



Bukakanelo e, e ka ga Bonisile John Kani.

O tsetswe ka 1943 kwa New Brighton, mo toropong ya Qheberha. Bonnyaneng ba gagwe o ne a rata dikgang le go diragatsa.

Mosimane yo, go tswa Kapa Botlhaba, o godile go nna modiragatsi, mokwadi le motlhagisi yo o itsegeng lefatshe ka bophara!



Kokoagwe John o ne a simolola go mo tlotlela dikgang.

O mo tlotletse mainaane a mantsi, a mo ruta le go tlhama dikgang.

Maitseboa mangwe le mangwe, fa go robalwa, kokoagwe John o ne a mo tlotlela dikgang.

Dikgang di ne di tshosa, e le tsa moloi wa meno a matelele le dinala tse di telele.



Ka letsatsi lengwe, kokoagwe a kopa John go mo tlotlela kgang.

A simolola ka gore, "Bogologolotala, go ne go le mosadimogolo, yo o neng a batla go bolelela bana dikgang tsa gagwe!"

John o ne a kgatlhegela go tsaya dikgang. O simolotse go diragatsa mo diterameng tsa sekolo.

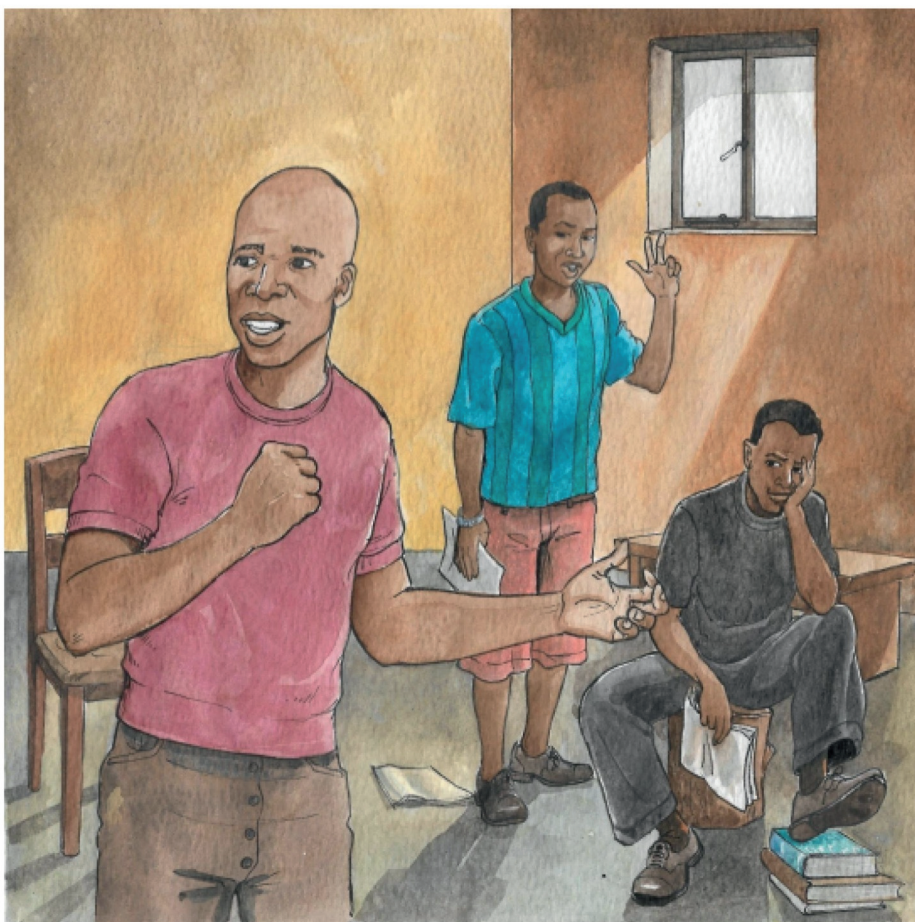
Terama ke kgang e e diragatswang ke badiragatsi.



Badiragatsi ba kgona go fetola mantswe a bona go itira e kete ke batho ba ba farologaneng. Ba diragatsa jaaka badiragatsi mo diterameng le difilimi.

Fa John a le monnye, o ne a tle a bogele difilimi le ditsala, tse di neng di sa tlhaloganye English.

John o ne a ba tlhalosetsa mmuisano wa English, a diragatsa jaaka badiragatsi ba ba farologaneng.



Fa a fetsa dithuto tsa gagwe tsa sekolo se segolo, John o ne a dira kwa bodirelong.

O ne a tsenela sethlopha sa badiragatsi, ba ba dirang ditiro tse dingwe. Bontsi e ne e le batho bantsho.

John o ne a re, "Re ne re se fela sethlopha sa badiragatsi. Re ne re le masole mo seraleng. Re dirisitse botaki go bua kगतलhanong le botlhokotsebe.

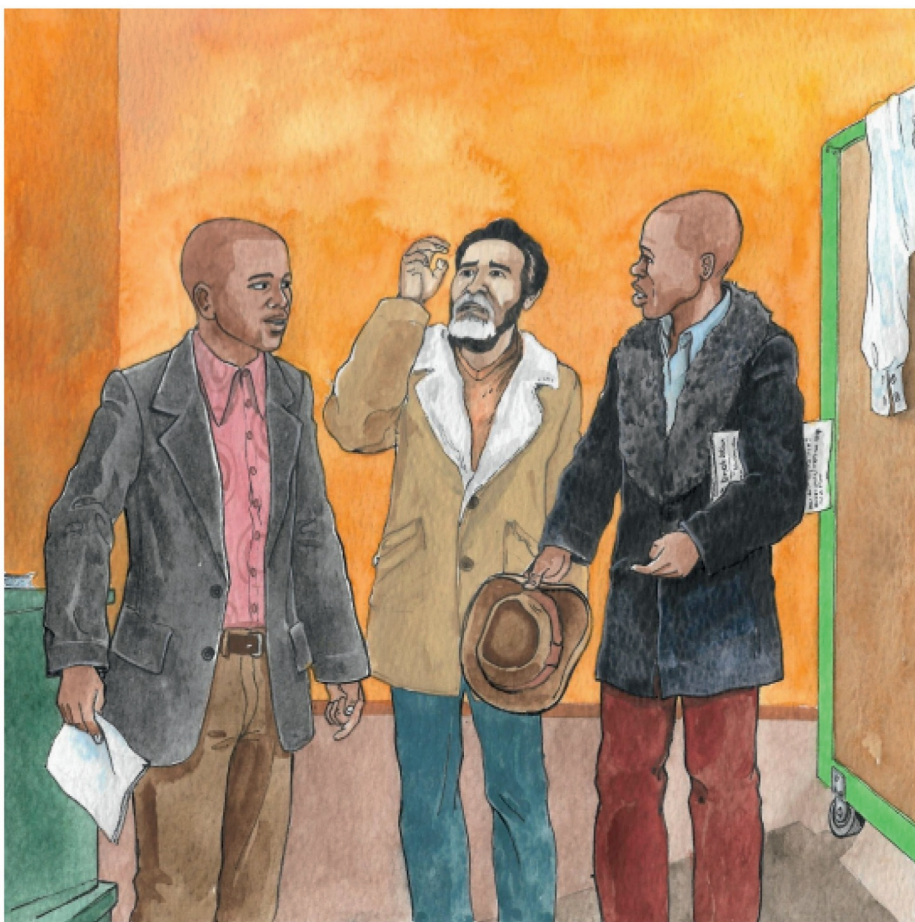


Ka nako e, John a nna tsala e kgolo le modiragatsi, Winston Ntshona. Ba simolola go tlhama diterama mmogo.

Ba ne ba le mo sethopheng sa terama se se bidiwang *Serpent Players*.

Tiragatso ya sethopho se ya ntlha e ne e le mo mosimeng wa noga o o lolea kwa serapeng sa diphologolo sa Gqeberha.

Ke ka moo ba neng ba ipitsa *Serpent Players*.



Serpent Players e ne e rulaganntswe ke Athol Fugard, modiragatsi le mokwadi mongwe.

Athol, John le Winston, ba dirile mmogo go tlhama diterama tsa bothokwa mo tshimologong ya 1970.

Metshameko e, e ne e le ka ditlamorago tsa tlhaolele mo Bantshong.

Diterama di bidiwa 'Sizwe Banzi is Dead' le 'The Island'.



'Sizwe Banzi is Dead', e ka ga molao wa dipasa, fa Bantsho ba ne ba tshwanetse go tshola makwaloitshupo a dompase.

Sizwe Banzi a ka se dire gonne ga a bone tumelelo mo paseng ya gagwe.

'The Island' e ka ga banna ba babedi kwa Robben Island, bao ba neng ba le mo kgolegelong e e itsegeng ya batshwarwa ba dipolitiki.



Ka 1975 kwa New York, John le Winston ba gapile dikabo tsa Tony tsa 'Sizwe Banzi Is Dead' le 'The Island'.

Kabo ya Tony ke ya botlhokwa ya boditšhabatšhaba ya terama ya thieta. (Diterama di diragatswa mo thieta).

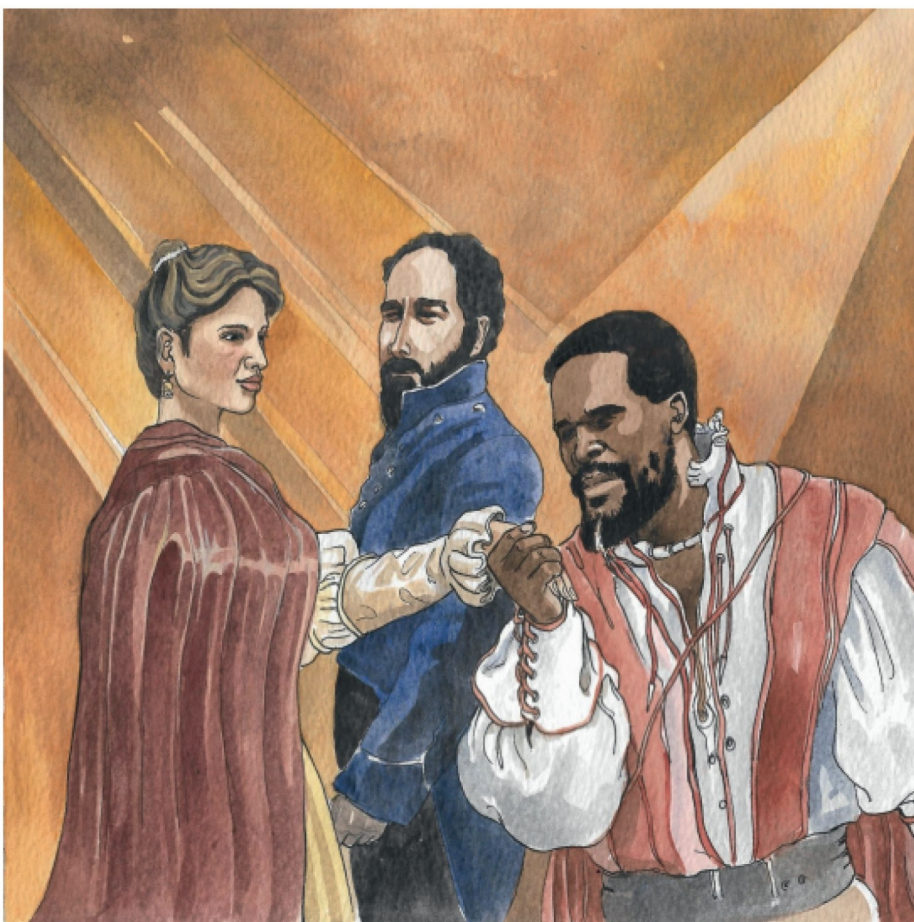
John a simolola go dira le motlhagisi wa thieta e bong Barney Simon.



John le Barney ba tlhamile *Market Theatre Laboratory*, e le karolo ya *Market Theatre* mo Johannesburg.

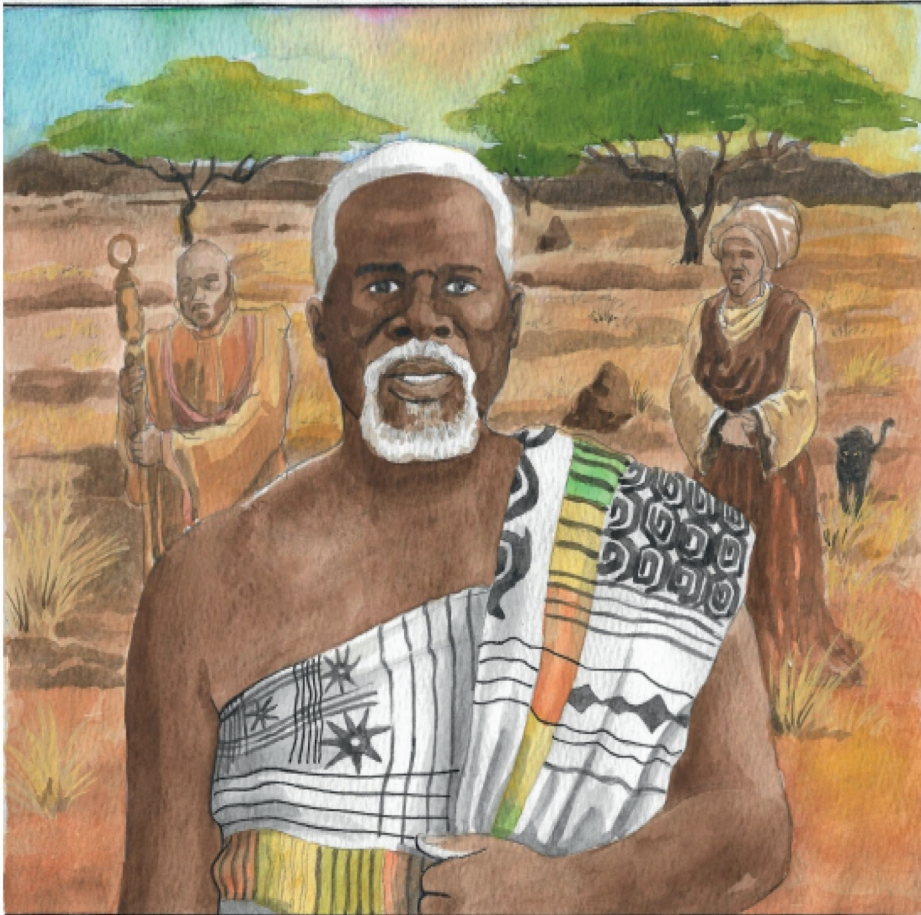
Laboratory e rupisa batho ba ba ratang go dira mo thieta, segolo go diragatsa.

Ka 2014, *Market Theatre* e fetotse leina la lefelo la yona le legolo go nna *John Kani Theatre*, go mo tlotlomatsa.



Ka 2002, John o ikwaletse terama ya gagwe ya ntlha. E bidiwa 'Nothing but the Truth' mme e tlhomilwe mo Aforika Borwa morago ga tthaolele.

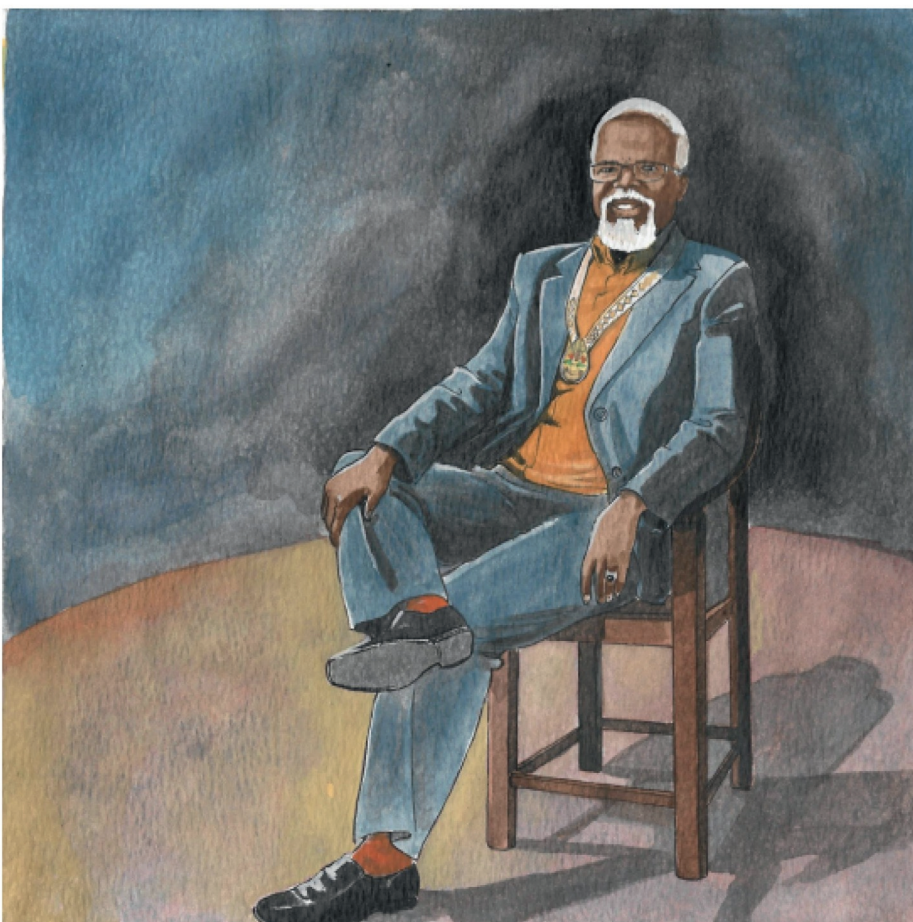
Morago ga dingwaga, o diragaditse mo diterameng tsa mefutafuta, go akaretsa "Othello" ka William Shakespeare, le 'Miss Julie' ka August Stringent.



John o diragaditse mo metseletseleng ya mananeo le difilimi tsa TV ka 2016, o tshamekile *King T'Chaka of Wakanda* mo filiming ya 'Captain America: Civil War'.

Morago ga dingwaga tse pedi, o tshamekile King Wakanda mo filiming ya 'Black Panther'.

John o tthagisitse isiXhosa jaaka puo ya Wakanda.



Ka 2005, Mmuso wa Aforika Borwa o abetse John kabo ya *The Order of Ikhamanga*.

Kabo e, ke ya tiro e e gaisang mo lefapheng la boitlhamedi, sekai, mo thieta, dikwalo, mmino, kgotsa bobegakang.

Gompieno, John o sa ntse a kwala, a diragatsa, le go atlega mo thieta.



Se ke se John Kani o se buang ka katlego ya gagwe.
“Thieta, go kwala le go diragatsa go nkgontsha go
amana le se se diragalang mo teng ga me, mo
tengteng ga mowa wa me.”O nagana gore o raya
eng? Tlotla ka se le ba bangwe.



—Dipotso

1. Ke mang yo o rotloeditseng John Kani go anela dikgang? Ke goreng o rialo?
2. Tlhalosa gore batho ba, ba dira eng mo thieta: modiragatsi, mokwadi, motlhagisi.
3. Leina la setlhopha sa terama sa tshimologo ya *'The Serpent Players'* ke mang?
4. Batlisisa gore a go na le setlhopha sa thieta mo tikologong ya lona.



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