



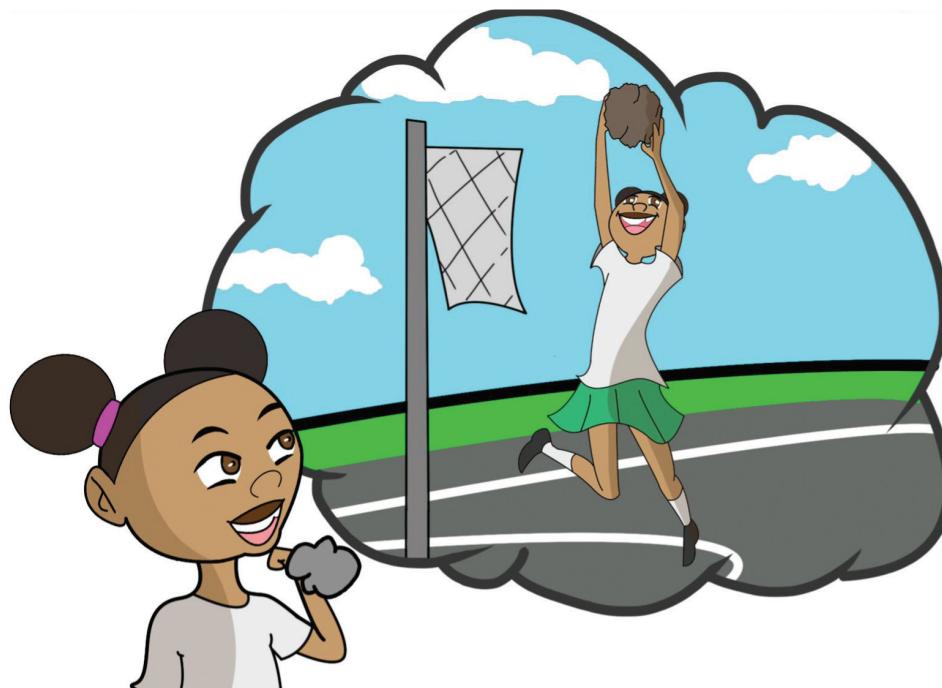
Iphupha likaSiviwe



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“Xa ndimdala ndifuna ukuba yintshatsheli kwibhola yomnyazi,” wavakala ezithethela uSiviwe esendleleni evela ebeleni lebhola. Kwakusemva kokubukela amaqela equbisene kwimidlalo yebhola yomnyazi. Wayehamba elinganisa emana etsibatsiba, ezibona ekwelo bala edlala lo mdlalo.





“Ngenye imini
ndiza kudlala
ibhola yomnyazi
nam,” watsho
kuMama wakhe.

“Ngubani
oza kwenza
umsebenzi
wasendlini
xa uza kube
udlala?”
wabuza
uMama.



Yayingumsebenzi kaSiviwe ukuhlamba
izitya nokutshayela indlu ngelixa uMama
esenza eminye imisebenzi. USiviwe
wayesoloko ecela ukuya kubukela imidlalo
esikolweni ngemiGqibelo, kodwa uMama
noTata babemalela. UBonga umnakwabo
wayethanda ibhola ekhatywayo kodwa
akazange abeve bemalela yena ukuba
abukele lo mdlalo.



Yayimhlupha le nto uSiviwe kucacile
ukuba kumnandi ukuba yinkwenkwe.
Kaloku naphaya esikolweni yayiba
ngamantombazana odwa atshayela iiklasi.

“Yintoni enokwenza uMama noTata
bandivumele ndiye emidlalweni?”





Kwathi
ngenye imini
uSiviwe
wothuswa
kukuva ilizwi
esatsibatsiba
ejula ibhola.



“Ubonisa isiphiwo Siviwe.
Ungathanda ukuba kwiqela lebhola
yomnyazi?” Yayingutitshala uMenzi
owayengumqeqli weqela lebhola
yomnyazi.

“Ndicinga singanalo iqela labantwana
abancinci ongadlala kulo.” Waqhubeka
utitshala uMenzi.

Wagoduka ngaloo mini enemincili uSiviwe.
Wayengxamele ukuxelela uMama wakhe
ezi ndaba. Wayenalo nexhala lokuba
angakumameli oko aza nako.



“Utitshala uthi ndizakuba ngumdlali webhola yomnyazi,” watsho uSiviwe ngethuba kugqityezelwa isidlo sangokuhlwa.

“Ngumdlalo onjani lo kujulelwana ibhola kuwo?” wahlekisa umnakwabo uBonga.

“Njengokuba uthetha ngokudlala nje, uya kugqiba nini ukuhlamba izitya?” wakhalaza uMama.

Ithemba laphela tu kuye. Walala ekhathazekile kuba esazi ukuba akasoze avunyelwe adlale umdlalo awuthandayo.



Waphendula
uSiviwe
iinyembezi
zigcwele
emehlweni.

“Yambi ke loo
nto kaloku wena
unesiphiwo.
Ndiqinisekile

ukuba abanakungavumi xa benokubona
indlela odlala ngayo. Sukukhathazeka
ndiza kubhala ileta ndibacele bakuvumele
udlale kanye nathi.”

Loo mazwi amnika ithemba noxa
wayesenentandabuzo. Wayengasadlali
nangebhola yakhe yeplastikhi
awayethanda ukuyidlala xa ebuya
esikolweni.



Kuloo veki uSiviwe wayebuya kade esikolweni ngenxa yokuba babelungiselela imini enkulu yemidlalo. Abazali bakhe babengazi ukuba wayekwiqela elidlala ibhola yomnyazi.

Ngosuku olwaluphambi kolo Iwemidlalo, Iwalungongoza uvalo kuye. Wayecinga ngeleta utishala uMenzi awayezakuyibhalela abazali bakhe ukumcelela imvume yokudlala. Yayingathi akasafiki ekhaya ababonise le leta eqjinisekile ukuba soze bangavumi.



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Wafika wawuthi jwii ubhaka wakhe akungena emnyango, wanika uMama ileta enemincili. Wayifunda uMama wakhe wathi,

“Kodwa Siviwe, kudala sithetha ngale nto yokudlala. Ngubani oza kundincedisa apha endlwini?

Zange ndayibona intombazana engafuni kusebenza.”

“Mama, asikokudlala oku, ngumdlalo obalulekileyo lo. notishala uMenzi uthi ndinesiphiwo.”

Wadana waya kwenza imisebenzi yakhe yesiqhelo ephelelwe tu ithembu lokuba uyakuze alifumane ithuba lokuba ngumdlali omkhulu olandelayo.





Abazali
bakaSiviwe
baya
esikolweni
bafikela
kwi-ofisi
yenqununu.
Wangena
utishala
uMenzi xa kanye ehlala phantsi emva
kokubuka iimbasa ezazigcwele kwelo
gumbi.



Waphosa ambalwa utitshala wavakala
esithi uTata kaSiviwe akugqiba, utitshala
uMenzi,

“Kodwa titshala, ucinga ukuba umntwana
omncinci kangaka angade adlale
kwimidlalo ebalulekileyo yesikolo? Uya
kuyenza nini imisebenzi yakhe ekhaya xa
elibele kukudlala?



Woleka uMama kaSiviwe ngelithi. “Simzisa esikolweni ukuba afunde uSiviwe, hayi ukuba abe kwimfeketho yokudlala ibhola,”

“Unesiphiwo uSiviwe ndicinga anganimangalisa, mnikeni ithuba lokuba anibonise oko akwazi ukwenza,” wakhuthaza esitsho utitshala.

Wayengekakuncami ukuzama ukujika iingqondo zesi sibini.

Wayesele elungiselele ukuba uSiviwe abe yinxalenye yabo bamele isikolo kumdlalo omkhulu oya kuba kuloo mpela veki. Bahamba apho kungekho zigqibo zibambekayo kwimeko yokudlala kukaSiviwe.



Ngentsasa elandelayo uMama wabavusa esithi, “Masambeni singashiywa lixesha.”

“Siyaphi, Mama?” wabuza exakiwe uSiviwe. YayinguMgqibelo eziqonda ukuba uphoswiwe nguloo mdlalo wayezilolongela wona.

“Khawuleza, Siviwe. Awudlali bhola kanti namhlanje?” wangenelela uTata.

Wayengakholelwa uSiviwe, kwakungathi angazitsweba aqonde akaphuphi kusini na.

Bafika esikolweni waya kukhwela kwibhasi eyayinabanye abantwana bamaqela ebhola yomnyazi. Kwakumnandi kuloo bhasi bahlabela amagwijo okuzomeleza koku qubiswana. USiviwe wayonwabe ngeyona ndlela.





USiviwe wayefuna ngakumbi ukubonisa abazali bakhe isiphiwo sakhe. Babeza kuqala ngqa ukumbukela edlala.

Wadlala ebonakalisa ukuzimisela okugqithisileyo. Wayesithi tshe tshe egqiba ibala, behlokoma bekhwaza, becula ababukeli:

USiviwe yingangalala!
Yingangalala, yingangalala!

“Uyayibona yintombi yam uSiviwe ke leya?” wayesitsho uMama wakhe kwabanye abazali ababebukele kweloo qonga. Wayezingca ngokwenene engakholelwa ngulo mbono wentombi yakhe encinci. UTata wakhe naye wayenebhongo angawuvali umlomo.

Wayesithi akubabona uSiviwe bemi ngeenyawo bekhwaza, asuke abe namandla angaphaya kokuqonda.







Wathi esakuphela umdlalo, lathi funqu iqela labakhaphi bamthi wendu uSiviwe bemphakamisela phezulu. Wayethe ngcu phezu kwaloo nginginya, ephakamise izandla, enoncumo wonke.

Eso sihlwele sajikeleza ibala sihlabela amagwijo okubhiyoza. Intatheli ezazilapho nazo zazimangaliswe yile ntombazanyana enemitsi iyijula ‘ngomlingo’ ibhola yomnyazi.

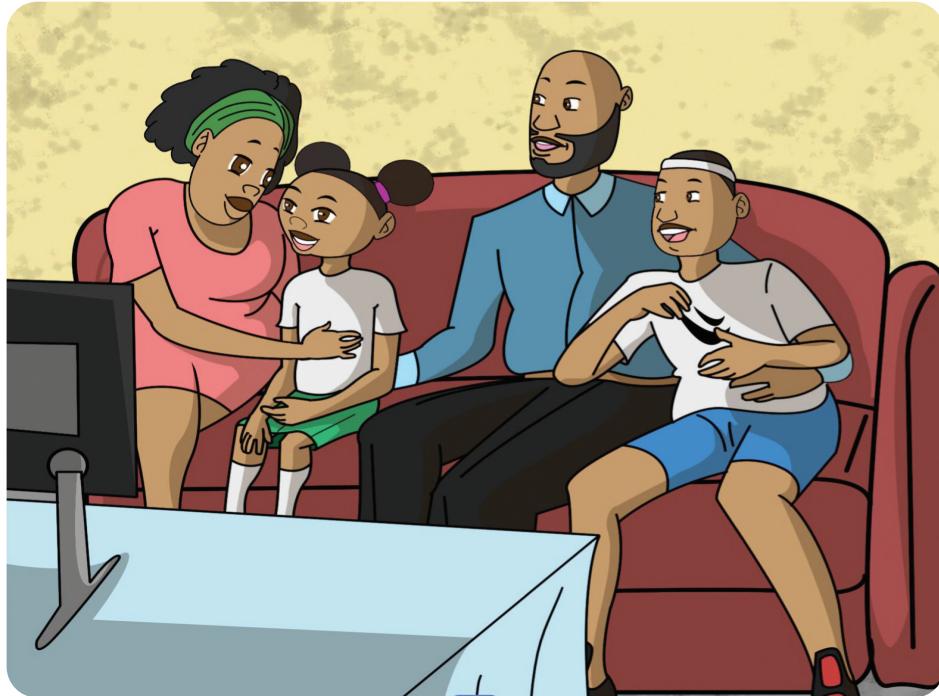
Siviwe wabizwa ngokuba ‘ngumdlali womlingo’ kuba wayengoyena mncinci kunabadlali ababelapho kodwa esenza iziqwenga.



Inginginya yayingawuvali umlomo.
Zange ayive indlela egodukayo uSiviwe,
kuyintswahla kubhiyozwa kuloo bhasi.
Wayesazi ukuba uza kuchongwa kwiqela
eliphezulu.

elaliza kuya kudlala kwimidlalo
yokugqibela eTshwane.

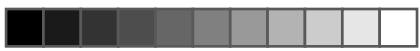




“Bendingazi ukuba uthetha le nto xa
uthetha ngokudlala kwakho, ntomb’am,”
wayiqala njalo incoko uTata bakufika
ekhaya.

“Uyeva ukuba kule leta ndiyinikwe
ngumqeqliki kuthiwa siza kuperhinda
sihambe naye xa esiya eTshwane?”

“Heee! Siza kukhwela inqwelomoya, myeni
wam!



UBonga naye wayencumile ebonakalisa
ibhongo ngontondo wakowabo.
Kwancokolwa ngemitsi awayeyenza
kwelo bala, kuhlekwa kumnandi. USiviwe
wavuyiswa kukubona abazali bakhe
bethabathekile ngumdlalo wakhe nto leyo
yayikuphela komnqweno wakhe.