

# NALIBALI

Kha vha iteuri u vhala hu vhe  
tshipida tsha vhutshilo ha vha muta  
wavho ha duvha linwe na linwe

Naa muta wavho u dzulela u vhala misi yothe? Zwitoru ndi tshipida tsha vhutshilo ha vha muta wavho ha duvha linwe na linwe? Kha zwipida zwothe zwa liphasi, vhabebi na vhathe vhahulwane vha dzhiwa sa vhat hogomeli vha ndeme kana vhagudisi vha vhana vhavho. Vha tsireledza vhana vhavho khathihi na u shuma vhukuma u itela uri avho vhana vha aluwe zwavhu. Zwa u dzulela u vhala bugu na zwitoru na vhana ndi linwe ya ndila dza ndeme vhukuma dza u khwathisa nyaluwo yavhu. Ya vhana.

Ndi zwi itisa hani uri u vhala hu takadze?

Arali vhana vhavho vha tshi tou vhala fhedzi vha tshikoloni na musi vha tshi khou ita tshuhwahaya, vha do divha u tumanya zwa u vhala na mushumo, hu si u dimvumvusa. Ri tea u vhalela vhana vhashu bugu arali ri tshi toda ura zwi divha vha u vhala hu nga takadza khathihi na u mvumvusa. Hezwi zwi do vha tutuwedza vha pfe vha tshi toda u vhala - hune nga murahu vha do takalela u vhala lunzhilunzhi vha tshi dovhola. Musi vha tshi vhalela vhana vhavho bugu, vha vha tshi khou vha thusa u fhata vhushaka havho na bugu lwa vhutshilo havho hothe khathihi na zwa u vhala. Hu dovhafhu ha vha na ngudo nnzhi dza thogiso dzisumbedzaho ura musi vhana vha tshi dzulela u vhala hayani misi yothe, zwi ita ura vha kone u shuma zwavhu tshikoloni.

Ndi nga zwi itisa hani uri u vhala hu vhe tshipida tsha vhutshilo ha vha muta wanga ha duvha linwe na linwe?

- **Kha vha vhe tsumbo yavhu.** Musi vhana vhavho vha tshi vha vhona vha tshi dzulela u vhala misi yothe, vha a kona u guda u divha uri u vhala ndi ha ndeme! Kha vha ambe na vhana vhavho nga ha zwine vha khou vhala zwone, vha vha tutuwedze u vhudzisa mbudziso nga hazwo.
- **Kha vha vha vhalele.** Kha vha dzulela na vhana vhavho vha diphine nga u vhala bugu - nahone kha vha zwi ite duvha linwe na linwe! U vha na tshifhinga tshavhu tsha u awela na vhana vhavho vha tshi khou vhala bugu, zwi vha thusa u fhata vhushaka havhu navho.
- **Kha vha bveledze vhudifulufheli kha vhana.** Kha vha dzhiele ntha ndingedzo dza vhana dza u vhala, u fana na mai pfi avho a u thoma! Vha vha tikedze uri vha kone u vha na vhudifulufheli - ndi yone nndwa ya u thoma kha zwa u guda. Vhana kha vha nange zwine vha tama u zwi vhala naho zwi tshi konda. Vha diphine nga u thetshesela musi vha tshi vhala, vha songo khakhulula nga nnda ha musi vho vha humbela thuso.

## Thangule ndi Nwedzi wa Vhafumakadzi!

Ndi ngani vha sa tutuwedzi muta wavho u vhala bugu na zwitoru zwo rwalwaho nga vhafumakadzi kana zwine zwa vha na vhafumakadzi vhane vha vha na thuthuwedzo khulwane sa vhone vhaanewa vhahulwane?



Make reading  
a part of your  
family's daily life

Does your family read regularly? Are stories part of your family's daily life? In all parts of the world, parents and parental figures are seen as the primary caregivers and teachers of their children. They protect their children and work hard to ensure their positive development.

Regularly sharing books and stories with children is one of the most important ways to boost children's positive development.

## How do I make reading enjoyable?

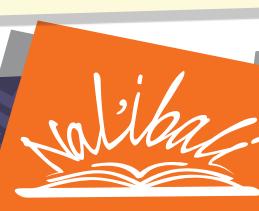
If your children only read at school and when they do homework, then they will learn to link reading with work and not with pleasure. We need to read to our children if we want them to learn that reading can be enjoyable and entertaining. This will inspire them to want to read - and then to read more and more. When you read to your children, you help them to build a lifelong relationship with books and reading. There are also lots of research studies to show that the more children read at home, the better they do at school.

## How do I make reading part of my family's daily life?

- ★ **Be a role model.** When your children see you reading on a regular basis, they learn that reading is important! Talk to your children about what you are reading and encourage them to ask questions about it.
- ★ **Read to them.** Sit with your children and enjoy a book together - and then do this every day! Spending quiet, relaxing times together while you read helps you connect with your children.
- ★ **Develop children's confidence.** Value your children's attempts to read, just like you valued their first words! Give them lots of support to develop their confidence - that's half the battle with learning. Let them choose something that they want to read even if it is a little difficult for them. Listen to their reading and just enjoy listening to them, without correcting them, unless they ask for your help.

## August is Women's Month!

Why not encourage your family to read books and stories written by women or that feature inspiring women as main characters?



IT STARTS WITH  
A STORY.  
ZWI THOMA NGA  
TSWITORI.

# Mbeu dza Vhukoni ha u Vhala na u Nwala!

Musi vhokhotsi vha tshi thusa nga u ɻhogomela  
vhana vhavho, rothe ri a kunda!

## Literacy Seeds!

When fathers help care for their children, both win!

Vhushaka havhuði vhukati ha khotsi na ñwana wawe vhu vha na zwivhya zwihiwlwane vhukuma zwine zwa nga vha na thikhedzo khulwane kha nyaluwo yavhuði ya ñwana. Musi vhokhotsi vha tshi ñea vhana zwiliwa, u vha ñanzwa, u vha ɻhogomela khathihi na u tamba navho misi yothe, vhana vhenewho vha fhedza nga u vha na vhuðifulufheli vhuhulwane khathihi na u kona u fhaña vhushaka ho khwathaho na vharwe ngavho. Vha dovha hafhu vha kona u shuma zwavhuði tshikoloni na yunivesithi khathihi na u kona u vhumba vhuñama na vharwe nga ndila yo leluwaho.

A good relationship between a father and his child has a deep and lasting impact on the positive development of a child. When fathers feed, bathe, care for and play with their children regularly, these children tend to be more confident and build stronger relationships with others. They also tend to do better at school and university and form friendships with others more easily.



### Ndi zwavhuði kha vhana!

Masiandaitwa ane a si vhe avhuði a vhokhotsi vhana vha sa anzele u vha na vhukwamani na vhana vhavho a thoma u vhonda musi vhana vha tshi thoma zwikolo zwa ndelazwixele. Vhana avho, nga maanda vha vhatukana, vha anzela u dzula vha tshi halifhela vharwe vha murole wawho, hu sa sedzwi uri vhushaka havho na vhomme avho vhu hani.

Vhana vha re na vhokhotsi vha ñidzhenisaho tshothe kha nyaluwo yavho:

1. vha vha na ndivho ya khwine ya luambo, zwikili zwa u kona u shumisa muhumbulo na u tandulula thaidzo. Musi vhokhotsi vha tshi fhedza tshifhinga tshinzhizi vha tshi tamba na vhana vhavho, maraga dza mbalo na dza u vhalala dza vhana vhavho dici a khwinifhadzea.
2. vha kona u ñilanga nga ndila yavhuði, u kona u langa vhuðipfhi havho khathihi na vhuðifarí nga ndila ine ya ñanganedzea vhathuni. Vhokhotsi vha anzela u sa londa vhukale ha vhana vhavho nga u vha tñuwedza u sa ofha u tshithu tenda ha vha hu kha vhupo ho tsireledzeaho, u fana na u lingedza mutambo muswa, u tshimbila vha tshi ya phanda -na u wa - bimu ya u ñitika kana u vhumba vhukonani na muñwe muthu muswa.
3. vha anzela u kondelela na u sa fhela mbilu. Vha a kona u shuma zwavhuði nga phasi ha nyimele yo ñalahlo mutsiko nahone i fhedzaho muthu mbilu, a si kanzhi vha tshi ñiwana vhe khakhathini afho hayani, tshikoloni na kha tshitshavha tshavho nahone a si kanzhi vha tshi wanala vho ɻungufhala lwo kalulaho kana u vha na mutsiko.



### It's good for the children!

The negative impact of fathers not interacting regularly with their children is evident by the time the children enter preschool. These children, and especially boys, tend to be more aggressive with others of their age, regardless of their relationship with their mothers.



Children with fathers who are actively engaged in their upbringing:

1. have better language, cognitive and problem-solving skills. The more time fathers spend playing with their children, the better the children's math and reading scores are.
2. have better self-control and manage their feelings and behaviour in socially acceptable ways. Fathers tend to challenge their children's boundaries by encouraging them to take risks in a safe environment, like trying a new sport, walking on - and falling off - a balance beam or making friends with someone new.
3. tend to be more resilient and patient. They are better able to deal with stressful and frustrating experiences, are less likely to get in trouble at home, in school and in the community, and are less likely to become overly sad and depressed.



## Ndi zwavhuđi kha khotsi!

U vha khotsi zwi shandukisa vhutshilo hau sa khotsi na ha የኑዋና wau. Naho u vha khotsi tshiñwe tshifhinga zwi tshi netisa vhukuma, zwi disa mbuelo ya u díphiña hune wa ደዕስ hu wana kha vhushaka hau ha lufuno na የኑዋና wau.



1. U vha na tshifhinga na የኑዋና wau zwi nyanyula zwipida zwa vhuluvhi hau zwi fanaho na izwo zwine zwa nyanyulea musi tshi dzhena kha zwa lufuno. U kwamana na የኑዋና wau nga muvhili, zwi ita uri vhuluvhi havho na ha የኑዋና wawho vhu bvise homouni i no pfhi okisithosini, ine ya vha khemikhala ya mupo i engedzaho zwipfhi zwa lufuno na u takalela.
2. Zwipikwa zwa vhanna zwi a shanduka musi vha tshi vha na vhana. Vhokhotsi vhane vha ደິດຈະນິສາ kha u ຖອກເມລີ້າ vhana vhavho misi yothe, vha wana dakalo na u fushea musi vha tshi davhidzana na vhana vhavho.



## Mbuno dza u ita uri vhokhotsi vha ደິດຈະນິສາ

1. **Kha vha ambe, vha vhalele na u imbela የኑዋና wawho.** Vhushie vhu a kona u pfha na u ደົບ້າ maipfhi nga tshifhinga tsha miñwedzi miraru ya u fhedzisela ya vhuimana, ngauralo, kha vha mbo ደີ thoma nga u ታຫຍານ vha bvele phanda na nga murahu ha musi lushie lwo no bebwa!
2. **Kha vha dzhenele madalo a dokotela a mme a የኑዋና arali vha tshi kona.** Vha ደዕስ kona u vhona nyaluwo ya የኑዋና wawho na mveledziso khathihi na u pfha vhe na vhushaka na የኑዋና wawho phanda ha musi a tshi bebwa.
3. **Kha vha tikedze maitele a mutakalo wavhudi.** Sa vhabebi, kha vha ይzwijwa zwa mutakalo wavhuđi nahone vha litshe u daha na u nwa nga tshifhinga tsha musi vhe muimana. Hezwi zwi do ita uri zwi leluwe u thoma kutshilele kwa mutakalo wavhuđi khathihi na u díphiña ngawo sa muta.
4. **Kha vha vhe hone musi tshifhinga tsha u vhofholowa tshi tshi swika na musi የኑዋና a tshi. bebwa.** Vhokhotsi vhanzhi vha wana uri u vhona የኑዋና wawho zwenezwo musi a tshi kha ደີ tou bva u bebwa zwi a vha thusa vhukuma kha u vha na vhushaka havhuđi na vhana vhavho.



## It's good for the dad!

Fatherhood is life-changing, for dads and for babies. As tiring as being a dad is at times, it is worth the enjoyment you will get from a loving relationship with your child.



1. Spending time with your baby stimulates the same parts of your brain that are activated when falling in love. Having skin-to-skin contact with your baby makes your and your baby's brain release oxytocin, which is a natural chemical that increases feelings of love and affection.
2. Men's priorities change when they have children. Fathers who are involved with the care of their children regularly, experience happiness and satisfaction when they interact with their children.

## Ideas to get dads involved

1. **Talk, read and sing to your baby.** Babies can already hear and recognise voices during the last three months of pregnancy, so start early and continue after the baby is born!
2. **Attend doctor's visits if you can.** You will be able to see your baby's growth and development and feel more connected to your little one before birth.
3. **Support healthy habits.** As parents, eat healthy foods and avoid smoking and drinking during pregnancy. This will make it easier to begin and enjoy a healthy lifestyle as a family.
4. **Be there for labour and delivery.** Many dads find that meeting their baby right after birth helps them bond with their babies.

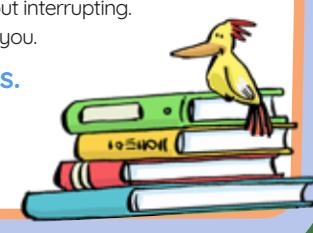


## Ndila ya u shumisa zwitori zwashu nga ndila dici sâ fani

1. **Anetshelani የኑዋና wañu tshiṭori.** Vhalani ni ደິດວັດເດືອນ u anetshela tshiṭori. Nga murahu ni shumise ipfi ሁሉ, tshifhaļuwa na muvhiliuri tshiṭori tshi nyanyule.
2. **Vhalelani የኑዋና wañu tshiṭori.** Ambani nga ha zwifanyiso. Vhudzisani uru, "Ni humbula uri hu ደዕስ itea mini nga murahu?" kana "Ni vhona u nga ndi ngani muvbumbedzwa o amba kana u ita zwenezwo?"
3. **Vhalani tshiṭori na የኑዋና wañu.** Ni sielisané musi ni tshi vhalala tshiṭori. Ni songo mu khakhulula, ni mu khakhulule fhedzi arali o humbela u thusiwa.
4. **Thetshelesani musi የኑዋና wañu a tshi vhala.** Thetshelesani ni sa mu dzheni haŋwani. Ni mu vhudze uri zwi a takadza musi a tshi vhalela ntha no mu thetshelesa.
5. **Itani mishumo ya Itani uri tshiṭori tshi nyanyule!** Hezwi zwi tea u ni takadza nothe na የኑዋና wañu.

## How to use our stories in different ways

1. **Tell the story to your child.** Read and practise telling the story. Then use your voice, face and body to bring the story to life.
2. **Read the story to your child.** Talk about the pictures. Ask, "What do you think happens next?" or "Why do you think the character said or did that?"
3. **Read the story with your child.** Take turns to read the story together. Don't correct their mistakes, and only help if they ask for it.
4. **Listen to your child read.** Listen without interrupting. Say that you enjoy hearing them read aloud to you.
5. **Do the Get story active! activities.** This should be fun for you and your child.



# Ivhani na vhusiki!

Thangule ndi Nwedzi wa Vhafumakadzi!

- Tevhelani maga a re afho fhasi musi ni tshi ita garata ya Duvha ja Vhafumakadzi ine na khou i itela mufumakadzi ane na mu funa.**

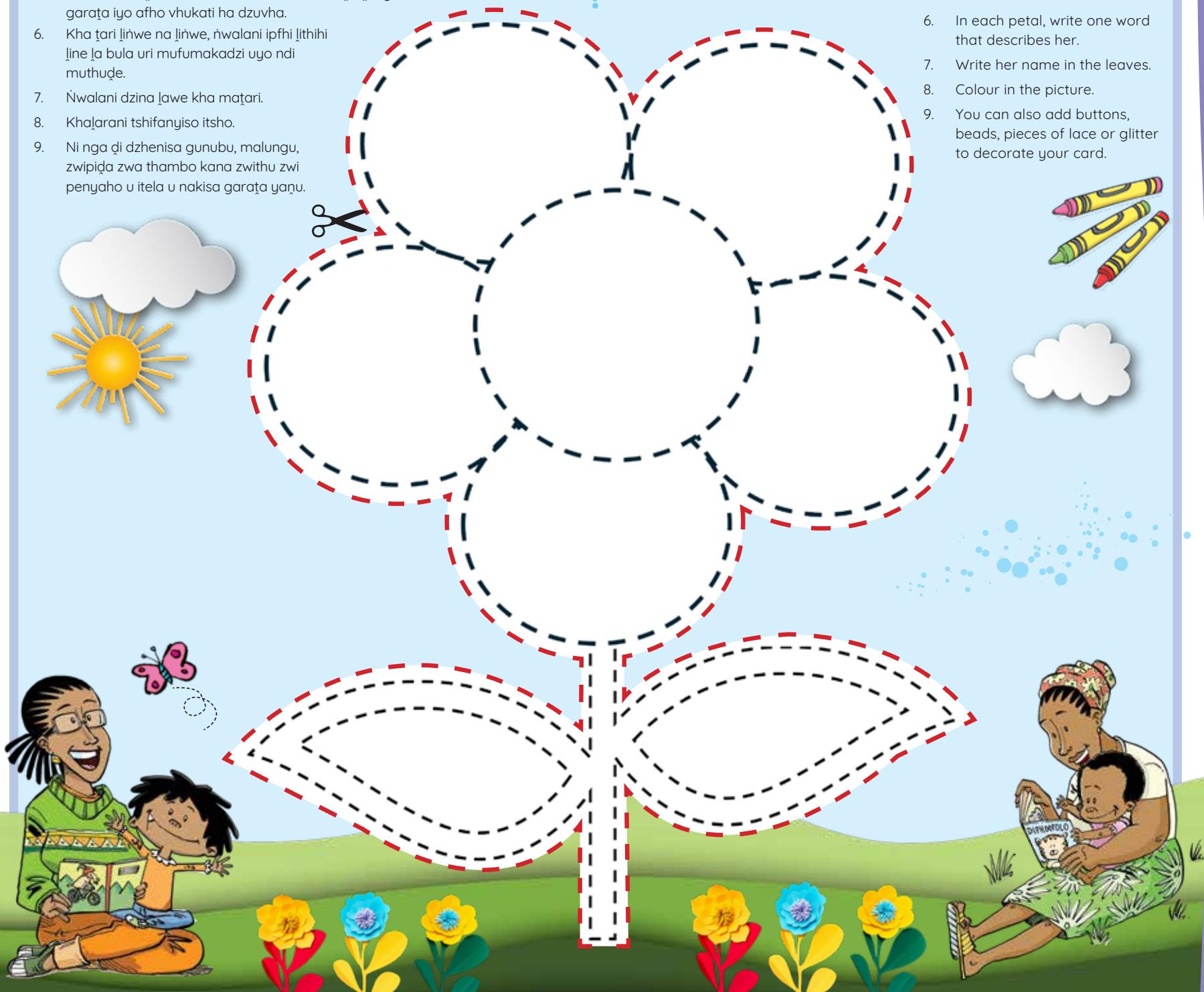
- Gerani ni tshi tevhedza mutalo u re na zwithoma zwitswuku u itela uri ni kone u bvisa garaṭa.
- Gerani khadibodo lisekene ja saizi i linganaho na tshifanyiso tsha dzuvha, sa tsumbo, u bva kha bogisi ja sirili.
- Shumisani guļuu u nambatedza tshifanyiso kha khadibodo.
- Olani kha mitalo i re na zwithoma ya dzuvha, tsinde na maṭari.
- Olani tshifhaṭuwo tsha mufumakadzi ane a ḫo ṭanganedza garaṭa iyo afho vhukati ha dzuvha.
- Kha ḫari iñwe na iñwe, ḫwalani ipfhi iñthihi. Iñne ja bula uri mufumakadzi uyo ndi muthude.
- Nwalani dzina ḫawe kha maṭari.
- Khalarani tshifanyiso itsho.
- Ni nga ḫi dzenisa gunubu, malungu, zwipida zwa thambo kana zwithu zwi penyaho u itela u nakisa garata yanu.

# Get creative!

August is Women's Month!

- Follow the steps below to make a Women's Day card for a woman that you love.**

- Cut along the red dotted line to cut out the card.
- Cut some thin cardboard the same size as the flower picture, for example, from a cereal box.
- Use glue to paste the picture onto the cardboard.
- Draw along the dotted lines of the flower, stem and leaves.
- Draw the face of the woman that will receive the card in the centre of the flower.
- In each petal, write one word that describes her.
- Write her name in the leaves.
- Colour in the picture.
- You can also add buttons, beads, pieces of lace or glitter to decorate your card.



## Tandavhudzani laiburari yanu. Îtani bugu MBILI dza tumula u vhulunge

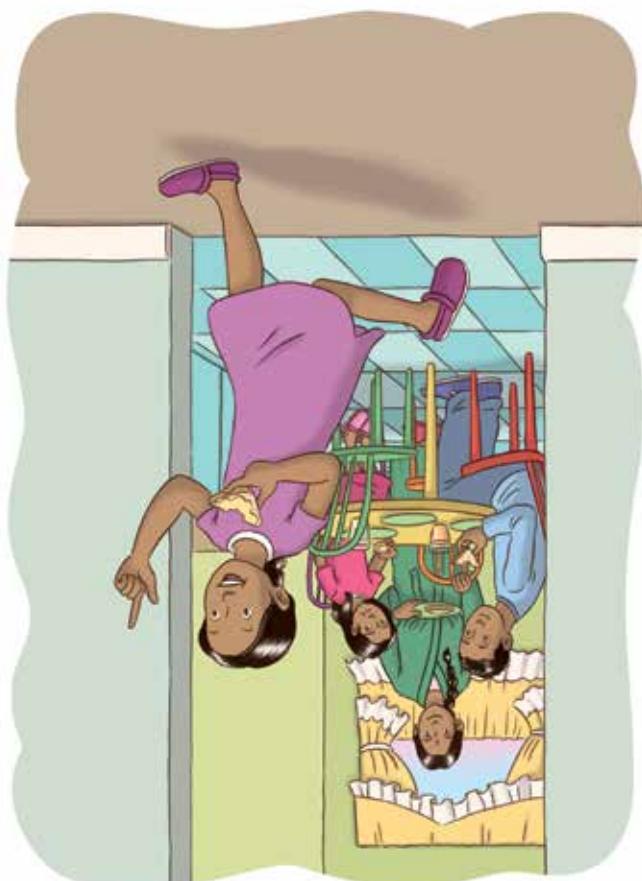
- Gerani masiaṭari 5 u ya kha 12 a yeneyi ḫumetshedzo.
- Bammbiri ji re na masiaṭari 5, 6, 11 na 12 ji ita bugu nthihi. Bammbiri ji re na masiaṭari 7, 8, 9 na 10 ji ita iñwe bugu.
- Shumisani bammbiri iñwe na iñwe u ita bugu. Tevhelani nyeletshedzo dzi re afho fhasi u ita bugu iñwe na iñwe.
  - Petani bammbiri nga vhukati kha mutalo mutswu u re na zwithoma.
  - Dovhani ni ji pete nga vhukati kha mutalo mudala u re na zwithoma.
  - Gerani kha mitalo mitswuku i re na zwithoma.



## Grow your own library. Create TWO cut-out-and-keep books

- Take out pages 5 to 12 of this supplement.
- 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.
- Use each of the sheets to make a book. Follow the instructions below to make each book.
  - Fold the sheet in half along the black dotted line.
  - Fold it in half again along the green dotted line.
  - Cut along the red dotted lines.

Amber a mweemweela. O vha a tshi tou d'ivha zwavhuđi  
vhabkuma zwine a khou tōđa u ita. O vha a tshi khou  
tōđa u ya u wana ja nndu ya mafasitere a musuku.



Amber smiled. She knew exactly what she wanted to do. She was going to go and find the house with the golden windows.

This story is an adaptation of *The Golden Windows* by Laura E. Richards. This story was specially created for Nal'ibali to spark children's potential through storytelling and reading for enjoyment.



Tshitori itsi tsho bviswa kha bugu ine ya pfi *The Golden Windows*, nga Laura E. Richards. Hetshi tshitori tsho itelwa Nal'ibali u itela uri tshi i vusuluse vhukoni ha vhana ha u anetshela zwičori na u vhalela u diphina.

### Get story active!

- ★ What do you love most about your home? Write a few sentences about the people or things in your home that you love.
- ★ If you could change one thing about your home, what would it be?
- ★ Draw a picture of your dream home.

### Itani uri tshitori tshi nyanyule!

- ★ Ni mini tshine na tshi funesa nga ha haya hanu? N'walani mafhuno a si gathi nga ha vhatu kana zwithu zwine na zwi funesa heneffo hayani hanu.
- ★ Arali hu na tshithu tshithihi tshine na nga tshi shandukisa heneffo hayani hanu, tshi nga vha mini?
- ★ Olani tshifanyiso tsha haya hanu hune na tama u vha naho.

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



Nal'ibali ndi fulo ja lushaka ja u vhalela u diphina u itela u karusa na u tħulela ndowelo ya u vhala kha jøthe ja Afurika Tshipembe. U wana mafhuno nga vhudalo, dalelani [www.nalibali.org](http://www.nalibali.org).

Mwathiu wa Amber a tava mukosi ngea dakalo. "Hu zwine zwintzhi zwine nda tōđa u tshi ita u thoma]" a kundelwa u nanġa tshine nda tōđa u tshi ita u thoma]" a zwine zwintzhi zwine nda tōđa u zwi ita. O vha a tshi khou Mwathiu wa Amber a tava mukosi ngea dakalo. "Hu

vhoiwe, ni ji šumise zwavhuđi." "Ee," hu amba khotsti avho. "Dipħiġieni ngea d'uvha la

"hagħarjal, ro humbula uti vhuvhili ha vhoiwe ni tħea u zwavhuđi ngea maandà," hu amba mme avho, "Vhejwe vhasidza, vhuvhili ha vhoiwe no shuma re heneffo kħishmi.

Nga jittewħelaho ngea matsheloni, Amber ua muratħu wave vha ja vħarragħane vhoiħe kha kuttajla kuttaku ku

I want to do first! and she rushed out of the kitchen. so many things that I want to do! I can't choose what Amber's sister shrieked with excitement. "There are

it well." "Yes," said their father. "Enjoy your day and use have a holiday today. Go and do whatever you wish!" mother, "so we thought that the two of you should "You girls have both worked very hard," said their breakfast together at the tiny kitchen table. The next morning, Amber and her sister had

## The house with the golden windows



### Nndu ya mafasitere a musuku

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**Ideas to talk about:** What do you think the story is about when you read the title? Why do you think the house has golden windows? Who or what do you think lives in the house?

**Zwine ha nga ambiwa nga hazwo:** Ni humbula uri tshitori itsi tshi amba nga ha mini musi ni tshi vhala tħoħo yatsho? Ndi ngan i tshi humbula uri nndu i na mafasitere a musku? Ndi nnji kana ndi mini tshine na humbula uri tshi nga vha tshi tshi dzul aħfo ngomu nqun iyo?

mafasiterre a musku. Nagaralo. Vhusiku upo Ambér a jora naga ha nnđu ya khwine vhuksma u phira iyí ya hashu. "Ambér u amba hundzi naga maanda kha hedyi nnđu. I naga vha i khulwane vhuksma khatihhi na huiwe fhetu kha nnđu i ranaho na hedyi. Ndi a kholwa hu na phera "Ee," hu amba Ambér. "Ndi tou tama ndi tsyi dzula



dreamed of the house with the golden windows. "Oh," said Ambér. "I wish I lived in a house like that. I bet they have big rooms and lots of space in that house. It must be so much better than ours." And that night Ambér

"Perhaps I should walk around the front," she thought.

Amber lived in a small, square house on a narrow street on the side of a hill. Her family all worked very hard. Her mother made beautiful dresses for women, and her father made smart suits for men.

Amber o vha a tshi dzula kha nnđu tħukhu ya tħikwea tħiżara tħan tħisekene nga thungo ha tħikwara. Muħa wa haw we wothe wo vha u tħi shumaho naga maanda. Mme awe vho rungela vħafumakadzi rokho dza u naka, nageno khotsi awe vho rungela vħanna suthu dzavħudi vhuksma.

na mħalli. Phandà, tħedzi nħahone ho vha hu si na musku ha nnđu," u humbula nħażżeen. A swika vohini ja nħażżeen "Tħamusi ndi tea u tħimbila ndi tsyi ya nħażżeen Phandà na mafasiterre a musku nekkha vħona. A pfa o manġala muši a tsyi vħona uti nnđu iyo a si tħilapfu u vħuyu u swika a tsyi swika tħiġi nħażżeen vħona musku wa vhuksma. A tħimbila tħiġi nħażżeen vħia i tħi vħonaliha nħażżeen ha zwieġi iyo nnđu ya nħażżeen vħa a tħi khou humbula nħażżeen ha zwieġi iyo nnđu ya nħażżeen Zwenewwo muši a tħi khou tħimbila hekk fu badani,

She got to the front door but there was no gold at all. "Perhaps I should walk around the front," she thought.

As she walked along the road, she imagined what the house would look like up close. She had never seen real gold before. She walked for a long time until she finally arrived at the top of the hill. She was surprised to see that the house was not much bigger than her own home ... and she could not see any golden windows.



Vhunguvhi na hone vhu funa matari.

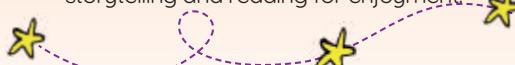


Caterpillars love leaves too.



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- ★ Ndi zwifhio zwine na nga amba kana u ita u itela u gudisa vha muta na khonani dzanu uri vha si vhulahe zwikhokhonono zwi songo tea.

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## Some children love bugs



## Vhanwe vhana vha funa zwikhokhonono

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**Ideas to talk about:** Do you love bugs? Why or why not? What important role do bugs play in our environment? What can we do to protect bugs in our environment?

**Zwine ha nga ambiwa nga hazwo:** Ni a funa zwikhokhonono? Ndi ngani ni tshi zwi funa kana ni sa zwi funi? Ndi mushumo ufhio wa ndeme une zwikhokhonono zwa u ita kha mupo washu? Ri nga ita mini u itela u tsireledza zwikhokhonono kha mupo washu?

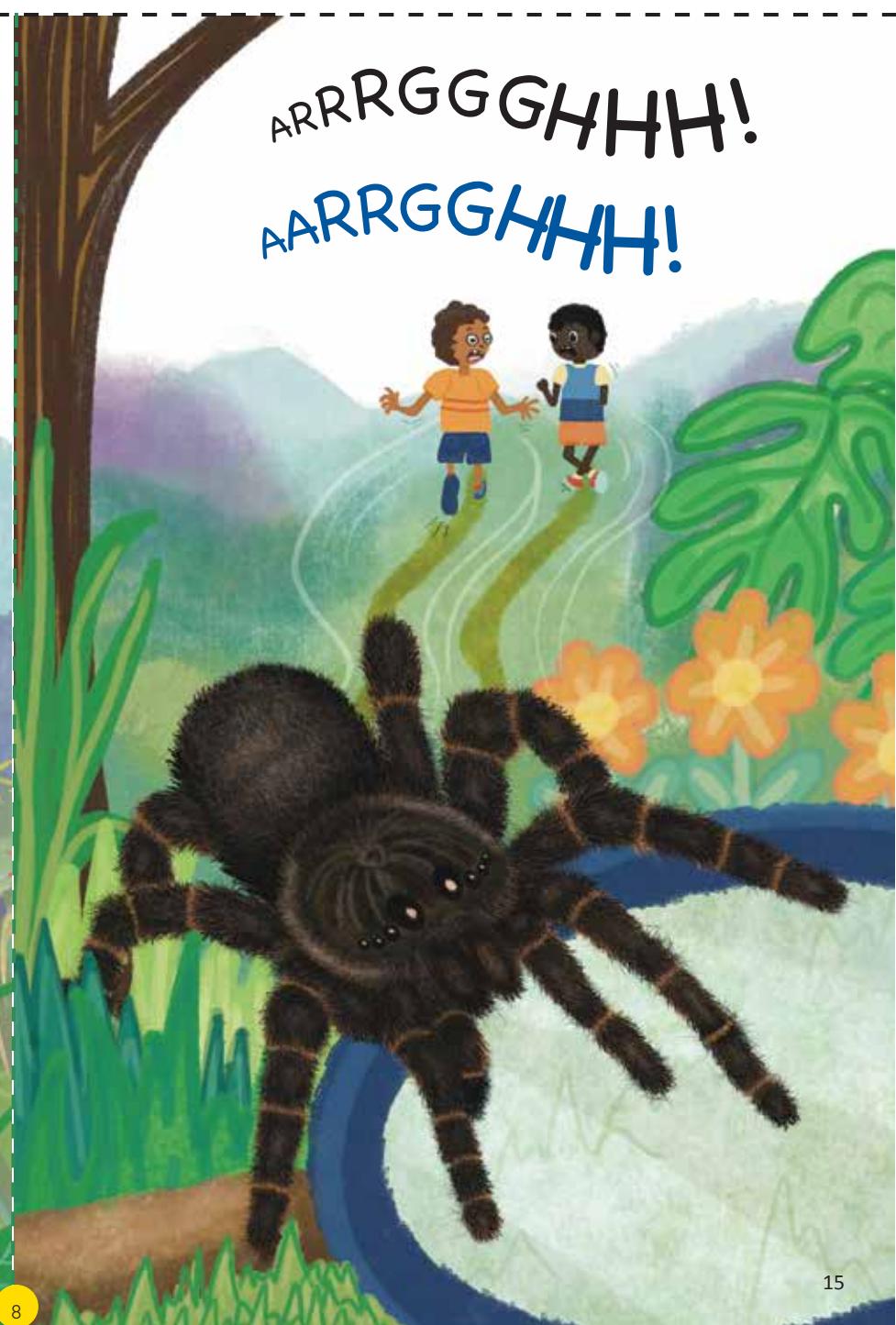


Zwisu zwi funa  
maluva.

Butterflies love flowers.

Some children love bugs ...

Vhańwe vhana vha funa  
zwikhokhonono ...





And others do not!

...Vhañwe a vha zwi funi!

Spiders love ...

Mabuvhi a funa ...





Ladybirds love stems.

Zwitemalurere zwi  
funa matsinde.



Notshi na dzone dici  
funa maluvha.



Bees love flowers too.



hume nn̄du iyo ya vha hone.  
tshangga yave. A vhudzisa arali mutukana uyo a tshi d̄ivha  
ha nn̄du i re na mafasitere a musuku musi e n̄tha ha  
votchi. Amber a vhudza mutukana uyo zw̄e a vhoana n̄ga  
Nga khatithi thedzi kutukana kuttuku kwa mbo d̄i vula



Just then a small boy opened the door. Amber told  
the boy how she had seen the house with the golden  
windows from her rooftop. She asked him if he knew  
where the house was.

L̄iwe d̄uvha, Amber a d̄elwa n̄ga muhumbujo. Ho vha  
tszikwara. Fhedzi madzuloni a uti hu vhe na nn̄du  
i phasi na, uti n̄gei kullenya, a tshi kona u vhoana  
n̄gei n̄tha ha tshangga o vha a tshi kona u vhoana dorobo  
fuleche ya nn̄du ya hawé tshukhu ya tszikwera. Mlusi a  
ya l̄isa musthini wave wa u rungea n̄tha ha tshangga ya  
hu n̄ga madekwana avhudi a tszhilimo, a dzhia tsheo  
tszikwara. Ho vha tszikwara itscho, ho vha hu tshi tou vha  
tszikwara. Fhedzi madzuloni a uti hu vhe na nn̄du  
tszikwara. Ho vha hu nn̄du ye ya vha i n̄tha ha  
tscha musuku. No vha musku no vha a mbo d̄i vhoana tschedza  
no phedza musku no vha a mbo d̄i vhoana tschedza  
Mlusi d̄uvha j̄i tshi thoma u kovhela n̄ahone Amber o  
thedzi na nn̄du nthihi ye ya vha yo phatwa nthampha.

One day, Amber had an idea. It was a lovely summer  
evening, and she decided to take her sewing up to the  
flat roof of their small, square house. Up on the roof  
she could see the town below and, in the distance,  
the hill. But instead of lots of houses on that hillside, there  
was only one house built right on the top.  
As the sun went down and Amber finished her work,  
a golden light caught her eye. It was the house on  
the hilltop, and it was beautiful. The windows were  
shining like gold.

It was nearly dark when she got home. She could hear the happy voices of her mother, father and sister coming from inside. She felt happy to be home.

"Did you have a good day?" asked her father. Amber nodded.  
"And did you enjoy your day?" asked her mother.

Amber smiled. "Oh yes!" she said. "And I learnt that we have such a lovely house," she said, "and sometimes it has golden windows."

Then they all sat down at the kitchen table, and Amber told them about her day and how happy she was to live in their small, square house on the side of the hill.

Lo vha li tshi vho swifhala musi a tshi swika hayani. O vha a tshi khou pfha maiphi o takalaho vhukuma a mme awe, khotsi na murathu u bva ngomu n̄duni. A pfha o takala musi o swika hayani.

"No vha na d̄uvha l̄avhudí?" hu vhudzisa khotsi awe. Amber a tenda nga thoho.

"No d̄iphin̄a nga d̄uvha l̄anu?" hu vhudzisa mme awe.

Amber a mwemwela. "Ee!" u a fhindula. "Ndo kona u d̄ivha uri ri na nn̄du yo nakesaho," u amba ngauralo, "na uri nga zwiñwe zwifhinga i vha na mafasitere a musuku."

Vhothe vha dzula fhasi heneffo kha tafula ja khishini, Amber a vha talutshedza nga d̄uvha lawe na uri u pfha o takala vhukuma u dzula kha nn̄du tshukhu ya tszhikwea i re heneffo nga thungo ha tszikwara.

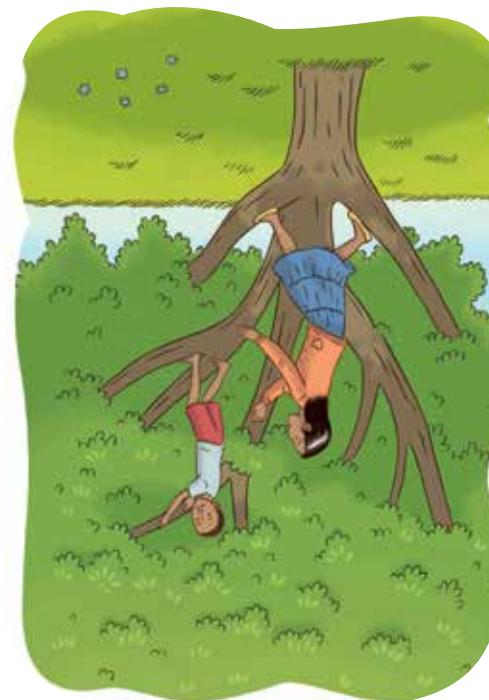




Because her mother and father were very good at what they did, many people asked them to make clothes. There was always a lot of work to do, so Amber and her sister helped their parents with the sewing. The two girls sat in the tiny bedroom they shared and worked together. But sometimes there was just not enough space for both of them AND the sewing, and they would start to argue.

Nga mulandu wa uri mme awe na khotsi awe vho vha vhe na vhukoni vhukuma kha zwe vha vha tshi ita zwone, vhunzhi ha vhathu vho vha humbelu uri vha vha rungele zwiambaro. Ho vha hu tshi dzula hu na mushumo munzhi vhukuma une wa tea u itwa, ngauralo, Amber na murathu wawe vho vha vha tshi thusa vhabebi vhavho nga u runga. Vhasidzana avha vhuvhili havho khevha vho dzula ngomu lufherani lutuku lwe vha vha vha tshi edela na u shumela khalwo. Fhedzi, tshiñwe tshifhinga ho vha hu tshi ita hu sa vhi na tshikhala tshine tsha kona u vha edana musi vhe vhavhili KHATHIHI NA musi vhe kati na mushumo wavho wa u runga, lwe vha fhedza vha tshi thoma u ñanisana.

"Hai," u amba o tñunguhala.  
iyo nnđu ya ñyu mutukana.  
Amber o vha a tshi khou sedza vhukuma a tshi todä u vhonaa  
"Ni khou kona u i vhonaa?" u a vñudzisa.  
havho vha gonya muti vha swika uñchantha.  
halfala ñtha." A sumba kha davhi ji re nñhesa. Vhuvhili  
muti une a u funesa. "Ni ngesa kona u i vhonaa zwavhuđi ni  
fhechu hu si hōne. Netvhelenji! A ñuwa nae a mu ñsa kha  
"Ee, ndi a hu ñivhal" u amba o dala dakalo. "Ni khou i sedza



"No," she said sadly.  
hard for the boy's house.  
Amber was looking  
he asked.  
"Can you see it?"  
to the top of the tree.  
Together they climbed  
to the highest branch.  
up there." He pointed  
took her to his favorite  
tree. "You can see it from  
place. Follow me!" He  
looking in the wrong  
excitedly. "You are  
"Yes, I do!" he said

The boy laughed. "Why are you looking at my house? Look over there ..." and he pointed to the hill in the distance. It was the hill that Amber lived on.

She could see all the small, square houses on the side of the hill, and she could see her own house. The light of the setting sun had made the windows of her house shine a beautiful, bright gold.

"I see it!" she laughed.

"It looks like such a special place," said the boy.

"It is," she smiled, and they both climbed down from tree.

Mutukana a sea. "Ndi ngani ni tshi khou lavhelesa kha nnđu yanga? Lavhelesani hangei ..." a sumba tshikwarani tshi re kulenyana. Tsho vha tshi tshikwara tshe Amber a vha a tshi dzula khatsho.

O vha a tshi kona u vhonaa nnđu tñukhu dzothé dza tshikwea dzi re nga thungo ha tshikwara, a dovha hafhu a kona u vhonaa na nnđu ya hawé. Tshedza tsha ñuvha line la khou kovhela tsho ita uri mafasitère a nnđu ya hawé a penyelele nga ndila ya musuku u penyelelaho nahone wo nakaho.

"Ndi khou i vhonaa zwino!" u a sea.

"I vhonala sa fhechu ho khetheaho," hu amba mutukana.

"Ndi ngoho," u a mwemwela, vhuvhili havho vha tsa afho kha muri.

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# Mafovbu a miomva

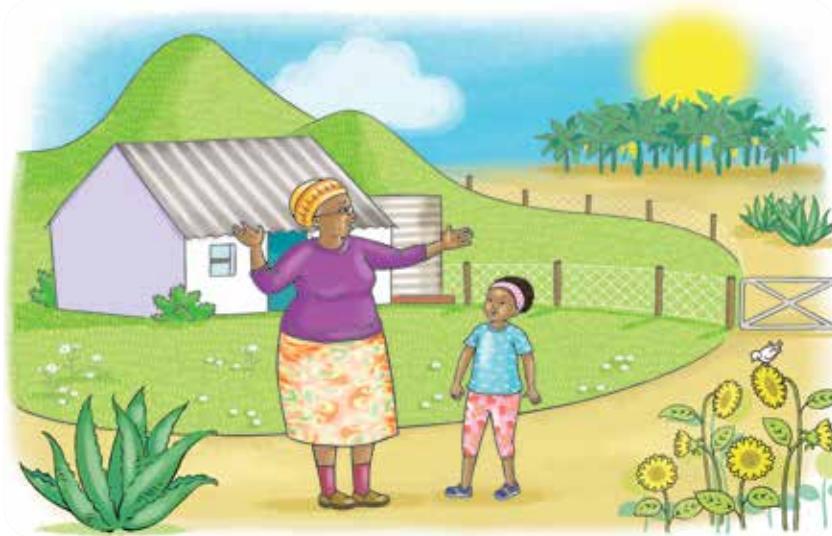
Nga Thembinkosi Mabaso ■ Zwifanyiso nga Jiggs Snaddon-Wood



"Mafovbu!" hu huwelela Gogo Matheni vha tshi gidima vho livha kha Thembi, ḥwananyana wa mudzulatsini wavho. "O dzhena tsimuni yanga, a khou tswa miomva yanga! Ndi ḫo rengisa mini ngei makhethet matshelo?"

"Gogo, ayo mafovbu vho tou a vhona nga maṭo?" Hu vhudzisa Thembi a tshi sumbedza u kwamea.

"Ee, ndo tou a vhona nga maṭo anga," hu fhindula Gogo. "A kha ḫi vha ngomu tsimuni yanga!"



"Mafovbu a hone ndi mangana?" hu vhudzisa Thembi.

"Ndi manzhil! U tou vha mutavha woṭhe," Gogo vha amba vho hanganea.

"Mutavha?" hu vhudzisa Thembi. O vha o ḫāda tshoṭhe.

"Ee, mutavha wa ḫohoho. Dzi kati na u tswa miomva yanga zwazwino musi ri tshi khou amba," hu amba Gogo.

Thembi a humbula lwa tshifhinganyana. Nga murahu a ri, "Ho luga, arali mafovbu ayo hu ḫohoho, nne na khonani dzanga ri nga thusa nga u dici pandela. Ri vhaṇa nahone ri ḫo kona u pandela ḫohoho idzo hu sa athu fhela tshifhinga."

"Hezwo zwi ḫo vha zwavhuḍi!" hu amba Gogo. "Arali na nga kona u dici pandela, ndi ḫo ni bagela vhurotho ha muomva vhu ḫifhesaho."

Thembi a pfha uri hezwi zwi tou vha thendelano yavhuḍi vhukuma a mbo ḫi gidiama a tshi ya u vhidza khonani dzawe. Nga u ḫavhanya, a mbo ḫi vha ḫalutshedza nga ha mafovbu a miomva na thendelano ye a ita na Gogo Matheni.

"U dici pandela ḫohoho ra badelwa vha vhurotho ho bagiwaho vha muomva! Ndi thendelano yavhuḍi heyo!" hu amba Tholi.

"Nne ndo luga zwino," hu amba Zozo a tshi onyolosa zwanda zwave zwisekene.

"Ndi ḫo vha murangaphanda," Dumi u amba vha u dikukumusa, ene wa maandu u fhira vhaṇwe vhothe.

Ngauralo, vha mbo ḫi bva vha tshi gidima vho livha ngei tsimuni ya miomva ya Gogo.

Musi vha tsini na u swika, Dumi a ita ngafhadzo ya uru vha fhumule. A lavhelesa matungo oṭhe a konaha u sumba kha khuli ya miomva. "Khedziļa," u a hevhedza. "Kha ri dobe matombo roṭhe. Ri ḫo a posa kha ḫohoho uru dici shavhe."

"A thi vhoni u muhumbulo wavyuḍi hoyo," hu amba Thembi. "A ri tei u hvuhadza ḫohoho. Ri khou tou ḫo fhedzi uru dici litshe u tswa miomva. A ri tei u posa matombo."

Fhedzi Dumi a sa thetshelese. A doba matombo maṭuku a si gathi a pora ḫohoho ngao. Matombo a fhufha tuyani, fhedzi mashudumavhuya, Dumi o vha a songo kona u kala zwavhuḍi nahone vhuṇzhi ha matombo o fhedza o wela fhasi kana a rwa miomva. Fhedzi, hezwi zwo kona u shushedza ḫohoho lwe dza thoma u lifhedza nga u posa miomva yo vhibvaho kha avho vhana!

Ṯohoh dzo vha dzo kona u kala khwine u fhira Dumi, lwe nga murahu ha kufhinganyana vhana vho vha no tingwa nga miomva yo vhibvaho. "Shavhani!" hu huwelela Zozo.

Musi avha vhana vhaṇa vho no vha kule na tsimuni iyo, vha ima uri vha awele.

"Ndo ni vhudza uri hoyu wo vha u si muhumbulo wavyuḍi," hu amba Thembi.

"Ndo vha ndi tshi khou humbula uri ḫohoho dici ḫo shavha," hu amba Dumi.

"Izwo zwi khou amba uri a ri nga ḫo wana vhurotho ho bagiwaho vha muomva?" Tholi u a vhudzisa. Khonani dza Thembi vha vhonala vha kwamea vhukuma vha muhumbulo uyu.

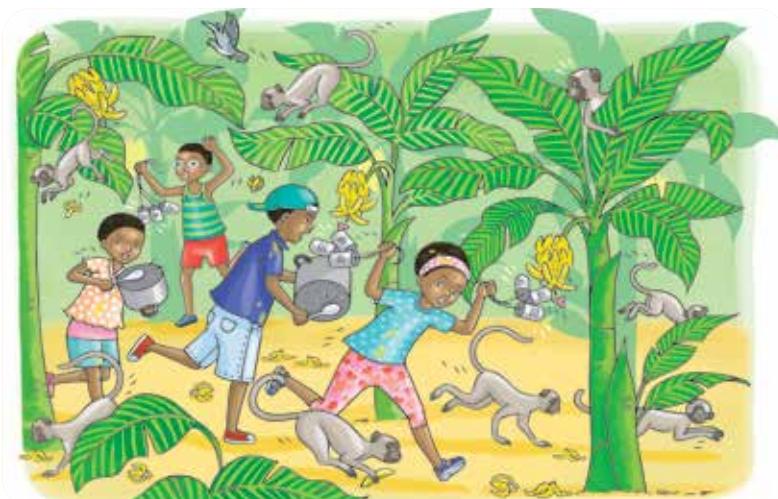
"Thendelano i kha ḫi vha hone arali ri tshi vha kona u dici pandela ḫohoho," Thembi u a vha fulufhedzisa. "Kha ri lingedze muhumbulo wanga."

Thembi u a ḫalutshedza vha u ḫavhanya, "Ndi humbula uri ri tea u ita phosho khulwane vhukuma. ḫohoho dici ḫo tshuwa dza shavha."

Vhoṭhe vha a tendelana vha gidiema hayani u dzhia bodo dza kale, lebula, zwikotikoti na thambo. Vha phula mabuli maṭuku kha zwikotikoti vha vhohelela zwitambo izwo kha tshikotikoti tshiṇwe na tshiṇwe. Vha mbo vha vho ya.

Musi vha tshi tou swika afho tsimuni, vha ita phosho khulwane vha hune vha kona ngaho.

NGELE, NGELE, GUU! ndi muungo we wa vha hone musi Tholi na Dumi vha tshi khou rwa bodo vha lebula dzavho. KETSHE, KWATSHA, KETSHE! ndi muungo we wa vha hone musi Thembi na Zozo vha tshi kuḍanyisa zwikotikoti.



Miri ya dzinginyea zwenezwo musi ḫohoho dici tshi khou lingedza u shavha. Mitzhemu yadzo ya ita uri phosho i tou ḫāna! ḫohoho dza shavha dici tshi bva afho tsimuni ya miomva lwe nga murahu dza vho tou vhonala dzo no tou vha zwithoma zwitukutuku hangei kule.

"Ro zwi kona!" idzi khonani ḫāna dici ḫavha mukosi. Vhoṭhe vha pfha vha tshi ḫihudza vha zwe vha ita.

Dumi a mbo ri, "Zwino arali ḫohoho dza vhuva matshelo?"

"Ri ḫo vhohelela zwikotikoti kha miri ya miomva," hu amba Thembi. "Musi ḫohoho dici tshi lingedza u gonya miri kana arali ha vha na maya, zwikotikoti zwi ḫo dici phosho zwenezwo musi maya u tshi khou vhudzula heneffo vhukati ha miri."

Zwenezwo, vha mbo ḫi ita ngauralo. Musi idzi khonani ḫāna vha tshi ḫāna afho tsimuni ya miomva, vha vha tshi kona u pfha zwikotikoti zwi tshi khou ita phosho zwenezwo musi maya u tshi khou vhudzula heneffo vhukati ha miri.

Gogo Matheni vha pfha vha takala vhukuma vha mafovbu o ḫāna nahone hu si kale khishi yavho yo vha pfhalo i tshi khou nukhelela. Musi vha tshi bvela ḫāna vho fara phuleithi yo ḫalaho vhurotho ho bagiwaho vha muomva, vha vha zwifhatuwo zwina zwo takalo vhukuma zwi tshi khou mwemwela. Vhana avho nangoho vha vha vho lindela u ḫanganedza ndivhuwo yavho!

## Itani uri tshitori tshi nyanyule!

- ★ No no vhuya na la vhurotho ho bagiwaho vha muomva? Ni a vhu takalela kana u humbula vha ḫo ḫifha? Ndi miñwe mitshelo ifhio ine ya vha shumiswa vha tshi bagiwa khekhe?
- ★ Ñwalani risipi ya zwiliwa zwine zwa bikwa vha tshi shumiswa mitshelo. Olani tshifanyiso tsha zwiliwa zwānū. Thānwe muñwe muthu a vha zwi bika!

★ Ni humbula vha ḫohoho dici naka? Dzi vhonala dici tshi funa u vhangha thaidzo na u ja miomva! Ndi ngani ni sa lingedzi u vhumba ḫohoho yo fara muomva vha vha suko ja u tambisa?



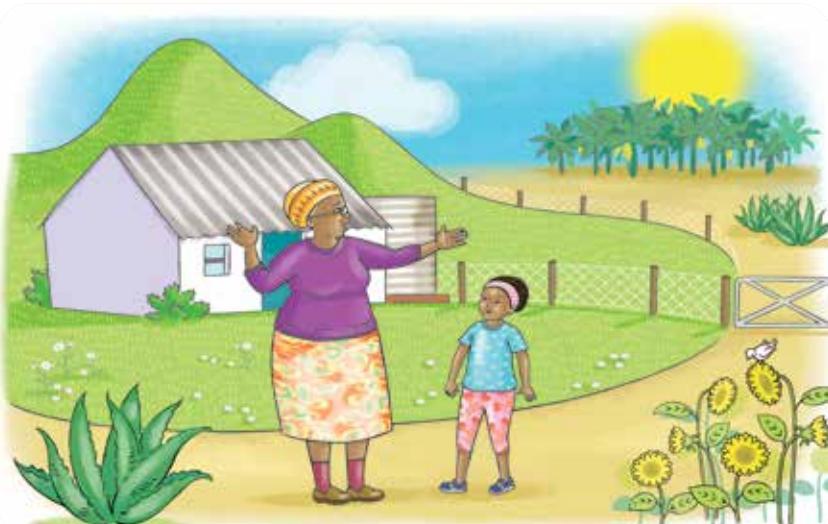
# The banana thieves

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"Thieves!" cried Gogo Matheni as she ran towards Thembani, her neighbour's daughter. "They are in my plantation, stealing my bananas! What am I going to sell at the market tomorrow?"

"Did you see the thieves, Gogo?" Thembani asked concerned.

"Yes, I saw them with my own eyes," answered Gogo. "They are still in my plantation!"



"How many thieves are there?" asked Thembani.

"Many! A whole troop," Gogo said in despair.

"A troop?" asked Thembani. She was very confused.

"Yes, a troop of monkeys. They are stealing my bananas as we speak," said Gogo.

Thembani thought for a moment. Then she said, "Well, if the thieves are monkeys, then my friends and I can help chase them away. There are four of us and we'll chase the monkeys away in no time."

"That would be wonderful!" said Gogo. "If you chase them away, I will bake you the most delicious banana bread."

Thembani thought this was a great deal and ran to fetch her friends. She quickly told them about the banana thieves and the deal she had made with Gogo Matheni.

"Chasing monkeys in return for banana bread! What a great deal!" Tholi said.

"I'm ready," said Zozo, flexing his thin arms.

"I will be the leader," boasted Dumi, the strongest of them all.

So off they went to Gogo's banana plantation.

As they drew near, Dumi signaled for them to be quiet. He looked around and then pointed to a clump of banana trees. "There they are," he whispered. "Let's all pick up a few stones. We'll throw them at the monkeys to chase them away."

"I don't think that's a good idea," said Thembani. "We don't want to hurt the monkeys. We just want them to stop stealing the bananas. We shouldn't be throwing stones."

But Dumi would not listen. He picked up a few small stones and hurled them at the monkeys. The stones zipped through the air, but luckily Dumi did not aim very well and most of the stones fell on the ground or hit the banana trees. This did, however, give the monkeys a fright, and they started to fight back by throwing ripe bananas at the children!

The monkeys' aim was much better than Dumi's, and soon the children were covered in ripe banana. "Run!" shouted Zozo.

When the four children were far enough away from the plantation, they stopped to catch their breath.

"I told you that wasn't a good idea," said Thembani.

"I thought the monkeys would run away," said Dumi.

"Does that mean we won't get any banana bread?" Tholi asked. Thembani's friends looked quite concerned at this thought.

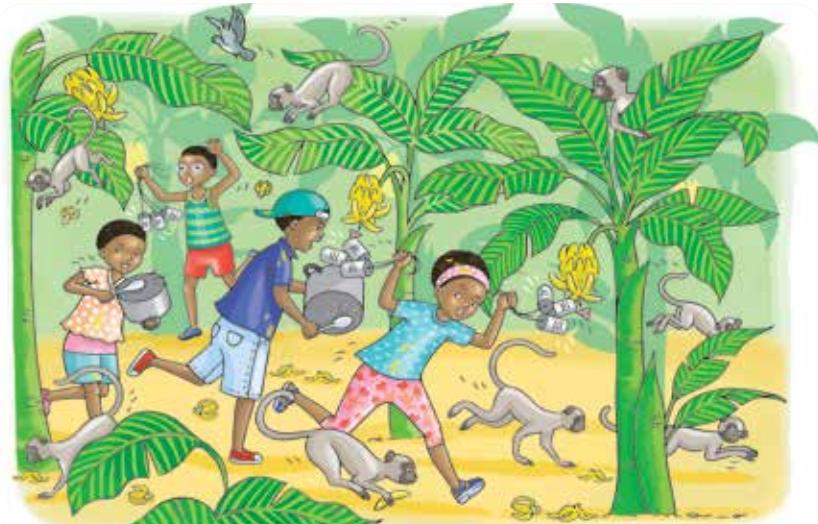
"The deal is on if we chase the monkeys away," Thembani reassured them. "Let's try my idea."

Thembani quickly explained, "I think we should make as much noise as possible. The monkeys will get a fright and run away."

Everyone agreed and they rushed home to fetch old pots, spoons, tins and string. They made small holes in the tins and tied bits of string to each one. Then they set off.

As soon as they reached the plantation, they made as much noise as they could.

*BAM, BANG, BAM!* it went as Tholi and Dumi beat the pots with their spoons. *CLANG, CRASH, CLANG!* it went as Thembani and Zozo rattled the tins.



The trees shook as the monkeys tried to get away. Their screeching made the noise even worse! The monkeys fled the plantation and were soon little dots in the distance.

"We did it!" the four friends shouted. They were all very proud of themselves.

Then Dumi said, "But what if the monkeys come back tomorrow?"

"We'll tie the tins to the banana trees," said Thembani. "Then when the monkeys try to climb the trees or if the wind blows, the tins will rattle and scare the monkeys away."

So that is exactly what they did. As the four friends left the plantation, they could hear the tins rattling as the wind blew through the trees.

Gogo Matheni was very happy that the thieves were gone and soon her kitchen smelt delicious. As she walked outside with a plate stacked high with banana bread, she saw four happy faces smiling up at her. The children were definitely ready for their reward!

## Get story active!

- ★ Have you ever eaten banana bread? Do you like it or think it would taste good? What other fruits can be baked into cakes?
- ★ Write a recipe for a dish that uses fruit. Draw a picture of your dish. Maybe someone will make it!

- ★ Do you think monkeys are cute? They seem to like getting up to mischief and eating bananas! Why not try to make a clay or playdough model of a monkey holding a banana?

# Madakalo a Nal'ibali

## Nal'ibali fun



1.

Kha tshitiori tshine tsha ri Nn&u  
ire na mafasitere a musuku  
Amber na kutukana vho  
swika he vha vha dzikhonani.  
Ni humbula uri vha khou itani  
afha kha tshifanyisoni itshi?  
Dzhenisani zwiwe zwithu kha  
tshifanyiso u itela u sumbedza  
zwine na humbula uri vha  
khou ita zwone. Dovhani  
hafhu ni dzenise na mabulo  
a tshipitshi. Ni koneha u &wala  
mafhungo a si gathi nga ha  
tshifanyiso tshanu.

In the story *The house with the golden windows* Amber and a little boy become friends. What do you think they are doing in this picture? Add other things to the picture to show what you think they are doing. Also add some speech bubbles. Then write a few sentences about your picture.



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2.

★ Ni a &ivha madzina a zwikhokhonono izwi?  
Dzudzanyani ma&edere u itela uri ni kone u &ivha madzina a zwikhokhonono izwo.

★ Do you know the names of these bugs?  
Unscramble the letters to find out what they are.



inoths ● ebe



nulvhgui ● tacerllpiar



sthuiissu ● tertubylf



sulziun ● nta



bihvu ● sderpi



Nal'ibali yo itelwa u ni &tuwedza na u ni tikedza. Ri kwameni nga i&we ya dzenedzi &nila:

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