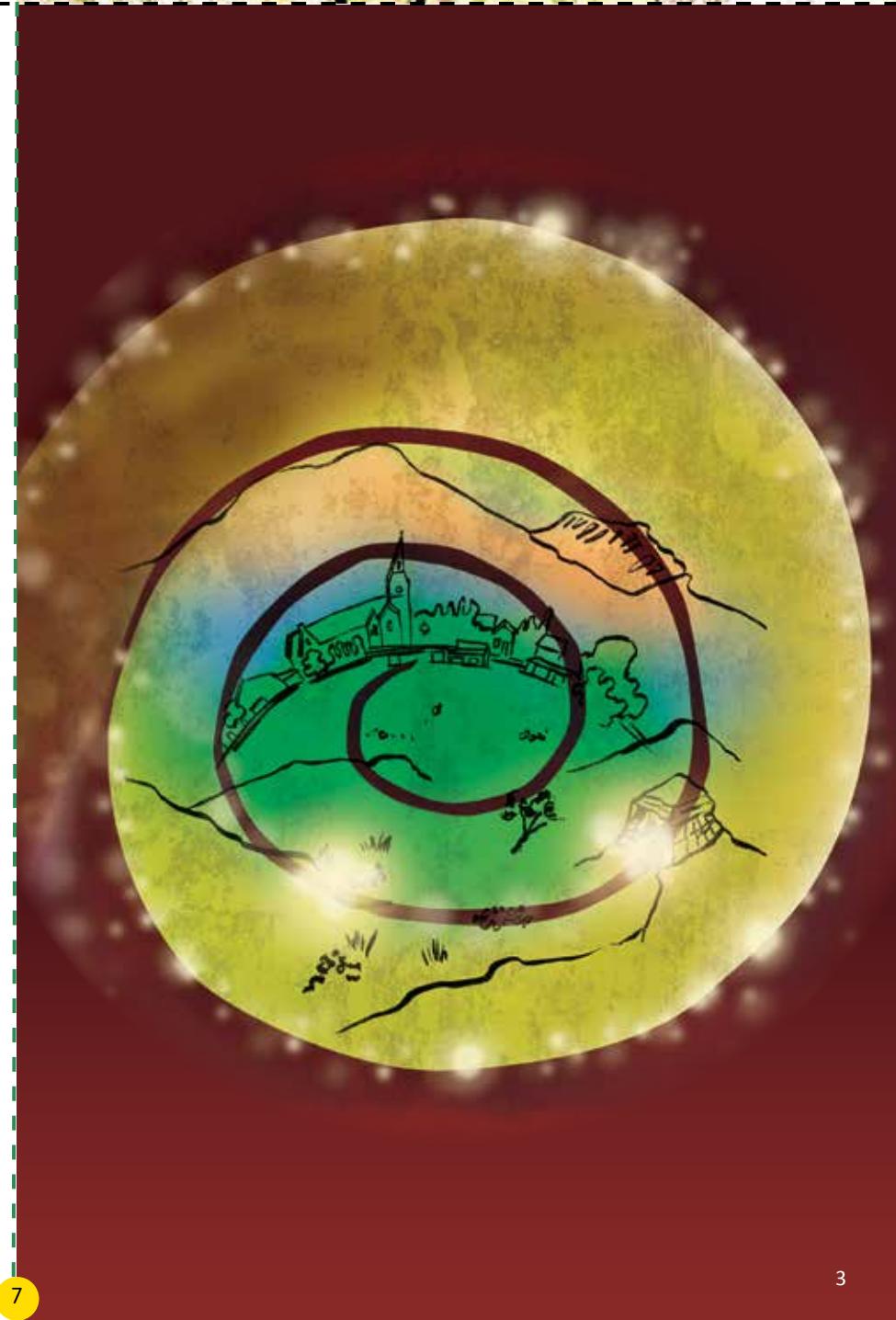
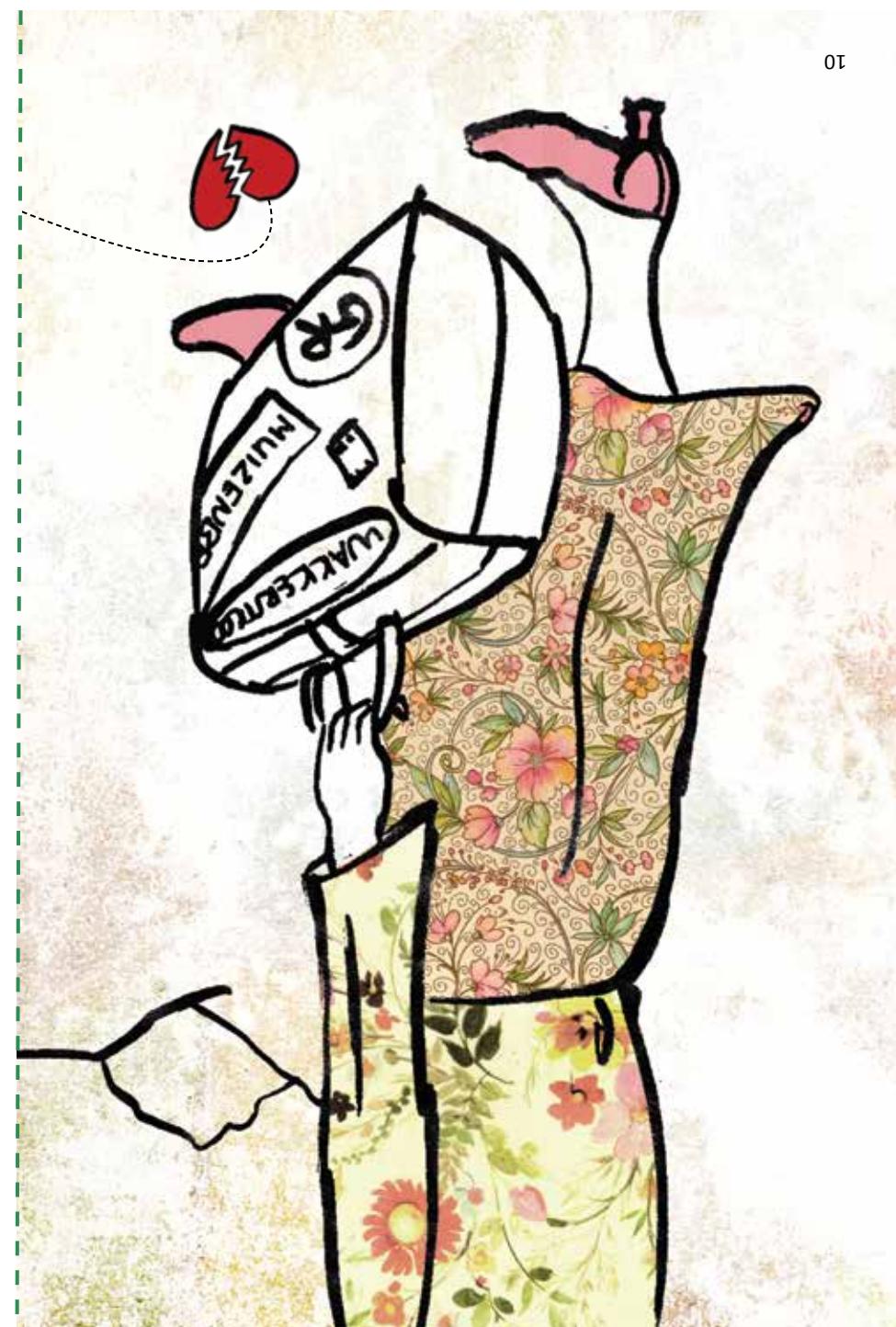
Now, Miss Helen's "Owl House" in Nieu Bethesda in the Eastern Cape, is a National Monument. Many people travel to her home every year to sit in her camel yard among the statues of pilgrims, mermaids, owls and other animals, and to walk through the glittering glass walls inside the house.

### Ka ga Mtšana Helen

Leina la nneta la Mtšana Helen e be e le Helen Martins. E be e le mmabokgabo wa go fetola bophelo bja gagwe bja boikgopolelo go bja nneta. Mosadi wa go lewa ke budutu a dula toropong ye nnyane, o be a eya mafelong a kgo ka mogopolong wa gagwe. O fetotše legae la gagwe le tshengwana go ba sekgoba sa boitlhamelo sa maleatlana.

Bjale, "Owl House" (Ntlo ya Leribiši) ya Mtšana Helen kua Nieu Bethesda go la Kapa Bohlabela, ke Monyumente wa Bosetšhaba. Batho ba bantš ba ya motseng wa gagwe ngwaga o mongwe le o mongwe ba eya go dula ka jarateng ya dikamela gare ga dibopiswa tša diphilikrimo, bathohlapi, maribisi le diphoofolo tše dingwe, le go sepela ka gare ga ntlo ya maboto a go phadima.





But when she closed her eyes for the last time, Miss Helen didn't see darkness. She saw the sun and the moon and the stars. She saw wise men and mermaids, camels and cats, acrobats and owls with big brown glittering glass eyes.

And we still stand here today, just the way she left us, in the garden she made, looking east.

Efela o rile ge a tswalela mahlo a gagwe la mafelelo, Mtšana  
Helen ga se a bona leswiswi. O bone letšatši, ngwedi le dinaledi.  
O bone banna ba bohlale le bathohlapi, dikamela le dikatse,  
bomojakati le maribisi a mahlo a galase ya go phadima a masotho.

Gomme re sa eme gona fa le lehono, ka tsela ye a re tlogetšego  
re le ka yona, ka tšengwaneng ye a e dirilego, re lebeletše  
bohlabela.



Most of Helen's nine brothers and sisters were grown up and gone by the time she arrived. But she still had her sisters, Annie and Alida. Helen didn't have many friends in the village, but she didn't mind. From the start, Helen did things differently from most people.

After her sisters left home, Helen lived alone with her parents. She loved her mother, but she hated her father. Everyone agreed he was a very strange man.

Her big sister Alida travelled all over the world. One day she sent Helen a postcard from Egypt. In her mind Helen saw princes and pyramids and camels in the sand.

Bontši bja bobuti le bolesi ba sennyane ba Helen ba be ba gotše ebole ba sepetše ka nako ya ge a fihla. Efela o be a sa na le bolesi, Annie le Alida. Helen o be a se na bagwera ba bantši mo motseng, efela seo se be se sa mo tshwenye. Go tloga mathomong, Helen o be a dira dilo go fapana le batho ba bangwe.

Morago ga go tloga ga bolesi ba gagwe gae, Helen o be a dula le batswadi ba gagwe a nnoši. O be a rata mmagwe, efela a hloile tatagwe. Batho bohole ba be ba re ke monna wa go makatša kudu.

Sesi wa gagwe yo mogolo Alida o sepetše lefase lohle. Ka letšatši le lengwe o ile a romela Helen poskarata go tšwa Egepeta. Ka monaganong wa gagwe Helen a bona morwedi wa kgoši, diphiramiti le dikamela mohlabeng.

The garden grew and grew, until there was hardly space left for any more creatures.

Miss Helen was tired now. Her hands were stiff and sore. Her eyes were going blind from working with tiny bits of glass.

She wasn't afraid of being alone, but she was still afraid of the dark. And her world was getting darker and darker. She knew that soon she wouldn't be able to see anything at all.

Tšhengwana e ile ya gola ya ba ya gola, go fihlela go se sa ba le sekgoba sa dibopiwa.

Mtšana Helen o be a lapile gabjale. Diatla tša gagwe di be di ngangegile ebole di le bohloko. Mahlo a gagwe a be a foufatšwa ke go šoma ka diripana tša galase.

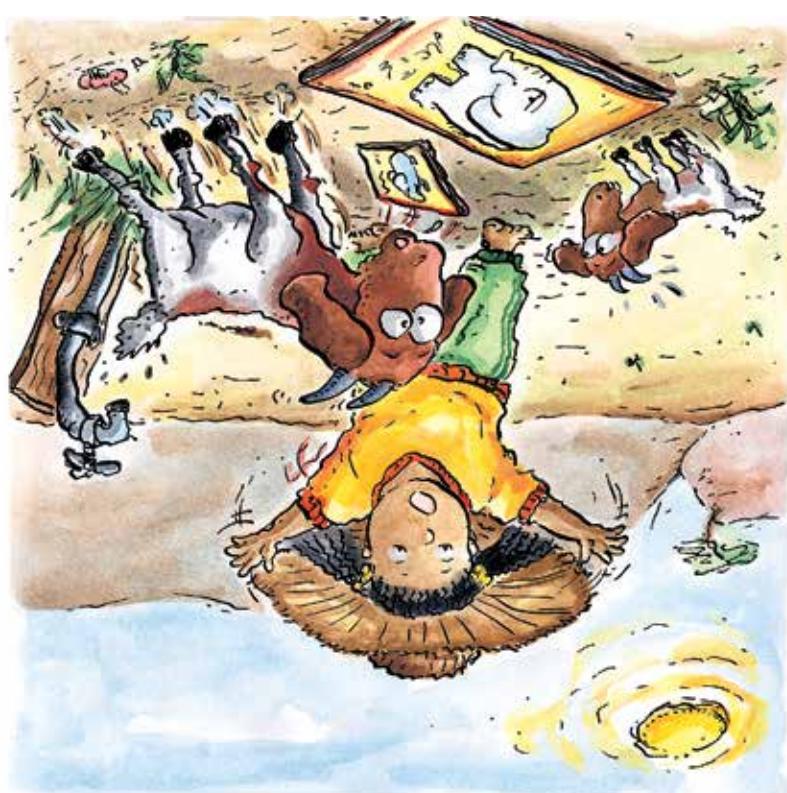
O be a sa tšhabé go dula a le tee, efela o be a sa tšhaba leswiswi. Gomme bophelo bja gagwe bo be bo fifala go ya pele. O be a tseba gore o be a le kgaušwi le go se sa bona selo.



puku ye kgolo.

Puku ye nnyane,

Little book, big book.



pudi ye kgolo.

Pudi ye nnyane,

Little goat, big goat.



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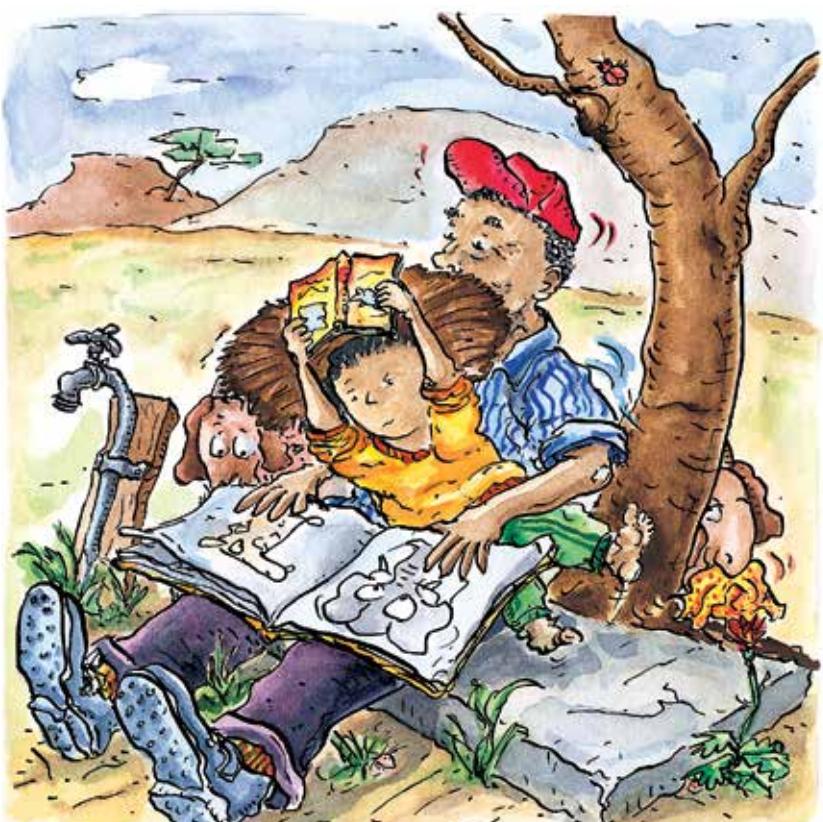


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Drive your imagination

## Little and big Nnyane le kgolo



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Mlyemylelo ye nnyane, mlyemylelo ye **Kgolo**.



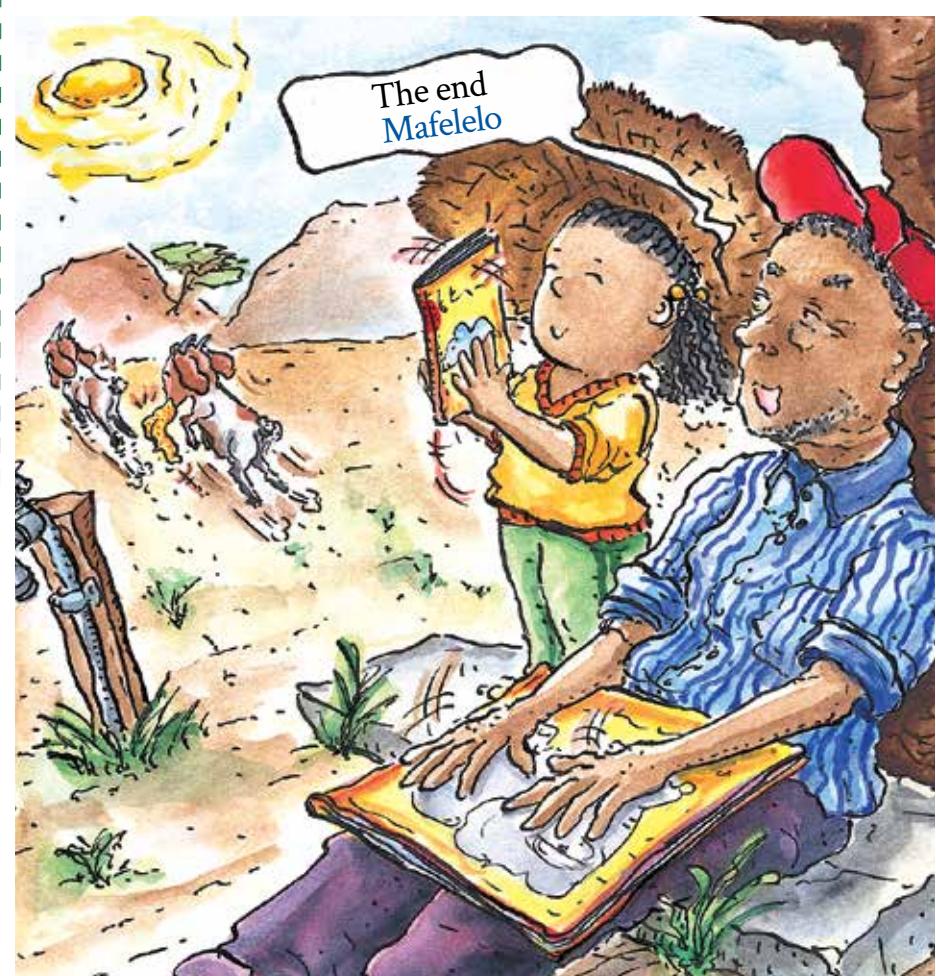
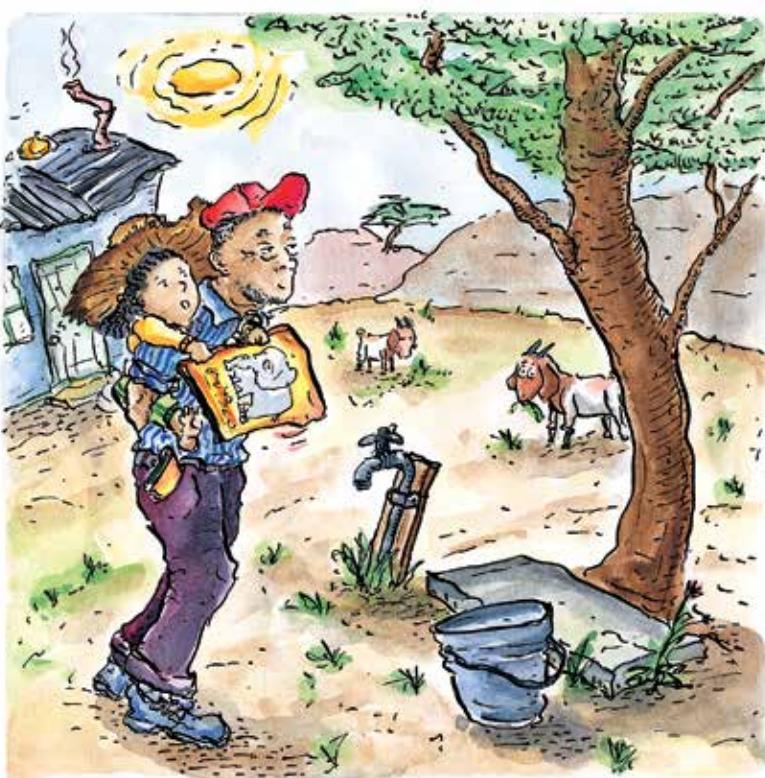
Little smile, **Big** smile.

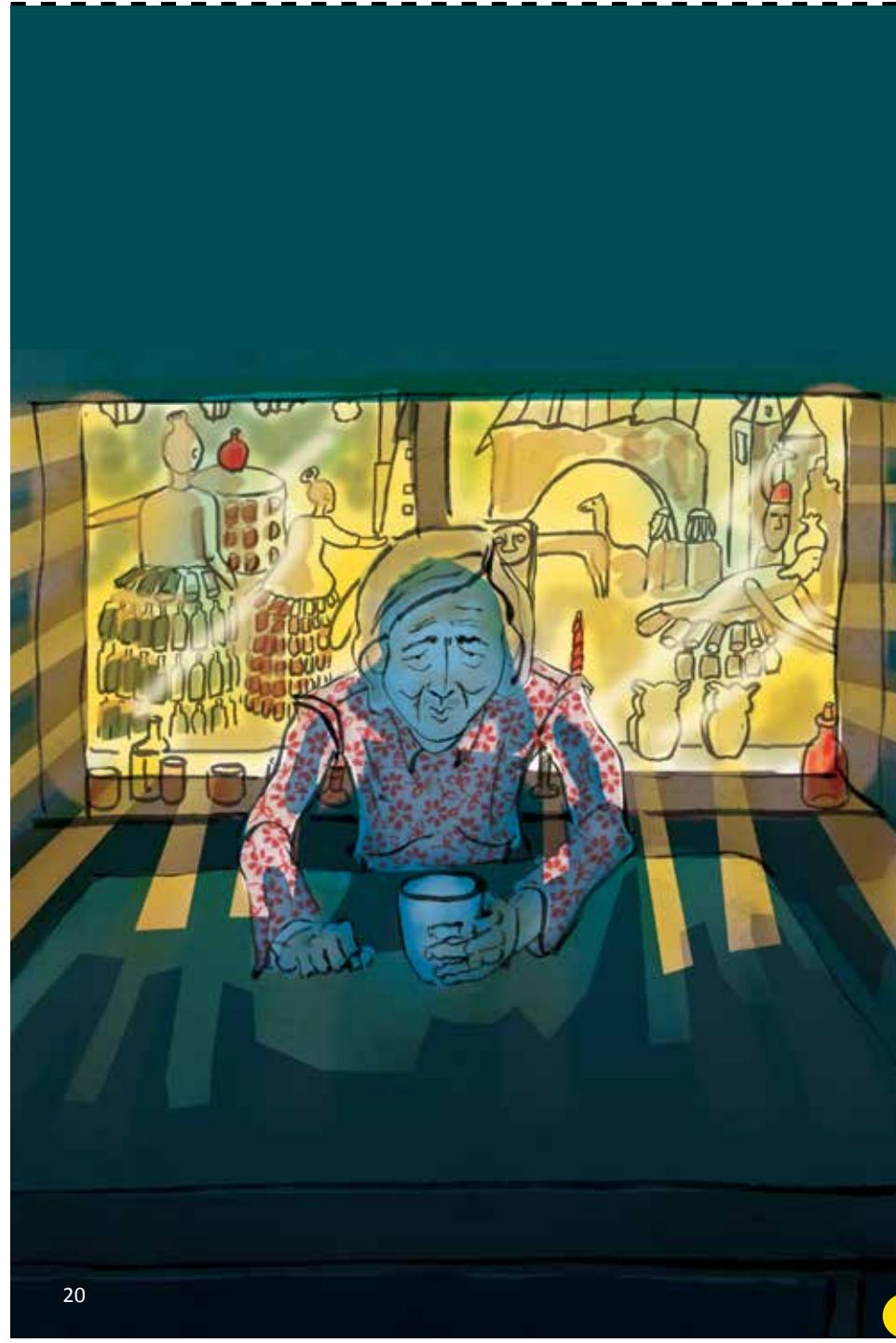


Little hands, **Big** hands.  
Diatla tše nnyane,  
diatla tše **Kgolo**.

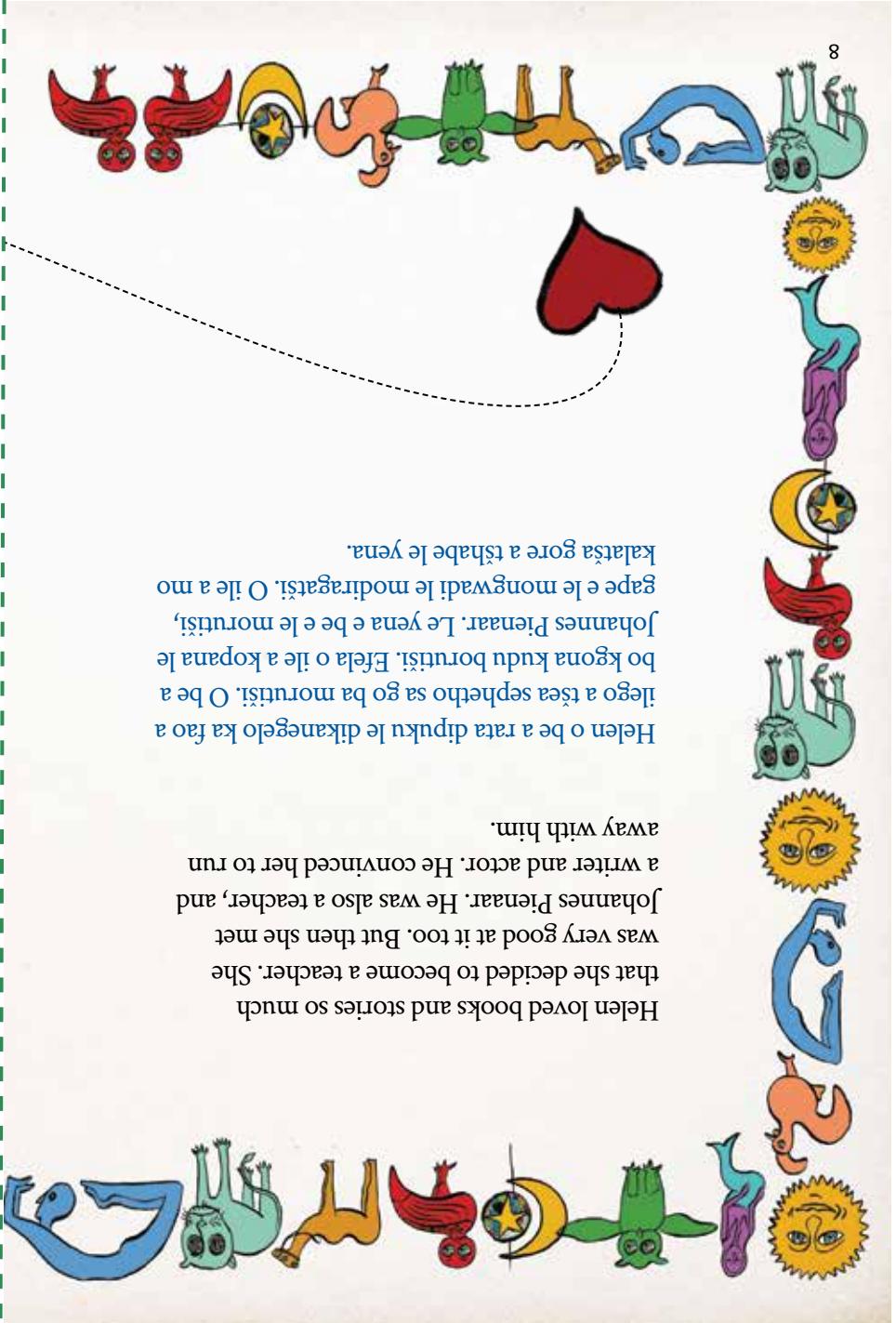
Little hat, **big** hat.

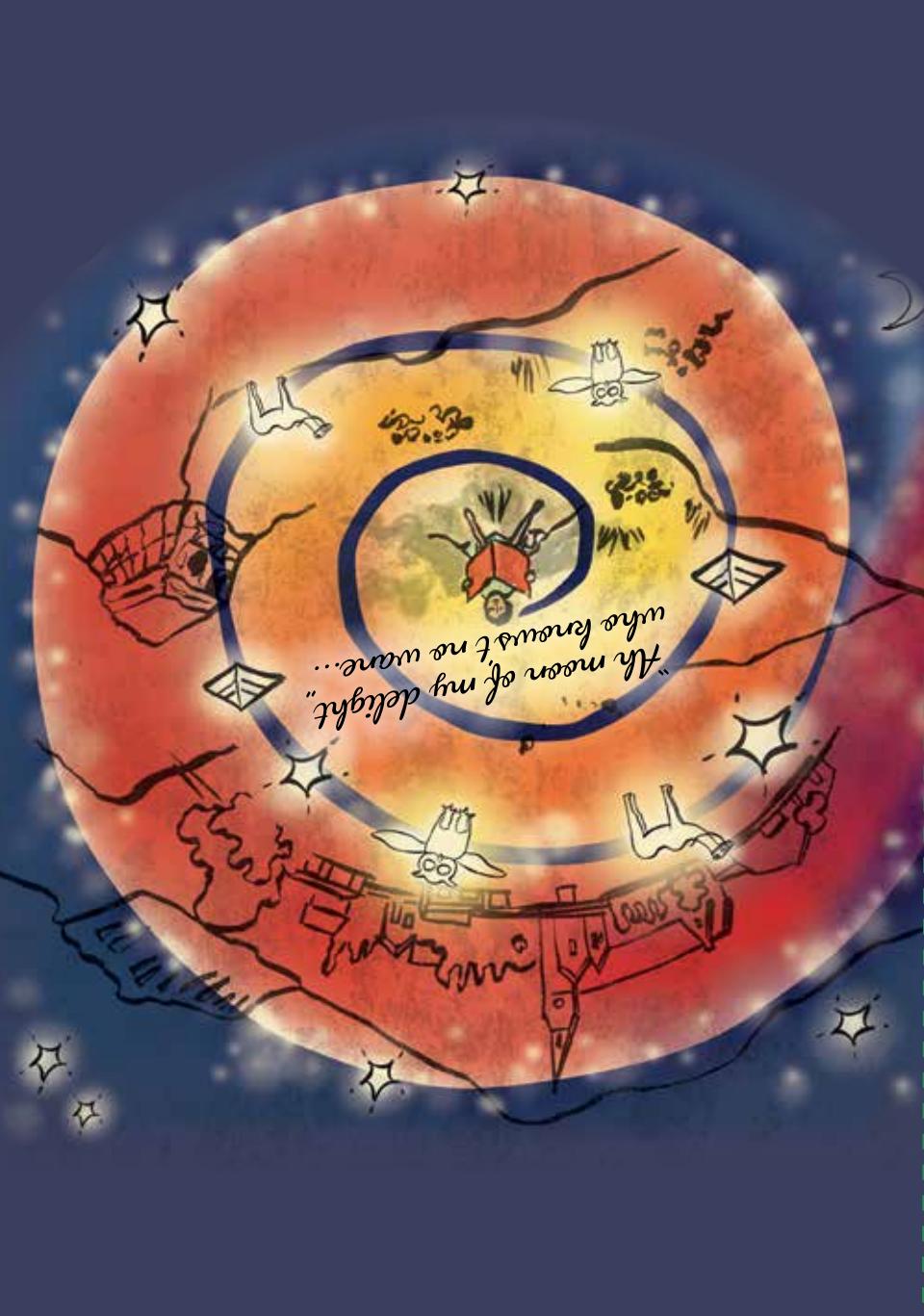
Mongatse wo monnyane,  
mongatse wo **mogolo**.





Morago ga lehu la tatago Helen, o be a dula a teee  
ka ndlong. Boségo bjo bonewe le bjo bonewe o be a  
robala ka phapossing ye e rapanege. Ka meha o be a  
kgetha ya go bonitsa ngewedi le dimaledi gabotse.  
  
Mlo letstising Helen o be a beda. O topile le digalase,  
maboto le ona a kganye.  
  
Mlo letstising Helen o be a beda. O topile le digalase,  
mabota ka ditipana tsa digalase tsa go phadima gote  
moka. Diphone di be di bonitsa settsa. O khupeditsé  
sa go phadima. O beile dilantere ka diphasossing ka  
diphone, dikere se le mabone. Se sengrave le se sengrave  
and the stars.  
  
After Helen's father died, she had the house to herself.  
  
During the day Helen made sculptures. She also  
collected glasses and mirrors, candles and lamps.  
Anything that would shine. She put lanterns in every  
room. Mirrors caught and reflected the light. She  
covered the walls in tiny pieces of glittering glass so  
that the walls could shine too.





ke le tee, ke thabile.  
ya gagwe o nwgwadille goré: "Le ge ke phela  
borotoho le tveye ye ntsho. Ka pukutistasing  
tshelate ya gagwe yohle. O be a phela ka  
Mtsama Helen o rekkile galase le samente ka

josá maswika marulelonge a nido ya gagwe.  
dipelo tse dimpe. Ba be ba mo roga ebile ba  
leboga ka malekere. Ba bangwe ba be ba na  
mitsa "Mtsama Helen". O be a phela ba  
file mabodelo a galase go dira dibopiwba  
feta. Bana ba bangwe ba mo motseng ba mo  
ke dibopiwba tsá tsheengwana ya Helen ge ba  
Baho ba Nieu Betheesda ba be ba kqahwa

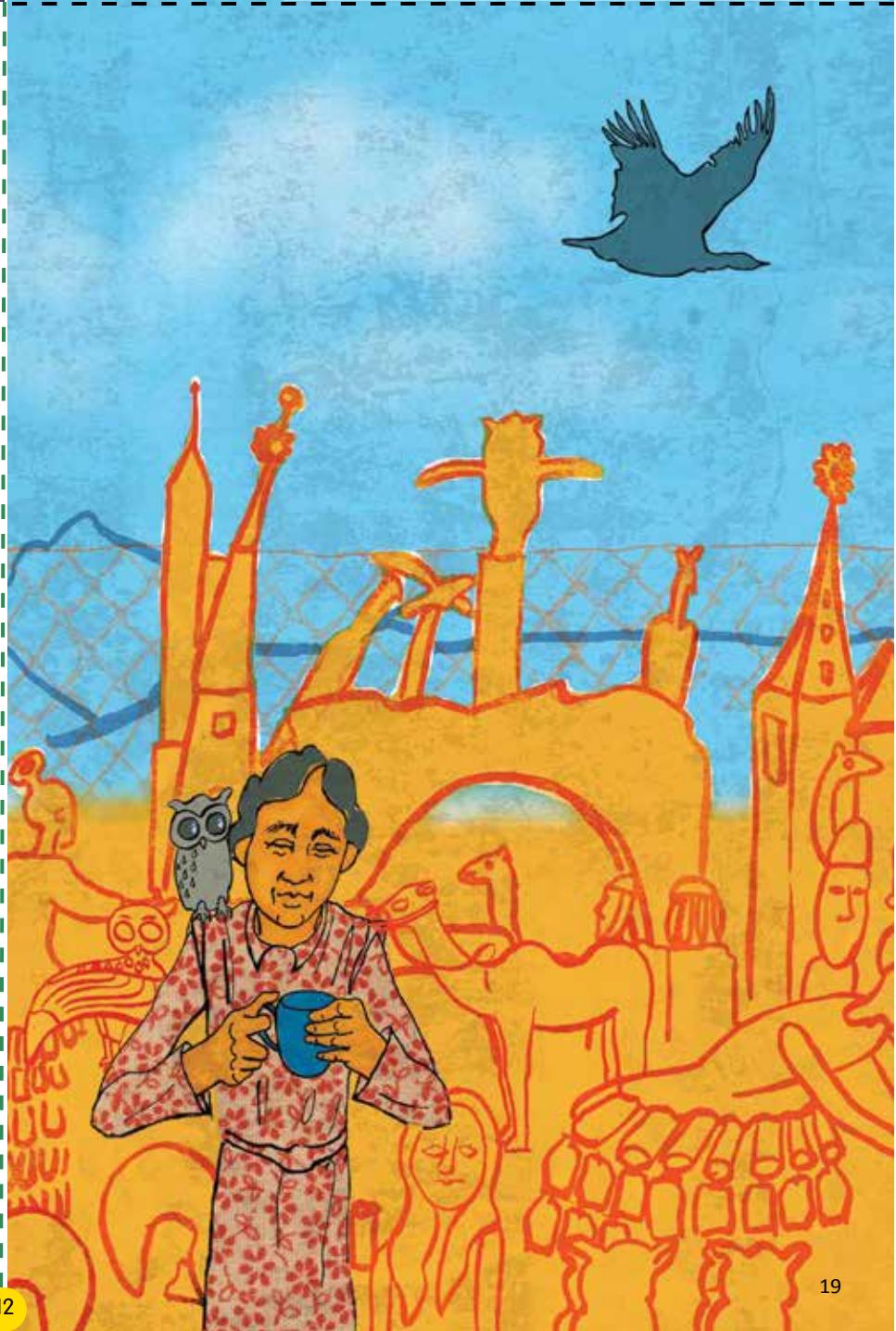
loneliness I am happy.  
black tea. In her diary she wrote: "In my  
and cement. She lived on bread and  
Miss Helen spent all her money on glass

threw stones on her roof.  
not so friendly. They called her names and  
thanked them with sweets. Others were  
and called her "Miss Helen". She always  
brought her glass bottles for her sculptures  
creatures in it. Some of the village children  
past Helen's garden and marvel at the  
The people of Nieu Betheesda would walk



As she grew older, Helen read more stories of faraway places. She especially liked poems from Persia in the Middle East. She dreamed of visiting the ocean one day. She kept a seashell on her bedside table, and imagined she could hear the sound of waves inside it. But of course, owls were always her favourite things of all!

Ge a le gare a gola, Helen a bala dikanegelo tše  
dintsi tsa mafelo a kua kgole. O be a rata kudu  
direto tsa kua Persia ka Bohlabela Gare. O be a na  
le toro ya go etela lewatleng ka letšatši le lengwe. O  
be a beile kgepetla ya lewatleng tafoleng ya kgauswi  
le mpete wa gagwe, gomme a akanya o kare o kwa  
modumo wa maphoto ka gare ga yona. Efela ka  
nnete, o be a rata maribiši go feta tshole!



## Get story active!



## Dira gore kanegelo e be le bophelo!

Here are some activities for you to try. They are based on all the stories in this edition of the Nal'ibali Supplement: *Miss Helen's magical world* (pages 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12), *Little and big* (pages 9 and 10) and *Nomsa's shopping list* (page 14).

### Miss Helen's magical world

Helen Martins loved different coloured glass. She cut the glass into thousands of tiny pieces and then glued these to the walls inside her home to decorate them. Each room had walls of a different colour and when the sunlight shone on them, they glistened! Here's an easy way to use colour and light to decorate a window.

#### You will need:

- ✿ wax paper (that we use to wrap sandwiches)
- ✿ old crayons
- ✿ a grater
- ✿ an iron
- ✿ some newspaper
- ✿ scissors
- ✿ Prestik



1. Stack about 10 sheets of newspaper one on top of the other. Place the stack on a table to protect the surface of the table.
2. On another sheet of newspaper, grate a few crayons. Keep the colours separate so that you have small piles of different colours.
3. Cut two sheets of wax paper to the same size – about the size of an A4 sheet of paper.
4. Lay one sheet of wax paper on top of the stack of newspaper with the waxy side facing upwards.
5. Sprinkle the grated crayons onto the sheet of wax paper. Make sure that you keep the colours separate.
6. Put the other sheet of wax paper on top, with the waxy side facing down.
7. Fold a few sheets of newspaper on top of the wax paper. Now iron it lightly until the crayon melts.
8. When the wax paper has cooled, draw a shape on one side and cut it out.
9. Use Prestik to stick the shape onto a window and watch how the light shines through it!

### Little and big

- ✿ With your children, look closely at the pictures. Can they find the little and big things in each picture?
- ✿ Look at the pictures again. With your children, tell the story that is shown in the bigger pictures. Encourage your children to give the characters names. Talk about what the goats are doing in each scene. Ask, "What would you do if some goats came along and disturbed you? What would you say to them?"
- ✿ Staple a few blank pages together and let your children create their own books about the concepts "little" and "big" by writing and drawing their own pictures. Help younger children by writing the words they tell you for each picture. Let older children write what they want to. Encourage them to read their finished books to each other, and to you!

### Nomsa's shopping list

- ✿ Talk about the story. Ask your children, "What do you think might have happened if Mandisa had been on her own when she lost the list? How could she have worked out what she had to buy?" Encourage your children to share as many different ideas as they can – there are no right or wrong answers!
- ✿ Together with your children, write down the shopping list items from the story. Then write a list of all the different things you could make using these ingredients. Suggest that your children write down the recipe for the item they would most like to eat, and/or to draw a picture of it.



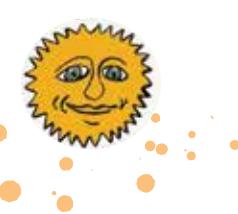
Fa ke mešongwana ye o ka e lekago. E tšwa ka dikanegelong ka moka tša ka gare ga kgatišo ye ya Tlaleletšo ya Nal'ibali: *Lefase la maleatlana la Mišana Helen* (matlakala a 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 le 12), *Nnyane le kgolo* (matlakala a 9 le 10) le *Lenaneo la Nomsa la direkwa* (letlakala la 15).

### Lefase la maleatlana la Mišana Helen

Helen Martins o be a rata galase ya mmala o fapanego. O ntšitše galase ka diripana tše diketekete gomme a di kgomaretša mabotong a ka gare ga ntlo ya gagwe a kgabiša ka tšona. Phapoši ye nngwe le ye nngwe e be e na le maboto a mebala ya go fapano gomme ge mahlasedi a letšatši a lebane le ona a be a phadima! Tsela ye bonolo ya go diriša mmala le seetša go kgabiša lefaseterere ke ye.

#### O tlo hloka:

- ✿ pampiri ya wakese (ye re e dirišago go phuthela disangwetše)
- ✿ dikherayone tša kgale
- ✿ kereithara
- ✿ aene
- ✿ kuranta ye nngwe
- ✿ sekero
- ✿ Prestiki



1. Hlophaganya matlakala a 10 a kuranta a namelane. Di beye godimo ga tafola gore e šireletšege.
2. Godimo ga letlakala le lengwe la kuranta, kreitha dikherayone. Se kopanye mebala gore o be le mekgobjana ya mebala ya go fapano.
3. Ripa matlakala a mabedi a pampiri ya wakese ka bogolo bja go lekana – bjo e ka bago bja letlakala la pampiri ya A4.
4. Bea letlakala le letee la pampiri ya wakese godimo ga mokgobo wa dikuranta gomme lehlakore la wakese le lebelele godimo.
5. Šašetša kherayone ya go kreithiwa godimo ga pampiri ya wakese. Kgonthiša gore o kgaoganya mebala.
6. Bea letlakala le lengwe la pampiri ya wakese godimo, gomme lehlakore la wakese le lebelele fase.
7. Mena matlakala a mmalwa a kuranta godimo ga pampiri ya wakese. Bjale e aene gannyane go fihlela kherayone e nyaoga.
8. Mola pampiri ya wakese e fodile, thala seswantšho ka lehlakoreng le letee gomme o se ripe.
9. Kgomaretša sebopego lefasetereng ka Prestiki o bone ka fao seetša se phadimago go yona!



### Nnyane le kgolo

- ✿ Lebelela diswantšho ka šedi le bana ba gago. Ba kgona go bona dilo tše dinnyane le tše dikgolo diswantšhong?
- ✿ Lebelelang diswantšho gape. Wena le bana ba gago anegang kanegelo ye e lego diswantšhong tše dikgolo. Hlohleletša bana ba gago go fa maina a baanegwa. Bolelang ka se dirwago ke dipudi tiragalang ye nngwe le ye nngwe. Botšiša, "O be o tla dira eng ge nkabe dipudi di tle di go tshwenye? O be o tla reng go tšona?"
- ✿ Swariša matlakala a mmalwa mmogo ka steipolaro gomme o re bana ba gago ba hlame dipuku tša bona ka dikgopoloo tša "nnyane" le "kgolo" ka go ngwala le go thala diswantšho tša bona. Thuša bana ba bannyane ka go ngwala mantšu a ba go botšago ona a seswantšho se sengwe le se sengwe. E re bana ba bagolvane ba ngwale se ba se nyakago. Ba hlohleletše go balelana dipuku tše ba feditšego go di dira, ba be ba go balele!



### Lenaneo la Nomsa la direkwa

- ✿ Bolelang ka kanegelo. Botšiša bana ba gago, "O nagana gore nkabe go diregile eng ge nkabe Mandisa a be a le tee ge a be a timetša lenaneo? O be a tlo gopoloo direkwa bjang?" Hlohleletša bana ba gago go abelando ka dikgopoloo tše dintši tša go fapano – ga go dikarabo tša go nepagala goba tša go fošagal!
- ✿ Mmogo le bana ba gago, ngwalang lananeo la direkwa la ka kanegeleng. Gomme le ngwale dilo tša go fapano tše le bego le tlo di dira ka ditswakwa. Šišinya gore bana ba gago ba ngwale motswako wa selo se ba ka ratago go se ja, le/goba ba thale seswantšho sa sona.





# Nomsa's shopping list

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Nomsa was watching her big sister, Mandisa, make a necklace.

Their mother called from the kitchen, "Mandisa, please go to the shop for me. Here is the shopping list."

Mandisa read the shopping list, "Bread, margarine, peanut butter, apricot jam, flour, eggs, sugar, milk, tea and salt. I'll need two bags for all this."

Nomsa hopped up and down. "Can I come too? Please can I come?" She had some money saved. She loved the big round orange sweets at the shop.

"Do you have to?" Mandisa sighed. She was twelve and Nomsa was six and sometimes she got tired of her little sister tagging along behind her. "You'll have to help me carry the shopping then."

"I will, I will!" promised Nomsa. "Read the list again, I want to hear what we have to get."

"Bread, margarine, peanut butter, apricot jam, flour, eggs, sugar, milk, tea and salt," read Mandisa as Nomsa counted the items on her fingers. Ten items, one for each finger. Nomsa could not read yet, but she was good at remembering things.

The sisters went out into the street. The wind was blowing! It flapped their clothes and it sent the litter in the street racing and tumbling around their feet. As they passed the hair salon in Mrs Ngubane's garage they saw Fezeka and Phumla having their hair braided. Mrs Ngubane was very clever at braiding. Fezeka and Phumla were Mandisa's best friends.

"Yoh, you look good!" Mandisa said when she went into the hair salon to look at the new style in braiding. It was very smart.

"You're wearing a new shirt," Mandisa said to Fezeka. She bent over and felt the material between her fingers. "Where did you find this?"

Nomsa sighed. She wanted to get to the shop quickly. But all Mandisa thought about these days was clothes and hair and shoes.

  
 "I love your new necklace, Phumla!" said Mandisa bending over to touch her friend's new necklace. Then, oh-oh! The wind snatched the shopping list out of Mandisa's hand! It flew away over the wall, then over the roof next door. It was gone, gone, gone! Absolutely and completely gone!

"Now I'm in trouble," said Mandisa as she put her hand over her mouth. "I'll have to go home and ask Mama for a new list and she'll be cross!"

"You don't have to! I can remember the shopping list," said Nomsa hopping up and down. "I can remember everything." She held up her hands and counted the items on her ten fingers. Each finger was something from the shopping list. "Bread, margarine, peanut butter, apricot jam, flour, eggs, sugar, milk, tea and salt!" she said.

Mandisa looked surprised. "Well done, Sisi! I'm glad you came with me. Let's get to the shop quickly and buy those things. Otherwise Mama is going to be cross."

When they got to Mambhele Cash Store, Mandisa asked for all the things that Nomsa had remembered on her ten fingers and she put the things in the shopping bags. Nomsa stared at the big bottle of orange sweets and the bottle of jelly babies near the till. She took her money out and gave it to Mandisa. She pointed at the sweets she wanted and Mandisa bought them. Mandisa added a red lollipop as well.

"That's for saving me from getting into trouble," said Mandisa. "I know you like red lollipops."

They each carried a shopping bag home and Nomsa sucked her red lollipop.

At home, they unpacked the shopping bags on the kitchen table and Mandisa asked, "Mama, can I make pancakes for supper tonight?" She knew Nomsa loved pancakes.

"Yes," said their mother. "I have a lot of school work to mark this afternoon. It would really help me if you made supper."

Together Nomsa and Mandisa mixed flour, eggs, milk, sugar and a little salt for pancakes. They let the mixture stand for an hour. Then they made pancakes and pancakes and more pancakes. The kitchen smelt so good!

When Papa came home, he went straight to the kitchen. "My nose is telling me that we are having pancakes for supper! And I see that my two daughters are the cooks. What are you going to put inside them?" he asked.

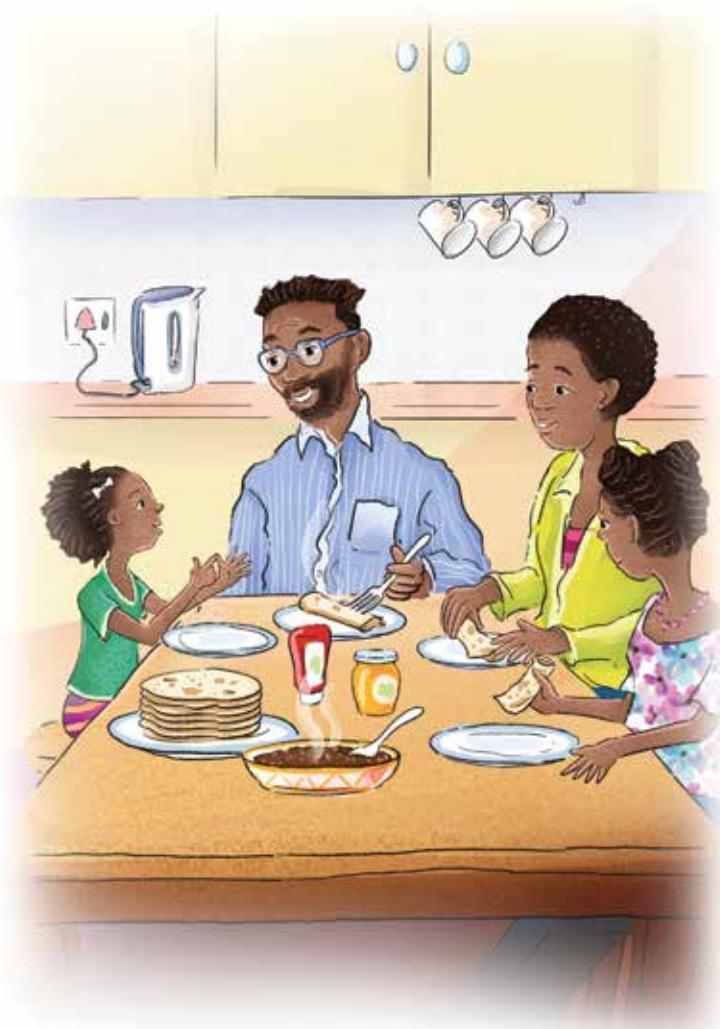
"There's some mince left over from yesterday. We can use that," said Mandisa.

"And there's also apricot jam. Apricot jam is my favourite in the whole world!" said Nomsa hopping up and down.

"Mine too," said Papa and he laughed.

When Mama came into the kitchen, she clapped her hands. "Well done, my daughters!" she said.

The pancakes were delicious. "I can remember the ingredients for the recipe," Nomsa said. She held up her hand and counted them on her five fingers, "Flour, eggs, milk, sugar and a little salt!"



Her father laughed and patted her shoulder. "My clever little girl!" he said. "Maybe I should use my fingers to remember things too!"



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# Lenaneo la Nomsa la direkwa

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Nomsa o be a hlokomela sesi wa gagwe, Mandisa, a dira pheta.

Mmago bona o ile a bitša a le ka moraleng, "Mandisa, nke o nkele lebenkeleng. Lenaneo la direkwa ke le."

Mandisa o ile a bala lenaneo la direkwa, "Borotho, matšarine, potoro ya ditloomake, jamo ya apolokose, folouru, mae, swikiri, maswi, teye le letswai. Ke hloka mekotla ye mebedi ya tšohle tše."

Nomsa a fofela godimo le tlase. "Nka ya le nna? Naa nka ya le wena?" O bolokile tšelete ye nngwe. O rata malekere a mmala wa namune a nthokolo a magolo a kua lebenkeleng.

"Go a hlokega gore o ye?" Mandisa a hemela godimo. O be a na le mengwaga ye lesomepedi gomme Nomsa a na le mengwaga ye tshela efela ka dinako tše dingwe o be a lapišwa ke go phela a šetše morago ke ngwana wa gabu wa mosetsana. "Gona o tlo swanela go nthuša go rwala direkwa."

"Ke tlo go swariša, ke tlo go swariša!" gwa tshepiša Nomsa. "Bala lenaneo gape, ke nyaka go kwa gore re swanetše go reka eng."

"Borotho, matšarine, potoro ya ditloomake, jamo ya apolokose, folouru, mae, swikiri, maswi, teye le letswai," gwa bala Mandisa mola Nomsa a balela dilo menwaneng ya seatla sa gagwe. Dilo tše lesome, se tee monwaneng o mongwe le o mongwe. Nomsa o be a sa tsebe go bala efela o be a na le bokgoni bja go gopola gabotse.



Basesana ba be ba le mmileng. Go be go foka phef! E be e fefera diaparo tša bona le go fofisa matlakala mebileng a kitima le go phethoga maotong a bona. Ba rile ge ba feta salune sa meriri sa karatše ya Moh Ngubane ba bona Fezeka le Phumla ba loga meriri ya bona. Moh Ngubane o be a kcona go loga kudu. Fezeka le Phumla e be e le bagwera ba Mandisa ba potego.

"Ijoo, le botse!" Mandisa a realo a tsena ka saluneng ya meriri go lebelela setaele se seswa sa mologo. Se be se le botse kudu.

"O apere hempe ye mpšha," Mandisa a botša Fezeka. O ile a khukhama a phophola lešela ka menwana ya seatla. "O e rekile kae?"

Nomsa a hemela godimo. O be a nyaka go fihla lebenkeleng ka pela. Efela Mandisa matšatši a o be a nagana fela ka meriri, diaparo le dieta.

"Ke rata pheta ya gago ye mpšha, Phumla!" a realo Mandisa a khukhama gore a sware pheta ya mogwera wa gagwe. Gomme, agaa! Phef ya tše lenaneo la direkwa seatleng sa Mandisa! Le ile la fofa leboto, la fofa marulelo a ntlo ya baagisane. Le ile, la ya, la ya! La sobelela sa ruri!

"Bjale ke bothateng," a realo Mandisa a bea seatla molomong wa gagwe. "Ke tla swanela go ya gae gomme ke kgopele Mama lenaneo le leswa gomme o tlo befelwa!"

"Ga go hloke go dira seo! Ke gopola lenaneo la direkwa," a realo Nomsa a fofela godimo le tlase. "Ke di gopola ka moka." O emišitše diatla gomme a balela dilo menwaneng ya gagwe ye lesome. Monwana o mongwe le o mongwe wa gagwe e be e le se sengwe go tšwa lenaneong. "Borotho, matšarine, potoro ya ditloomake, jamo ya apolokose, folouru, mae, swikiri, maswi, teye le letswai!" a realo.

Mandisa o ile a makala. "O šomile, Sesi! Ke thaba ge o tlie le nna. Areye lebenkeleng ka pela re reke dilo tše. Go sego bjalo Mama o tlo befelwa."

Ba rile ge ba fihla Mambhele Cash Store, Mandisa a kgopela dilo tše Nomsa a di gopotsego menwaneng ya gagwe ye lesome gomme a tsenya dilo ka mekotleng ya direkwa. Nomsa o ile a lebelela lebotlelo le legolo la malekere a mmala wa namune le lebotlelo la dijeli kgauswi le thili. O ntšitše tšelete potleng a e fa Mandisa. O šupile malekere ao a nyakago gomme Mandisa a reka. Mandisa a tsenya le lolipop ye hubedu.

"Se ke sa go mphološa gore ke se tsene mathateng," a realo Mandisa. "Ke a tseba o rata dilolipopo tše dihubedu."

Ka bobedi ba be ba rwele mekotla ya direkwa ba lebile gae gomme Nomsa a mona lolipop ya gagwe ye hubedu.

Kua gae, ba phuthulotše mekotla ya direkwa tafoleng ka khitšing gomme Mandisa a bošiša, "Mama, nka dira dipanekuku tša go lalela mantšibod?" O be a tseba gore Nomsa o rata dipanekuku.

"Ee," a realo mmago bona. "Ka na le mošomo o montši wa go swaya mosegare wo. O tla be o nthuša ge o ka dira dijo tša go lalela."

Mmogo Nomsa le Mandisa ba tswaka folouru, mae, maswi, swikiri le letswatšana ba dira dipanekuku. Ba flogetše motswako sebaka sa iri. Gomme ba dira dipanekuku, le dipanekuku le dipanekuku tše dintši. Go be go nkga bose kudu ka moraleng!

Papa o rile ge a boa a leba ka moraleng thwii. "Nko ya ka e mpotša gore re lalela ka dipanekuku! Gape ke a bona gore barwed ba ka ba babedi ke baapei. Le tlie go tsenya eng ka gare ga tšona?" a bošiša.

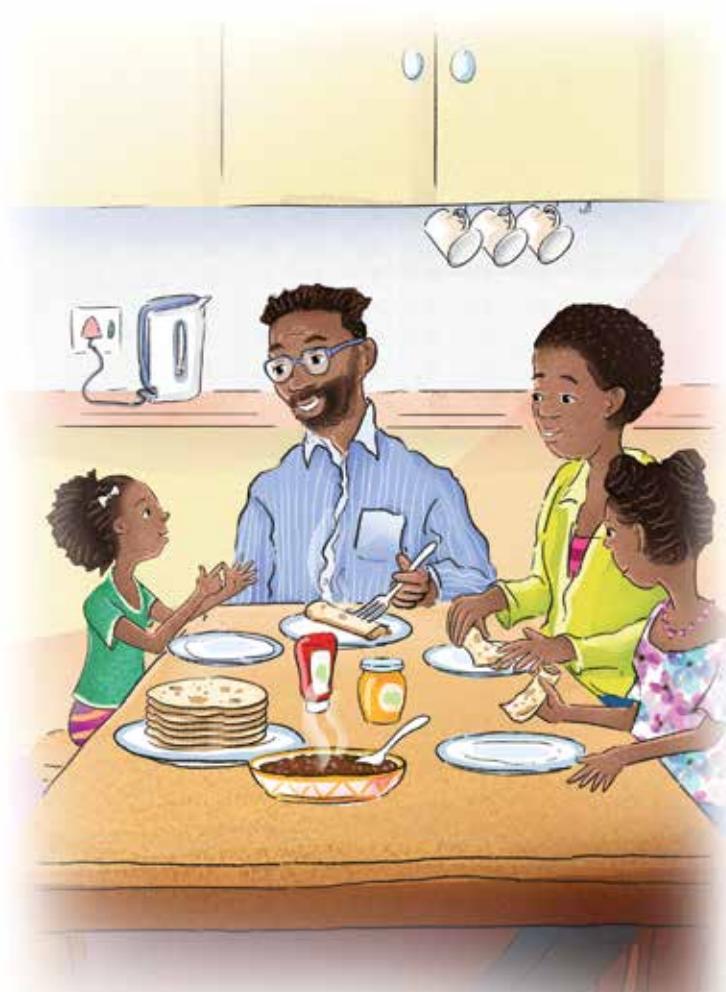
"Go na le nama ya go šilwa ya go šala maabane. Re ka diriša yona," a realo Mandisa.

"Gape go na le jamo ya apolokose. Ke rata jamo ya apolokose kudu!" a realo Nomsa a fofela godimo le tlase.

"Le ya ka," a realo Papa gomme a sega.

E rile ge Mama a etla ka moraleng a phaphatha diatla. "Le šomile barwed ba ka!" a realo.

Dipanekuku di be di le bose. "Nka gopola ditswakwa tša motswako," Nomsa a realo. O emišitše seatla a di balela menwaneng ya gagwe ye mehlano, "Folouru, mae, maswi, swikiri le letswatšana!"



Tatagwe o ile a sega a mo phaphatha legetla. "Mosetsana wa ka wa bohlale!" a realo. "Mogongwe le nna ke swanetše go diriša menwana ya ka go gopola dilo!"



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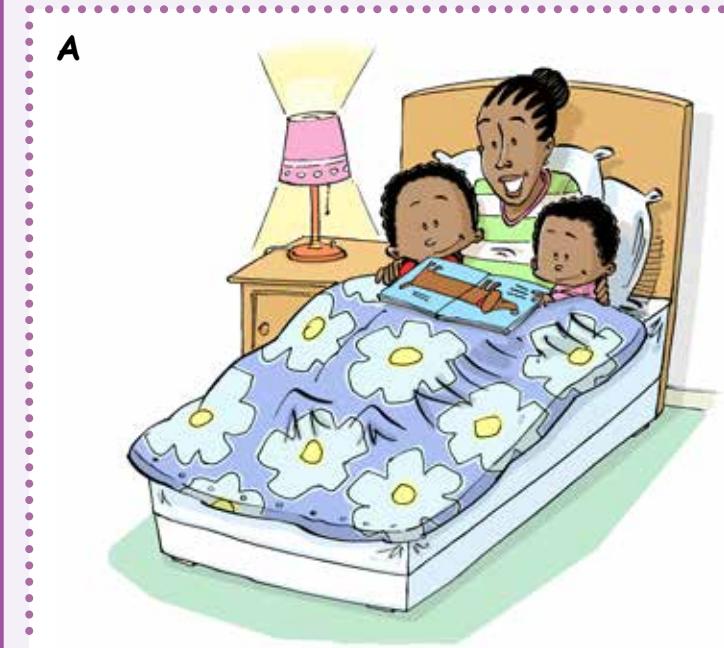


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Can you find **6** differences between these two pictures?



## 2. Be a word detective!

**Use these clues to find the words in the cut-out-and-keep book, *Miss Helen's magical world*.**

- a. A South African province \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. A South African town \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. A country \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. A bird \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. Two more animals \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - f. Two girls' names \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - g. Something made from wax that you light \_\_\_\_\_
  - h. Something you eat \_\_\_\_\_
  - i. These are found in the sea \_\_\_\_\_
  - j. Two feelings \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - k. Something you use to build with \_\_\_\_\_
  - l. Something you can see yourself in \_\_\_\_\_
  - m. Two things that are human-made that give light  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
  - n. Three things you find in the sky \_\_\_\_\_



**Dikarabo:** 2.a. Eadsystem Caphe, b. Neu Belheesda, c. Egyp/Persta, d. owl.  
**Answers:** 2.a. Eadsystem Caphe, b. Neu Belheesda, c. Kamelka, katsie,  
 Egyp/Persta, d. leefisi, e. kamelka, katsie,  
 f. die dingwe le tse dingwe tse pedl: Helen, Annie, Alida, g. kerese, h. borroho/maklike, i. maptholo/  
 dikgelella, j. tse dingwe le tse dingwe tse pedl: hhaba, belefwa, tschoga, k. somenle, l. seipone,  
 m. tse dingwe le tse dingwe tse pedl: kerese, lebone, lauhere, n. lefslati, ngywedi, dindele

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