



Naka naNala bakhuluma ngemanti

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Naka naNala benta umsebenti
wesikolwa wasekhaya. Bafundza
ngemanti.

“Emanti ete umbala futsi akanambitseki,
kepha ayintfo leligugu kakhulu!”
kubabata Nala.



Naka uyavuma, “Yonkhe intfo lephilako idzinga emanti. Bantfu bawasebentisa emanti kute bawanatse, bapheke, bahlante indzawo futsi balime.”

“Baphindze bawasebentisele kwakha tintfo emafemini,” kwengeta Nala.



“Incenye lenguhhafu yemtimba yakhiwa ngemanti! Emanti akagcini nje ngekucedza koma. Imitimba yetfu iyawadzinga kute isebente,” kusho Naka.



“Indzawo lenkhulu emhlabeni imbonywe ngemanti, imifula, emachibi, kanye nelwandle,” kusho Nala.

Naka uvuma ngenhloko, “Tincenye letingetulu kwaletimbili kuletintsatfu teplanethi yetfu tingemanti.



“Kepha incumbi yemanti lasemhlabeni ngemanti laneluswayi. Mancane kakhulu langenalo luswayi, futsi ngiwo ladzingwa bantfu,” kusho Naka.



“Emanti eluswayi aneluswayi, futsi kumatima kukhipha luswayi kulamanti kantsi futsi kudulile. Bantfu abakhoni kunatsa emanti eluswayi, bakhona kunatsa kuphela emanti lete luswayi!” kuphawula Naka.



“Liciniso lelo, kungaleso sizatfu
kufuneka siyinakekele imitfombo yetfu
yemanti lete luswayi emhlabeni.
Kufanele singangcolisi imifula
nemachibi ngetibi,” kusho Nala.



“Ake sifundze ngemjikeleto wemanti,”
kusho Naka.

“Lena yinchubo lapho emanti
ahwamuka khona asuke emhlabeni aye
emoyeni, bese aphindze ehla,” kuchaza
Nala.



Nala uyachubeka, “Ematfonsi lamancane emanti ayakhuphuka aye esibhakabhakeni bese aba ngemafu. Emanti lasemafini ayancibilika awele emhlabeni abe yimvula, sangcotfo, nobe sitfwatfwa.”



Naka utsi, “Ngomile, ngidzinga emanti!”

Nala uyaphendvula, “Yebo, ingcondvo yakho idzinga emanti kute ikhone kucabanga nekufundza! Emanti akuphila, wasebentise kahle.”

—Imibuto

1. Bobani labadzinga emanti lete luswayi? Bawadzingelani?
2. Bhala imisebenti lengu-5 yemanti lete luswayi.
3. Emanti lasemhlabeni lamanyenti aneluswayi nobe ete luswayi? Chaza.
4. Dweba umjikeleto wemanti. Sebentisa emagama lakulendzaba kute uchaze loko lokwentekako.
5. Kuyini kugucugucuka kwesimo selitulu?
6. Chaza tindlela letintsatfu kugucuka kwesimo selitulu lokutsintsa ngato emanti emhlabeni.



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