



UKatsu noNja babangani abakhulu.

Bathatha isiqunto sokukhamba bayokuvakatjhela umngani wabo, uDzinyani ngelanga lakhe lokubelethwa.

UDzinyani bekhahlala kwesinye isigodi. Kuzokuthatha uKatsu noNja amalanga amabili ukobana bafike khona.



UNja noKatstu bebaziphethe ngeendlela ezihlukileko.

UNja bekathanda ukudla nokulala kwesinye isikhathi  
bekaba nakho ukuganga.

UKatsu bekanomusa, anezwelo begodu bekungathenjelwa  
kuye.

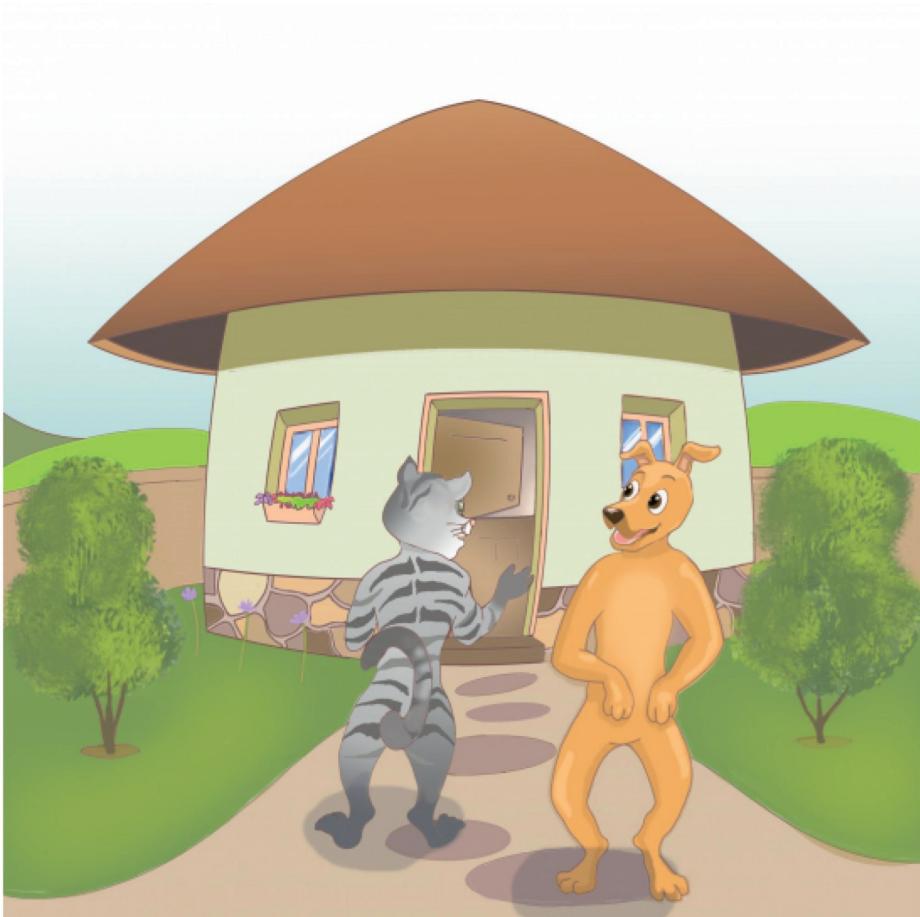
Bahlangana endaweni kaNja ukobana batlame ikhambo  
labo.



"Ngizakuletha ukudla kwelanga lokuthoma," kutjho uNja ngokuzinikela.

"Mina ngizakuletha kwelanga lesibili", kutjho uKatsu.

Batlola koke phasi ukobana bangakhohlwa.



"Kuzokuba mnandi ukubona uDzinyani msinya.  
Sekusikhathi eside nokho singasamboni umngani wethu,"  
kutjho uNja nakaphekelela uKatsu ekhaya.  
Ngiyathokoza ukobana ungiphekelele," kutjho uKatsu kuNja.



Ngelanga elilandelako, bahlangana ekuseni khulu ukobana bathome ikhambo labo.

Bebakhamba bavuma bagida indlela yoke bathabile.

Ngemuva kwesikhatjhana, baphumula ngaphasi komuthi omkhulu. "Wu! Sengilambile! Yewize sidle," kutjho uKatsu.



Msinyazana uNja waphakela ukudla ngeenkotelweni ezimbili. Ukudla kwakunamafutha begodu kumanzana.

UKatsu wabuza, "Ingabe kukudla osithengele ukobana sikudle sobabili?"

UKatsu bekasingekile ngombana umngani wakhe akhange eze nokudla abavumelene ngakho. Akhange adle ukudla kwakaNja.



"Alo kubayini ulindile?" kubuza uNja. Wabe anethemba lokobana uKatsu uzakulisa ukabalabala adle.

Ngokusilingeka, uKatsu wabuza, "Kubayini uze nokudla okuthandwa nguwe kwaphela?"

UNja wadla msinya bekwawa nesikotlelo.

Koke ukudla lokha kwakaNja kwaphalakela phasi ehlabathini.



"Ungatshwenyeki mngani," kutjho uKatsu.

UKatsu wakhupha amasanghweji amahle khulu.

Wathoma wadla. UNja waqala ukudla kwakaKatsu  
akurhalela.

UKatsu nasele aqede ukudla, wapaka bewatjela uNja wathi,  
"Singaragela phambili nekhambo lethu?"



Akhange basakhulumisana indlela yoke.

Amathumbu kaNja athoma ukulila.

Ebusuku bamhloko, uKatsu waziphakela ayedwa.  
Wakhamba wayokulala athabile ngombana bekeze nokudla  
okwaneleko.

UNja walala ngendlala.



Ekuseni, uKatsu wazenzela ukudlana kwekuseni  
okuncazana. UNja wabhalelwa kuzibamba wasoloko  
akakamale ukudla kwakaKatsu.

UKatsu wapha uNja okhunye ukudla.

UNja wathi, “Ngibawa ungilibalele. Ngibe namarhamaru  
ngazicabangela ngingedwa.”

UKatsu wamphendula wathi, “Buya sizokudla soke.”

Bahlala phasi badla.



Nabaraga ngekhambo labo, besele babangani godu! Bafika endlini kaDzinyani ngesikhathi.

"Libe njani ikhambo lenu bangani?" kubuza uDzinyani.

Baqalana bamomotheka, uNja noKatsu baphendula bathi,  
"Belimnandi khulu."



Kwamambala kwaba mnyanya omkhulu welanga  
lamabeletho.

Badla, bavuma bagida!