



Iholideyi ka-Alina

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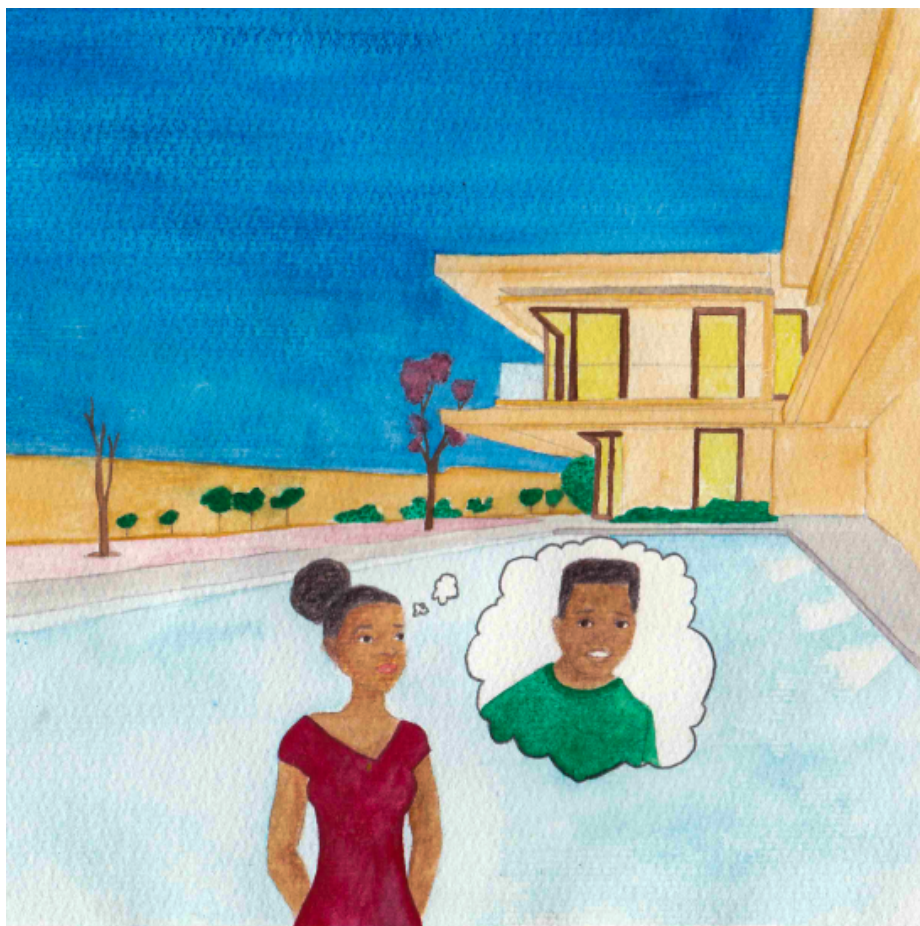
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Edorobheni engihlala kilo, kwakunomma onjingileko
ibizo lakhe kungu-Alina.

U-Alina wabe ahlala endlini ekulu ehle esithabathaba.
Wabe anakho koke, kodwana wabe anganalo ithabo.



Ngelinye ilanga u-Alinah wabe akhamba eduze kwesithabathaba sakhe.

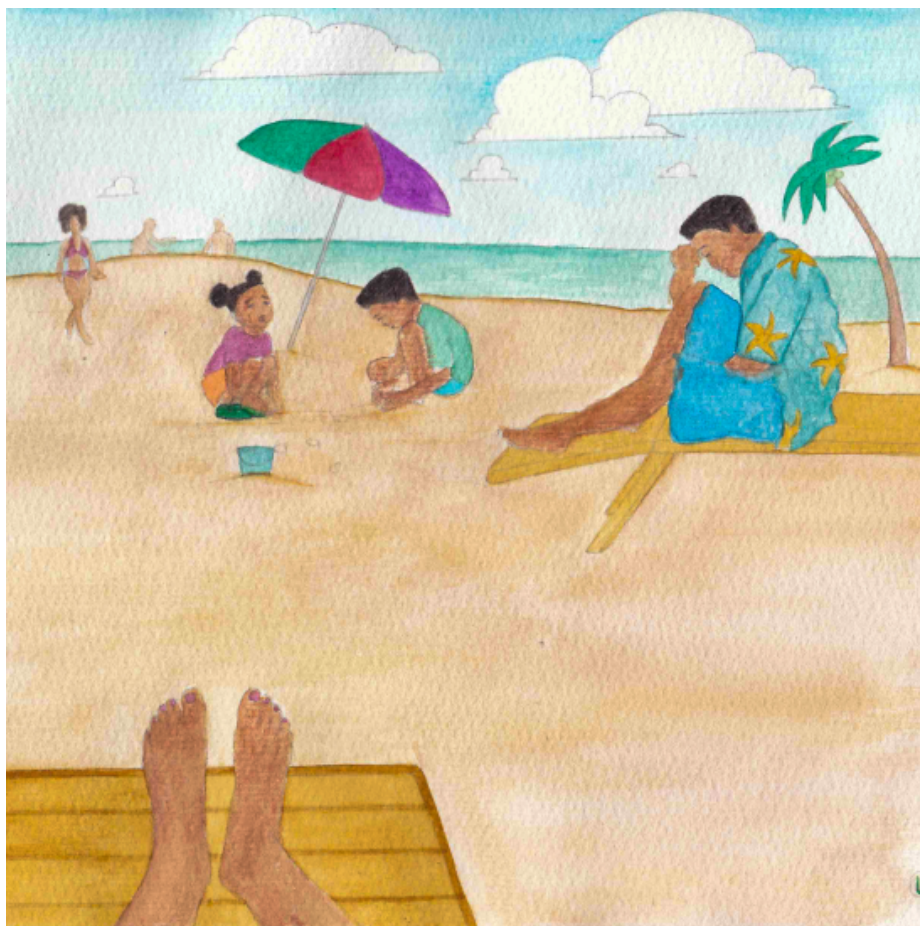
Wamomotheka lokha nakacabangako, “Ngingathanda ukuhlangana nabantu abatjha. Mhlamunye ngingazitholela abangani abatjha nange ngiya eholideyini. Kwazi bani ngingahlangana nomuntu okhethekileko.”



U-Alina waplana iholideyi yokuya elwandle elihle khulu enarheni.

Wabe athabe khulu lokha ilanga lekhambo lakhe nalifikako.

Wafika wangena msinya waledlha ehotela ukobana athabele ivakatjho lakhe ehotela esendaweni ehle le.



U-Alina walala elwandle waledlha. Wabe abukela abantu abazikhambelako.

Msinyazana wabona indoda eyabe ikhamba nabantwana ababili. Umndeni lo bewungaqaaleki sengathi uthabile.

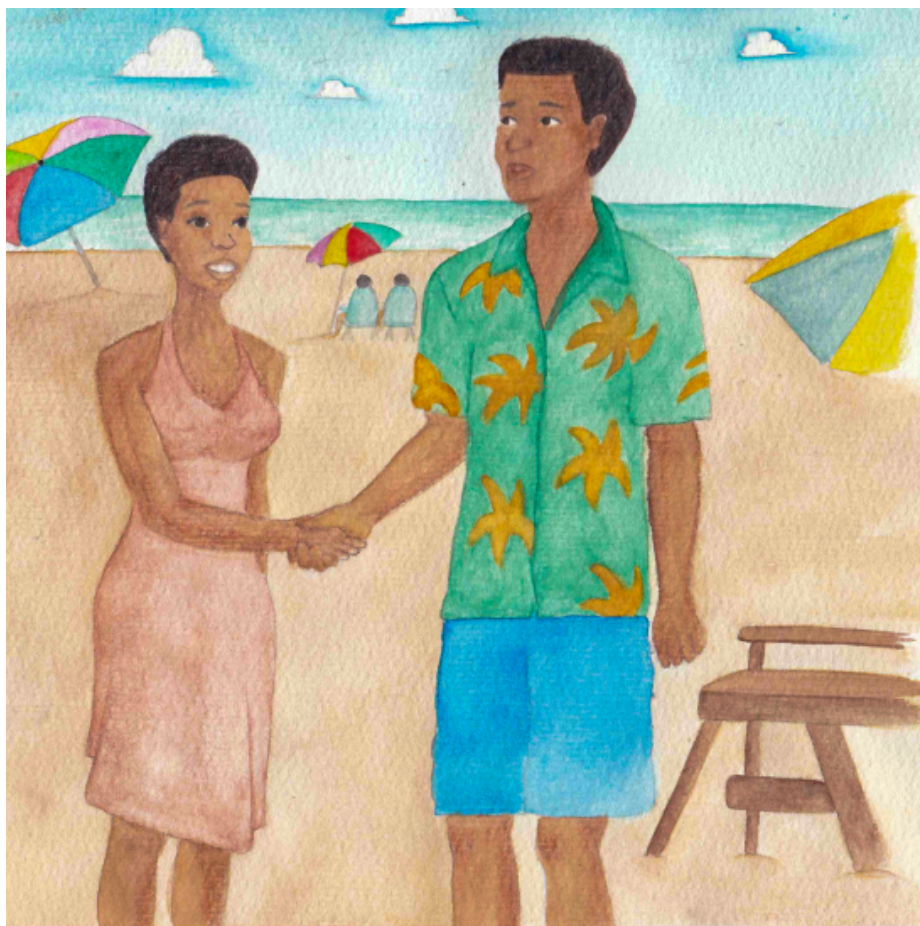
Boke bebaqaaleka bangakathabi. Abantwana bebazidlalela ngesidu.



U-Alina wazibuza bona, “ingabe kuza njani batlhuwise kangaka endaweni ehle kangaka.”

Ekukhambeni kwelanga, bekaduda edamini lehotela lokha abantwana bendoda le nabezako bazokududa.

U-Alina bekafuna ukwazi begodu wathoma wacoca nabo.



Amabizo wabantwana laba kwakunguKarembo
noKazungu.

Batjela u-Alina bona leli bekulikhambo labo lokuthoma
lokuya eholidayini soloko unina ahlongakalako.

Lokha u-Alina nakahlangana noyise wabantwana laba,
wabona ubuhlungu besizi nokulahlekelwa emehlweni
wakhe.

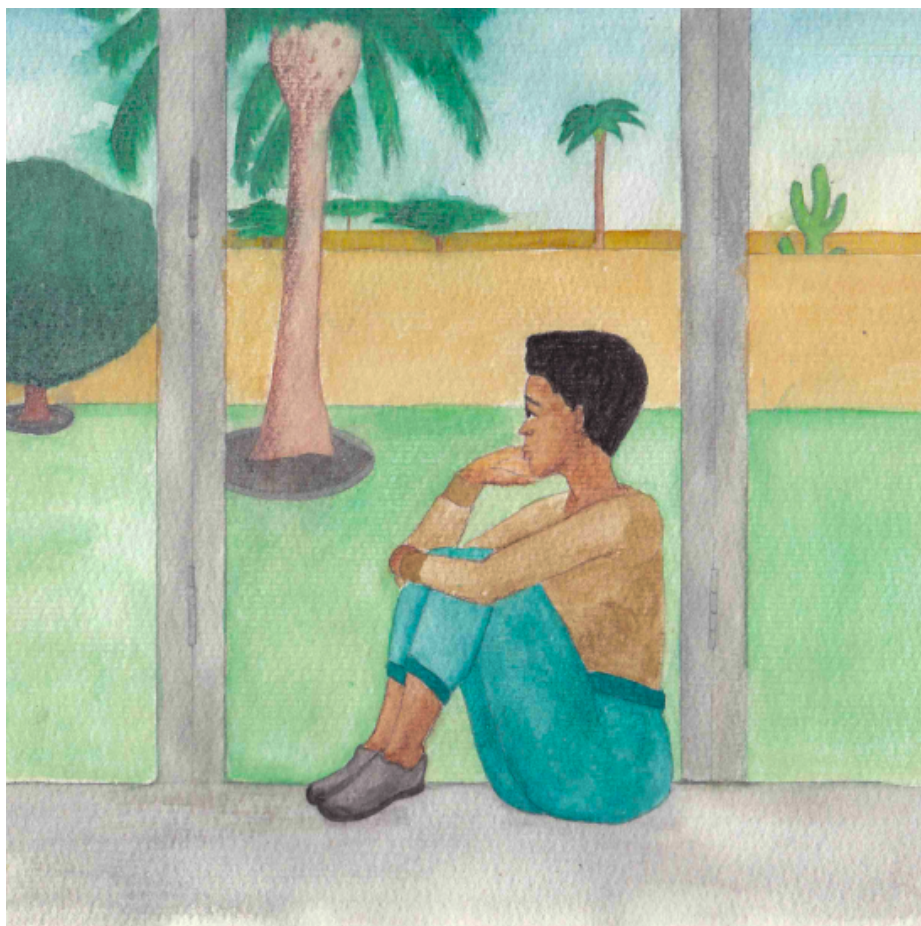
Ibizo lakhe kwakunguClemens.



UClemens, u-Alinah besele bakhamba boke baledlhile.

UKaremba banoKazungu bathabela ukudlala no-Alina elwandle.

U-Alina wabafundisa ukuluka iimantji ngamakari womuthi kanye nokwenza izindlu ngesanda.



Amalanga adlula kamnandi elangeni.

U-Alina bekangasafuni ukubuyela esithabathabeni somuzi wakhe onesizungu.

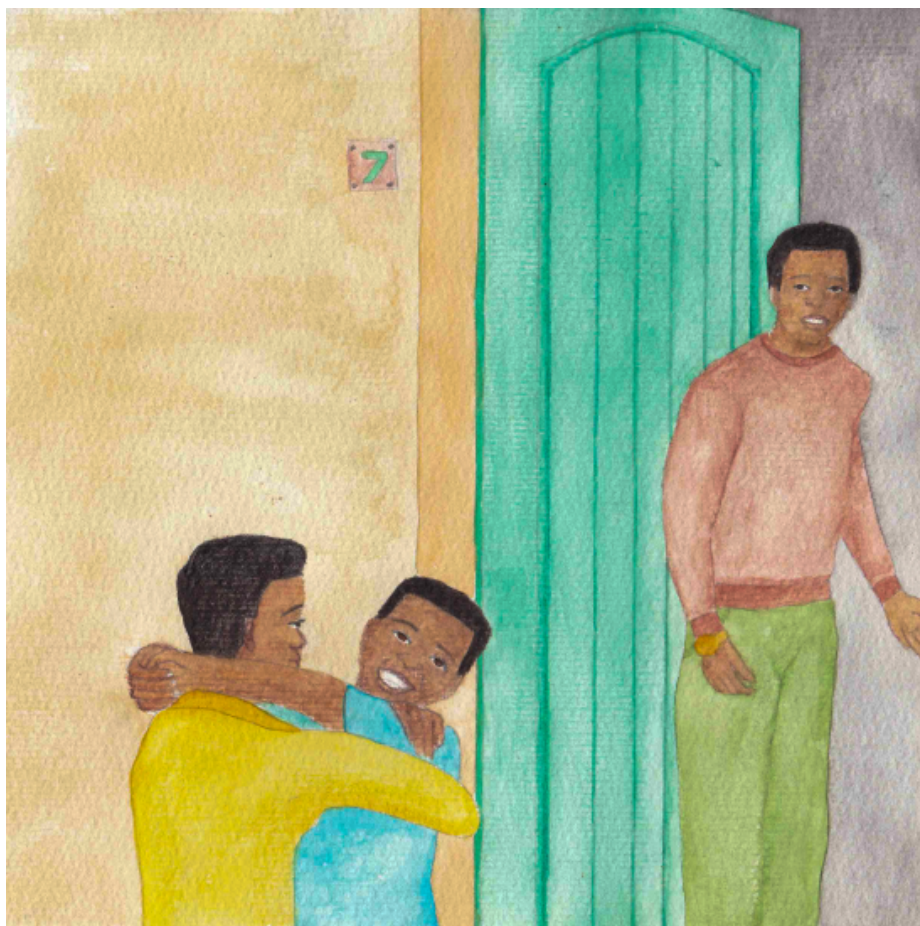
“Iholideyi yami seiyaphela. Mhlamunye nange ngingezelela amalanga wami wokuhlala, angeze ngatluwa kangaka, “utjho azibuza.



Mhlokho ebusuku, u-Alina wezwa sengathi kunomuntu okokodako emnyango. Nakavula umnyango, wathola uKarembo noKazungu bajame emnyango.

Bakhuluma kanyekanye bathi, “Sifuna ube ngumma wethu!”

U-Alina akhange azi bona abaphendule athini.



Ngemuva kobana bakhulume, u-Alina wakhamba noKaremba banoKazungu waya nabo ekamerweni labo.

Ukubona abantwana bakhe bathabile nabano-Alina kwenza bona uClemens amomothoke. Wasingatha abantwana wathi balale kamnandi.

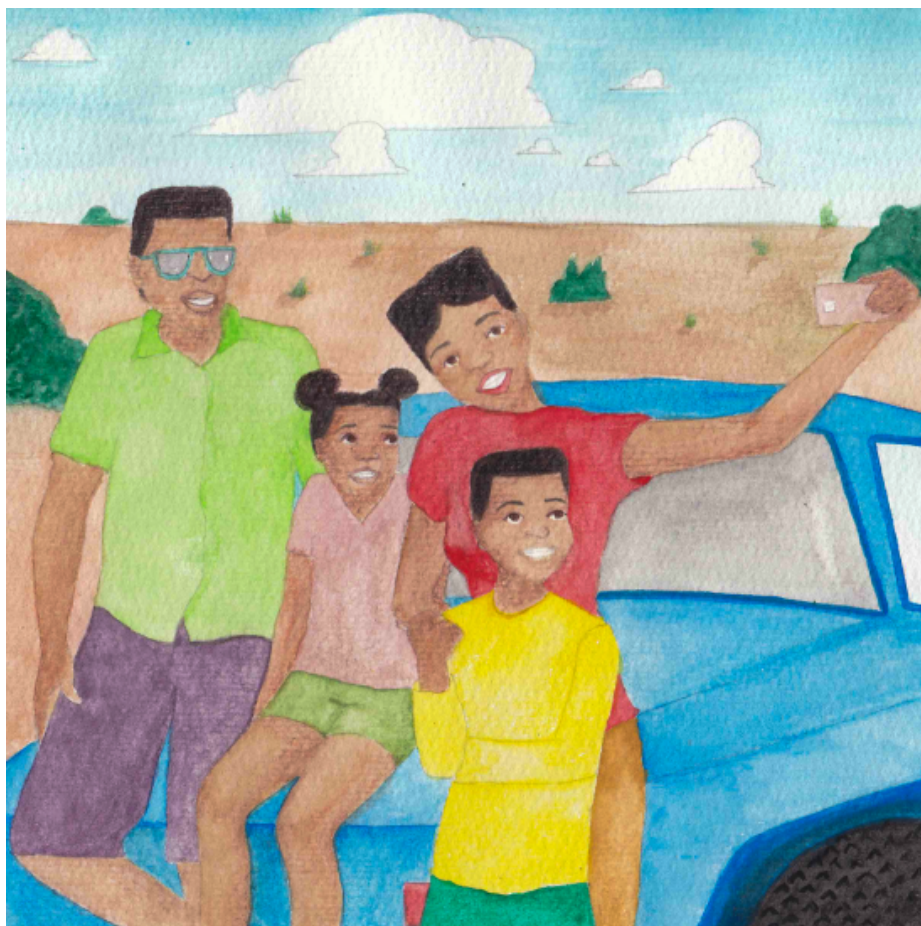
U-Alina wazitjela wathi, "Ngihlangene nabantu abathathu abakhethekileko."



Ekuseni u-Alina wakhamba wayokuhlala noClemens nabantwana bakhe badla ukudla kwekuseni.

UKaremba banoKazungu baqaleka bamethemba khulu u-Alina lokha nakahlala phasi.

“Ingabe kukhona into eyenzekako?” Kubuza uClemens, amomotheka nakaqala ubuso babantwana bakhe.



Ngemuva komnyaka owodwa, u-Alina banoClemens bebatjhadile!

Qobe mnyaka, umndeni bewukhamba uyokuvakatjhela ilwandle elihle leli ukobana bazokugidinga ukuhlanguka kwabo kokuthoma.

Badlala emanzini babumba izindlu zesanda, njengalokha benza lokha nabahlangana kokuthoma.



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