

# NAL'IBALI

## Balang letšatši le letšatši!

Ge o balela bana ba gago, o ba thuša go utolla bobose bja dipuku. Ge e ba bana ba gago ba bala feela sekolong le ge ba dira mešongwana ya gae ya sekolo, ba tla no nagana gore go bala ke mošomo go e na le go ba selo se ba ka se thabelago. Ge re balela bana ba rena letšatši le letšatši, ba ithuta gore go bala ke selo se sebose le se se ka thabelwago.

## Read every day!

Reading to your children helps them to discover the magic of books. If your children only read at school and when they do homework, they will learn to link reading with work and not with pleasure. When we read to our children every day, they learn that reading can be an enjoyable and entertaining activity.

## Maele a 3 a gore lapa la gago le thabele go bala letšatši le letšatši

1. Balela bana letšatši le letšatši. Se se tlo dira gore ba bone go bala e le karolo ya bophelo bja bona bja letšatši le letšatši – go swana le go ja, go robala le go hlala meno!
2. Dira gore nako ya dikanegelo e be bose kudu. Go thabela go bala ke mogato wa bohlokwa wa go rata dipuku le go ba mmadi wa sa ruri.
3. Le ge o ka swarega bjang, dira nako ya go balela bana ba gago dipuku. Seo se tlo ba bontšha gore ba bohlokwa kudu go wena. Nako ye o e fetšago o ba balela dikanegelo, ba ka se tsoge ba e lebetše bophelo ka moka.

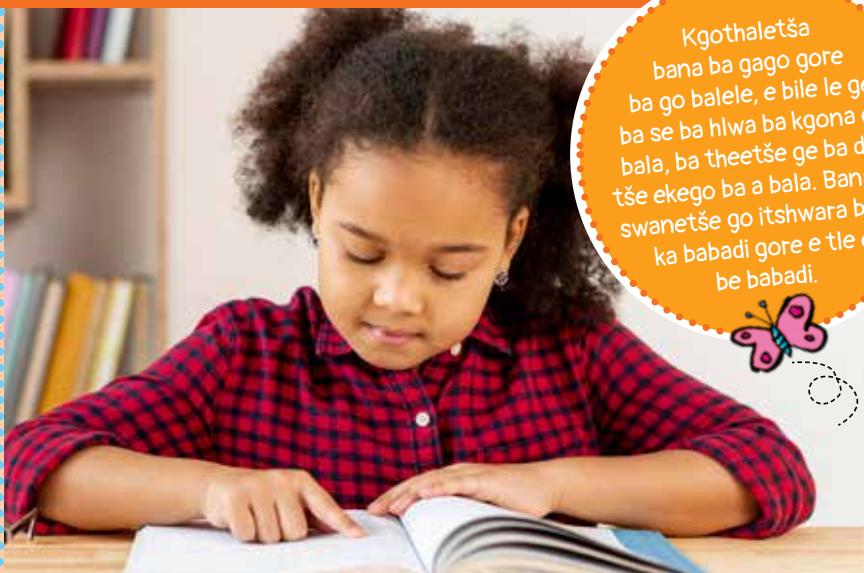


## 3 tips to make reading a part of your family's daily life

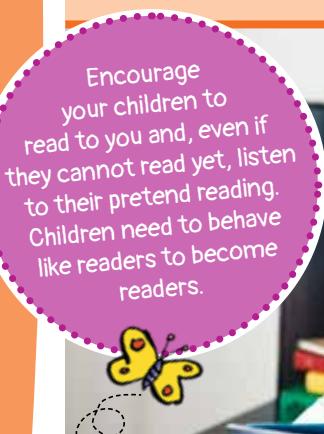
1. Read to them every day. They will come to see reading as a natural part of their daily routine – like eating, sleeping and brushing their teeth!
2. Make story time an enjoyable time. Enjoying reading is an important step in becoming a lover of books and a life-long reader.
3. No matter how busy you are, make time to read to your children. It sends them the loving message that they are important to you. The memory of spending story times with you will stay with your children throughout their lives.

## Mehola ya go balela bana ba gago

1. Ge o balela bana ba gago, o ba bontšha kamoo dipuku di šomago ka gona:
  - ★ gore diswantšho le mantšu di a šomišana go fetiša molaetša.
  - ★ gore mantšu a ka pukung ga a fetoge nako le nako ge o a bala.
  - ★ gore mantšu ao re a balago a na le se a se bolelago.
2. Go balela bana ba gago letšatši le letšatši ke tsela e botse ya go go thuša go tseba dilo tše di ba kgahlago, le go thuša bona go tseba dilo tše di kgahlago wena. Go balela ka baanegwa le dilo tše di diregago dikanegelong go ba thuša go nagana, go bona dilo ka leihlo la kgopol, go ithuta leleme le go kwešiša batho. Go ba thuša go naganela batho le go ba kwela bohloko.



Kgothaletša bana ba gago gore ba go balele, e bile le ge ba se ba hlwa ba kgoni go bala, ba theetše ge ba dira tše ekego ba a bala. Bana ba swanetše go itshwara bjalo ka babadi gore e tle e be babadi.



Encourage your children to read to you and, even if they cannot read yet, listen to their pretend reading. Children need to behave like readers to become readers.



## The benefits of reading to your children

1. When you read to young children, you show them how books work:
  - ★ that the pictures and words work together to tell the story.
  - ★ that the words in a book stay the same every time you read them.
  - ★ that the words we read have meaning.
2. Reading to your children every day is a good way to get to know what interests them and to let them know what interests you. Talking about the characters and things that happen in stories develops their thinking, imagination, language and their understanding of people. It helps them to become thoughtful and compassionate human beings.

Knowing these things helps children learn how to read for themselves later on.



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Gore o hwetše tshedimošo e oketšegilego ya kamoo o ka balago le bana ba gago, eya karolong ya "Maele le Dihlogo" go [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org)

For more information on reading with your children, visit "Tips and Topics" on [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org).



IT STARTS WITH A STORY.  
GO THOMA KA KANEKOLO.

# Dipeu tša go Ithuta go Bala le go Ngwala!

Abelana le bana ba gago lethabo la mmino le  
go bina

## Literacy Seeds!

Share the joy of music and movement with your children

Lena batswadi ba rategago le bahlokomedi ba bana ba banyenyane, ge bana ba lena ba ekwa mmino e sa le ba banyenyane, ba tlo kgona go gola gabotse. Le ka thoma ka mmino wa kgale le dikoša tše bonolo tše le kilego la di kwa le go di opela le sa le ba banyenyane. Ka go opela le go bina, bana ba kwa monate wa go dira medumo e itšego le mmino. E bile mmino le dikoša di kgatha tema ya bohlokwa kudu go ruteng bana setšo le ditumelo tša rena. Mmino o gohle, sa rena ke gore re no o theetša.

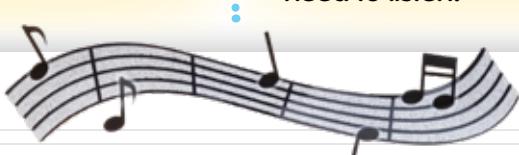
Dear parent and caregiver of young children, exposing your children to music when they are young is very important for their development. You could start with folk music and simple songs that you heard and sang as a child. Through singing and dancing, children experience the joy of making rhythmic sounds and music. Music and songs also play a significant role in teaching cultural beliefs and traditions. Music is all around us, we just need to listen.

### Mmino mengwageng ya go se swane

**Masea:** Opela koša ge o dutše o apeša lesea la gago, o le hlapiša goba o le fetoša lleiri. Ge o dutše o hlokomela lesea la gago, bolela dilo tše o di dirago gomme o dire koša ka tšona. Mmino o ka homotša lesea la go se iketle le go le thuša go kgosela ge go fihla nako ya gore le robale.

**Digotlane:** Digotlane di rata go bušeletša dikoša. Gantši go opela dikoša tše bonolo tša bana tša go bušeletša mantšu go thuša bana go ba le tlötöntšu le go se lebale dilo. Ka go opela, digotlane di ka kgona go ithuta leleme. E bile go bina ge ba dutše ba opela go thuša bjoko go gola, ka ge ba swanetše go gopola mantšu, morethetho le ditsela tše itšego tša go bina! Ka gona ge ba dutše ba opela dikoša, ba kgothaletše go betha matsogo, go biniša maoto le go itšikinya mmele.

**Bomapimpane:** Ba thabela medumo le dikoša tša bana tša mabapi le dilo tše ba di ratago, ka mohlala, diphoofolo, dithoye le dilo tša go swana le go tshelatshela le go bina. Ba thabela go opela e bile ga ba tšabe go opelela godimo.



### Music at different stages

**Infants:** Sing a song while you dress your baby, bathe your baby or change your baby's nappy. As you take care of your baby, talk about what you are doing and make up a little song about it. Music can soothe a restless baby and help your baby to relax when it's time to go to sleep.

**Toddlers:** Toddlers love to repeat songs. Singing simple nursery rhymes that repeat often helps to develop their vocabulary and memory. Through singing, toddlers can learn language. Doing actions while they sing also helps their brain development, as they need to remember the words, the tune and the actions! So, while singing songs, encourage your toddler to clap their hands, stomp their feet and sway their bodies.

**Preschoolers:** They enjoy nursery rhymes and songs about things they like, for example, animals, toys and certain activities like jumping and dancing. They enjoy singing and are not afraid to sing loudly.

### Mehola ya mmino kgolong ya ngwana ke efe?

- 🎵 Go na le tswalano gare ga mmino le go ithuta ga ngwana dipalo. Bana ba ithuta dipalo ge ba opela dikoša tša go balela.
- 🎵 Bana ba ithuta go šomiša mešifa ya bona, matsogo le mmele ka moka. Ge ba abula, ba ikotlolla, ba inama, ba tshela le go gata gabotse ge ba dutše ba opela, ba thoma go kwešia se mebele ya bona e kgonago go se dira.
- 🎵 Ka go opela le go bina, bana ba hweiša sebaka sa go ntšha mabokgoni le go imologa kgateletšegong.
- 🎵 Mmino o thuša motho go ba le boikgopolelo. Lepokisi le ka fetoga moropa, goba o ka itlhamela koša.



### What are the benefits of music in a child's development?

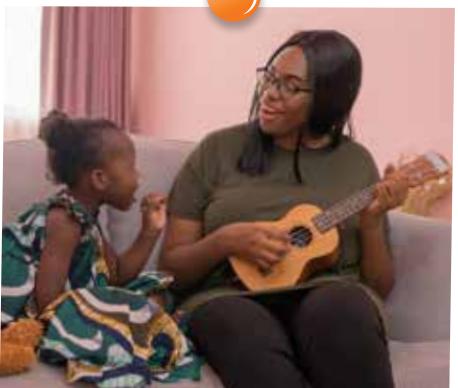
- 🎵 There is a connection between music and the development of mathematical thinking. Mathematical concepts are developed when children sing counting songs.
- 🎵 Children develop coordination, fine and gross motor skills. When they crawl, stretch, bend, skip and balance while singing, they begin to understand what their bodies can do.
- 🎵 Through singing and dancing, children get the opportunity to express themselves and release stress.
- 🎵 Music can stimulate imagination. A box can become a drum, or you can create your own song.



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## Kamoo le ka itirelago mmino ka gae



### Opelela ngwana wa gago:

Bana ba thabela go kwa mantšu a batswadi ba bona le a bahlokomedi ba bona. O ka opelela ngwana wa gago dikoša tša bana goba koša e nngwe ye o e tsebago. O ka mo opelela le koša ya go tuma eupša wa fetoša mantšu a yona.

**Dikoša tša go šikinya mmele:** Opela dikoša tša go nyaka gore le šomiša matsogo le go itšikinya mmele gore ngwana wa gago a ithute go šomiša dihlo tša mmele.

**Šomiša maleme a mangwe:** Dipapadi tša maleme a mabedi, dikoša le medumo ya mantšu di thuša bana go ithuta leleme le lengwe.

**Ere ngwana wa gago a itlhamele mmino:** Efa ngwana wa gago dipiša, dipane, dikhontheina tša polasetiki le llepolo la kota, gomme a di bethe bjalo ka meropa. Tlatša khontheina ka maswika goba raese, gomme ngwana wa gago a šikinye khontheina yeo.

Netefatša gore khontheina yeo e tswaletše gabotse gore ngwana a se e bule gomme a ja dilo tša ka gare ga yona.

**Binang:** Opelang dikoša le be le di bineleng. O ka nea ngwana wa gago bere, sekhafo goba selwana se ifšego gore a bine a se swere.

**Dirang gore mmino e be karolo ya mediro ya letšatši le letšatši:** Ge e ba o opela ge o dira dilo tše ifšego, ngwana wa gago o tla ikwa a šireletšegile kudu. Ge o opelela ngwana koša nako le nako ge o mo hlapiša, o tla tseba gore seo ke karolo ya nako ya gagwe ya go hlapa.



## How to make music at home

**Sing to your child:** Children love to hear their parents' and caregivers' voices. You can sing lullabies or any other song you know to your child. You can even sing a well-known tune but change the words.

**Action songs:** Sing songs that include hand and body movements to exercise your child's gross and fine motor skills.

**Use different languages:** Bilingual games, songs and rhymes help children learn a second language.



**Let your child make their own music:** Give your child pots, pans and plastic containers with a wooden spoon, and let them bang on them. Take an empty container and fill it with small stones or rice, and let your child shake the container. Just make sure that the container is closed tightly so that your little one cannot open the container and eat the contents.

**Dance to music:** Sing songs and dance to the music. You can give your child a teddy bear, scarf or ribbon to hold while they dance.

**Make music part of everyday activities:** If you sing songs when you do certain things, your child will know what to expect and feel more secure. If you sing a certain song every time they take a bath, your child will come to see this as a cue for "bath time".



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Kgwedi  
ya Basadi e ketekwa  
ngwaga le ngwaga ka  
August. Tše dingwe tša dipuku  
tša go kgahliša tša bana tša go  
keteka basadi le banenyana ke tše  
di latelago.

Women's Month is celebrated each year in August. Here are a few wonderful children's books that celebrate women and girls.

## Šelefo ya dipuku ya Nal'ibali

### Banenyana ga ba Dire Seo

ka Thembi Kgatlana le Nikolaos Kirkinis

Diswantsho ka: Chantelle le Burgen Thorne

Mogatisi: Jacana Media

Kanegelo ya Thembi Kgatlana e thoma kua Mohlakeng. E be e le sekgwari sa kgwele ya maoto gomme a ipona ka letšatši le lengwe a ralokela Afrika Borwa, eupša o be a dula a botšwa gore banenyana ga ba raloke kgwele ya maoto. Ka go šoma ka thata le ka boikemšešo, ga se a no ralokela Banyana Banyana feela, eupša o ile a bitšwa sebapadi sa go di goga pele sa Afrika! Kanegelo ye e hwtšagala ka Afrikaans, Seisemanne, se-Xhosa, se-Zulu le Setswana.

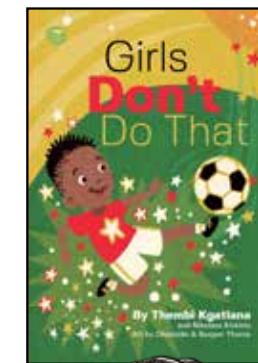
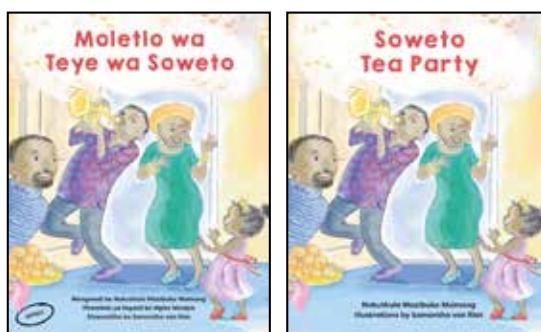
### Moletlo wa Teye wa Soweto

ka Nokuthula Mazibuko Msimang

Diswantsho ka: Sam van Riet

Mogatisi: New Afrika Books

Kanegelo ye e kgahlišago e bolela ka mongwadi wa yona ge e be e sa le ngwana kua Soweto ka bo-1970. Go sa šetšwe bophelo bjo boima bja Soweto, batswadi ba Nokuthula ba be ba kgora go dira gore ka lapeng go dule go na le lethabo. Diswantsho tše dibotse tša Sam van Riet di bonišha phapano magareng ga bophelo bja lefaseng le lethabo la ka lapeng. Kanegelo ye e hwtšagala ka maleme ka moka a semmuša a go ngwalwa.



### Citronella

ka Carl de Souza

Diswantsho ka: Danièle Hitié

Mogatisi: New Afrika Books

Puku ye ya diswantsho e bolela ka bohlokwa bija go ba le makgolo le rakgolo ba go loka. Citronella ke ngwanenyan yo monyenyanwa go se kgone go kwa ka ditsebe. Ka ge go se na yo a ka mo alfago, lapa la gabo le mo romela go Rakgolo wa gagwe e lego Tambala, yoo a mo išago kgolekgole, lefelong leo o sa kwego feela ka ditsebe tša gago ... Kanegelo ye e hwtšagala ka maleme ka moka a semmuša a go ngwalwa.



Godiša bokgobapuku bja gago.  
Itlhamele dipuku tša ripa-o-boloke tše PEDI

#### Lefelo la Koko

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

#### Tau ya go hloka meno

- Go dira puku ye diriša matlakala a 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 le 12.
- Boloka matlakala a 7 le 8 a be ka gare ga matlakala a mangwe.
- Mena matlakalaka a pampiri ka bogare go bapela le mothaladi wa marontho a maso.
- A mene ka bogare gape go bapela le mothaladi wa marontho a matalamorogo go dira puku.
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Grow your own library.  
Create TWO cut-out-and-keep books

#### Granny's place



#### The toothless lion

- To make this book, use pages 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12.
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- Fold it in half again along the green dotted line to make the book.
- Cut along the red dotted lines to separate the pages.

#### The toothless lion

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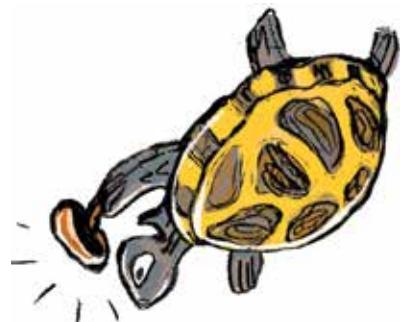


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Diphoofolo ka moka di ille tsa nagaana ka dimela  
tse dibose tseo Simba a ka di jago.  
All the animals thought of something tasty for  
Simba to eat.

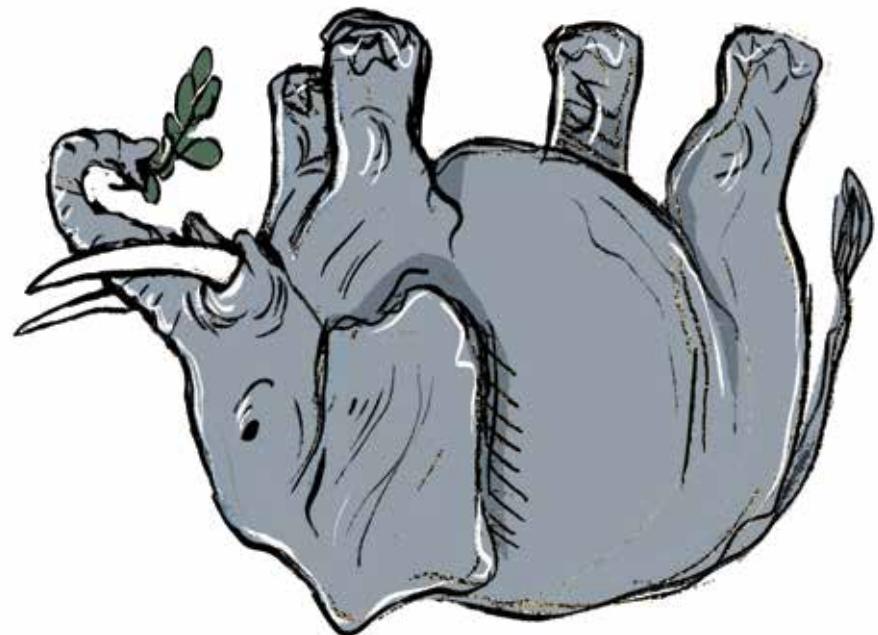


"Nna ke tla le legapu," gwa realo Mmutla.  
"I will take a juicy melon," said Rabbit.



"Nna ke tla kga makwaya," gwa realo Khudu.  
"Mushrooms are like meat."  
"I will take mushrooms," said Tortoise.

Kemoka Tlou ya re, "Simba o da swanewwa ke  
go ithuta go ja dimela ge e ba a nyaka go phela."  
Diphoofolo di ille tsa dumeleana kapetana gorre di  
kgobokelise Simba dimela gorre a je tsona.



Then Elephant said, "Simba will have to learn to  
eat plants if he wants to live." The animals quickly  
agreed to gather plants for Simba to eat.

When a lion loses all his teeth, help comes from a very surprising group of animals. But there are still more lessons that the lion needs to learn.

This story was specially created for Nalibali to spark children's potential through storytelling and reading for enjoyment.



Ge tau e loba meno a yona ka moka, e hwetsa thuso go tswa go mohuta o makatsago kudu wa diphoofolo. Eupsa go sa na le dithuto tse dingwe tsa bohlokwa tseo tau e swanetsego go ithuta tsona.

Kanegelo ye e hlamilwe ka go kgethega bakeng sa Nalibali go hlohlleletsa bana go diriswa dikanegele le go balela boipshino.

### Get story active!

- ★ Colour in the drawing on the last page of the story. How do you feel about all the animals being friends?
- ★ Make one list of foods that are easy to eat without teeth and another list of foods that are difficult to eat without teeth.
- ★ Draw a picture that shows how you take care of your teeth. Write a sentence under the picture about why you take good care of your teeth. You can ask a friend or family member to help you write your sentence.

### Dira gore kanegelo e be le bophelo!

- ★ Khalara seswantsho sa letlakaleng la mafelelo la kanegelo ye. O ikwa bjang ge diphoofolo tse ka moka e le bagwera?
- ★ Ngwala maina a dijo tse o ka kgonago go di ja le ge o se na meno, gape o ngwale le maina a dijo tse o ka se kgonego go di ja ge o se na meno.
- ★ Terowa seswantsho sa go bontsha kamoo o hlokkelago meno a gago. Ngwala lefoko ka tlase ga seswantsho seo go hhalosa gore ke ka baka la eng o hlokkelago meno a gago. O ka kgopela mogwera wa gago goba motho wa geno gore a go thuso go ngwala lefoko leo.

Nalibali is a national reading-for-enjoyment campaign to spark and embed a culture of reading across South Africa. For more information, [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org).



Nalibali ke lesolo la go-balela-boipshino la bosetsaba la go utolla le go tsenyeletsha setso sa go bala go selaganya Afrika Borwa ka bophara. Go hwetsa tshedimošo ye nngwe, etela [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org).



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## The toothless lion



### Tau ya go hloka meno

Themba Mabaso • Carlos Amato

**Ideas to talk about:** How would you describe a lion's teeth? What do you think would happen to a lion that had no teeth? Have you lost a tooth? How did you feel about it?

**Dikgopolole tse le ka bolelagoo ka tsona:** O ka hhalosa bjang meno a tau? O nagana gore go tla direga eng ka tau ya go hloka meno? Naa o kile wa tswa leino? O ile wa ikwa bjang ka seo?

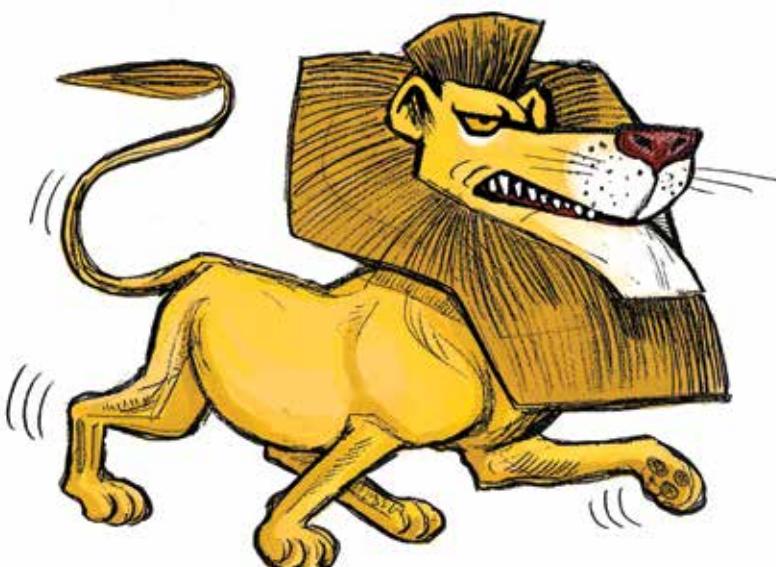


"Ge Simba a sa hweṭe dijio, o tlo hwa ka tlala," gwa  
realo Kgamma.  
"Eupsa ke mang a ka dumelago go ba dijo tsa  
retołosa molala wa yona o motelele gor e lebelele  
Simba?" gwa botisä Thudwa ka lentsu le bonolo, e  
diphoofolo tse dinewe ka moka.

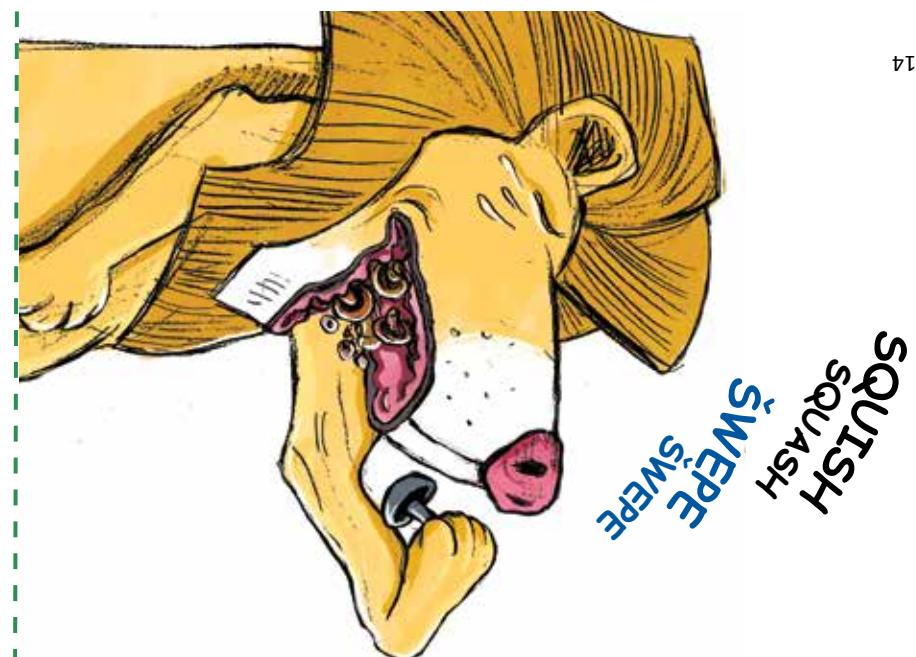
No one stepped forward.

"But who will agree to be Simba's food?"  
asked Giraffe softly, turning her long  
neck to look at all the animals.  
"If Simba doesn't get food, he will die of  
hunger," said Gembok.

Simba was the only lion in that corner of the veld,  
and he loved it! All the animals were afraid of him  
because he was a very good hunter. And he was  
always hungry. Whenever Simba appeared, the  
other animals would run away and hide.



Simba e be e le tau e nnoši lešokeng, gomme e be  
e rata seo! Diphoofolo ka moka di be di mo tšaba  
ka gobane o be a kgoni go tsoma. E bile o be a dula  
a swerwe ke tlala. Ka mehla ge Simba a tšwelela,  
diphoofolo ka moka di be di tšaba gomme di utama.



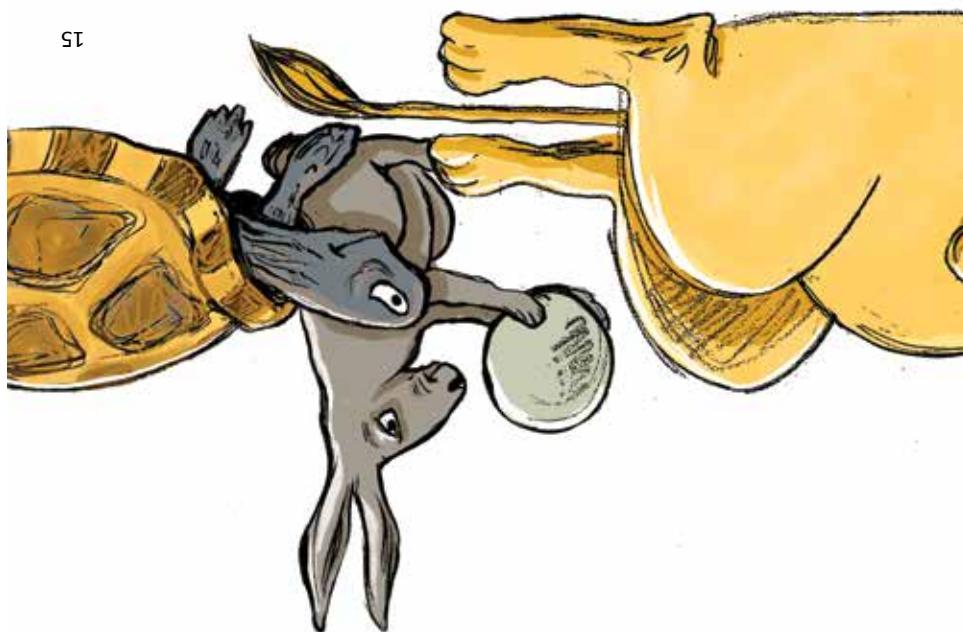
Mesong ya go latela, diphoofolo di ile tsa ya  
moleting wa Simba di le momgo. Di be di swere  
dienywa tsa naga, makwya le digwre tsa go jewa.  
"Dijo, ke nyaka dijio," gwa realo Simba a dutse a  
rora ge a bona diphoofolo tse. O be a rapaltese  
mo fase a hloka le leino le lette ka ganonge.

The next morning, the animals walked to Simba's  
den together. They were carrying wild fruit,  
musrooms and edible roots.  
"Food, I need food," croaked Simba when he saw  
the animals. He was lying on the ground without a  
single tooth in his mouth.

Simba munched on the feast his friends had  
provided. And all the animals sighed with delight at  
the peace in the veld.



Simba o ile a ipshina ka moletlo wo bagwera ba  
gagwe ba bego ba mo diretše wona. Diphoofolo  
ka moka tsa imologa ka lethabo ge di bona  
khutšo ya moo lešokeng.



O ile a ja lekwaya la bobedi le la bora.  
"Hle, mphé le lengwe," gwa realo Simba a kgopela.  
swépe, e le gé a sohla lekwaya leo. Le be le sohlega  
Simba o ile a ahlama gomme a ja lekwaya. Swépe,  
"Leka go ja lekwaya le," gwa realo Khudu.  
"Another one, please," begged Simba. He ate a  
squash went the mushroom. It was easy to chew.  
Simba opened his mouth and took a bite. Squish,  
"Try this mushroom," said Tortoise.

Simba went out and stood on a tall rock. "Friends, my teeth are back!" he roared. "But I have decided that I will only eat plants. I will not eat any animals. Please come out and let us eat plants and play together!"

It was quiet for a long time. Then, Tortoise slowly came out of hiding, carrying some mushrooms. Simba sat down and ate with Tortoise. Then Rabbit came out with a basket of fruit. All the other animals came forward carrying a variety of plants and wild fruit.

Simba o ile a tswa gomme a ema godimo ga leswika le letelele. "Bagwera, meno a ka a metše gape!" a realo a rora. "Eupša ke tsere sephetho sa gore ke tswéle pele ke ejá dimela. Nka se je phoofolo efe goba efe. Hle, etšwang gomme re ipshineng ka go ja dimela le go raloka mmogo!"  
Go ile gwa re tuu ka nako e telele. Ke moka, Khudu e ile ya tswélela ka go nanya mo e utamego, e swere makwaya. Simba o ile a dula fase gomme a ja mmogo le Khudu. Ke moka Mmutla o ile wa tswa ka gare ga sešego sa dienywa. Diphoofto tse dingwe ka moka le tsona tsa tla di swere mehutahuta ya dimela le dienywa tsa naga.



go kwela Simba boholoko.  
homala gomme tsa thoma  
Mafelelonge, di ile tsa  
ya go thabisa.  
kgaoše go bolela ka taba yeo  
di tshabile kudu gomme di sa  
Matthomong, diphoofto di be  
Pitsi.  
"Na ga go thabise gore Simba a ka  
Simba ga a sa na meno.  
bosta diphoofto tse dingwe gore  
Ka nako yeo, Khudu le Pitsi di ile tsa  
and started feeling sorry for Simba.  
it was. Eventually, they quietened down  
couldn't stop talking about how wonderful  
At first, the animals were very excited and  
of us?" said Zebra.  
"Isn't it wonderful that Simba can no longer hunt any  
that Simba had no more teeth.  
Meanwhile, Tortoise and Zebra told the other animals

One day, Simba was wandering through the veld looking for food. All the animals had scattered into the bushes to hide from him, except Tortoise. Tortoise could not run. Her shell was big and heavy, and her legs were short.



Ka letšatši le lengwe, Simba o be a itshepelela le lešoka a nyakana le dijo. Diphoofto ka moka di be di tshabile gomme di utame, ka ntle le Khudu. Khudu e be e sa kgone go kitima. Legapi la yona e be e le le legolo e bile le imela, e bile maoto a yona e le a makopana.



"Mimba o ile a dogela Pitsi e sepele gomme a boela moletenig moka." "Aowaa!" gwa realo Simba a lila. "Ke do phela bijang ke se la gagwe. Ka nne te o be a se na meno, e le marini mi feelal "Marini mi?" gwa realo Simba a tseanya letsogo ka leganong

"O a ntiskidita. He-he-he!" gwa realo Pitsi e segelela, mmelle wa yona o silkiyega ka sesego. "O a ntiskidita ka marini a gago."

"What have we here?" asked Simba, coming closer.  
"Oh, food in a shell!" he said, licking his lips.

"Oh dear me!" cried Tortoise. "Please don't eat me!"

"Why not?" asked Simba.

"I'm old and my flesh is tough and chewy," cried Tortoise.

"Well, my teeth are long and sharp," said Simba, pouncing on Tortoise.

"Ke'ng se?" gwa botšiša Simba, a dutše a batamela.  
"Owoo, ke dijo ka gare ga legapi!" a realo a dutše a itatswa melomo.

"Aowii, wešo!" gwa realo Khudu. "O se ke wa nja hle!"

"Ka baka la'ng?" gwa botšiša Simba.

"Ke tšofetše e bile nama ya ka e bothata kudu," gwa realo Khudu e bobola.

"Hloka pelaelo, ke na le meno a matelele le a bogale," gwa realo Simba, a hlasela Khudu.



"Ke'la le ja ge meno a ka a metše gape," gwa lekwa kwapili la lona.  
"Mimuta o ile wa nea Simba, eupša tshepiša Simba.



"I will eat it when my teeth grow back," he promised.  
Rabbit gave Simba the melon, but it was too hard. He could not bite through the skin.

By midday, Simba realised that the animals would no longer come to visit. He thought about how they had brought him food every day. "I would have starved to death had they not fed me," he thought.

By late afternoon, there was still no sign of any of the animals. Simba felt very lonely and realised that he missed spending time with them.

"The monkeys are so funny," Simba laughed. "The elephants are all very kind. And the warthogs are so fast, I love playing with them!"

Simba had important decisions to make. "I think I would rather eat plants than lose such good friends," he thought.

Mosegare, Simba o ile a lemoga gore diphofolo di ka se sa tla go yena. O ile a thoma go nagana ka moo di bego di mo tlišetša dijo letšatši le letšatši. "Nkabe ke hwile ka tlala ge nkabe diphofolo tše di sa ka tša mpha dijo," gwa realo Simba.

Eupša mathapama, go be go se na le phoofolo e tee yeo e bonalago. Simba o ile a ikwa a lewa ke bodutu gomme a lemoga gore o hlologetše go hlwa le diphofolo tše.

"Ditšhwene di a segiša," gwa realo Simba a sega. "Ditlou ka moka di na le botho kudu. Gomme dikolobe tša nageng di na le lebelo kudu, ke rata go raloka le tšona!"

Simba o be a lebanwe ke go dira phetho ya bohlokwa. "Ke nagana gore ke tla tšwela pele ke ej a dimela go e na le gore ke lahlegelwe ke bagwera ba ba babotse," a realo a bolela a nnoši.

Matlakala

Leaves



Mehlare

Trees



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Oranges



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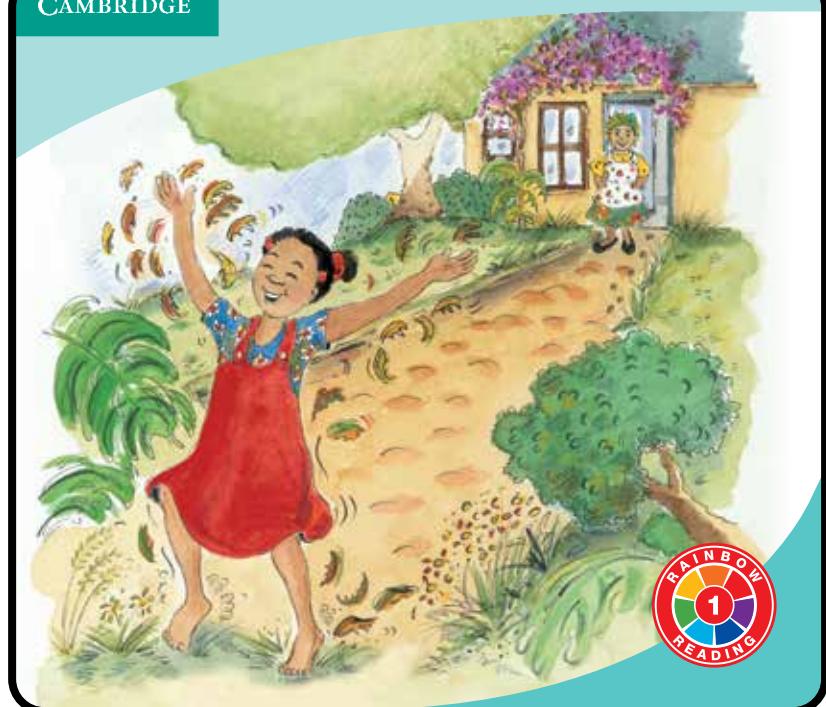
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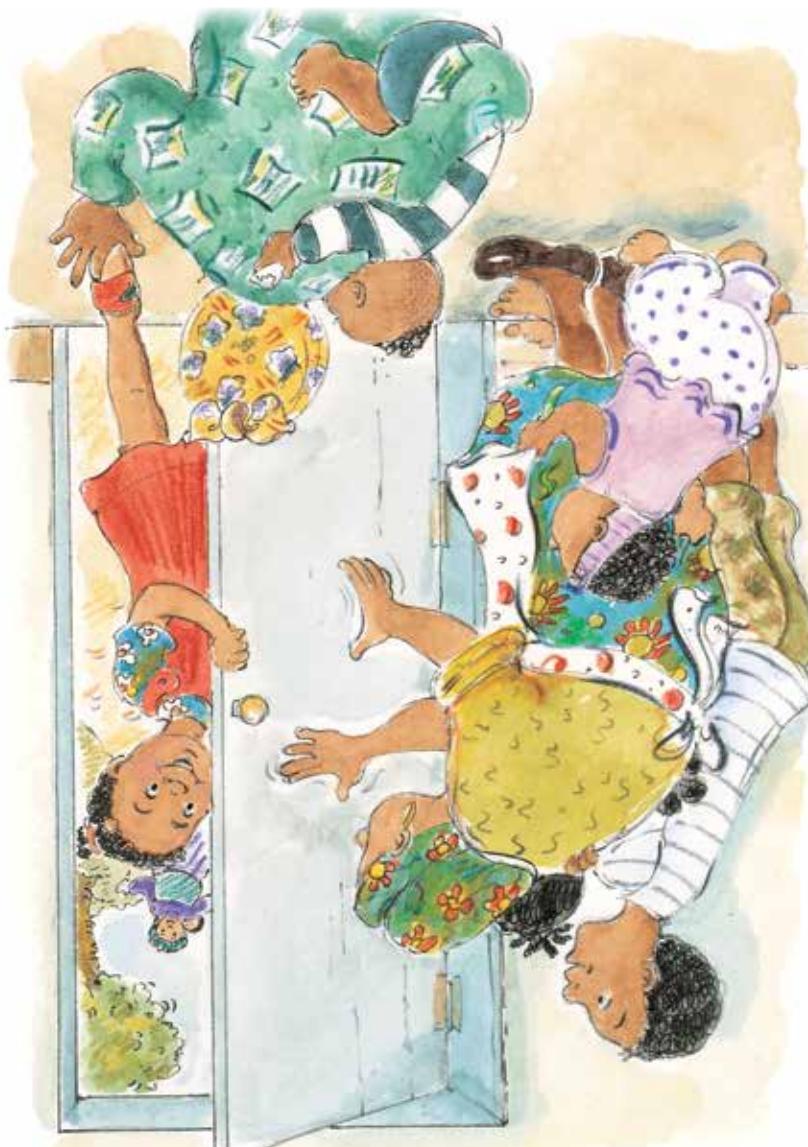
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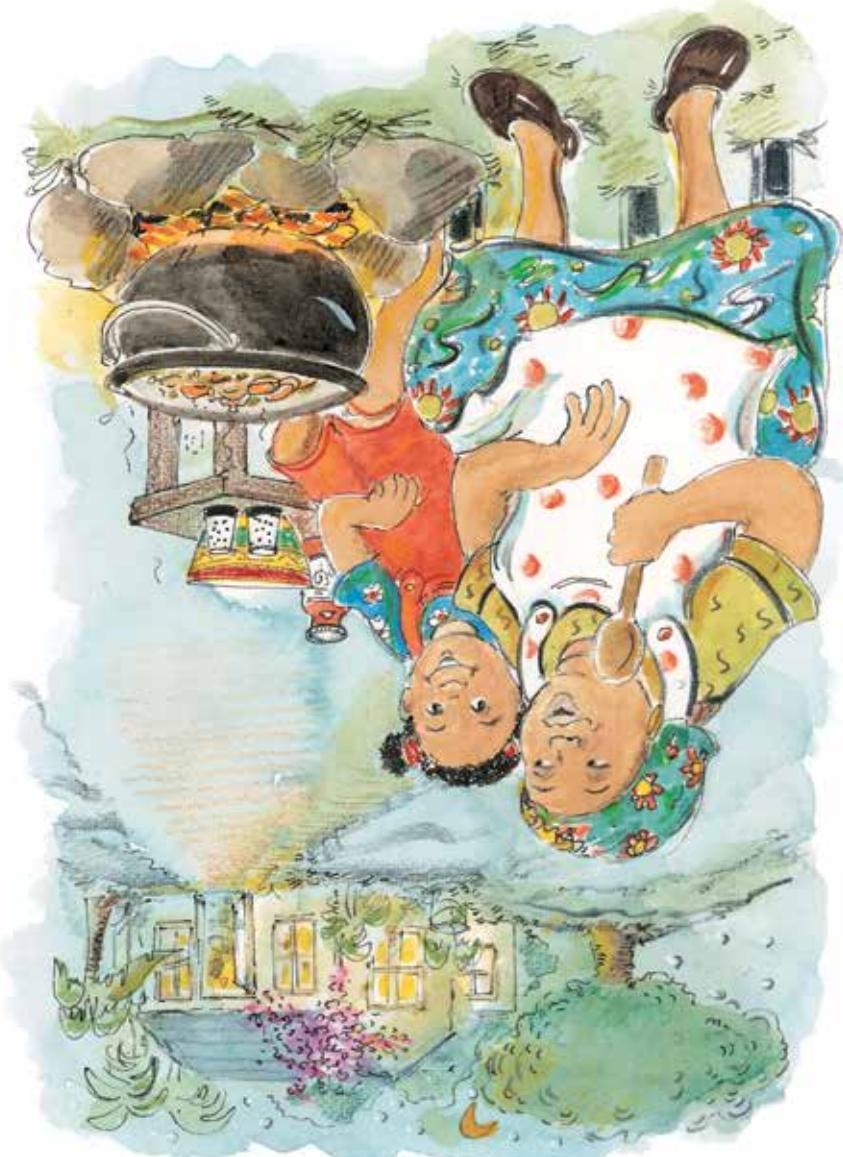
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**Dikgopolole ka bolelago ka tsiona:** Naa o na le koko goba wa leloko yo a tsotfego yo o ratago go mo etela? Motšfadi yoo o dira eng seo se dirago gore o rate go mo etela? O rata eng kudu legaeng la gagwe?

Ke rata lefele la Koko.  
I love Granny's place.



Mollo wa borutho  
A warm fire



"Hello, Granny!"  
"Dumela Koko!"



Dikgokaro go tšwa  
go Koko

Go ile gwa feta diphobefo, ke moka mesong e menge ...  
 ba duila mogo le go anegelana dikanegelelo.  
 Diphoofolo di be di tisestia Simba dijo letstasi le  
 Simba o ile a leboga diphoofolo tseo kudu.  
 Mpa ya gagwe e be e letse ka makwaya, digwre tse  
 boleta le dienywa.  
 Dienywa tsa naga di be di le boleta go Simba go di ja  
 weeks and weeks went by until one morning ...  
 would sit and listen to each other's stories.  
 They became his friends and together they  
 Every day, the animals brought Simba food.  
 Simba was very grateful to the animals.  
 again. His stomach was full of mushrooms, soft  
 to eat and by midday Simba was able to stand  
 roots and fruit.  
 The wild berries were soft enough for him

But the animals did not come. They had heard Simba's powerful roar that morning and it had made them feel afraid.



Eupša diphoofolo ga sa nka tsa tla. Di be di kwele go rora mo go tšošago ga Simba mesong yeo gomme gwa di tšoša.

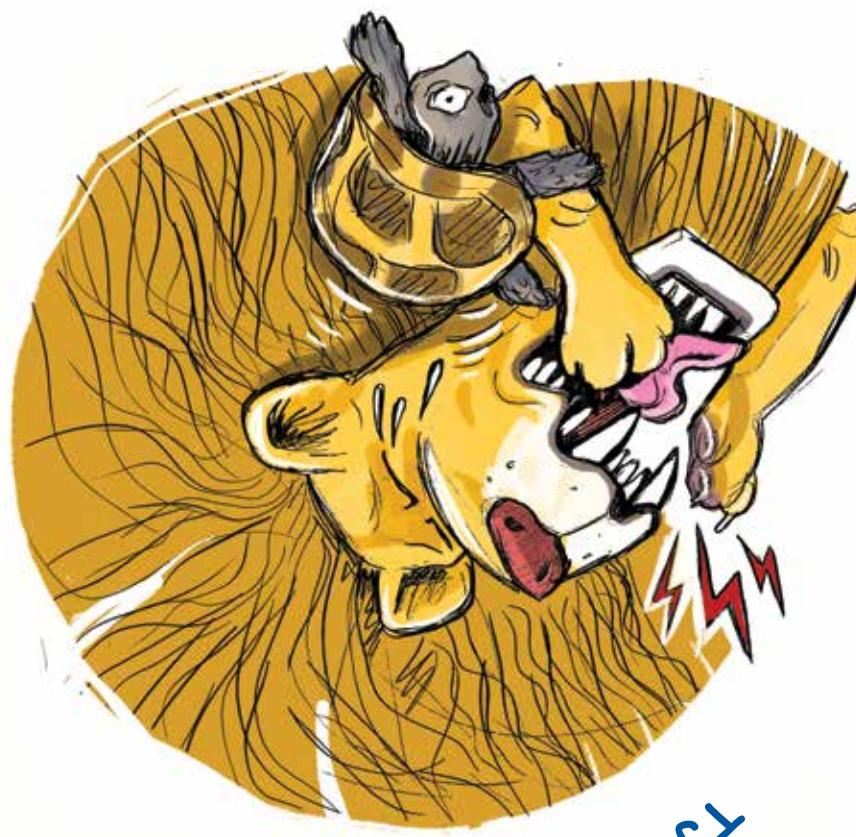
Simba o ile a makala kudu. "Goreng o sega?" a ralo a rora.  
 "Ha, ha, hal Ha, ha, hal" e Le Pitsi e sega.  
 halesa Pitsi gomme a loma mo molaleng.  
 na le lebelo, eupas Simba o be a na le lebelo go e feta. O ile a  
 O ile a bona Pitsi kgauwi gomme a kintimsa. Pitsi e be e  
 Go ile gwa feta matstasi a mala, Simba a swarwa ke tala!  
 down on his side and waited to die.  
 He let Zebra go and walked slowly to his den. Simba lay  
 starvation before my teeth grow back."  
 "Oh no!" cried Simba. "How will I survive? I will die of  
 indeed, he had no teeth, only gums!  
 "Gums," said Simba as he put his paw in his mouth. And  
 with your gums."  
 "You are tickling me. Tee-hee-hee! Tee-hee-hee!" giggled  
 he roared.  
 Simba was shocked. "Why are you laughing?"  
 "Tee-hee-hee!" laughed Zebra.  
 Zebra nearby and chased after her. Zebra was fast, but Simba  
 was faster. He pounced on Zebra and bit her neck.  
 A few days went by, and Simba was very hungry! He saw

Tortoise quickly withdrew into her shell.  
 Simba opened his mouth wide and bit down hard.  
 Tortoise shut her eyes, and cried, "My shell! My shell must be broken!"  
 Then she heard Simba roar in pain and anger.



Gateetee Khudu e ile ya hunyela ka gare ga legapi la yona.  
 Simba o ile a ahlamiša molomo gomme a loma Khudu ka maatla.

Khudu e ile ya ponya gomme ya lla ka gore, "Tjoo legapi la ka! Legapi la ka le swanetše go ba le pšatlegile!"  
 Ke moka e ile ya kwa Simba a rora, ka gobane a kwele boholoko e bile a galefile.



TJOOOOOOOOO!  
ROOOAAAARI!

Simba o ile a loma lekwakwapi la legapu leo ka go  
Mimulta o mphilego lona.  
na yo a ntlišeditségo dijo. E re ke leke go ja legapu leo  
Simba a ipotsa a re, "Ke swerwe ke tala gomme ga go  
liketla.

KGAAASAAI!  
CRUNCHHII!



Simba easily bit through the hard skin of the melon.  
melon Rabbit gave me."  
"I'm hungry and no one has brought me anything to  
eat yet," said Simba to himself. "Let me try eating the

"My teeth! My teeth are broken!" groaned Simba.  
He was in so much pain that he let Tortoise go.  
Then he lay down beneath a tree waiting for his  
teeth to stop aching.

"Tjoo meno a ka! Meno a ka a robegile!" gwa realo  
Simba a lla.  
Simba o be a ekwa bohloko kudu moo a ilego a  
tlogela Khudu e sepela.  
Ke moka a robala ka fase ga mohlare a letela gore  
meno a gagwe a kgaotše go opa.

"They're back! My teeth are back!" roared Simba  
excitedly. He put his paw into his mouth and, yes,  
all his teeth had grown back – long and sharp!  
"Oh, for some delicious meat!" roared Simba. "Let  
the animals bring me their plants and fruit this  
morning. I will catch one of them for my feast!"

"A metše! Meno a ka a metše gape!" gwa realo  
Simba a rora ka lethabo. O ile a tsenya letsogo ka  
leganong la gagwe, Mmalo! ee, meno a gagwe ka  
moka a metše gape – ke a matelele e bile a bogale!  
"Aga, ke tlo ipshina ka nama e bose!" gwa realo  
Simba a rora. "E re diphoofolo di ntlišetše dimela  
nyana tša tšona le dienywa mesong ye. Ke tlo swara  
e nngwe ya tšona gomme ka ipshina ka yona!"

**Dula o swere dipuku  
tše pedi.  
Enngwe e be ya go bala,  
enngwe e be ya go ngwakela.**



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books with you.  
One to read and  
one to  
write in.**





# Mošemane yo a bego a sa kgotsofale

Ka Bradley Pausle ■ Diswantsho ka Chantelle le Burgen Thorne



Go kile gwa ba le mošemane yo mongwe yo a bitšwago Riaan. Riaan o be a rata dij, gomme dij tše a bego a di rata kudukudu ke khekhe. Riaan o be a na le bo buti le bosesi ba bantsi, e lego se se bolelagore ba be ba swanetše go abelana dilo ka moka. Ka gona Riaan o be a tlwaeše go abelana le ba bangwe dilo ka moka, eupša selo se a bego a sa rate go se abelana le ba bangwe ke khekhe.

Mesong e mengwe, mmago Riaan o ile a paka khekhe e monate ya tšokolete. Monkgo wa yona o mobose o ile wa tlala ka ntlong, gomme bohole ba be ba fela pelo ya go tlo ja khekhe yeo. Ge e butšwiše, Mma o ile a bitša a re. "Ke nako ya go ja khekhe."

Mahlo a Riaan a ile a phadima ka lethabo ge a dutše a kitimela ka khitšing.

Mma a re, "Hle, gopola gore re swanetše go e abelana. Yo mongwe le yo mongwe o tla hwetša seripana." Mma o ile a ripa khekhe ka diripana tša go lekana gomme a nea ngwana yo mongwe le yo mongwe.

Riaan o be a nyamile kudu ge a newa seripana sa gagwe. O be a nyaka go feta moo, o be a nyaka khekhe yeo ka moka! O ile a bolela a nnoši, a galefile a re, "hai!"

Riaan o be a sa nyaka khekhe e nngwe. O be a nyaka gore seripana se ba mo neilego sona e be se segolwanyana. Ke moka o ile a gopola dilo ka moka tša ka karatšhe tše tatagwe a di hlamilego. Mohlomongwe a ka hwetša selo se a ka se šomišago go godiša khekhe ya gagwe ka gona moo.

Ka moo karatšhe, Riaan o ile a fatafata dithulusi ka moka le dilo tše tatagwe a di hlamilego. O ile a bona dithulusi tše itšego, tša go swana le dipanere le disekurufuteraeba, eupša gape go be go na le motšene wa go makatša, woo a bego a sa tseba gore ke wa go dira eng.



Ka morago ga karatšhe, o ile a hwetša lepokisi la go ngwalwa gore, "Big-a-nator."

"Agaal!" gwa realo Riaan. "Go bonala motšene wo o kgona go dira dilo tše dikgolo." Se ke sona se ke se nyakago!"

Ka gare ga lepokisi o ile a hwetša selo sa go swana le motšene o mogologolo wa go hudua mae wa go ba le lethale la go tšwelela. Motšene woo o be o na le dikarolwana tša go makatša le pathene ye kgolo e khwibidu ya go o laeta.

Riaan o ile a kitimela ka khitšing a swere motšene woo. O ile a šupa seripana sa gagwe sa khekhe ka wona gomme a kgotla pathene e kgolo e khwibidu. Go ile gwa tšwelela seetša se segolo gomme sa bonega godimo ga khekhe. Riaan o ile a segelela ka lethabo. E se kgale o tlo ba le khekhe e kgolo, seripa se segologolo sa khekhe, seo e tlago go ba sa gagwe a nnoši.

Eupša go ile gwa direga selo sa go makatša. Khekhe ga sa nka ya gola. Go e na le moo, go ile gwa gola tšošwane e nnyane ye e bego e le ka pele ga khekhe, go fihlela e lekana le Riaan!

"Hei, go direga eng felo fa?" gwa realo tšošwane ya go makala ka lentšu le lekoto, gomme manakana a yona a eya kua le kua."

Riaan o be a tomotše mahlo a maketše. "O ntshwarele hle. Ke be ke leka go dira

gore khekhe ya ka e nnyane e be e kgolo, e sego wena."

Tšošwane le yona e ile ya tomola mahlo ya re, "O re khekhe? Ditšošwane di rata khekhe!"

Le pele Riaan a ka dira selo le ge e le sefe, tšošwane e ile ya topa khekhe ya gagwe gomme ya e ja.

"Khekhe yeo ke ya ka!" gwa realo Riaan a galefile.

Tšošwane e ile ya ja khekhe yeo ka lebelo go fihlela go šala lerathana le letee feela. Riaan ga sa nka a kgolwa mahlo a gagwe.

"O jele khekhe ya ka!" gwa goeleša Riaan.

Tšošwane ya re, "Eh, ga se ka e jela nna. Ke e jele gore ke yo fepa ditšošwane tša gešo! Re a thušana. Ge re hwetša selo se monate, re ya le sona mo re dulago gore re yo se abelana re le ka moka."

Ka yona nako yeo, mojako wa khitšhi wa bulaga, gwa tsena tagago Riaan. O ile a šala a maketše, e bile mahlo a gagwe e le a magolo ge a se no bona tšošwane ye kgolokgolo. "Yoooo! Go direga eng felo fa?" a realo.

Ke moka o ile a bona Riaan a swere motšene wola wa Big-a-nator gomme a tseba se se diragetše. O ile a tše motšene woo go Riaan ka go akgofa gomme a šupa tšošwane ka wona. Ge a kgotla pathene e kgolo e khwibidu, wa tšwa seetša se segolo. Ge se felela, tšošwane ya boela ya ba e nnyane.



Riaan o ile a imologa, eupša a lebelo ka gare ga poleiti ya gagwe tafoleng. Go be go na le lerathana la khekhe feela, leo le go le ja a bego a ka se le je.

"Ke be ke inyakela seripa se segolo sa khekhe, eupša gona bjale ga go sa na selo," gwa realo Riaan a nyamile.

Tatagwe o ile a mo lebelo ka mahlong gomme a re, "Riaan, go direga sona se ge re sa kgotsofale. Go abelana go bohlokwa. Go nyaka dilo tša go feta tša ba bangwe go ka baka mathata."

Riaan o ile a itshola ka se a se dirilego. "Tate, o ntshwarele gore ga se ka kgotsofala," a realo ka lentšu la fase.

Tatagwe a thoma go bolela le yena ka boleta a re, "Ke thuto ye ka moka re swanetše go ithuta yona. Eupša o se ke wa nyama. O sa na le khekhe. Go sa na le lerathana le le šetšego."

A ponyeša Riaan leihlo, Tate o ile a šupa lerathana la khekhe ka motšene wa Big-a-nator. Ge a se no kgotla pathene, gwa tšwa seetša se segolo gomme lerathana la fetoga seripana sa khekhe.

Riaan o ile a thaba kudu. Pelo ya gagwe e be e tletše ka lethabo le go makala ge a dutše a re, "Tate, ke a leboga."

Eupša ge Riaan a kgema khekhe, o ile a tomola mahlo. "Aaaa!" a realo. "Khekhe ye e thapile ka mare a tšošwane!"

## Dira gore kanegelo e be le bophelo!

- Ge nkabe o na le matla a go dira selo sefe goba sefe se o se nyakago, o be o tla dira eng, gona o be o tla dira eng ka selo seo?
- Terowa seswantsho sa selo se o bego o tla se dira. Dira marungwana o re botše maina a dikarolwana tša selo seo.

- Ngwala serapa se sekopana o hhalose seo o bego o ka rata go se dira ka selo seo.



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# The boy who wanted more

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Once, there was a boy named Riaan. Riaan loved food, and the food he loved the most, was cake. Riaan had many brothers and sisters, which meant everything had to be shared. So, Riaan was used to sharing most things, but he really hated having to share cake.

One morning, Riaan's mum baked a delicious chocolate cake. The wonderful smell filled the house, and everyone was looking forward to eating the cake. When it was ready, Mum called, "It's time for cake!"

Riaan's eyes sparkled with excitement as he ran to the kitchen.

Mum said, "Please remember, we need to share. Everyone will get a small slice." She cut the cake into equal slices and gave each child a slice.

Riaan was very disappointed when he got his cake. He wanted more than just a small slice; he wanted the whole cake! "This sucks!" he muttered to himself, feeling upset.

Riaan wanted more. He wanted to make his slice bigger. Then he remembered all the inventions his dad had in the garage. Maybe he could find something there to make his slice of cake bigger.

In the garage, Riaan searched through all his dad's tools and inventions. There were tools he recognised, like wrenches and screwdrivers, but there were also strange-looking machines, and he didn't know what they did.



At the back of the garage, he found a box with the word "Big-a-nator" written on it.

"Yes!" thought Riaan. "It sounds like this makes things big. This is exactly what I need!"

Inside the box, he found a machine that looked like a giant egg beater with a spiral wire poking out. It had cogs and dials and a big red button to switch it on.

Riaan eagerly rushed back to the kitchen with the Big-a-nator in his hand. He aimed it at his small slice of cake and pressed the big red button. A bright beam of light shot out and hit the slice. Riaan giggled with joy. Soon he would have more cake, a giant slice of cake, all for him!

But then something strange happened. The cake didn't get bigger. Instead, a little ant in front of the cake got bigger and bigger, until it was as tall as Riaan!

"Hey, what's going on?" the surprised ant said in a deep voice, its antennae waving this way and that.

Riaan stared in amazement. "I'm so sorry. I was trying to make my small slice of cake bigger, not you."

The ant's eyes lit up. "Did you say cake? Ants love cake!"

Before Riaan could react, the ant scooped up his slice of cake and began to eat it.

"But that's my cake!" Riaan protested, angrily.

The ant quickly ate the cake until all that was left was a single crumb. Riaan could hardly believe his eyes.

"You ate my cake!" Riaan shouted.

The ant replied, "Well, I didn't eat it for my own sake. It's for my ant colony! We work together, and when we find something delicious, we take it back to the nest to share with everyone."

Just then, the kitchen door swung open, and Riaan's dad walked in. He froze in surprise, his eyes widening as he saw the gigantic ant. "Whoa! What's going on here?" he said.

Then he saw the Big-a-nator in Riaan's hand and he knew what had happened. He quickly took the machine from Riaan and aimed it at the ant. As he pressed the big red button, a beam of light shot out. As it faded, the ant was back to its normal size.



Riaan let out a sigh of relief, but then he looked at his plate on the table. There was only a tiny crumb of cake left, not even enough for a bite.

"I just wanted a bigger piece of cake and now I have none," said Riaan in a sad voice.

Dad looked at Riaan sternly, "Riaan, this is what happens when we let our greed take over. Sharing is important. Wanting more than your fair share can lead to bad consequences."

Riaan was ashamed of his actions. "I'm sorry I was so greedy," he said in a quiet voice.

Dad's expression softened as he said, "It's a lesson we all need to learn. But don't be sad, you do have some cake. There's still one crumb left."

With a twinkle in his eye, Dad aimed the Big-a-nator at the tiny crumb. As he pressed the button, a beam of light shot out and the crumb grew into a small slice of cake.

Riaan's eyes lit up. A mixture of surprise and gratitude filled his heart as he said, "Thank you, Dad."

But as Riaan bit into the cake, his eyes grew big and round. "Yuck!" he said. "It's wet with ant spit!"

## Get story active!

- ➊ If you could make anything that you wanted, what would it be and what would it be used for?
- ➋ Draw a diagram of your invention. Add labels to explain your drawing.

- ➌ Write a short paragraph explaining what you would do with your invention.

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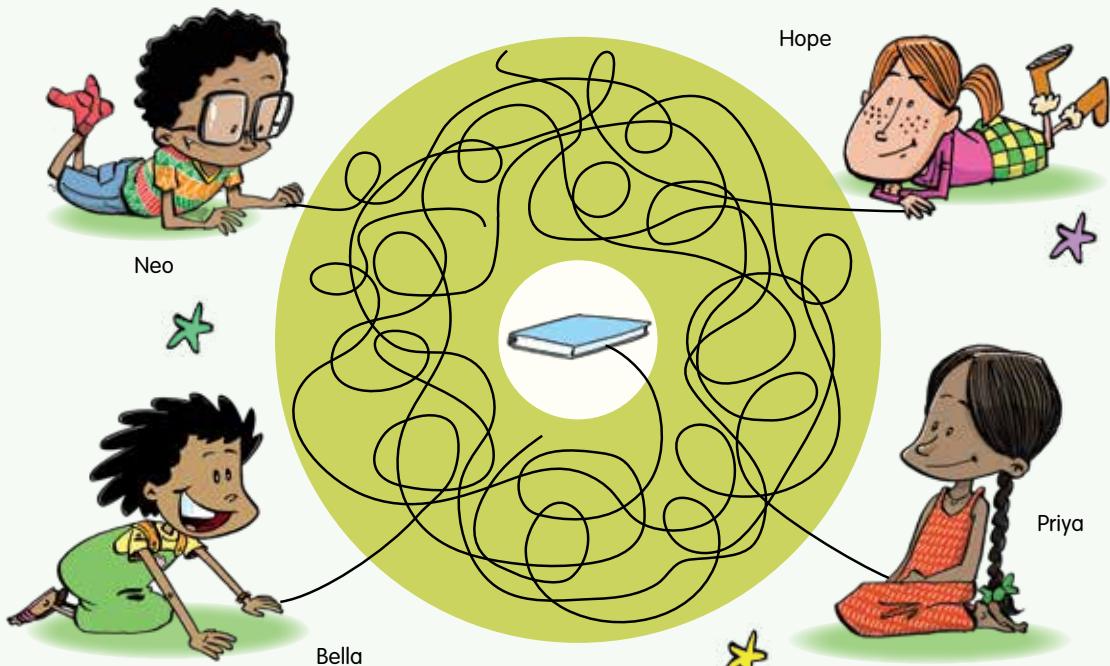
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1.

Latela lenti la go swarwa ke baanegwa bohole ba Nal'ibali go hwetsha gore puku ye e lego mo gare ke ya mang!

Follow the string that each Nal'ibali character is holding to find out who the book in the middle belongs to!



2.

Naa o ka feleletsha kanegelokopana ye ka ditsela tsha go fapana? Naa o ka hlama kanegelo ya go segisha le ya go tshoشا? Naa o ka hlama dikanegele dife tse dingwe?

Ipshineng ka go balela bagwera le ba lapa dikanegele tsha lena tse di feletsego!

Ka letshatsi le lengwe \_\_\_\_\_ o kopane le \_\_\_\_\_  
(motho) (motho)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(fao ba kopanego)

Ngwanenyana o rile, "\_\_\_\_\_."  
Mošemanne o rile, "\_\_\_\_\_."  
Ngwanenyana a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(se a se dirilego)

Mošemanne a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(se a se dirilego)

Ka fao, \_\_\_\_\_.  
(se se diregilego)



Ka letshatsi le lengwe \_\_\_\_\_ o kopane le \_\_\_\_\_  
(motho) (motho)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(fao ba kopanego)

Mosadi o rile, "\_\_\_\_\_."  
Monna o rile, "\_\_\_\_\_."  
Mosadi a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(se a se dirilego)

Monna a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(se a se dirilego)

Ka fao, \_\_\_\_\_.  
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