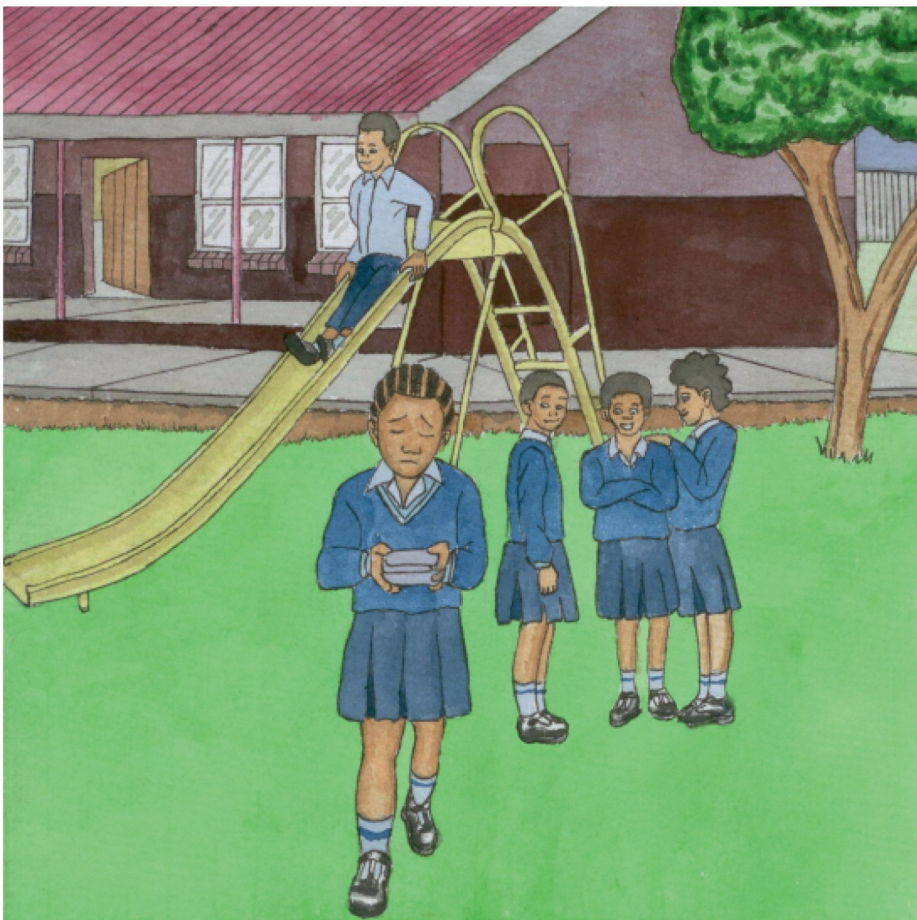




USihle uneminyaka elikhomba ubudala.

Uyokufunda esikolweni samabanga aphasi.

Unina umfakela ukudla kwemini woke malanga.



Ngelinye ilanga, abantwana bebadla baboke ngaphasi komuthi.

USihle wazicabangela wathi, "Namhlanjesi ngizokudla nabo. Bebaqaleka bathabile, babelana begodu bacoca."



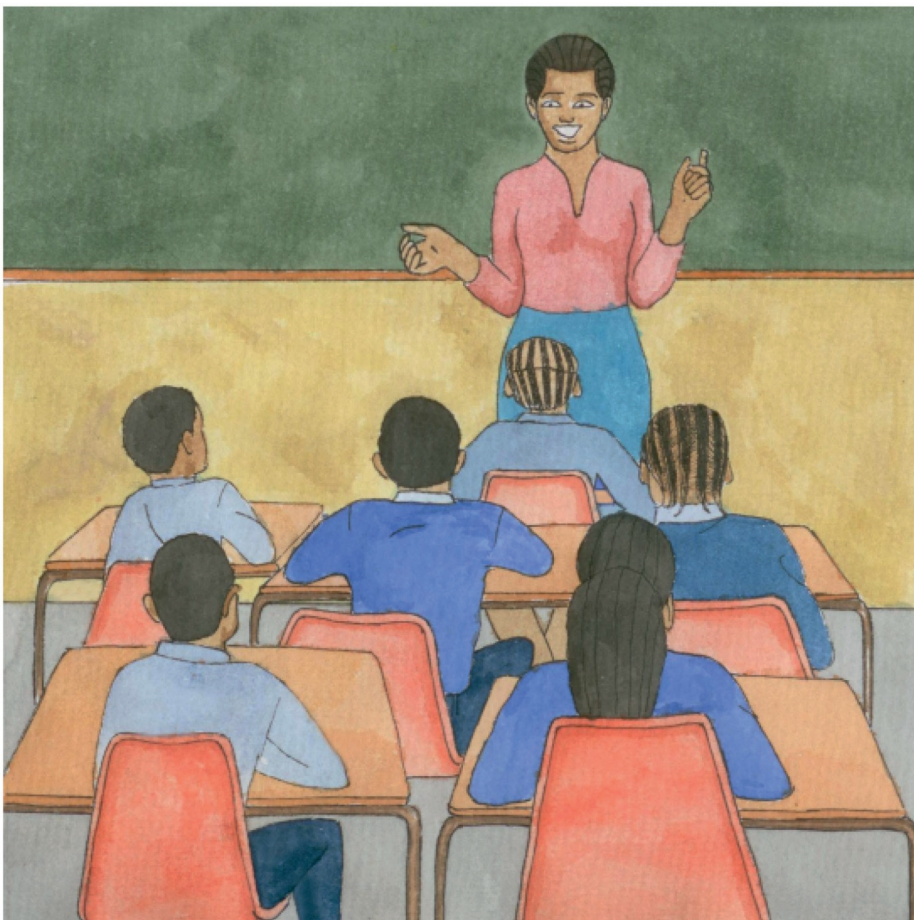
Lokha uSihle nakatjhinga kibo, abantwana bebangafuni ukumkhulumisa. Wasuka wakhamba, wahloma ihloko phasi.

Utijhere uMthetho wakubona lokho okwenzekileko.



USihle waya ngemuva kwetlasi lakhe. Utitjhere uMthetho wamlandela.

“Abanye abantwana abafuni ukuba nami ngesimanga sobulwele enginabo,” kutjho uSihle atjela utitjhere uMthetho.



Ekukhambeni kwesikhathi, utitjhere wakhuluma nabantwana.

Utitjhere wabahlathululela bona, "Umulwana we-HIV urhatjwa kuhlangua kweengazi namkha amanzana angaphakathi kwemizimba yethu."



Utijhere uMthetho waraga wathi, "Umulwana we-HIV awurhatjhwa kudlala ninoke, ukudla ninoke namkha ukusingathana."

"Ningadlala nidle noke. Ningasingathana."



Abantwana be bathabile ukufunda amaphuzu amayelana ne-HIV.

Beqa basingatha uSihle, "Siyacolisa akhange sibe nomusa kuwe."



Ukusukela mhlokho, uSihle wakuthabela ukuba sesikolweni.
Wadlala kamnandi nabanye abantwana ngokukhululeka.