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Ngemhlaka 3 kuLweti, 1964, elokishini laseLanga, eKapa, kwatalwa umhlabeleli lomuhle ngendlela lesimanga. Libito lakhe bekunguBrenda Nokuzola Fassie.

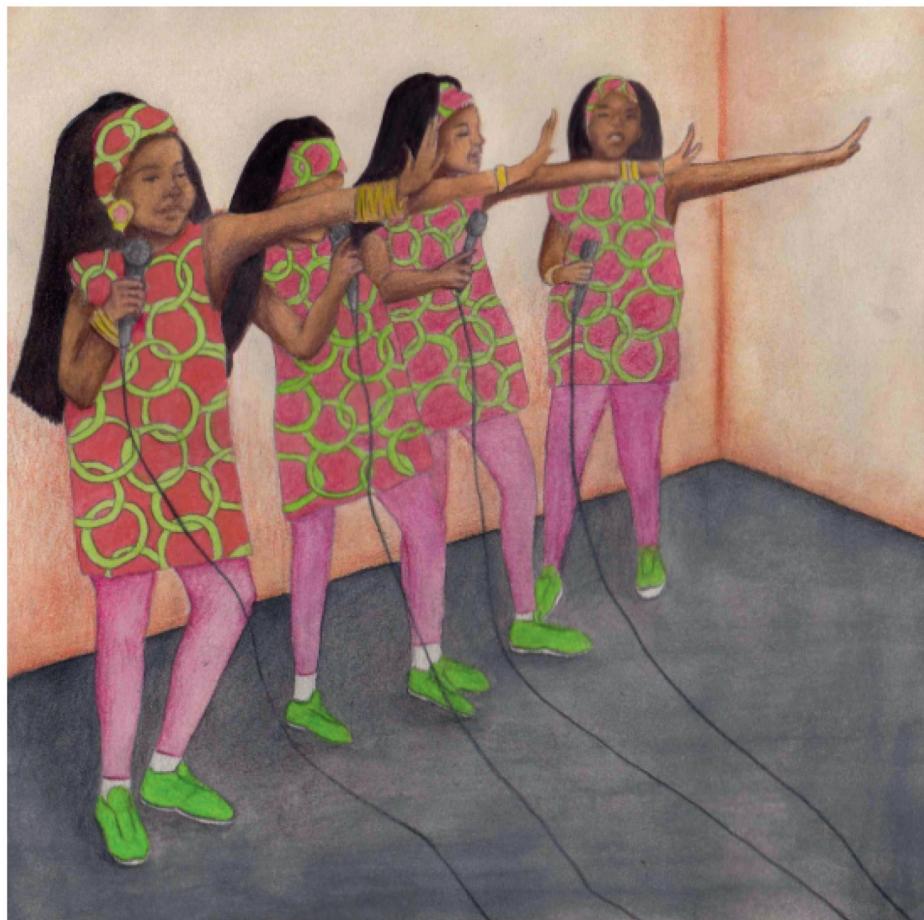
Bekateketiswa tigidzi tebalandzeli bakhe ngekutsi ngu-'MaBrr'.

Umndeni wakubo bewuphuyle. Make wakhe bekaahlanta tindlu tebantfu kantsi babe wakhe washona ngesikhatsi aneminyaka lembili nje kuphela budzala.



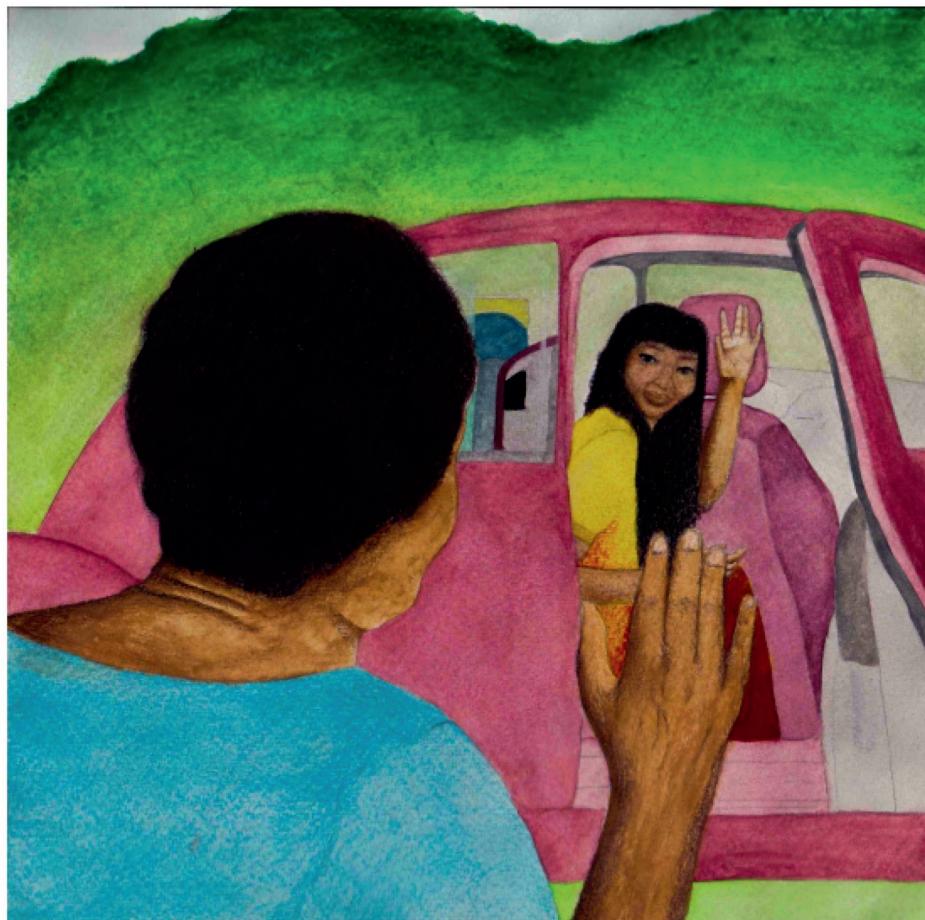
Brenda bekangutfunjana kubantfwana bakubo labayimfica.  
Make wakhe bekacabanga kutsi utawutfola umfana.  
Ngesikhatsi kutalwa Brenda, kwadzingeka acabange  
masinyane ngelibito lentfombatane.

Njengobe make waBrenda naye bekangumculi, wancuma  
kubita luswane lwakhe ngelibito lemhlabeleli waseMelika  
lobitwa ngekutsiwa nguBrenda Lee.



Ngesikhatsi aneminyaka lemine, Brenda bekahlabela emicimbini yasesontfweni. Make wakhe bekashaya iphiyano bese Brenda uyahlavela.

Ngesikhatsi asaneminyaka lesitfupha, Brenda bese ahlabela nelicembu lelibitwa ngekutsiwa yi-'*Tiny Tots*' bese abhadalwa tivakashi.



Baculi baseKapa bacala kutigcabha ngaBrenda, kusukela  
aselitjitji.

Umcondzisi lodvumile, Koloi Lebona weta watomvakashela.  
Wafike wajabulela kakhulu livi lakhe lelihle.

Ngemva kwaloko Brenda waya eGoli futsi wacalisa licembu  
ngekushesha, '*Brenda and the Big Dudes*'.



Lelicembu lakhipha ingoma leyatsengiswa kakhulu eNingizimu Afrika, lets 'Weekend Special'.

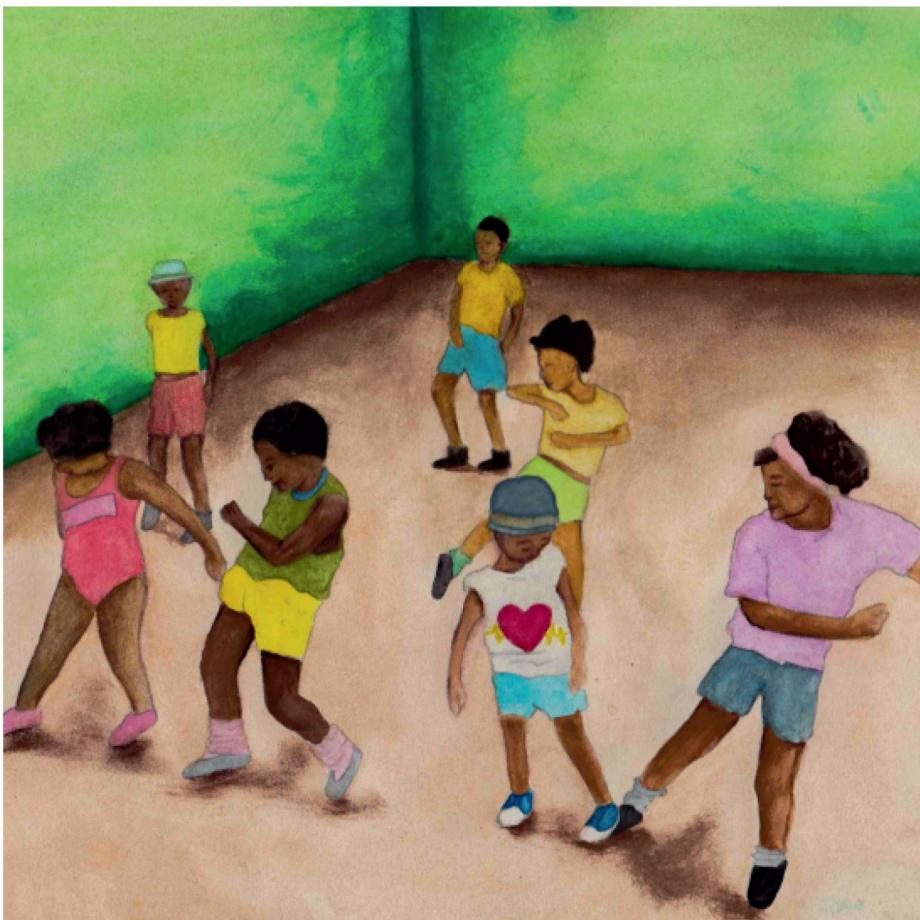
Balandzeli bakhe emhlabeni wonkhe, labamnyama nalabamhlophe, labasha, nalabadzala, bebabonakala bayidansela lengoma.

Lengoma beyijatjulelwa bantfu labanyenti, ikakhulukati ngaboLwesihlanu kuze kuyoba liSontfo!



Nga-1998, Brenda wahlangana nemcondzisi wemculo,  
Chicco Twala. Bakhicita amarekhodi latsengiswa  
ngemakhophi latinkhulungwane letinyenti aphindze  
atsengiswa ngemakhophi langetulu kwesigidzi. Lamanye  
kumarekhodi latsengiswa kakhulu ngulawa '*Too late for  
Mama*', 'Memeza', kanye naletsi 'Nomakanjani'.

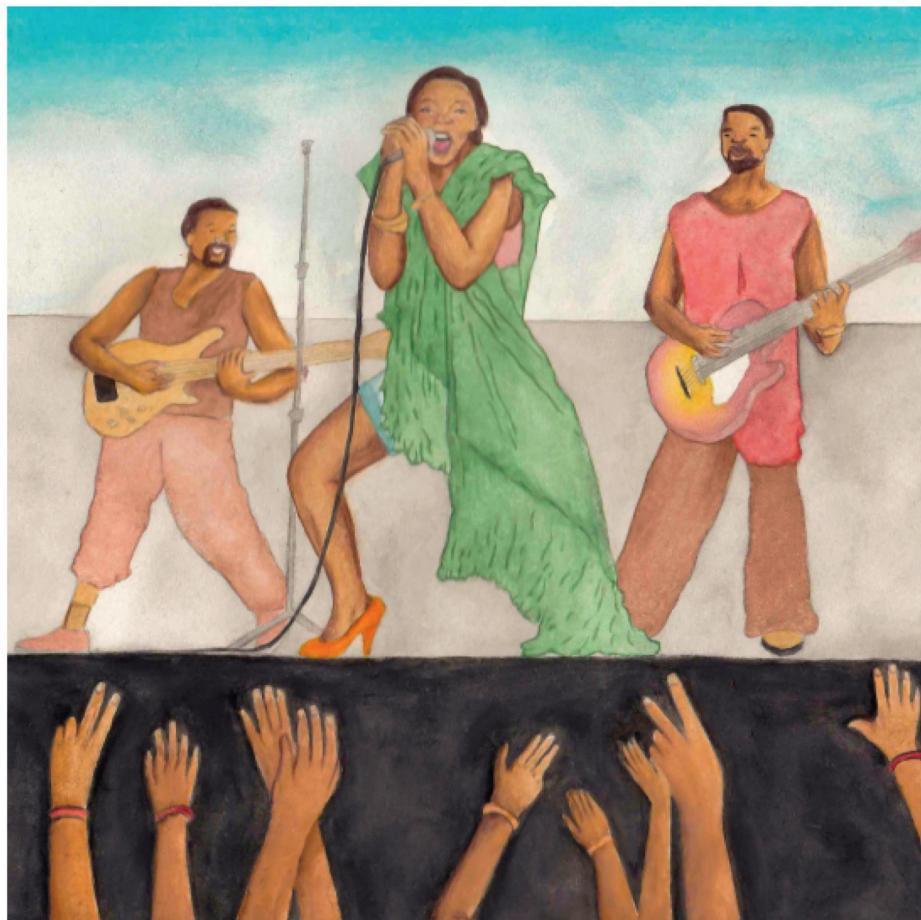
Lemphumelelo yalandzelwa yimiklomelo yemculo  
eNingizimu Afrika nakulamanye emave, MaBrr nyalo  
besekadvume emhlabeni wonkhe!



ENingizimu Afrika, Brenda wadvuma kangangekutsi bese kute umcimbi lobewungaba bete ngisho naleyodvwa ingoma yakhe.

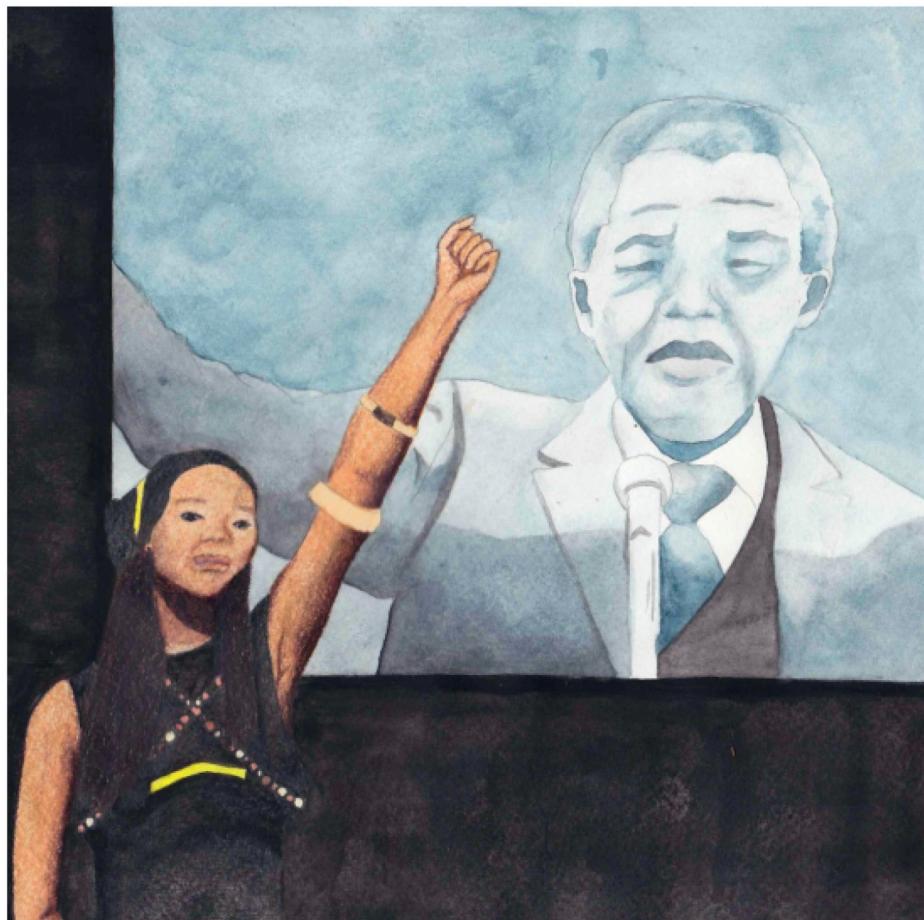
Ingoma lebeyihlatjelwa kakhulu ngetikhatsi temishado, ngulena lets 'Vulindlela'.

Kantsi labeyitsandvwa kakhulu lebewungabona balingisela kudansa kwakhe ngayo kanye nesimo sebuso bakhe, ngulena lets 'Ag shame lovey!'



Balandzeli baBrenda bebamemeta libito lakhe emadzilini  
emiculo ngesikhatsi basamlindze kutsi avele esiteji.

Balandzeli bebahlabela baphindze bakhale ngesikhatsi  
ahllabela esiteji. Kuva livi lakhe bekubenta baminyetelane  
baye kubogadzi sebafunga nje kumane bamtsintse!



Nga-1990, MaBrr wahlonipha Nelson Mandela, ngengoma lets'i '*Black President*'.

Bekasesejele futsi leyongoma yagcine seyivaliwe nguhulumende welubandlululo.

Loku kwamenta wancuma kuhlabela ngesiZulu, siXhosa nangesiSotho kuphela. Bantfu bamtsandza kakhulu ngalokwenetiwe ngenca yaloku.



Nanobe Brenda alifinyelela liphupho lakhe lekuba silomo se-pop, kepha washona asemncane, aneminyaka le-39, ngemhlaka 9 iNkhwekhweti, 2004.

Kwaba lilanga lekudzabuka lokukhulu eNingizimu Afrika.  
Tabefusa kakhulu bantfu tindzaba tekushona kwakhe.  
Labanyenti balila ngenca yekulahlekelwa ngulesilomo.

Washiya ngemuva indvodzana yakhe, Bongani.



Ngemva kwekushona kwakhe, licembu lelikhulu  
lebalandzela bakhe laphutfuma layotsenga umculo wakhe.

Balandzeli bebacabanga kutsi emarekhodi akhe ngeke  
asaphindze atfolakale.

Kucatjangwa kutsi inkampani yatsengisa tinkhulungwane  
ngetinkhulungwane temakhophi ema-albhamu akhe.



E-Newtown, eGoli, kunesitfombe saBrenda lesentiwe ngelitfusi. Sentiwa ngenhloso yekumhlonipha.

Eceleni kwalesitfombe lesentiwe kunesitulo sekutsi bantfu bangahlala khona, bachitse sikhatsi naleNdlovukati yase-Afrika ye-Pop.



Brenda bekangumculi lonelikhono lelimangalisako  
lokungasilula kulikhohlwa.

Ungulesinye setilomo letinkhulu kakhulu te-pop eNingizimu  
Afrika futsi ugcugcutele baculi labanyenti.

Nyalo, situkulwane lesisha sesenta tingoma letenta wonkhe  
umuntpu afune kudansa.



## —Imibuto

1. Watalelwa kuphi Brenda?
2. Ucabanga kutsi kungani bacamba licembu ngekutsi, yi-'*Tiny Tots*'?
3. Umculo waBrenda bewubenta bative kanjani balandzeli bakhe? Chaza imphendvulo yakho.
4. Bekayini hulumende welubandlululo? Tfola kabanti ngaloku.
5. Dweba bese ulebula incenye yakho yendzaba loyitsandzako.



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Le ncwadzi yetindzaba icanjwe futsi yabhalwa ngeSepedi, njengencenyetintfo tekufundza teZenex Ulwazi Lwethu nga-2021.

