



Ujakeni, Magcoba?



Bomikazi Njoloza



Kikilikiki! Kukhala licudze, livusa Magcoba.

BekunguLesihlanu ekuseni, lilanga Magcoba
lalitsandza kakhulu.

Imicabango yakhe beyiseluhlelweni lwakhe
lwantsambama.





Wazuba embhedzeni wacishe wenyela
licakala.

Abelangatelele imisebenti yelusuku kanye
nemsebenti wesikolo. Abejabulile, angakhoni
nekulindza.

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Watiphosa ebhavini wageza masingane!
Washeshisa alungiselela kuya esikolweni.
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Washakutela kakhulu kute abe wekucala
endzaweni yekuhlangana. Ucishe wagileka.

“Uma ngijaka, nalelilanga litawujaka nalo,”
Magcoba uyacabanga, aticinisa.

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Eklasini, wajaka emsebentini wakhe wesikolo.
Waba wekucala kucedza Tibalo, nanome
ente emaphutsa latsite. Abelangatelele kutsi
lilanga lesikolo liphele.

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Ekugcineni, insimbi yekugcina yelusuku
yakhala.

Magcoba wagijima aphuma ekungeneni,
wacishe wawa.

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Make wakhe wahamba angajaki, acondze kuye.

“Sheshisa, make, kute sitawufika masinyane lena!”

Make wakhe abetsembise kuhamba naye endzaweni yekubhukusha kanye nabomzala bakhe.





Wazuba, wagijimela dvutane uma nje imoto
ima dvute nephuli, Magcoba abengasakwati
kulindza.

Wenya tinyawo takhe kute ahlole kutsi emanti
abandza ngakanani.

Gcum! Wangena phakatsi.

Wanela kungena, weva emanti acala
kungena etindlebeni takhe.

Abechachatela ngemakhata.

Lunyawo lwakhe lutsite emanti ayafutfumala
kepha sifuba sakhe satsi emanti ayabandza.



Magcoba abeva emakhata kakhulu futsi
atisola.

Make wakhe wamniketa lithawula lelisha,
lelifutfumalako, kute atesule ngalo.





Wefika endlini advonsa tinyawo, wase uwa esofeni uyalala.

Magcoba abedziniwe! Kungobe abejaka kuko konkhe labekadze akwenta ngalelo lilanga futsi agcine angakacedzi kahle nakunye kwako.