



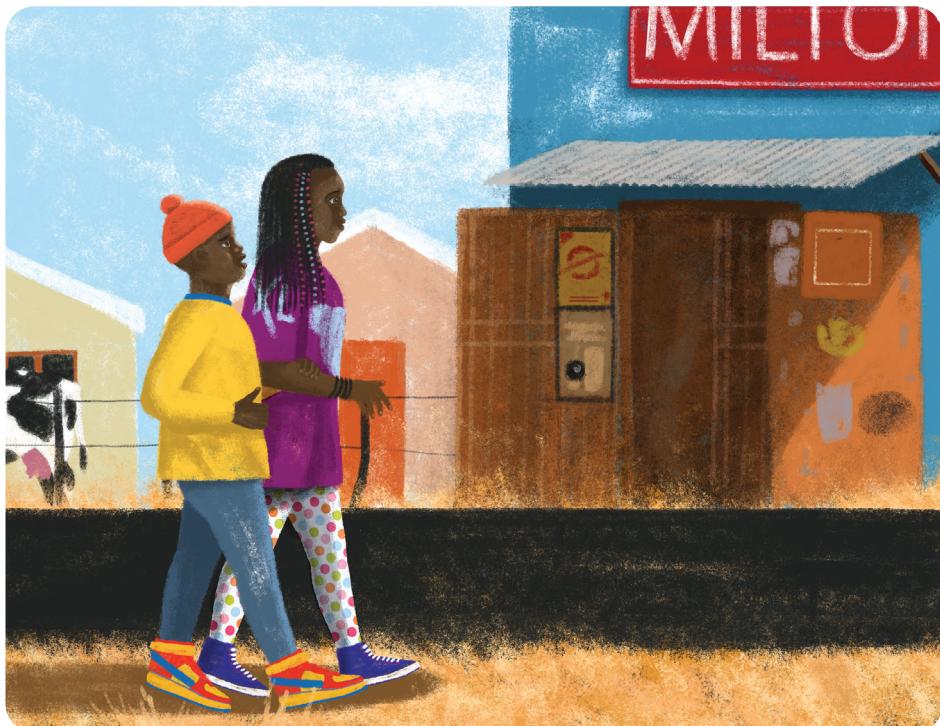
USazi uphethwe mathumbu

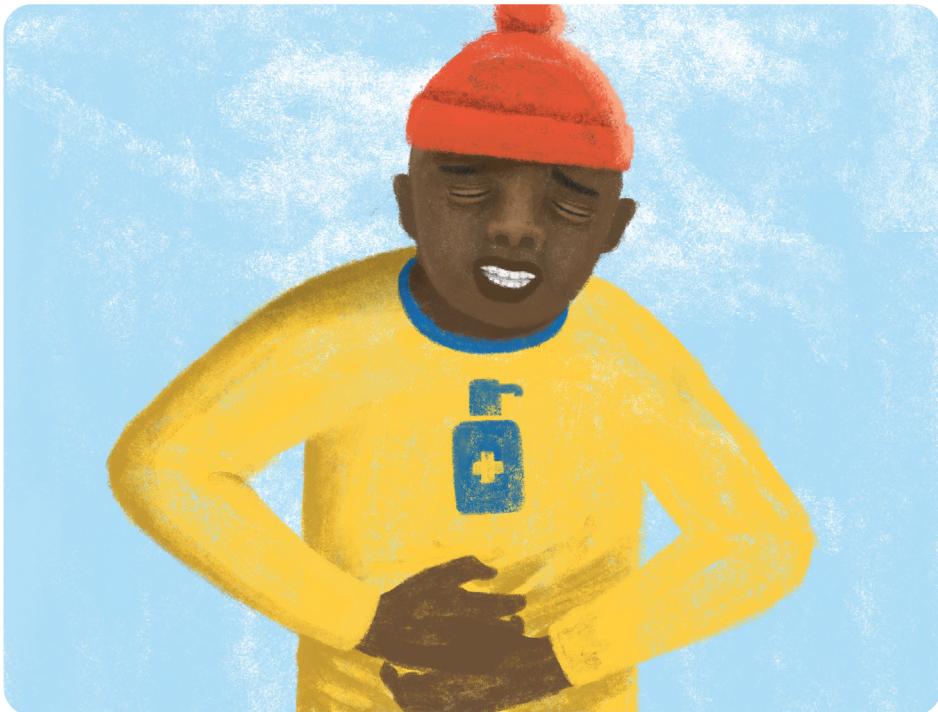


Elias Makhapa



USazi uyagula, uBathandi umusa
emutholapilo.





USazi uphethwe mathumbu.

UBathandi ulinge ukumupha imihlobohlobo
yemitjhoga kodwana amathumbu khenge
athule.



Bakhamba kabuthaka ngombana
uSazi akakwazi ukukhambisa. Uzizwa
abuthakathaka, urhudula iinyawo.





Bafika emutholapilo.

“Umraro yini?” umhlengikazi Phetha ubuza uSazi.

“Mhlengikazi, ngiyathulula. Begodu ngizizwa ngidiniwe,” kuperhendula uSazi.



Umhlengikazi Phetha umubandameza eduze naye.

“Iindebe zekho zomile beziyagazuka,” kutjho umhlengikazi Phetha.

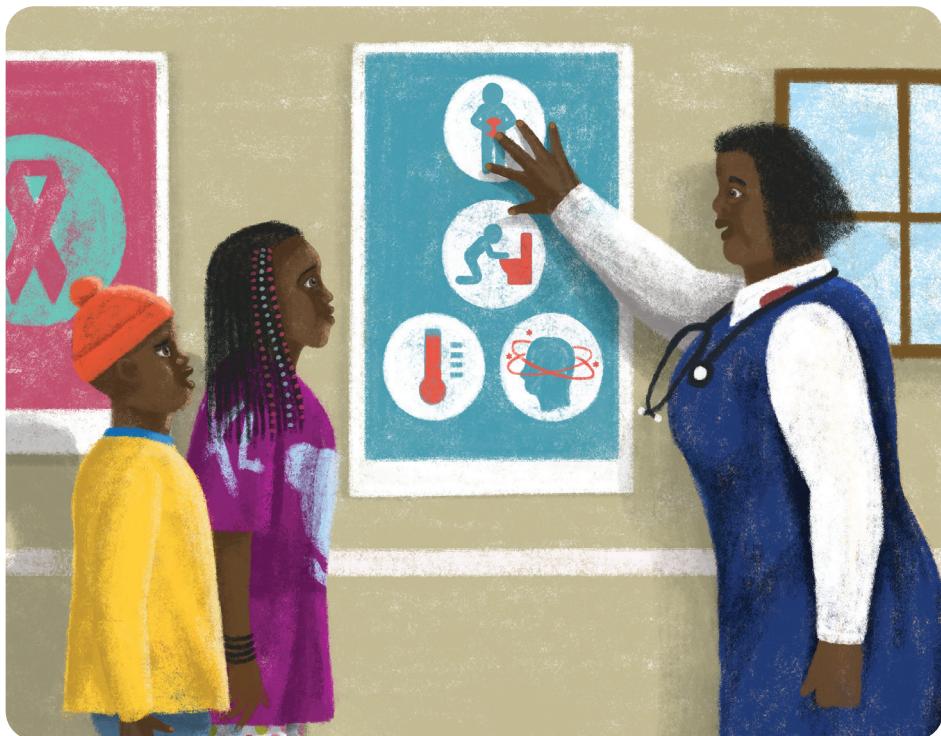




“Ubonakala unganamanzi. Lokho
kubangelwa kuthulula. Namehlo wakho
arhohlomele,” kuraga umhlengikazi Phetha.



“Amanye amatshwayo zinhlabi emathumbini,
kuphakanyelwa zimbindi, mugomani, isiyazi,”
kuhlathulula umhlengikazi Phetha. “Ngimaphi
amatshwayo onawo?”



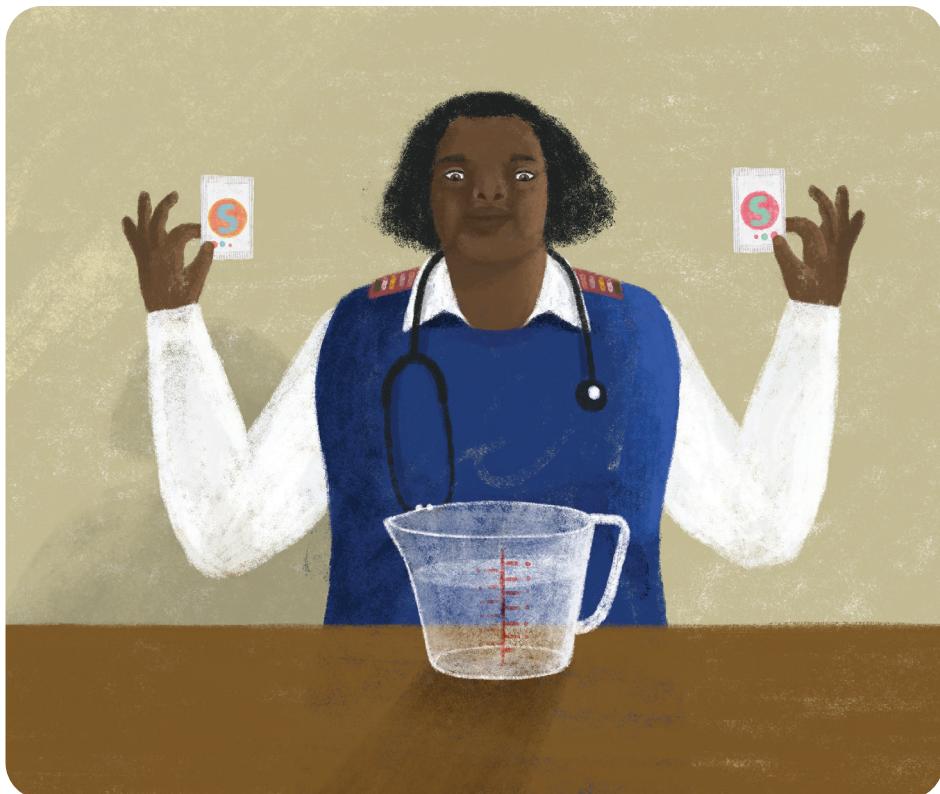


“Nginawo woke. Ngizizwa ngibuthakathaka,”
kuhlathulula uSazi.

“Ukuthulula kuqeda amanzi emzimbeni.
Ukuthulula kwehlisa nezakhamzimba
ezibalulekileko emzimbeni,” kutjho
umhlengikazi.



“Kufanele ujamiselele woke amanzi alahlekileko emzimbeni wakho,” kuhlathulula umhlenzikazi Phetha. “Ungadidiyela umdidiyelo olula ukungezelela emanzi emzimbeni.”





Umhlengikazi Phetha ubakhombisa iinungo zokwenza umdidiyelo olula:

1. Bilisa amanzi bese uwalise aphole.
2. Faka amakopi amane ngejegeni.
3. Didiyela amatelebhula amabili wetjhukela nalinye letshwayi.



Uraga nokuhlathulula, “Itshwayi libuyisela itshwayi elilahlekileko emzimbeni. Amanzi abuyisela amanzi alahlekileko emzimbeni. Itjhukela yenza bonyana koke lokhu kumunyeke emzimbeni.”

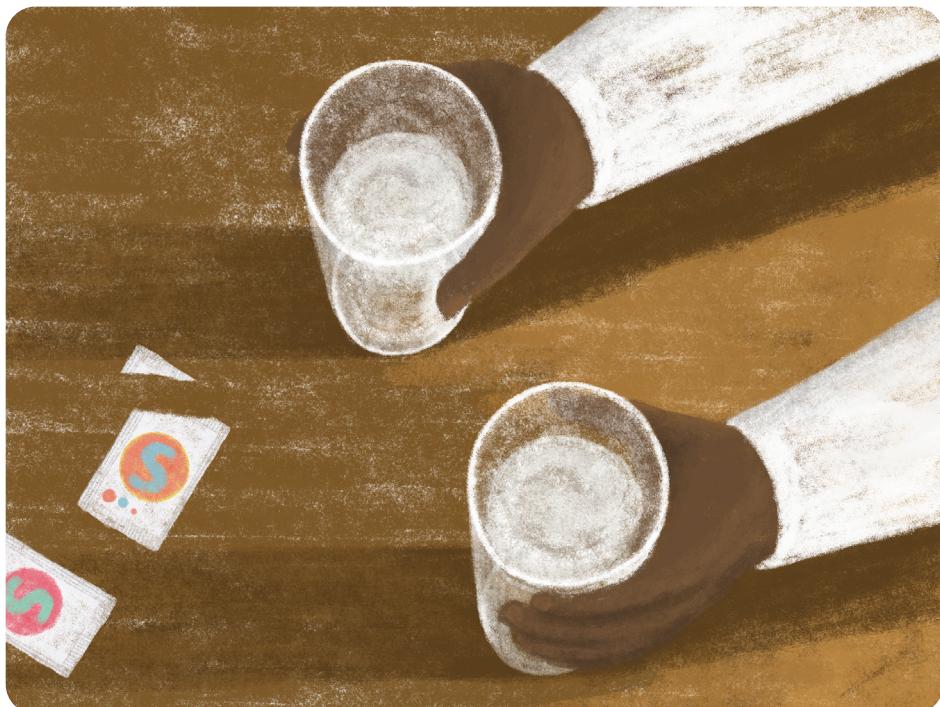




“Abantwana kufanele basela irhalasi linye lomdidiyelo khona lokho. Bese basela irhalasi linye nababuya ukuzuzithuma. Ngemuva kwalokho basela irhalasi linye ngeiri,” kuhlathulula umhlengikazi Phetha kuSazi noBathandi.



“Abadala kufanele basela amarhalasi amabili womdidiyelo khona lokho. Bese basela amarhalasi amabili nababuya ukuzuzithuma. Ngemuva kwalokho basela amarhalasi amabili nge-iri,” kuraga umhlengikazi Phetha.





Umhlengikazi Phetha unikela uSazi irhalai lomdidiyelo. Bese ubanikela ibhodlelo lomdidiyelo bonyana bakhambenalo ekhaya.

Bese ubayalela bonyana benzewabo umdidiyelo nabafika ekhaya.



Nabafika ekhaya, uBathandi wenza omunye ngokurhaba. USazi wasela umdidiyelo ngeiri elinye nelinye bewaziswa alulama. USazi wazithabela iinyeleliso zomhlengikazi Phetha.

