



# Inyathelo elihle



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Inyathelo elidala labe lifuna ukuvuselela ubuhle balo bangaphambilini. Inyathelo lalemuka bonyana umnikazi akasalithandi. Labe lihlala libekelwa ngeqadi kunamanye amanyathelo. Inyathelo leli labe lifuna ukuthandwa njengamanye. Inyathelo latjheja nokobana umnikazi nalokha athatha ikhambo wabe aleqisa amehlo lona.

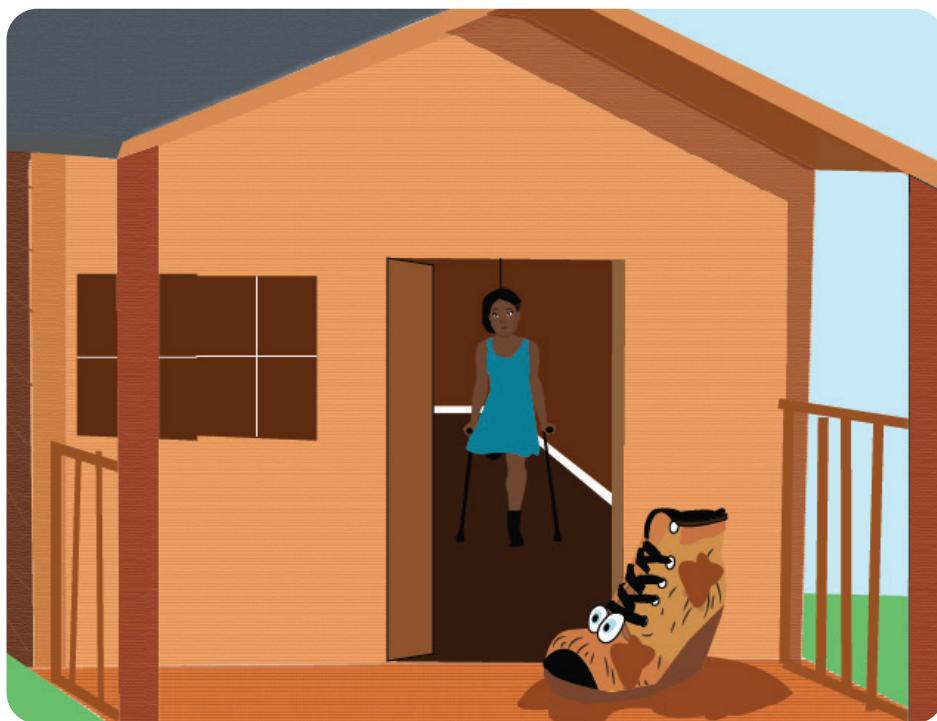




Inyathelo leli lalihlala lilila ngombana umnikazi wabe alembatha kwaphela nakuna izulu. Wabe alembatha godu nalokha nakunedakanofana endaweni enetjhwabatjhwaba. Amanye amanyathelo bewambathwa etatawini elihle nalokha ubujamo bezulu nabubuhle.



Ubujamo lobu bebuhlala buphathisa inyathelo leli iinhloni. Lalemuka bonyana lona alithandwa. Umnikazi uhlala aleqisa amehlo. Wabe ahlala alisunduzela ngeqadi nakafuna amanye amanyathelo angawambatha. Inyathelo laqala lokha umnikazi nakaphoritjha amanye amanyathelo awathandako. Begade aphoritjha amanyathelo azowambatha nakazikhuphako.



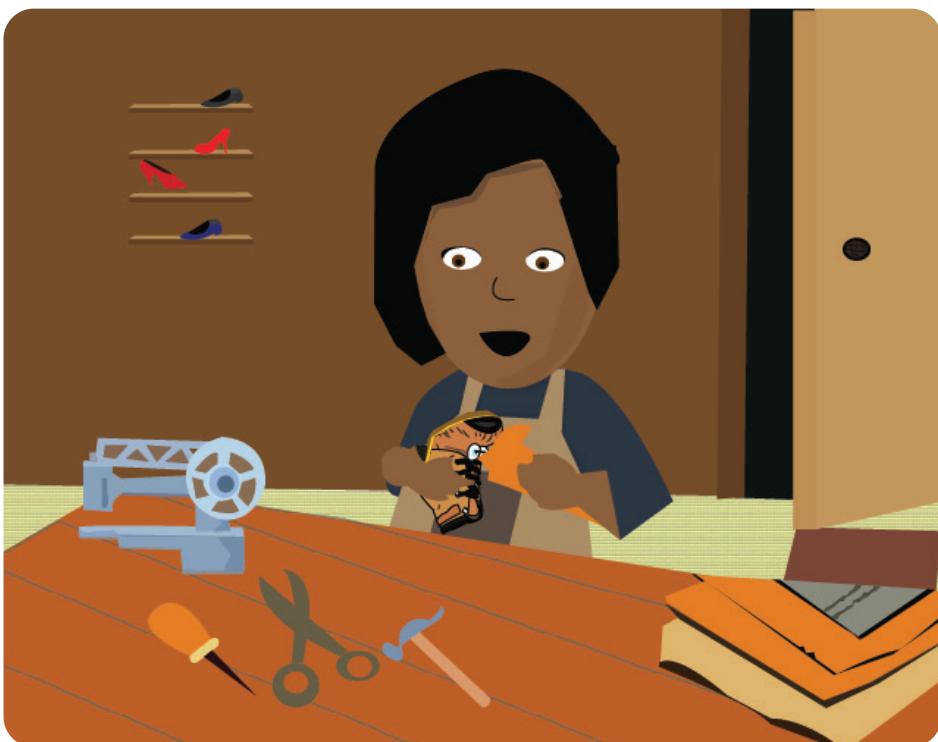


Inyathelo laqunta ukukhamba ngendlini  
lingabonwa liyokulungiswa ngerhawuda ehle.

Inyathelo lazibuza imibuzo eminengi,  
ngingayaphi? Kubani? Inyathelo lahlela  
ukuthatha ikhambo elide. Begade lifuna  
ukubuya lilitjha, begodu lifuna ukuzibona  
liphazima godu.



Inyathelo laya emuntwini okunguye yedwa othunga amanyathelo ngedorobheni, ukuyokulungiswa. Inyethelo nalifika lapho, laqala umthungi manyathelo. Bekasebenza ngobuthakgha nangethando. Inyathelo lakhetha itjhila elihle lerhawuda elilithandako.





Ibhudango laba yipumelelo, labe lilihle ukudlula ngaphambili. Lalimanyazela! Labe lilihle ukudlula amanyathelo amatjha.

Umthungi manyathelo wabeka inyathelo etjhelfini bonyana woke umuntu alibone. Inyathelo lazikhakhazisa labe lathatha ikhambo elibuyela ekhaya.



Endleleni eya ekhaya inyathelo lathom  
ukuvuma ingoma.

“Ngimi ngedwa inyathelo elihle.

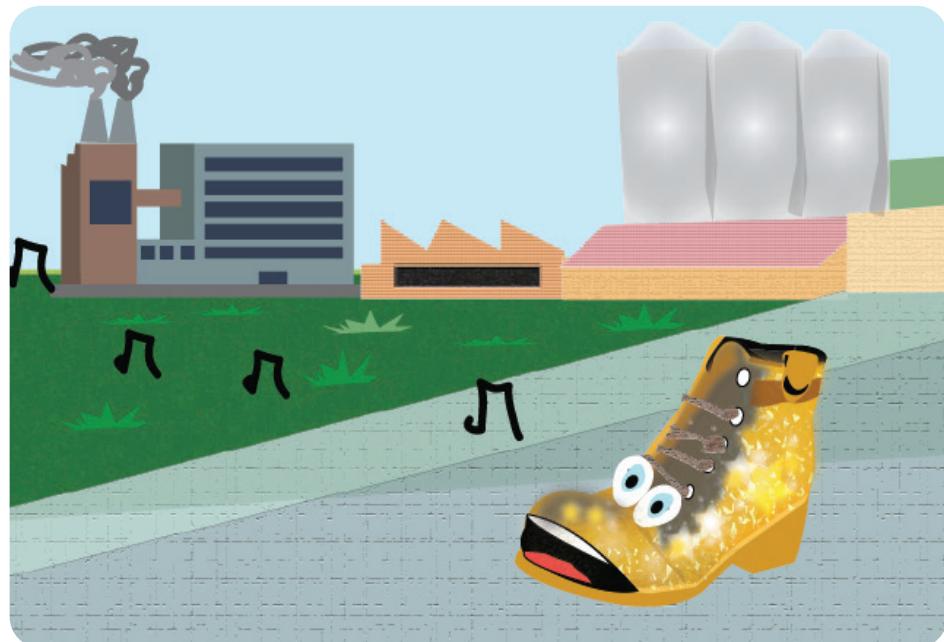
Nginerhawuda esifubeni sami.

Ngivuma kuhle ukudlula ijuba.

Nangisuka kwethu bebangangithandi.

Gadesi ngimi omuhle khulu.

Tjhe! Iye, ngimi ngedwa.”



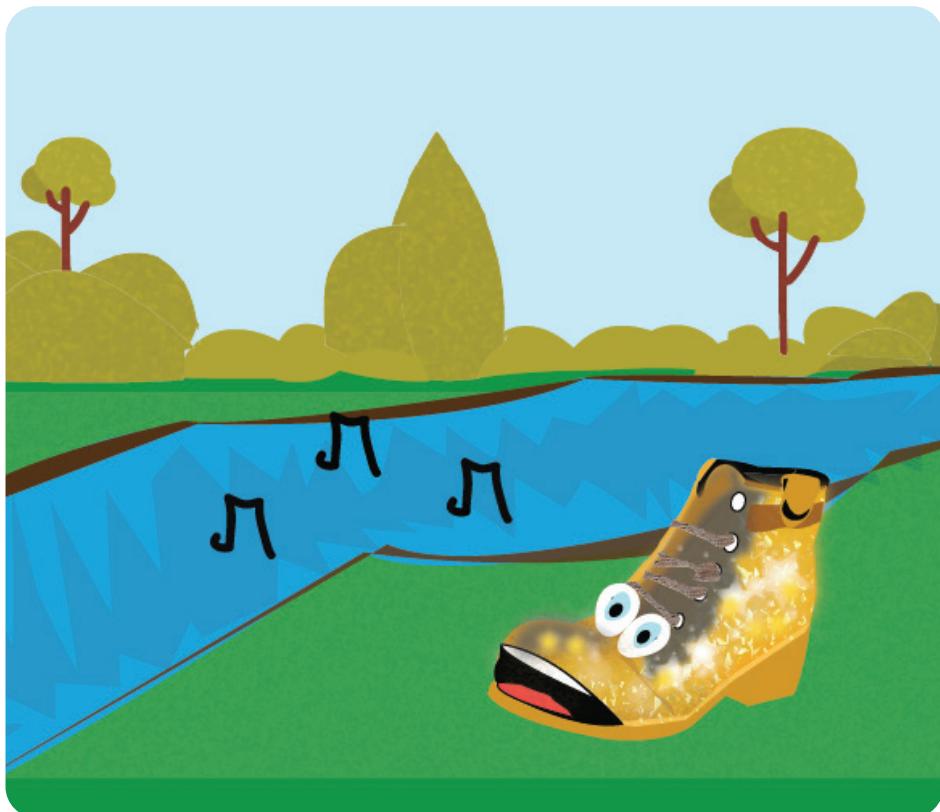


Ijuba labe lilalele inyathelo nalivumako.  
Laphaphela eduze nenyathelo bese lathi,  
“Uvuma kuhle kodwana angeze wavuma  
ukudlula mina nanyana ungalinga.  
Uyaphazima, uyamanyazela, kodwana  
ukuvuma, khohlwa.”

Inyathelo akhange litshwenyeke ngejuba.  
Begade lithabile begodu bekungekho  
ebekungalandisa.



Inyathelo laraga nekhambo elibuyela  
ekhaya. Ladlula emlanjeni. Lalinanya  
ngombana lingafuni ukusilaphazeka.  
Lalinanya ngokuyelela nalidlula emkanjeni.  
Inyathelo lalithabile begodu limomotheka.





Inyathelo lafika endaweni ezele idaka.  
Lajama lazibuza bonyana lizakweyama  
njani. Ngaleso isikhathi ijuba lafika.  
“Begade ngilele begodu ngilandela umvumo.  
Umvumo wanyamalala kwathula du. Kwenza  
njani?”

“Juba mnakwethu, nginomraro. Ngidinga  
isizo.”



“Ngisendleleni eyakwethu begodu angifuni ukusilaphazeka. Qala idaka nanti. Ngibawa ungisize.”

Msinyazana ijuba laguga inyathelo, laphapha ngehla kwedaka. Inyathelo lathokoza kwamambala. Inyathelo leqela phasi naphezulu ngethabo.





Lafika ekhaya inyathelo lithabile. Begade lingakasilaphazeki, labe lisaphazima. Umnikazi wamangala. Wabe abona bonyana linyathelo lakhe, kodwana angakholwa amehlwakhe. Wabe amangele kodwana athabile.



Namanye amanyathelo bekathabele  
inyathelo elivuselelweko. Akhamba kanye  
kanye ukwamukela inyathelo. Amanye  
wamanyathelo begade anomona.  
Bekangakathabi ukubona inyathelo  
elinerhawuda emanyazelako.





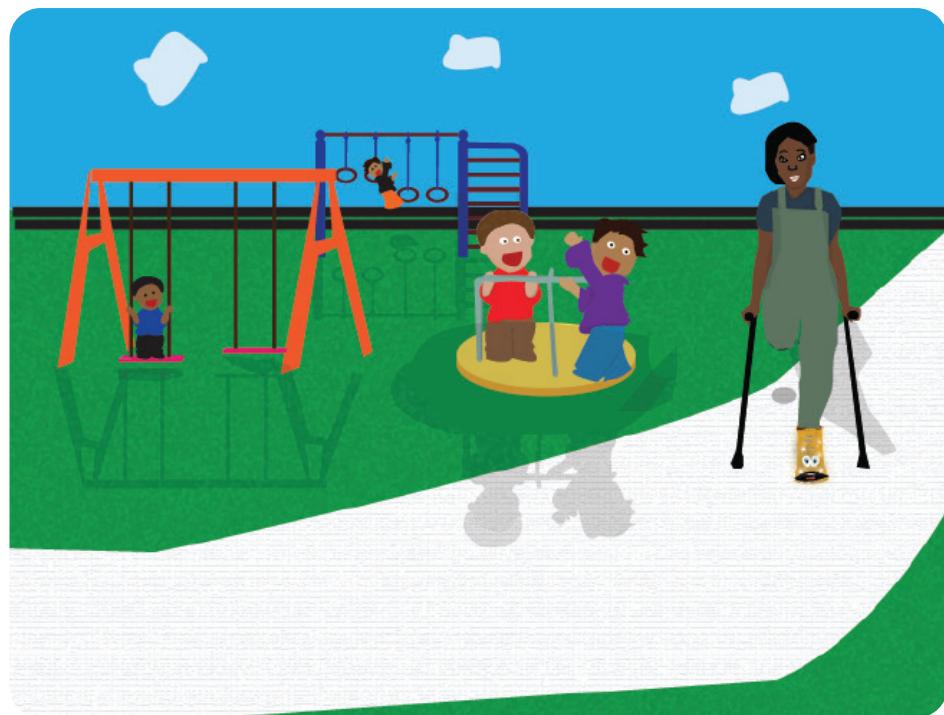
Umnikazi wathoma ukuthanda inyathelo godu. Walimbatha nanyana kukuphi, khulukhulu emihlanganweni eqakathekileko. Ikhampo lokuthoma laba sekhonsadini.

Boke balibuka inyathelo elihle leli. Inyathelo lamomotheka, bese lavuma ingoma:  
“Gadesi ngimuhle khulu. Tjhe! Iye, ngimi ngedwa.”



Ikhambo elilandelako laba sephageni. Bekunomjinko ozombelezako. Kunabasana nabantazana abanengi. Inyathelo lacabanga bonyana lizokusilaphazeka ngombana kunethuli. Kodwana umnikazi wajamela kude nethuli ukulivikela. Boke balibuka inyathelo elihle leli. Inyathelo lamomotheke, bese lavuma ingoma:

“Gadesi ngimuhle khulu. Tjhe! Iye, ngimi ngedwa.”





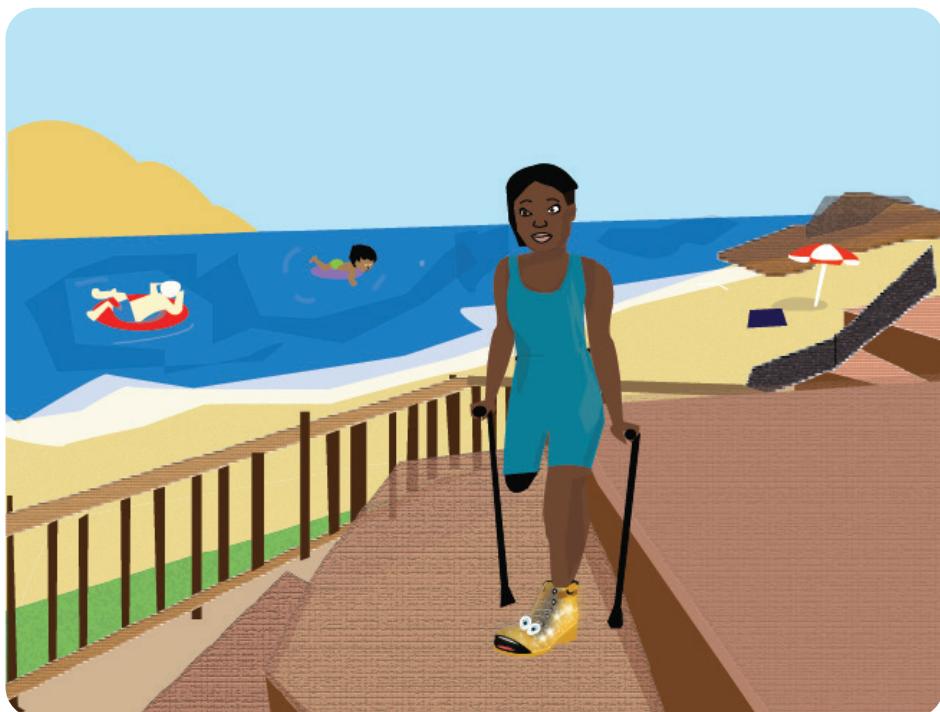
Ikhambo elilandela lelo laba semtjhadweni.  
Bebavuma iingoma ezimnandi zomtjhado.  
Umnikazi wafika nenyathelo lakhe  
eliphazimako. Abantu balisa ukuvuma  
baqala inyathelo. Umakoti nomkhwenyana  
bamangala.

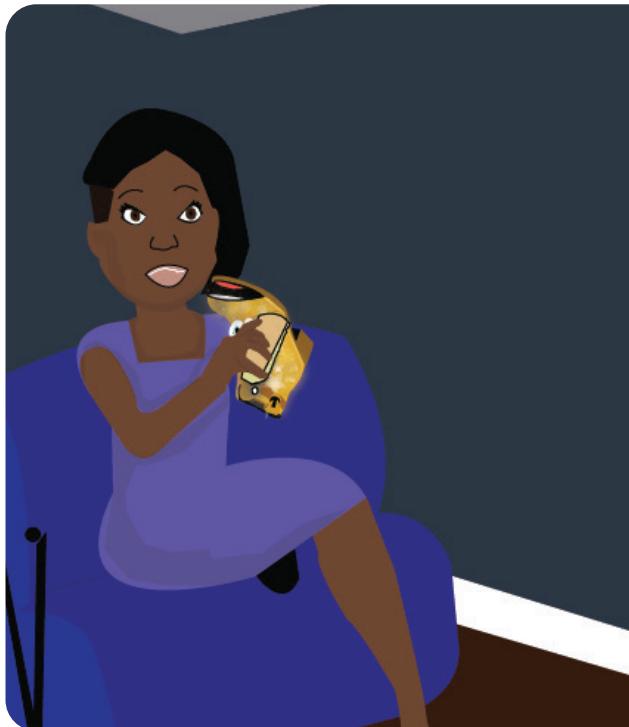
Woke umuntu wabuka inyathelo elihle leli.  
Lamomotheke inyathelo, bese lavuma  
ingoma:

“Gadesi ngimuhle khulu. Tjhe! Iye, ngimi  
ngedwa.”



Inyathelo leli labe liyintandokazi. Inyathelo linomnikazi bathatha ikhambo lokuya elwandle. Inyathelo begade litshwenyekile bonyana lizokusilaphazeka. Kodwana umnikazi akhange abandamele elwandle. Wajamela kude avikela inyathelo bonyana lingasilaphazeki. Inyathelo lamomotheka, bese lavuma ingoma:  
“Gadesi ngimuhle khulu. Tjhe! Iye, ngimi ngedwa.”





Njalo entambama umnikazi begade  
ahlwengisa inyathelo leli. Wabe aliphoritjha  
belimanyazele. Inyathelo lalemuka bonyana  
liyathandwa gadesi. Lalikuthabela ukuba  
ngelikhethekileko. Inyathelo lamomotheka,  
bese lavuma ingoma:  
“Gadesi ngimuhle khulu. Tjhe! Iye, ngimi  
ngedwa.”



Umnikazi walembatha waya kumthungi manyathelo, bobabili bamthokoza kwamambala. Umnini nyathelo kwabe kumthabisa ukuba nenyathelo elihle ngalindlela. Inyathelo lathokoza umthungi manyathelo ngokulibuyisela ebujameni obuhloniphekako. Inyathelo laragela phambili lamomotheka, bese lavuma ingoma: “Gadesi ngimuhle khulu. Tjhe! Iye, ngimi ngedwa.”

