

# NALIBALI

## Support beginner readers!

Between the ages of six and nine, most children learn to read for themselves. So, what can you do to help them develop as readers? Well, the most important thing you can do is to keep reading to them! Here are some ideas for doing that.

### WHICH BOOKS TO CHOOSE

1. Let your children select books that appeal to them. Children very often find an author, a type of story or a series they like, and this might inspire them to read more books.
2. As they start to read on their own, help your children choose books that are not too difficult so that they are able to have lots of successful reading experiences.
3. Keep more difficult books for you to read to your children.
4. Expose older children to longer books with chapters. Try to read a chapter or two each day.

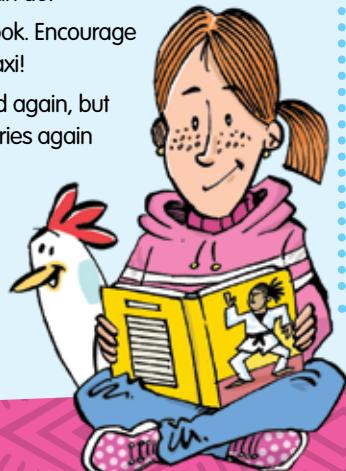
### TIBUKU LETI U NGA TIHLAWULAKA

1. Pfumelela vana va wena ku hlawula tibuku leti va ti tsakelaka. Hi mikarhi yo tala vana va tikumela hi voxe mutsari, muxaka wa ntsheketo kumbe nongoloko lowu va wu lavaka, naswona leswi swi nga va hlholotelu ku hlaya tibuku to tala.
2. Loko va ri karhi va dyondza ku hlaya hi voxe, pfuna vana va wena ku hlawula tibuku leti nga tikeki leswaku va kota ku va na ntokoto lowukulu lowu nga kahle wo hlaya.
3. Hlayisa tibuku leto tika leswaku wena u ta hlayela vana.
4. Komba vana lavakulu tibuku leto leha leti ti nga na mikavanyiso yo tala. Ringeta ku hlaya kavanyisa kun'we kumbe kumbirhi hi siku.



### More tips

- Sing songs, say tongue twisters (such as: red lorry, yellow lorry) and read rhymes together to get children used to the different sounds in words. This helps them master the skills they need for their own reading and writing.
- Create some opportunities for your children to read to you. For example, once a week take turns reading aloud to each other just before bedtime. Or, suggest that they try out their new skills by reading to younger siblings. This helps children to feel proud of what they can do.
- Don't let your children leave home without a book. Encourage them to read everywhere – even in the car or taxi!
- Read the stories your children ask for again and again, but also encourage them to read their favourite stories again themselves. This helps them to become more confident readers.
- Remember that the most important thing is to make reading a relaxed, meaningful and satisfying experience.



## Pfuna vahlayi lava ha sungulaka!

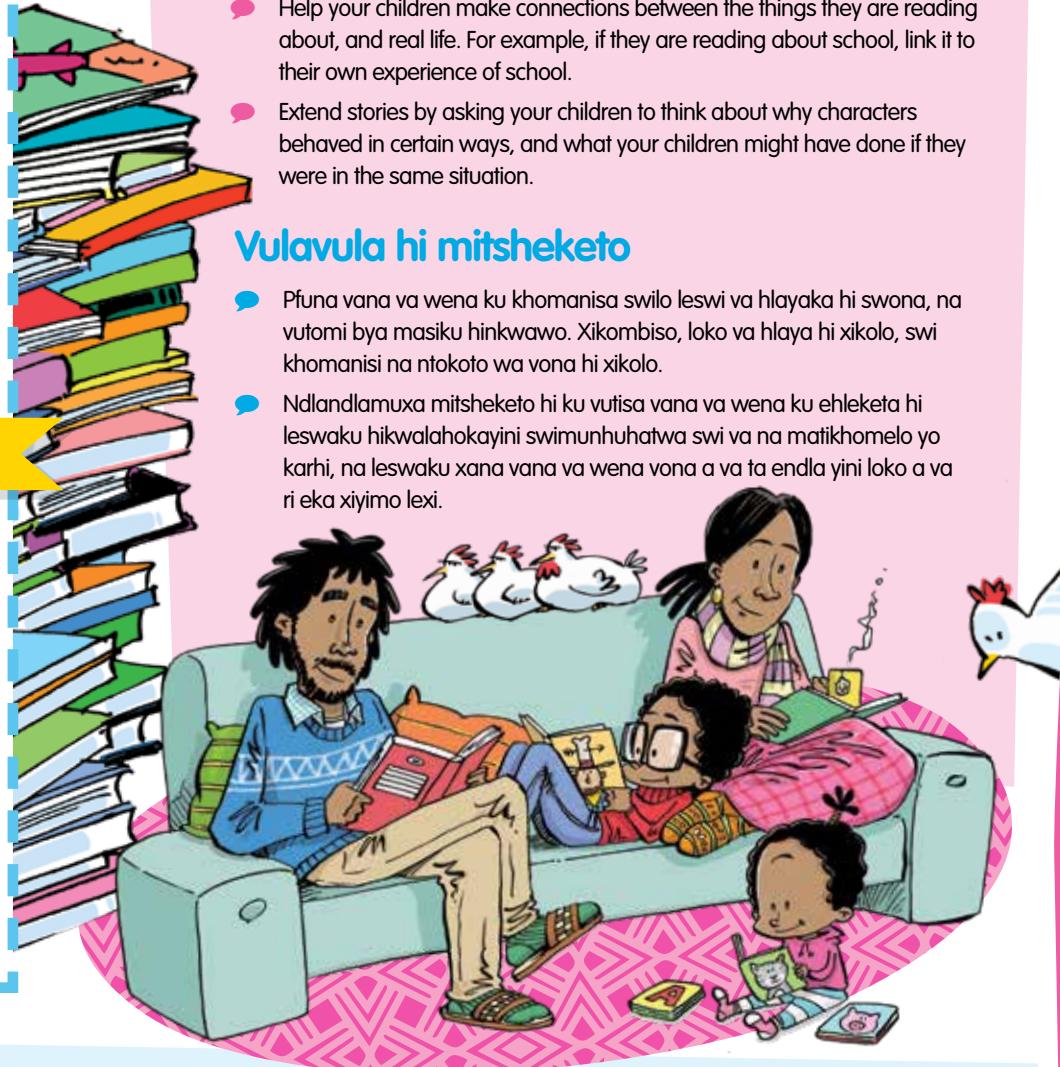
Vana vo tala va le xikarhi ka vukhale bya malembe ya tsevu na kaye, va dyondza ku tihayela hi voxe. Loko swiritano, u nga endla yini ku va pfuna ku va hluvukisa va va vahlayi? Swi kahle, xa nkoka swinene lexi u nga xi endlaka i ku tshamela ro va hlayela! Hileswi switsundzuxo swin'wana swa ku endla tano.

### Talk about stories

- Help your children make connections between the things they are reading about, and real life. For example, if they are reading about school, link it to their own experience of school.
- Extend stories by asking your children to think about why characters behaved in certain ways, and what your children might have done if they were in the same situation.

### Vulavula hi mitsheketo

- Pfuna vana va wena ku khomanisa swilo leswi va hlayaka hi swona, na vutomi bya masiku hinkwawo. Xikombiso, loko va hlaya hi xikolo, swi khomanisi na ntokoto wa bona hi xikolo.
- Ndlandlamuxa mitsheketo hi ku vutisa vana va wena ku ehleketa hi leswaku hikwalahokayini swimunhuhatwa swi va na matikhomelo yo karhi, na leswaku xana vana va wena bona a va ta endla yini loko a va ri eka xiymo lexi.



### Switsundzuxo swo engetela

- Yimbelelani tinsimu, vulani marito yo petsa ririmu (ku fana na: kondlo leri, rendzo leri) kutani mi hlaya swin'we swinsin'wana leswaku vana va tolvela mimpumawulo yo hambanahambana ya marito. Leswi swi va pfuna ku va na vuswikoti lebyi lavekaka eku hlayeni na le ku tsalenai ka bona.
- Nyika vana va wena nkarhi leswaku va ku hlayela. Xikombiso, kan'we hi vhiki cincanani ku hlayela ehenhla eka un'wana na un'wana loko mi nga si ettele. Kumbe, ringanya leswaku va ringeta vuswikoti bya bona lebyintshwa hi ku hlayela varmakwavo lavatsongo. Leswi swi pfuna ku tinyungubuya hi leswi va kotaka ku swi endla.
- U nga pfumeleli vana va wena va huma ekaya va ri hava buku. Va hlholotelu ku hlaya hinkwakonkwako – na loko va ri endzeni ka thekisi kumbe emovheni!
- Hlayela vana mitsheketo leyi va yi kombelaka hi mikarhi na mikarhi, kambe tthela u va hlholotelu ku tihlaya nakambe hi voxe mitsheketo leyi va yi rhandzaka. Leswi swi va pfuna ku va vahlayi vo fitshemba.
- Tsundzuka leswaku lexi nga xa nkoka swinene i ku endla leswaku ku hlaya ku va loku nga hola, ku nga na xikongomelo na ku va na ntokoto lowu enerisaka.



IT STARTS WITH  
A STORY.  
SWI SUNGULA HI  
NTSHEKETO.

# Let's celebrate!

The month of May is filled with special opportunities for children to use reading and writing in meaningful and fun ways! Here are some ideas for the different celebrations this month. Rather than trying to do all of them, choose one or two that you think will most interest your children.



## Mother's Day (12 May)

Invite the mothers of the children at your reading club (or people who are like mothers to them) to join you at the reading club session which is closest to Mother's Day. Read or tell a story about a mother-child relationship to everyone and then invite the mothers and their children to spend time reading stories and looking at books together.

Instead of giving cards to their mothers, suggest that the children follow the steps below to create special Mother's Day messages for their moms!

1. Cut out the three rectangles on page 3 by cutting along the black dotted lines.
2. Fold each rectangle along the blue line.
3. Glue the two parts together.
4. Write a different message to your mom on the blank side of each rectangle. Then decorate both sides.
5. Find three different places in your home to put your messages so that your mom will find them! (It doesn't matter if you do this after Mother's Day, your mom will still love finding your messages!)

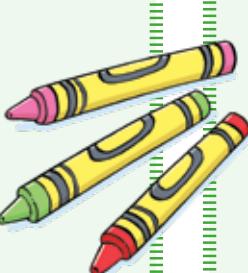
## International Day of Families (15 May) and Biographer's Day (16 May)

Explain that a biography is a book written by an author about someone else's life. Encourage the children to choose a member of their family to write a biography about. Before they start writing, suggest that they do some research by talking to people who know this person.



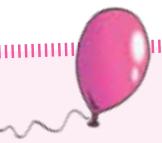
## Drawing Day (16 May)

Give your children some sheets of blank paper and challenge them to create a storybook by drawing pictures only! They will need to write the title of the story and their names on the front cover, but the rest of their book should be only the pictures they have drawn. Invite them to share their finished story with you!



## A hi tlangeleni!

N'hweti ya Mudyaxihi yi taleriwile hi swivandlanene eka vana leswaku va swi tirhisa ku hlaya na ku tsala hi tindlela leti vuyerisaka na ku tsakisa! Hileswi switsundzuxo swin'wana swo hambarahambana swo tlangelena eka n'hweti ley. Ku sivela ku ringeta ku endla leswi hinkwaswo, hlawula xin'we kumbe swimbirhi leswi u ehleketa ka leswaku swi ta tsakisa vana va wena.



## Siku ra Vamanana (12 Mudyaxihi)

Rhamba vamanana wa vana eka ntawa wo hlaya wa wena (kumbe vanhu lava fanaka na vamanana eka vona) ku tikatsa na wena eka ntshamo wa ntawa wo hlaya lowu wu nga ekusuhi na Siku ra Vamanana. Hlaya kumbe u tsheketa ntsheketo hi vuxaka bya manana-n'wana eka hinkwavo kutani u rhamba vamhani na vana va vona ku teka nkari va hlaya mitsheketo na ku languta tibuku swin'we. Ematshan'weni ya ku nyika vamanana wa vona makhadi, ringanyeta leswaku vana va landzelela swileriso leswi nga laha hansi ku endlela vamanana wa vona mahungu yo hlawuleka ya Siku ra Vamanana!

1. Tsema tirhekithengele tinharhu eka pheji 3 hi ku tsemeka eka ntila wa ntima wo tsemeka-tsemeka.
2. Petsa yin'wana na yin'wana ya tirhekithengele hi le ka ntila wa wasi.
3. Namarhetra swiphemu leswi haswimbirhi ka swona.
4. Tsalela manana wa wena mahungu yo hambana eka tlheloa rhekithemgeleleri nga riki na nchumu. Kutani u khavisa eka matlhelo hamambirhi.
5. Kuma tindhawu tinharhu to hambarahambana ekaya ra wena laha u nga vekaka kona mahungu ya wena leswaku manana wa wena a ta ya kuma! (A swi na mhaka na leswaku u endla leswi endzhaku ka Siku ra Vamanana, manana wa wena u ta kala a ha swi randza ku kuma mahungu ya wena!)

## Siku ra Matiko ya Misava ra Mindyangu (15 Mudyaxihi) na Siku ra Vubayogirafa (16 Mudyaxihi)

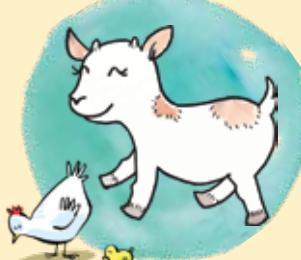
Hlamusela leswaku bayogirafi i buku ley i nga tsariwa hi mutsari hi vutomi bya un'wana munhu. Hlohotela vana ku hlawula xirho xa ndyangu ku tsala bayogirafi hi yena. Loko va nga si sungula ku tsala, ringanyeta leswaku va endla vulavisisi hi ku vulavula na van'wana vanhu lava tivaka munhu loyi.



## Siku ra ku Dirowa (16 Mudyaxihi)

Nyika vana va wena maphepha lama nga tsalelangiki ya buku kutani u va tlhontlha ku endla buku ya mitsheketo hi ku dirowa swifaniso ntsena! Va ta fanelia ku tsala nhlokohaka ya ntsheketo na mavito ya vona eka khavhara yo sungula, kambe buku ya vona hinkwayo yi fanele ku va na swifaniso leswi va nga swi dirowa. Varhambi ku ta avelana na wena mitsheketo ley i nga hela!

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VAMANANA RA  
NTSAKO!**

**HAPPY  
MOTHER'S  
DAY!**

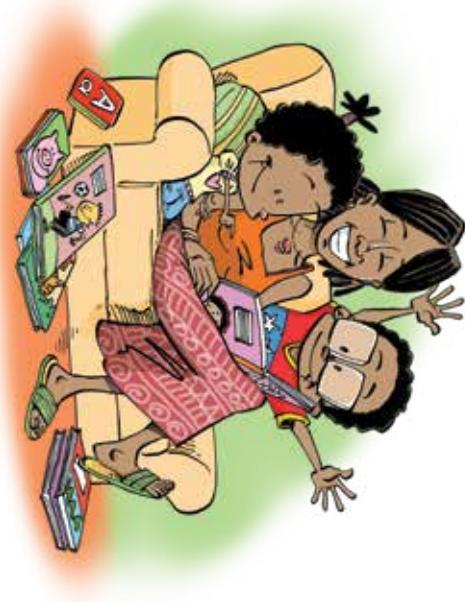


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## Nal'ibali news

**Story Bosso** is the annual multilingual storytelling talent search held by Nal'ibali. It provides aspiring storytellers with an opportunity to showcase their talent and it promotes storytelling in all official South African languages.

The Story Bosso theme for 2018 was, South African Heroes. "Heroes show us how to live our lives. They give us hope and motivate us to overcome challenges. By remembering and telling the stories of our heroes, we aim to inspire greatness in South Africa's children," explained Jade Jacobsohn, Managing Director of The Nal'ibali Trust.

Storytelling is an important part of our heritage. It also plays a key role in children's literacy development by encouraging the use of their imagination, curiosity and empathy.

More than 50 Story Bosso storytelling events were held across the country during September 2018 to allow members of the public to practise and build their storytelling skills before entering the contest.

The winner, thirteen-year-old Praises Banda from Ga-Kibi, Dankie Village, in Limpopo, was selected from over two thousand entries. A further five provincial winners were also selected, namely: Thabiso Khoeli from Free State, Sibongile Mofokeng from Gauteng, Afrika Cwecwe from Eastern Cape, Mandisa Madlala from KwaZulu-Natal and Mbalentle Mangete from Western Cape.

"We were blown away by Praises Banda who told her story so skilfully in her home language, Sepedi," said Jacobsohn. Told with both sadness and passion, Praises' story was about her personal hero, Kholofelo Sasebola, who put an end to the bullying she endured at school.

"You could hear the sadness in Praises' voice. You could tell the bullying was traumatic, but, at the same time, you could hear her passion for celebrating the deed of her hero. Her command of Sepedi is commendable. Though the story was told in simple sentences, Praises used the language playfully," commented Lorato Trok, one of the Story Bosso judges.

"We know that well-told stories can inspire children to explore stories in books too, and sharing stories with children helps to root the seeds of a reading culture in daily life. We are proud of all of our winners for showing us what good storytelling is," concluded Jacobsohn.



Praises Banda (right) telling her story again at the awards event.

Praises Banda (exineneni) a ri karhi a tsheketa ntsheketo wa yena nakambe eka nkuvo wo nyika masagwati.

## Mahungu ya Nal'ibali

Story Bosso i misecho wa lembe na lembe lowu fambisiwaka hi Nal'ibali laha ku laviwaka mutsheketi wa ntsheketo hi tindziminyingi. Wu nyika vatsheketo nkarhi wo kombisa titalenta ta vona naswona wu tlakusa ku tsheketa mitsheketo hi tindzimi hinkwato ta ximfumo ta laha Afrika-Dzonga.

Nkongomelo wa Story Bosso hi 2018 a ku ri, Tinghwazi ta Afrika-Dzonga. "Tinghwazi ti hi komba hilaha hi faneleku ku hanya ha kona vutomi bya hina. Tih nyika ntshembho na ku hi hlholotela ku hlula eka mitlhontlo. Hi ku tsundzuka na ku tsheketa mitsheketo hi tinghwazi ta hina, xikongomelo xa hina i ku hlholotela vunhenha eka vana va Afrika-Dzonga," ku hlamusela Jade Jacobsohn, Mulawurinkulu wa The Nal'ibali Trust.

Ku tsheketa mitsheketo i xiphemu xa nkoka xa ndzhaka ya hina. Nakambe yi na xiave lexikulu eka ku hluvukisa vuswikoti bya vana byo tsala na ku hlaya hi ku va hlholotela ku tihisa miandakano ya vona, rilavantivo na ntwela vusiwana.

Ku tlula 50 wa mitlangu yo tsheketa mitsheketo ya Story Bosso yi khomiwile hinkwako laha tikweni hi Ndzati 2018 ku pfumelela swirho swa vaaki ku titoloveta na ku aka vuswikoti bya vona va nga si nghenela mphikizano.

Muhluri, Praises Banda wa khumenharu wa malembe hi vukhale wa le Ga-Kibi, eDankie Village, eLimpopo, u hlaurivile eka vangheneli va magidimbiri. Vahluri van'wana va nthantu vo huma eka swifundzakulu leswin'wana na vona va hlaurivile, lava ku nga: Thabiso Khoeli ku suka eFree State, Sibongile Mofokeng ku suka eGauteng, Afrika Cwecwe ku suka eKapa-Vuxa, Mandisa Madlala ku suka eKwazulu-Natala na Mbalentle Mangete ku suka eKapa-Vupeladyambu.

"Hi hlamariswile swinene hi Praises Banda loyi a nga tsheketa ntseketo wakwe hi vutshila hi ririm rakwe, Xisuthu xa N'walungu," ku hlamusela Jacobsohn. Hi tinhlamuselo ha vumbiri yo terisa vusiwana na yo hiseka, ntsheketo wa Praises a wu vulavula hi nghwazi ya yena, Kholofelo Sasebola, loyi a nga herisa ku hluphiwa loku a nga hlangana na kona exikolweni.

"A wu ta twa nhlomulo eritweni ra Praises. A wu ta swi vona leswaku ku hluphiwa loku a ku chavisa, kambe, hi nkarhi walowo, a wu ta twa ku hiseka ko tlanelo ntirho wa nghwazi ya yena. Mavulavulelo ya yena ya Xisuthu xa N'walungu ya khenseka. Hambileswi ntsheketo a wu tsheketiwa hi swiwlwa swo olova, Praises u tirhisile ririm hi ndlela ya misawu," ku bumabumela Lorato Trok, un'wana wa vaahluri eka Story Bosso.

"Ha swi tiva leswaku mitsheketo leyi tsheketiwaka kahle yi nga hlholotela vana ku valanga mitsheketo na le tibukwini, naswona ku avelana mitsheketo na vana swi pfuna ku simeka timitsu ta mitolovelu yo hlaya eka vutomi bya masiku hinkwawo. Ha tinyungubysa hi vahluri va hina kuva va hi kombile leswaku i yini ku va mutsheketi wa kahle," ku gjimeta Jacobsohn.

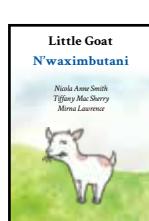
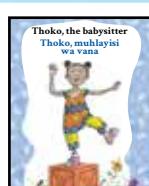


Praises Banda at her school in Limpopo.

Praises Banda exikolweni xa yena eLimpopo.

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

1. Take out pages 5 to 12 of this supplement.
2. The sheet with pages 5, 6, 11 and 12 on it makes up one book. The sheet with pages 7, 8, 9 and 10 on it makes up the other book.
3. Use each of the sheets to make a book. Follow the instructions below to make each book.
  - a) Fold the sheet in half along the black dotted line.
  - b) Fold it in half again along the green dotted line.
  - c) Cut along the red dotted lines.



### Endla tibuku TIMBIRHI hi ku tsema u tihlayisa

1. Susa pheji 5 ku fika eka pheji 12 eka xitatisi.
2. Maphepha ya mapheji ya 5, 6, 11 na 12 ma endla buku yin'we. Maphepha ya pheji 7, 8, 9 na 10 ma endla buku yin'wana.
3. Tirhisa rin'wana na rin'wana ra maphepha lawa ku endla buku. Landzelela swileriso leswi nga laha hansi ku endla buku yin'wana na yin'wana.
  - a) Petsa phepha hi le xikarhi eka nkhwanti wa ntima lowu nga tsemekatsemeka.
  - b) Petsa nakambe hi le xikarhi eka nkhwanti wa rihladza.
  - c) Tsema hi le ka nkhwanti wo tshwuka.





„N'WHE! N'WHE! N'WHE!“  
a n̄wana si sungula ku hulela ro sungula ...  
Lexi n̄ga landzela, a pfluá boksi ra yena ra vuhali, kame  
Kutani a n̄nka gaweni ra Nichelle edarateini yo aneka.  
Xosungula, Thoko u blantswile wacheni ya yena.  
„Hay!“ ku vula Thoko, „Ndzi na swo tala ku swi endla.“  
vutisa Manaña.  
Thoko, „Xana wa swi lava ku n̄wi takaula!“ ku  
Manana a takaula Bongi n̄wana kutani a languita  
Sweesi u taskile!“  
„Lahay!“ ku vula Manaña. „Puwere ya switshamo!  
Manana. Kutani Thoko a n̄wi nyika lehra leri n̄ga basa.  
„Ndzi kombelea, lehra leri n̄ga basa,“ ku kombelea  
Thoko a n̄wi nyika puwere ya n̄wana.  
„Ndzi kombelea, puwere,“ ku kombelea Manaña. Kutani  
n̄wana hala mahosi ku basa.  
ku ya teka sambelo ra mati yo kufumela ku ta sula Bongi  
endzeni ka pulastiki yo cheka thyaka. U rhu milie Thoko  
ka thawula. Kutani a n̄wi susa lehra lero unhwaa a ni hoxa  
Manaña u ederisile Bongi n̄wana hi xikosi ehenha



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Mama picked up baby Bongi and looked at Thoko.  
"Would you like to hold him?" asked Mama.  
"No way," said Thoko, "I've got lots to do."  
First, Thoko did her washing. Then she peggled  
Nichelle's ballgown on the line. Next, she opened her  
box of beads, but before she could thread one ...

"Mama laid baby Bongi down on a towel. Then she removed his smelly nappy and dropped it into a plastic carrier bag. She sent Thoko off to fill a bowl with warm water to wipe baby Bongi's bottom clean. "Powder, please," asked Mama. And Thoko handed her the baby powder.

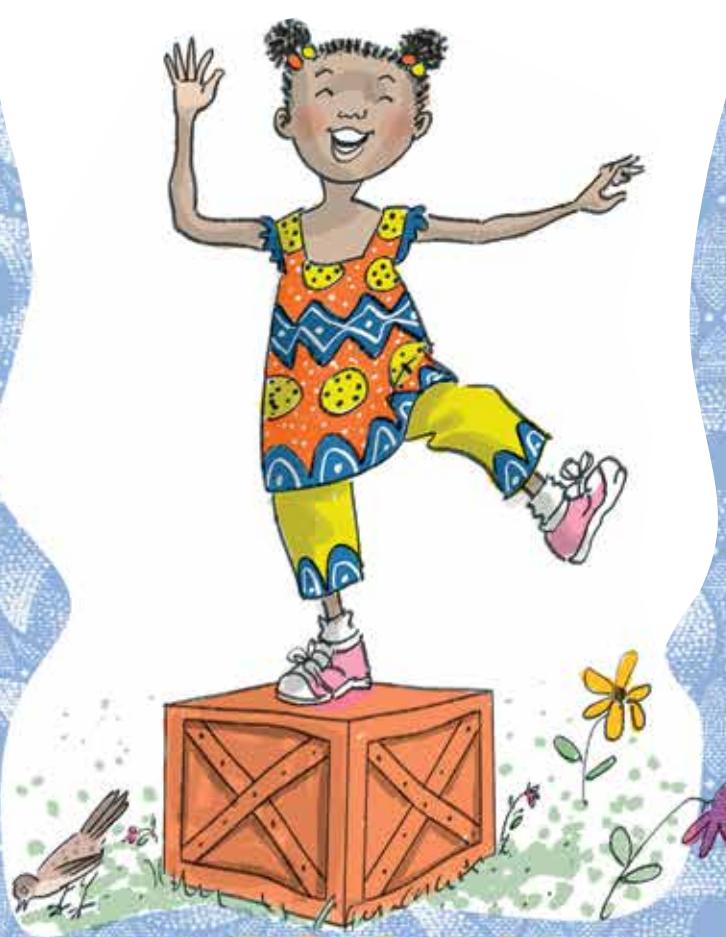
"Clean nappy, please," asked Mama. And Thoko handed her a clean nappy.

"There!" said Mama. "Powder bum! Now

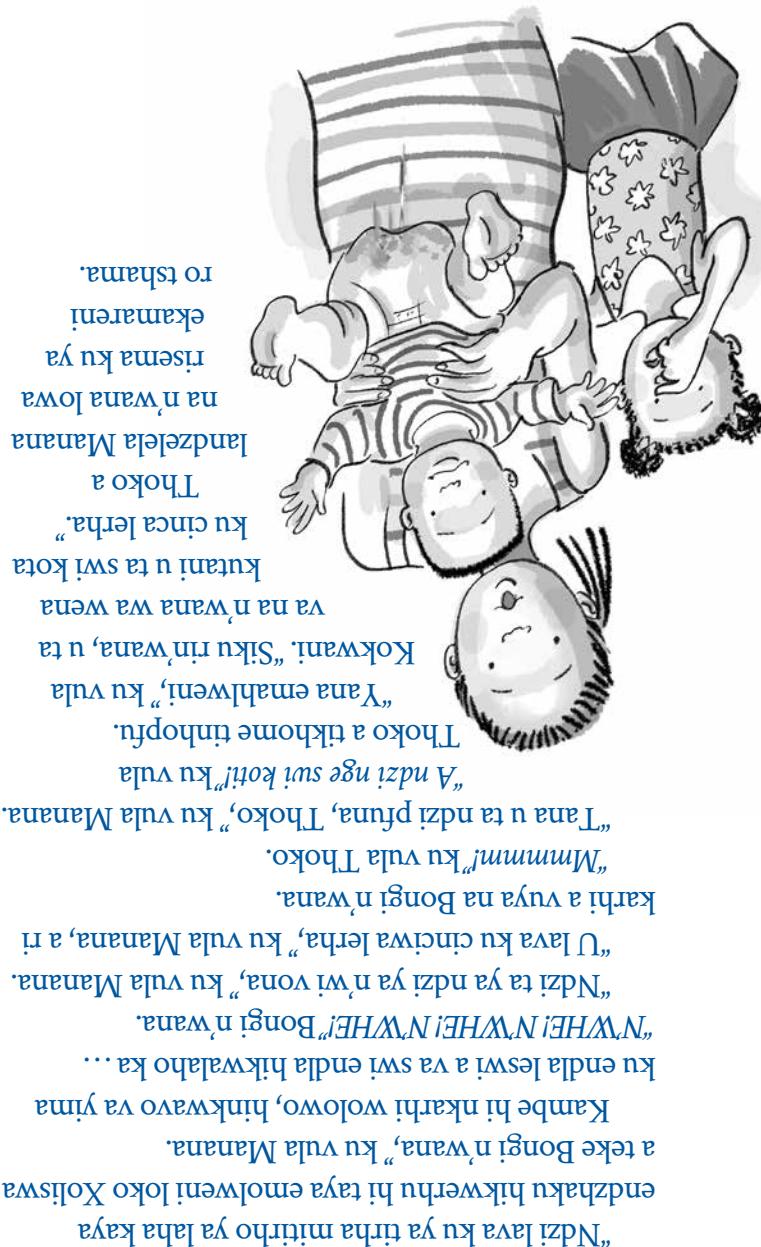


# Thoko, the babysitter

## Thoko, muhlayisi wa xana



*Niki Daly*



It was a Saturday morning when baby Bongi arrived.

"Aunty Xoliswa has to be at the morning market to sell her necklaces, so I've offered to babysit," Mama explained to Thoko.

"Thoko can help," said Gogo.

"Why can't Aunty Xoliswa take her baby with her?" asked Thoko, who had plans of her own.

"Because if he cries, I can't see to my customers," explained Aunty Xoliswa.

"It will be fun to have a baby in the house," said Mama.

"But babies cry all the time," said Thoko.

"Oh, I remember when *you* were a baby," said Gogo.  
"It was *whe, whe, whe* all the time!"

And the minute Aunty Xoliswa left, that's exactly what baby Bongi did.

"WHE! WHE! WHE!"

"With baby Bongi? I have so many things still to do."

"Thoko," asked Mama, "will you please play between my fluffy pillows."

"WHE! WHE! WHE!" This time baby Bongi was hungry. So, Mama fed him and sat him on the floor to check if Nichelle's dress was dryling on the line. It was dry, so she dressed Nichelle.

Gogo went on watching TV. And Thoko went from Thoko and settled him back in his buggsy.

After a while, Mama took sleepy baby Bongi to sleep baby boy?"

"Lala bhabha lala!"

"Let's sing Lala bhabha to him," said Gogo.

So, Gogo switched off the TV. And Mama showed Thoko how to hold baby Bongi safely on her lap.

Baby Bongi needs a song."

Mama said, "Thoko, will you please help me!



Hi nkarhi lowu Hahani Xoliswa a nga vuya hi wona, Thoko a karhele, ku karhala ku huhwa na Bongi n'wana.

"Hi leyi nyiko yo ku khensa ku va u vile muhlayisi wa n'wana wa kahle," ku vula Hahani Xoliswa loko a ri karhi a bohelela byin'wana bya vuhlalu byo saseka enhan'wini ya Thoko.

"Ndza khensa" ku vula Thoko, hi ku ahamlula LOKUKULU.

Manana a languta Kokwani a ku, "Oh murhandziwa, Thoko u karhele a nge swi koti ku famba na hina emavhengeleni namuntha."

Ina! Mahlo ya Thoko a ya sungula ku pfaleka.

Kokwani a hlekelela. "Ish! Swi tikomba onge muhlayisi wa vana u lava muhlayisi wa vana," ku vungunya Kokwani.

Kutani Kokwani a sala ekaya ...

Loko Thoko a etele ... a etele ... a etele.





U langutile ensin'wiyi ya mavelé, kambé  
N'waximbutani a ngea ri kona laha.

She looked in the meadow patch, but Little  
Goat was not there.

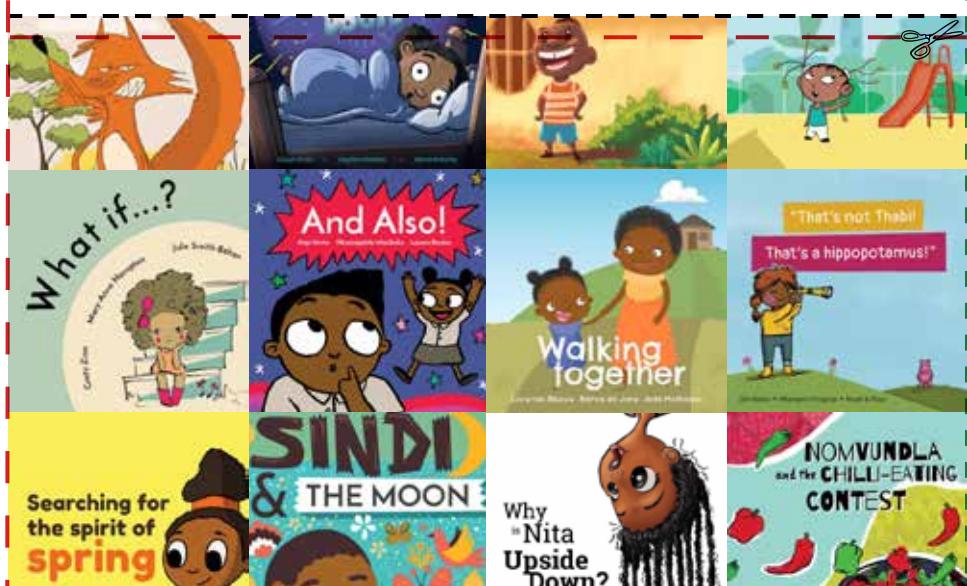


A fambile a yá ekule na Mháni N'wambuti.  
Mháni N'wambuti u hlamarile leswaku xana  
N'waximbutani a ngea va a ye kwihí.

She had walked far from Mother Goat. Mother  
Goat wondered where Little Goat had gone.



N'waximbutani u tsokombele. A dyá  
kumile byanyi byo and ate.  
LITTLE Goat found the sweetest grass. She ate  
lero na dyá.



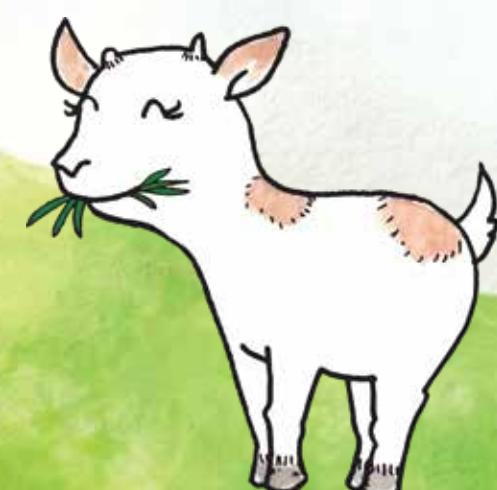
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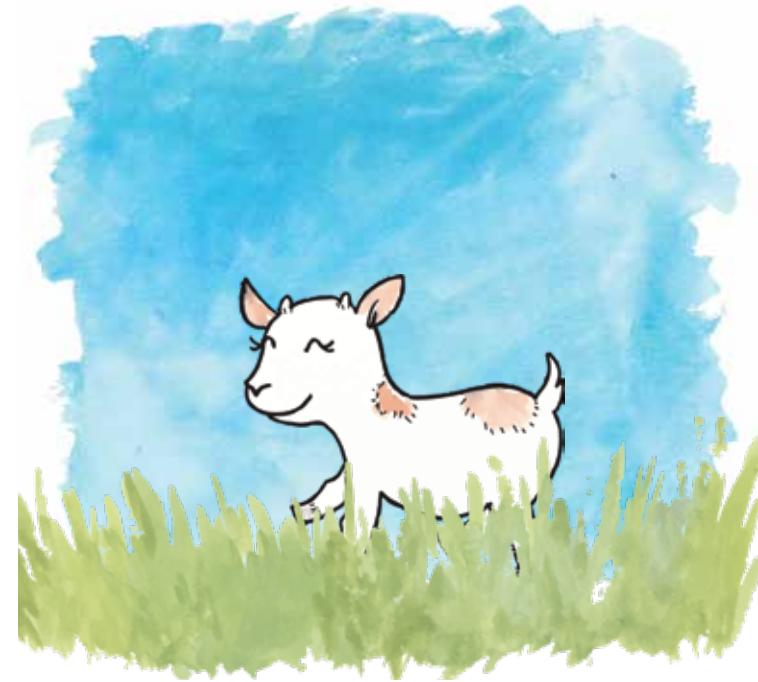


## Little Goat N'waximbutani

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Loko a ri karhi a famba, N'waximbutani  
a ya a ri karhi a ya ekule na le kule na  
Mhaini N'wambuti.



Little Goat went to find the sweetest grass.  
The sky was blue above. But she did not  
look up.

N'waximbutani u fambile ku ya lava byanyi  
byo tsokombela. Matilo a ya ri ya wasi  
ehenhla. Kambe a nga langutanga ehenhla.

huwellela Mhaini N'wambuti.  
kona. "Xana u le kwihî, N'waximbutani?" ku  
enambyeni. Kambe N'waximbutani a nga ri  
Mhaini N'wambuti u tsutsumerile



Mother Goat ran to the river. But Little  
Goat was not there. "Where are you,  
Little Goat?" bleated Mother Goat.

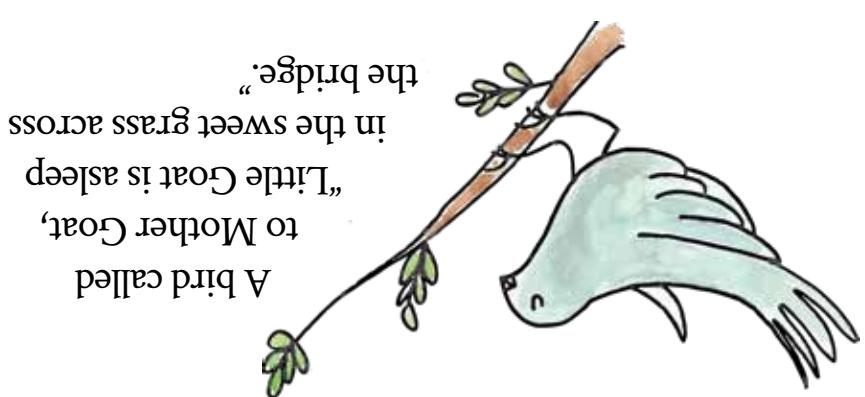
"I wasn't lost ... I have been here all the  
time!" said Little Goat.



"A ndzi nga lahlekangi ... A ndzi  
ri kwala mikarhi hinkwayo!" ku  
vula N'waximbutani.



Xinyenyañi xi huwele  
Mhani N'wambuti,  
"N'waximbutani u etele  
Le ntusungeñi wa bilo ho  
laha ku nga na banyi  
byo tsokombeña."



"A bird called  
to Mother Goat,  
"Little Goat is asleep  
in the sweet grass across  
the bridge."

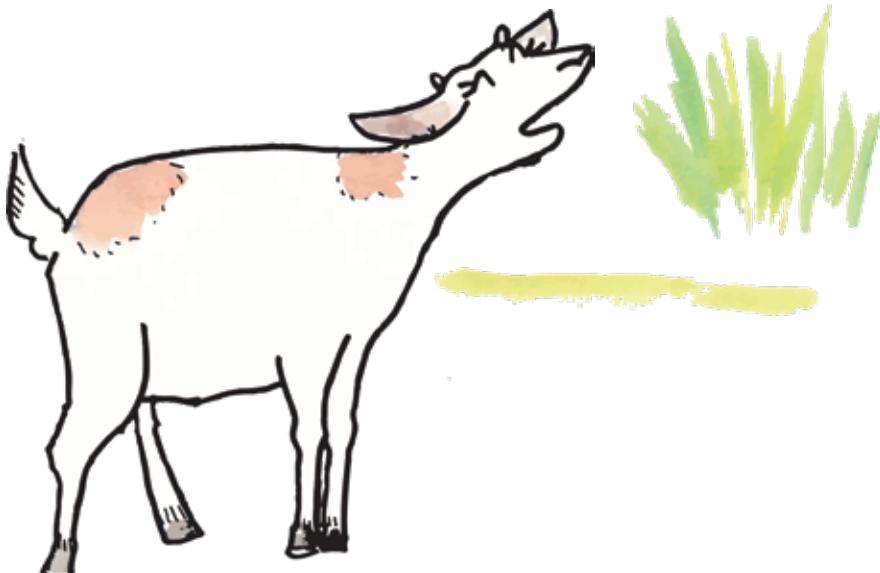


As she walked along, Little Goat moved  
further and further away from Mother Goat.

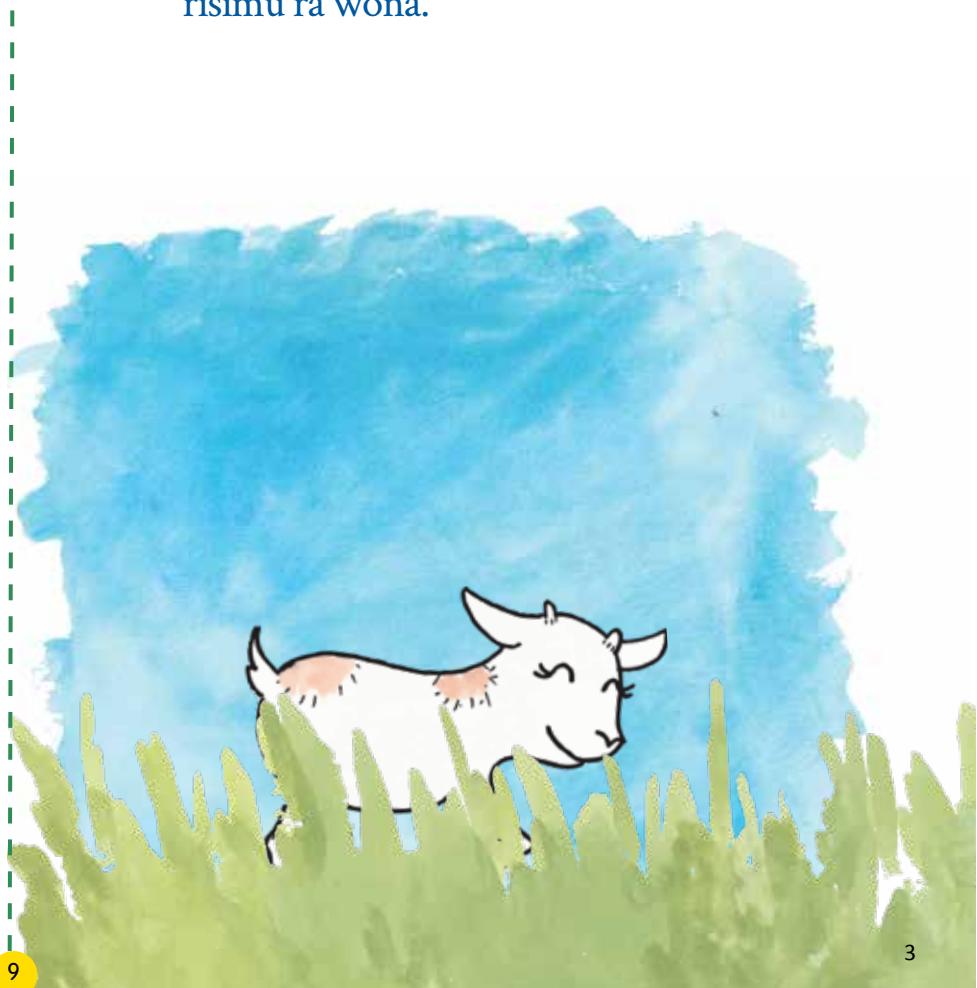
"Wake up, Little Goat," said Mother Goat gently. "You were lost!"

The river gurgled below. But Little Goat did not listen to its song.

Nambu a wu hobomulana. Kambe  
N'waximbutani a nga yingiselanga  
risimu ra wona.



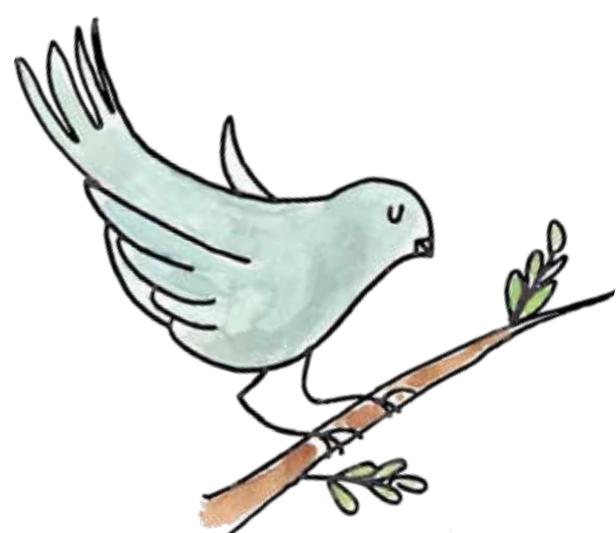
"Pfuka, N'waximbutani," ku vula Mhani  
N'wambuti kahle. "A wu lahlekile!"





U yile emahlweni a famba a ri karhi a lava byanyi byo tsokombe la.

She just walked alone looking for the sweetest grass.



A bird called to her, saying, "How do you do?" But Little Goat didn't answer.

Xinyenyani xi n'wi xewetile, xi ku, "U pfuke njhani xana?" Kambe N'waximbutani a nga hlamulangi.



Mhaini N'wambuti u duriile bilohu ku ya eka byanyi byo tsokombe la.

Mother Goat crossed the bridge to the sweet grass.

There she found Little Goat fast asleep.

Kona u kumile N'waximbutani a yile hi vurhongo.





ndzi faneleke ku swi endla.  
 huhwua na Bongi n'wana? Ndza ha ti na swo tala leswi  
 "Thoko," ku vutisa Manana, "xana u nge swi kota ku  
 tsamisa ehansi ehenha ka swikihigelo swo vempfama.  
 u wana a twa ndalala. Kutanji, Manana a n'wi dyisa a n'wi  
 "NWHE! NWHE! NWHE!" Hi nkarhi lowu Bongi  
 yo aneka. A yi omile, kutani a ambexa Nichelle.  
 languta loko thoko ya Nichelle yi ti karhi yi oma edarati  
 Kokwani a ya emahwenni a vona TV. Na Thoko a ya  
 ku suka eka Thoko a n'wi veka eka phureme ya yena.  
 Endzakku ka nkarhi, Manana u tekile Bongi n'wana  
 Ettele n'uana ua jahaj"  
 "Lala bhabha lala!"  
 "A hi n'wi yimbeleni Lala bhabha," ku vula Kokwani.  
 komba Thoko leswaku Bongi n'wana u takutwa n'hani  
 Kutanji, Kokwani a tima TV. Endzakku Manana a  
 Bongi n'wana u lava risimu."  
 Manana a ku, "Thoko, ndzi kombele a ndzi pfuna!



By the time Aunty Xoliswa returned, Thoko was very, very tired from playing with baby Bongi.

"Here's a 'thank you' present for being such a sweet babysitter," said Aunty Xoliswa as she tied one of her beautiful beaded necklaces around Thoko's neck.

"Thank you," said Thoko, with a BIG yawn.

Mama looked at Gogo and said, "Oh dear, Thoko is too tired to come shopping with us today."

Yebo! Thoko's eyes had started to close.

Gogo giggled. "Eish! It looks as though the babysitter needs a babysitter," joked Gogo.

So Gogo stayed at home...

While Thoko slept... and slept... and slept.

the lounge.  
Thoko followed Mama and the smelly baby into a nappy."

"Go on," said Gogo. "One day, you'll have your own baby and then you'll know how to change

"No way!" said Thoko holding her nose.

"Come and help me, Thoko," said Mama.

"Poo!" said Thoko.

coming back with baby Bongi.

"He needs his nappy changed," said Mama.

"I'll go see to him," said Mama.

baby Bongi.

But just then, they stopped doing what they were all doing because... "WHE! WHE! WHE!" went

up baby Bongi," said Mama.

can all go to the shopping mall when Xoliswa picks

"I'm going to do some housework and then we



A ku ri Mugqivela nimixo loko  
Bongi n'wana a fika.

"Hahani Xoliswa a fanele ku va a ri emakete  
ku ya xavisa swo ambala  
enhan'wini, kutani mina  
ndzi tinyikerile ku sala ndzi  
hlayisa n'wana," Manana a hlamusela Thoko.



"Thoko a nga ku pfuna," ku vula Kokwani.

"Hikwalahokayini Hahani Xoliswa a nga fambi na n'wana wa yena?" ku vutisa Thoko, loyi a ri na makungu ya yena n'winyi.

"Hikuva loko a rila, a ndzi nge swi koti ku pfuna vaxavi va mina," ku hlamusela Hahani Xoliswa.

"Swi nga tsakisa ku va na n'wana laha kaya," ku vula Manana.

"Kambe vana va tshamela ro rila," ku vula Thoko.

"Oh, ndza swi tsundzuka loko wena wa ha ri n'wana," ku vula Kokwani. "A ku ri vu-n'whe, n'whe, n'whe mikarhi hinkwayo!"

Xinkadyana endzhaku ka loko Hahani Xoliswa a famible,  
hileswi leswi Bongi n'wana a nga endla swona.

"NWHE! NWHE! NWHE!"





"Ndzilava ku ya halantswa ga weni ro ambala ra  
nakambe, "Na ku rhunga vuhlu ... na ... na ..."  
Nichelle, "Ku halamula Thoko. Kutan a eloketa swin'wana  
"Ndzilava ku ya halantswa ga weni ro ambala ra  
Mazana a vutisa Thoko.  
"Se, xana u kunguhatle ku endla yini mixo lowu?"  
isema ro nandziba ra mandza na swinyama le xitangeni.  
Hi ku nyandlamet, Thoko na Kokwani va landzelala.  
"Swakudy swo phlula swi lulamile", ku vitana Manana  
"Hiluya", ku hleverteka Kokwani, "Wa karhi ku edela."  
swi endla kahle, kutani Bongi n'wana a miyela ku tila.  
Thoko a sunghula ku mbuweretiwa, "ku vula Kokwani, Kwalaho,  
ihanda za mbuweretiwa, "ku vula Kokwani, Kwalaho,  
"Thoko, ndzi kombele a mbuweretiwa n'wana. Vana va  
ek a TV".



"Thoko, please rock the baby buggy. Babies like being rocked," said Gogo. So, Thoko rocked the baby buggy.

"Not so hard ..." said Gogo, "... gently." Thoko did it gently, and baby Bongi stopped crying.

"There," whispered Gogo. "He's falling asleep."

"Breakfast is ready," called Mama.

On tippy-toes, Thoko and Gogo followed the yummy smell of eggs and bacon into the kitchen.

"So, what are your plans for this morning?" Mama asked Thoko.

"I'm going to wash Nichelle's ballgown," said Thoko. Then she thought some more, "And thread beads ... and ... and ..."

"What busy mornings you are both going to have," said Gogo. "I'm going to put my feet up and see what's on TV."



And whenever he  
went, "WHE! WHE!  
WHE", Thoko did  
something to make  
him blow bubbles  
and giggle.

Nichelle imto his gooby mouth.  
She even let baby Bongi put  
baby Bongi. She tickled baby Bongi.  
She sang all her school songs for



baby Bongi.  
Pulled funny faces for  
with baby Bongi. She  
She clapped hands  
Mama, so ...  
she also liked to help  
lots of things to do, but  
Well, Thoko also had

Loko swiritano, Thoko na  
yena a ri na swo tala swo swi  
endla, kambe a swi rhandza ku  
pfuna Manana, hikwalaho ...

A phokotela mavoko na Bongi  
n'wana. A endlela Bongi n'wana  
swikandza swo hlekisa.



A yimbelela Bongi n'wana  
tinsimu ta yena ta le xikolweni  
hinkwato. A dikida Bongi n'wana.



A tlhela a pfumelala Bongi  
n'wana ku vekela nomo wa yena  
lowo vulavula ngopfu eka Nichelle.

Loko a suka, "NWHE! NWHE! NWHE!", Thoko  
u endlike swokarhi leswaku a pfurhetela khuvi kutani  
a hlekelela.

## Get story active!

Here are some activities for you to try. They are based on all the stories in this edition of the Nal'ibali Supplement: *Thoko, the babysitter* (pages 5, 6, 11 and 12), *Little Goat* (pages 7 to 10) and *The tale of Oxpecker and Buffalo* (page 14).

### Thoko, the babysitter

Be a word detective and find these words in the story.

1. The sound that a baby makes. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The name of a song. \_\_\_\_\_
3. A day of the week. \_\_\_\_\_
4. A time of day. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Something we do with our bodies. \_\_\_\_\_
6. The name of something you wear around your neck. \_\_\_\_\_
7. A word that describes something that smells or tastes nice. \_\_\_\_\_
8. The name of something you carry things in. \_\_\_\_\_
9. The name of something you push a baby in. \_\_\_\_\_
10. A word that rhymes with "nappy". \_\_\_\_\_
11. A word ending with the letters *-ful*. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Something you do with beads. \_\_\_\_\_
13. The name of a place with lots of shops. \_\_\_\_\_
14. The opposite of "dirty". \_\_\_\_\_
15. The name of Thoko's doll. \_\_\_\_\_



## Endla ntsheketo wu nyanyula!

Hi leyi micingiriko yin'wana ya wena ku yi ringeta. Yi huma eka mitsheketo hinkwayo leyi nga kona eka nkandziyiso wa Xitatisi lexi xa Nal'ibali: *Thoko, muhlayisi wa vana* (mapheji 5, 6, 11 na 12), *N'waximbutani* (pheji 7 ku fika eka 10) na *Ntsheketo wa N'wamkhacani na N'wanyarhi* (pheji 15).

### Thoko, muhlayisi wa vana

Vana mulavisis wa rito na ku kuma marito lawa eka ntsheketo.



1. Mpumawulo lowu endliwaka hi n'wana. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Vito ra risimu. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Siku ra vhiki. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Nkarhi wa siku. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Leswi hi swi endlaka hi miri wa hina. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Vito ra nchumu lowu hi wu ambalaka enhan'wini. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Rito leri hlamuselaka xin'wana lexi nuhwelaka kumbe lexi nandzhaka. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Vito ra nchumu lowu hi chelaka swilo eka wona. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Vito ra nchumu lowu hi susumetaka n'wana hi xona. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Rito leri twalaka ku fana na "lerha". \_\_\_\_\_
11. Rito leri helelaka hi maletere -ene. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Swin'wana leswi u endlaka swona hi vuhlalu. \_\_\_\_\_
13. Vito ra ndhawu leyi nga na mavhengele yo tala. \_\_\_\_\_
14. Rito fularha ra "thyaka". \_\_\_\_\_
15. Vito ra mpopi wa Thoko. \_\_\_\_\_



### The tale of Oxpecker and Buffalo

Do you have any suggestions for what Oxpecker and Buffalo could do to get along better? Write a letter to them in which you share these ideas. (Do this with a group of friends or on your own!)



### Ntsheketo wa N'wamkhacani na N'wanyarhi

Xana u na swinginganyeto swa leswi N'wamkhacani na N'wanyarhi va nga swi endlaka leswaku va hanyisana? Va tsaleli papilla laha u nga ta avelana na vona mavonelo lawa. (Endla leswi na ntawa wa vanghana va wena kumbe u ri wexel!)

### Little Goat

- ♥ Discuss with your children what it means to be lost by asking, "Do you think Little Goat was lost? Why/why not?"
- ♥ Invite your children to draw a picture that shows what it feels like to be lost.
- ♥ Challenge older children to retell the story using human characters in place of Mother Goat and Little Goat.



### N'waximbutani

- ♥ Kanela na vana va wena ku ri swi vula yini ku lahlekha hi ku va vutisa ku ri, "Xana u ehleketa leswaku N'waximbutani a lahlekile? Hikwalahokayini/Hikwalahokayini i ku a nga lahlekangi?"
- ♥ Rhamba vana va wena ku dirowa xifaniso lexi kombaka matitwelo ya loko u lahlekile.
- ♥ Tilhonttha vana lavakulu ku tsheketa nakambe ntsheketo hi ku tirhiswa swimunhuhatwa swa vanhu ematshan'weni ya Mhani N'wambuti na N'waximbutani.



# The tale of Oxpecker and Buffalo

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In the old days, Oxpecker had a bright yellow bill. He lived in a little hut in a patch of long grass. Each day he would sweep his hut before setting off into the grass to catch his favourite food. At night he would climb into his nest-bed, his belly full of green grasshoppers, flies and wriggly worms.

If anyone came into the patch of long grass, Oxpecker would fly up and shout at them. He would peck them and make a fuss until they went away. He liked to live alone, and he didn't want to share with anyone.

One day, while Oxpecker was out searching for insects, he heard a low rumble, like the sound of thunder rolling in the hills, and something blocked out the sun.

"What now?" shrieked Oxpecker, flying up out of the long grass to get a better view.

A big, black animal with heavy horns was walking through the long grass.



"Hello," said Buffalo. "I haven't eaten anything in weeks. This long grass is exactly what I need. May I have some?"

"No! Go away!" shouted Oxpecker.

"Well, I'll die if I don't eat something. There hasn't been any rain for months. This is the only patch of long grass around here. Won't you let me eat some of it, please?"

"Didn't you hear me? Go away!" said Oxpecker flying around Buffalo's head.

"But you don't even eat grass," Buffalo said. And then he tried again, "We could share the grass."

"I don't share! This is mine! Mine! Mine! Now go away!" shouted Oxpecker.

Buffalo's forehead wrinkled and his eyes narrowed to slits. He got so angry that his tail swished back and forth, making a loud clapping sound as it struck the sides of his rump. "Well, if you are going to be rude, I'm going to eat it anyway. I eat grass, that is what I do, and I am hungry, so here I GO, you rude bird," said Buffalo about to chomp on some grass.

"You wouldn't dare!" shrieked Oxpecker.

"How are you going to stop me? Look at how big I am. And because you're being so rude, I've decided that I'm going to eat and eat and eat until I'm full." And with a loud *MUNCH! CRUNCH!* Buffalo started to eat.

This made Oxpecker so angry that the end of his beak turned bright red. Oxpecker flew around Buffalo's head shouting and shrieking and whooping, but Buffalo just kept on eating. Soon all the long grass was gone. To make matters worse, Buffalo put his big hoof right through the roof of Oxpecker's hut.

Oxpecker flew up onto Buffalo's back and started pecking away at his skin.

"That's not going to work," said Buffalo. "My skin is very thick. Even Lion has tried to bite me with his sharp teeth and I got away. You are too small, Oxpecker. And you deserved what you got. I was willing to share."

"Well, that's it then," said Oxpecker growing suddenly quiet. "I was only angry and rude because that was my home. Now I have no home and no food – all those delicious green grasshoppers, flies and wriggly worms that lived in the long grass are gone! Everything's gone."

Buffalo looked back at Oxpecker, who was crying, and then to the bare patch of earth and the broken hut. "I'm sorry I destroyed your home," he said, "but maybe I can make it up to you. I have a problem with insects, you see. I mean, just take a look at my back. There are always far too many insects hanging on and crawling all over me. You could eat them, and it would be really nice to have someone finally get rid of them for me."

Oxpecker looked up and down Buffalo's body and noticed all the little insects clinging to Buffalo's skin. The bird's tummy rumbled, but the thought of doing Buffalo a favour after everything he had done, made Oxpecker angrier and angrier. His yellow bill grew redder and redder.

"First you ate all my lovely grass!" shouted Oxpecker. "Then you wrecked my house. You actually put your big hoof right through the roof! Now you want me to eat all these insects as a favour!" He walked up and down Buffalo's back, pecking at the insects as he talked. "You really are the worst, Buffalo! As if I would help you," he said with his little mouth full of insects.



Buffalo simply shrugged and walked off with Oxpecker riding on his back, shouting and eating insects. And they are still doing that to this day, but Oxpecker never forgave Buffalo, and his yellow beak stayed red forever.



# Ntsheketu wa N'wamkhacani na N'wanyarhi

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Ndhawu  
ya mitshaketo

Ndhawu  
ya mitshaketo

Khale wa khaleni, N'wamkhacani wa xinyenyani a ri na nomo wo leha wo vangama wa xitshopani. A tshama eka xiyindlwani lexisongo laha a ku ri na byanyi byo leha. Masiku hinkwawo a kukula yindlu ya yena loko a nga si huma a ya ebyanyini ku ya khomela swakudy a swa yenda leswi a swi tsakelaka. Nivusiku a khandziya ehenhla ka mubedo exisakeni xa yena, khwiri rilo ndee hi tinjiya, tinhongani na swivungu leswo tshombonyoka.

Loko un'wana a ta laha ku nga na byanyi lebwo leha, N'wamkhacani a ta haha a ya ehenhla a n'wi karihela. A va jovotela na ku susa nyimpi ku fikela loko va famba. A rhandza ku tshama a ri yexe, naswona a nga rhandzi ku avelana na var'wana.

Siku rin'wana, loko N'wamkhacani a humile ku ya lava switsotswan, u twile ku n'unun'utelela ehansi, loku a ku fana na mpfumawula wa ku baleka ka tilo eswintshabyanini, kutani xin'wana xi pfala dyambu.

"Xana se i yini?" ku cemela N'wamkhacani, a hahela ehenhla ka byanyi ku kota ku swi vona kahle.

Dyiharhi ledyikulu dya ntima dya timhondzo to tika a dyi ri karhi dyi famba eka byanyi lebwo leha.



"Avuxeni," ku vula N'wanyarhi. "A ndzi si dya nchumu kusukela mavhiki lawa ya nga hundza. Byanyi lebwo leha hi byona ndzi byi lavaka. Xana ndzi nga byi kuma?"

"E-e! Famba!" ku kariha N'wamkhacani.

"Kambe, ndzi ta fa loko ndzi nga dyi nchumu. A ku si na mpfula eka tin'hwei leto tala. Lebi hi byona byanyi byo leha eka ndhawu ley. Ndzi pfumeleli ndzi dya byin'wana bya byona, ndza kombela?"

"Xana a wu ndzi twanga na? Fambela lekule!" ku vula N'wamkhacani a ri karhi a haha-haha ehenhla ka nhloko ya N'wanyarhi.

"Kambe wena a wu dyi byanyi," ku vula N'wanyarhi. Kutani a ringeta nakambe, "Hi nga avelana byanyi."

"A ndzi avelani na munhu! Lebi i bya mina! Mina! Mina! Fambela le kule sweswi!" ku huwelela N'wamkhacani.

Gomu ra N'wanyarhi ri khwanyana kutani mahlo ya va matsongo ya pfalekanya. A hlundzukile lero ncila wa yena wu pulutela wu ya endzhaku na le mahlweni, wu ri karhi wu endla mpfumawulo wa le henhla loko wu ri karhi wu ba emathelo ka milenge ya yena. "Swi lulamile loko ku ri leswaku u lava ku delela, ndzi ya byi teka ni famba na byona. Mina ndzi dya byanyi, hileswi ndzi endlaka swona, naswona ndzi na ndlala, hi leswi ndza byi TEKA, wena xinyenyani xo delela," ku vula N'wanyarhi a ri karhi a lava ku dya byanyi.

"U nge swi endli sweswi!" ku kariha N'wamkhacani.

"Xana u ta ndzi sivela njhani? Languta vukulu bya mina. Hikuva wa delela, ndzi tekile xiboho xa leswaku ndzi ta dya ndzi dya lero na dya ku fikela loko khwiri ra mina ri ku ndee." Hi mpfumawulo wa le henhla wo NCAKUNYA! PHORO! N'wanyarhi a sungula ku dya.

Leswi swi hlundzukise N'wamkhacani swinene ku fikela laha makumu ya nomo wa yena ku nga cinca ku va muhlovo wo tshwuka wo hatima. N'wamkhacani a haha-haha ehenhla ka nhloko ya N'wanyarhi a ri karhi a huwelela hi ku karhi, kambe N'wanyarhi a ya emahlweni a dya. Hi xinkadyana byanyi hinkwabyo lebwo leha a byi herile. Ku pfatlanya xilonda, N'wanyarhi u velele nenge wa yena lowukulu ehenhla ka lwangu ra yindlu ya N'wamkhacani.

N'wamkhacani u haherile ehenhla ka nhlana wa N'wanyarhi a sungula ku n'wi jovotela nhlonge yakwe.

"Sweswo a swi nge tirhi," ku vula N'wanyarhi. "Nhlonge ya mina yi tsindziyerile swinene. Hambi ku ri Nwanghala u ringetile ku ndzi luma hi meno ya yena lamo tontswa kambe ndzi phonyokile. Wena u ntsongo swinene, N'wamkhacani. Nakambe wena u faneli hi leswi u nga swi kuma. Mina a ndzi swi tsakela leswaku hi avelana."

"Loko swiritano, hi sweswo ke," ku vula N'wamkhacani loyi a hungute na huwa. "A ndzi hlundzukile na ku ku delela hikuva a ku ri kaya ra mina. Sweswi a ndza ha ri na kaya hambi swakudy - hinkwato tinjiya letiya ta rihlaza, tinhongani, na swivungu leswiya swo tshombonyoka leswi a swi tshama eka byanyi lebwiya byo leha swi fambil! Hinkwaswo swi fambil."

N'wanyarhi a languta endzhaku eka N'wamkhacani, loyi a ri karhi a rila, na le ka rivala ra misava ler a ri nga ha ri na nchumu na yindlu leyi hahlukeke. "Ndzi rivaleli ku va ndzi hodlosile yindlu ya wena," a vula, "kumbexana ndzi nga ku ririsa. Ndzi na xiphijo na switsotswan, wa swi vona. Ndzi vula ku ri, languta enhlaneni wa mina. Ku tshamela ro va na switsotswan leswi tshamaka na ku kasa emirini wa mina hinkwawo. U nga dya swona, naswona swi nga tsakisa loko ku nga va na loyi ekuheteleli a nga ndzi susaka swona."

N'wamkhacani a languta ehenhla na le hansi ka miri wa N'wanyarhi kutani a vona switsotswan hinkwaswo leswitsongo leswi nga namarhela miri wa N'wanyarhi. Khwiri ra xinyenyani ri duma, kambe mianakanyo yo endlela N'wanyarhi tintswalo endzhaku ka leswi a nga swi endla hinkwaswo, swi endla leswaku N'wamkhacani a hlundzuka na ku hlundzuka. Nomo wa yena wu ya wu nyanya ku tshwuka na ku tshwuka.

"Xosungula u dyle byanyi bya mina byo saseka!" ku huwelela N'wamkhacani. "Endzhaku u hodlosile yindlu ya mina. U hoxile nenge wa wena ehenhla ka lwangu ra yindlu! Sweswi u lava mina ndzi ku endlela tintswalo ndzi dya switsotswan leswi hinkwaswo!" U yle ehenhla na le hansi ka nhlana wa N'wanyarhi, a ri karhi a jovotela switsotswan loko a ri karhi a vulavula. "Wena u na titanyi, N'wanyarhi! Onge mina ndzi ta ku pfuna," a vula leswi nomo wu tele hi switsotswan.



N'wanyarhi u lo khindlata makatla a famba na N'wamkhacani loyi yena a khandziyle enhlaneni wa yena, a ri karhi a polomba na ku dya switsotswan. Na namuntha na sweswi va ha endla sweswi, kambe N'wamkhacani a nga n'wi rivalelangi N'wanyarhi, naswona nomo wa yena lowa xitshopani wa ha ri wo tshwuka na sweswi.

# Nal'ibali fun

## Swo tsakisa hi Nal'ibali

1.



### Tell a story!

- ▢ Look at this picture. What do you think Priya and her mom are doing? Where do you think Priya's little brother, Rahul, has come from? Why is he running? What do you think is going to happen next?
- ▢ Use the picture to help you tell your own story about Priya, Rahul and their mom. This picture could be where your story starts or where it ends!
- ▢ Share your story with a family member or a friend.

### Tsheketa ntsheketo!

- ▢ Languta xifaniso lexi. Xana u ehleketa leswaku Priya na manana wa yena va endla yini? Xana u ehleketa leswaku boti wa Priya lontsongo, Rahul, u huma kwih? Hikwalahokayini a tsutsuma? Xana u ehleketa leswaku ku ta humeleta yini?
- ▢ Tirhisxa xifaniso ku ku pfuna ku tsheketa ntsheketo wa wena hi Priya, Rahul na manana wa vona. Xifaniso lexi xi nga ha va laha ntsheketo wa wena wu sungulaka kona kumbe laha wu helaka kona!
- ▢ Avelana ntsheketo wa wena na xirho xa ndyangu kumbe munghana.

2.

### Give a clue. Take a guess!

Here is a game that celebrates Get-Caught-Reading Month to play with a partner.

- ▢ On the lines below write a list of the ten craziest places where you would like to read. Don't let your partner see what you are writing.
- ▢ Now give your partner a clue for each place on your list that helps him or her to guess the place you wrote down.
- ▢ How many places did your partner guess correctly? Was that because you gave such good clues, or because your partner made good guesses – or a bit of both?



### Nyika xiletelo. Vhumba!

Hilowu ntlangu wo tlangela N'hweti ya ku Kumiwa-u ri karhi-u Hlaya leswaku u wu tlanga na munghana wa wena.

- ▢ Eka mintila leyi nga laha hansi ntsala nongoloko wa tindhawu ta khume laha u nga rhandzaka ku hlayela kona. U nga pfumeleli munghana wa wena a vona leswi u nga le ku swi tsalen.
- ▢ Sweswi nyika munghana wa wena xiletelo xa ndhawu yin'wana na yin'wana leyi yi nga eka nongoloko wa wean ku n'wi pfuna ku vhumba ndhawu leyi u nga yi tsala.
- ▢ Xana i tindhawu tingani leti munghana wa wena a nga ti vhumba swona? Xana ku nga va mhaka ya ku u n'wi nyikile xiletelo xa kahle, kumbe i mhaka ya leswaku munghana wa wean u vhumba kahle – kumbe switsongo swa leswimbiri?



3.

### Where do you think these people were caught reading?



### Xana u ehleketa leswaku vanhu lava va kumiwe kwihi va ri karhi va hlaya?

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