



# Umhlangano wemndeni

African Storybook

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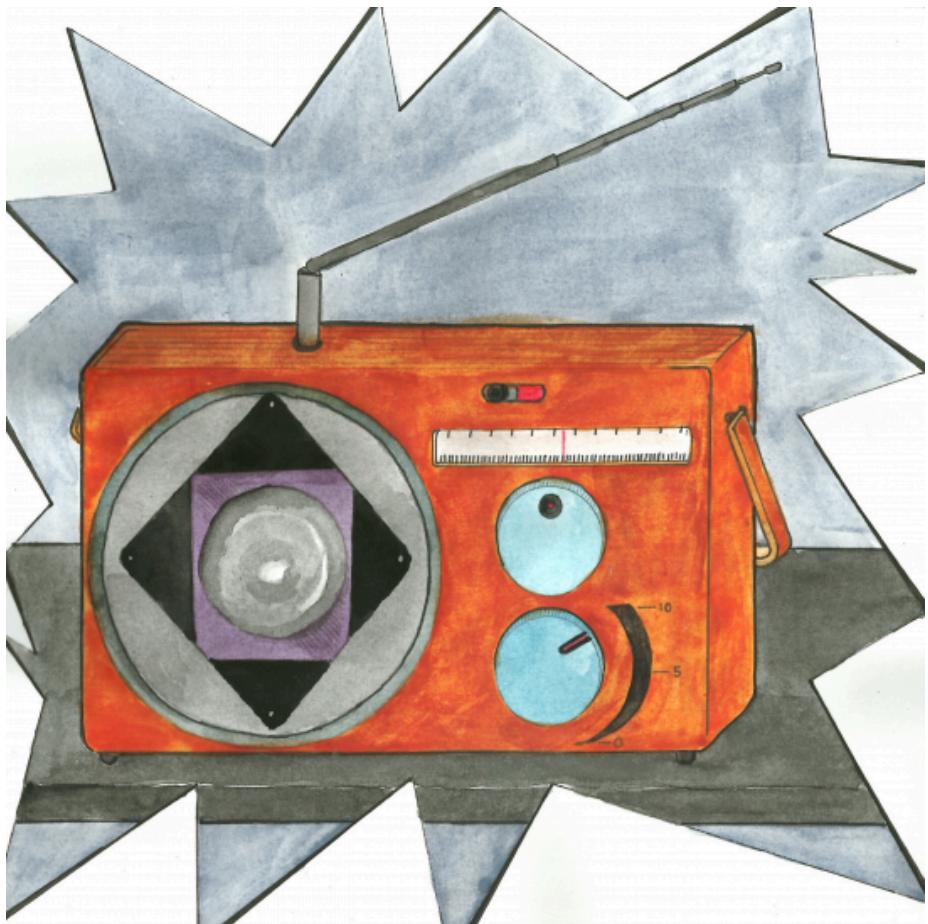




Sinemhlangano wemndeni.

Kukhona Babe, Anti Pula, Malume Chavani,  
Eddie, Attie, mine, kanye naGogo.

Ngimi lomncane kunabo bonkhe.



Ekhaya kuhlale kudlala umsakato 24/7. Sihlale silalele tindzaba.

Lamuhla sive kutsi tikolwa titovulwa evikini lelitako.



Bese kuphele tinyanga ticolwa tavalwa ngenca  
*ye-Lockdown.*

Babe ucala kukhuluma, “Mndeni wami, kufanele  
sente sincumo mayelana nekubuyela  
kwebantfwana esikolweni.”



Anti Pula ukhatsatekile. "Kuvulwa kwetikolwa kusho kutsi sekutawutseleleka bantfu labanyenti.

Lesifo sitawubhebhetsuka kakhulu manje," aphawula.



Attie utsi, "Mine ngesaba kungenwa ngulesifo.

Asilindzeni emaviki lamabili sibone kutsi tintfo titobanjani esikolweni. Kusenekudideka lokunyenti ngalendzaba."



Babe utsi, "Mine ngesabela Gogo.

Bantfwana nabangatfola leligciwane bese  
baliletsa lapha ekhaya, yena utawugula  
kakhulu."

Gogo uvuma ngenhloko.



Gogo sewugugile. Unesifo sashukela kanye  
nesifo senhlitiyo.

Ngiyesaba kakhulu. Ngikhatsatekile ngemndeni  
wakitsi.



Malume Chavani utsi, "Mine ngicabanga kutsi kuncono bantfwana bahlale ekhaya, kute sivikeleke. Asesicale sibone kutsi tikolwa setikulungele yini kwemukela bafundzi."

Wonkhe umuntfu uyavuma ngaphandle kwa-Eddie.



"Mine kufanele ngiye Esikolweni Semabanga  
Laphakeme emnyakeni lotako.

Angati nobe ngitawukwati yini kuwucedza  
umsebenti lokufanele ngiwufundze.

Lokufundza ku-intanethi angikutsandzisisi  
kahle," kusho Eddie.



Mine angikhatsatwa kusalela emuva  
emsebentini wesikolwa.

Ngikhatsatwa yindzaba yebuntfu.  
Sesitawuphatsana njani manje?

Kufanele silwisane nalesifo ndzawonye.

## —Imibuto

1. Bhala inchazelo yalamagama:  
kutseleleka, kuguga, kuvikeleka,  
buntfu.
2. Chaza loko lokushiwo ‘kukhatsatwa  
yindzaba yebuntfu’.
3. Ucabanga kutsi ngusiphi sincumo  
umndeni lofinyelele kuso? Kungani?

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Lencwadzi yetindzaba isekelwe  
embikweni wesiteshi semsakato  
lokutsiwa yi-RX. I-RX Radio siteshi  
semsakato sebantfwana lesiku-intanethi,  
lesisungulwe saphindze sakhelwa  
bantfwana.

I-RX Radio isakatela e-Red Cross War  
Memorial Children's Hospital eKapa.

I-RX Radio isita bantfwana bacoce  
ngetintfo letibalulekile kubo.

Vakashela i-RX Radio



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