



Isithomo esitjha



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USifiso msana olelesako. Uneminyaka 14
ubudala. Lihlongandlebe. Unemikghwa
emimbi. UNom. Masilela nguyise kaSifiso.
Akazi bonyana enzeni kwanjesi.





“Sifiso, wenzeni okhunye namhlanje?”
kukhalima uyise kaSifiso.

“Umsana lo uzongibangela ubulwele
behliziyo. Ngidiniwe nguye.”



Abahlali bakwaHlanga nabo besele badiniwe mimikghwa yakhe. BekunguSifiso la, kunguSifiso nalapha. Wabe eba amaqanda neenkukhu zawo. Bekungekho okumdlulako.





Wabe anomthelela omubi ebanganini bakhe. Kwabe kunguye obangela bonyana benze izinto ezimbi. Wabe athelisa nabanye abantwana. Wabe atshwenya okubabazekako.



Ngobunye ubusuku, ngesikhathi abantu
balele, wanyonyoba waphuma ngebadi
langemuva. Abangani bakhe babe
bamlindele ngaphasi komuthi.





USifiso nabangani bakhe baphula isango
lesibaya. Kwaba buyaluyalu esibayeni.
Babe bafuna ukweba be bathengise imbuzi
emhlophe.



Abesana laba bakhetha imbuzi emhlophe.
Imbuzi yabalekela emuva ngesibayeni.
Abesana bakhokha umoya, ngemva
kwalapho balinga godu. Batjhelela bawa.
Bavuka bagijimisa imbuzi.





Ngombana isango lesibaya laliphukile, iimbuzi zaqhula abesana bawela phasi, zona zeqa zaphuma. Zagijimela esimini yesiphila kwamakhelwana. Kwakubuyaluyalu esimini.



Abesana balinga ukuvimba iimbuzi kodwana babhalelwa. Bakwazi ukubamba imbuzi emhlophe bayifihla.

Bayifihla ekoloyini edala bonyana ingakwazi ukubaleka.





Uyise kaSifiso nakavukako wafumana isibaya sikhamisile neembuzi zingekho. Wajama esangweni lesibaya eliphukileko adane kwamambala. Wabe asazi kuhle bonyana ngubani owenze isenzo lesi.



USifiso wathi nakabona bonyana uyise udane kangangani, wazisola ngesenzo sakhe, bese wakhamba wayokuthatha imbuzi emhlophe. Wabawa ukulitjalelwa nguyise bewathembisa bonyana uzakulungisa ubutjhapho bakhe.





Abesaba bakhamba bayokufuna ezinye
iimbuzi ezibalekileko phezu kwentaba.
Bazithola, baziraga babuyela nazo ekhaya.



Nabafika ekhaya, balungisa isibaya. Ngemva kwalapho baraga iimbuzi bazingenisa ngesibayeni.





USifiso wabe athoga amano wokulungisa imikghwa yakhe emphakathini. Ukungathandwa babantu kwabe kungamthabisi. Waba neqhinga lokubuthelela abangani bemphakathini wakhe.



Wabatjela ngeqhinga lakhe lokuthoma
isiqhema selutjha esihlwengisa emphakathini.
Ngaphezulu kwalokho bathoma nehlelo
lengadi yemirrorho. Banikela imirrorho
kabathogako neentandani.





Kwabathabisa khulu lokhu emphakathini
bebanikela nangamathulusi. Iinqhema
ezinengi zokusiza zasungulwa, ilutjha lasiza
nemakhayeni wabadala.



USifiso wasebenzisa isikhathi sakhe esinengi nelutjha. Wabe abakhuthaza ngemikghwa emihle. USifiso wathola unongorwana wokuba mrholi ophambili welutjha emnyakeni ogadungileko.





USifiso nawo woke umphakathi bathabela unongorwana nemikghwa yakhe etjhugulukileko.

USifiso waba sibonelo esihle elutjheni.



Ihlelo elithonywe nguSifiso lisaraga nanamhlanje. Ilutjha elinye nelinye liyakhula bese litjhidela elinye elizakuraga nehlelo. Leli hlelo limugogodlha wesitjhaba saKwaHlanga.

