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## Tell a story!

Tell a Story Day on 27 April 2020, celebrates storytelling of all kinds – stories read aloud from books, stories that are told, as well as stories acted on stages, in movies and in puppet shows.

Read our tips below for telling stories to your children, and enjoy our special puppet-show activity on page 2!

### GETTING STARTED WITH STORYTELLING

- ★ Choose a time of day which works best for you all. Some children enjoy listening to stories at bedtime, but others find it easier to concentrate during the day.
- ★ The children need to feel comfortable and have something soft to sit on.
- 🔶 It shouldn't be too noisy, so that they can hear easily.
- Choosing stories that you know well, helps you to tell them with confidence. Also make sure that the stories are suitable for your children's ages.

### HOW TO TELL A STORY

- 1. Before you tell the story, ask questions connected to the story and your children's experience of the world. This helps to spark their interest.
- 2. Don't talk too fast when you tell the story. Children need time to think about what they are hearing.
- 3. Put lots of expression in your voice to create the mood, and use a different voice for each character when she/he speaks.
- Use body gestures and actions. For example, if the character is cross and stomping around, stamp your feet as you tell the story.
- 5. Ask open-ended questions or make open-ended comments, for example, "What do you think will happen next?" and "I wonder how she felt while she hid in the forest." These help children think about the story and understand it better.
- After you have told the story, encourage your children to share any questions or comments they may have. Try to find answers to their questions together.

## Anela leinane!

Letsatsi la Anela Leinane ka 27 Moranang 2020, ke keteko moletlo wa kaneloleinane la mefuta yotlhe – mainane a a buisetswang kwa godimo go tswa mo dibukeng, mainane a a anelwang, gammogo le mainane a a diragadiwang mo seraleng, ditshwantsho tsa baesekopo gammogo le metshameko ya diphaphete.

Buisa maele a rona fa tlase a go anela bana mainane, mme o itumelele tiragatso ya motshameko wa diphaphete o o kgethegileng mo go tsebe 2!

### GO SIMOLOLA KA KANELO YA MAINANE

- ★ Tlhopha nako mo letsatsing e e lo siametseng lotlhe. Bana bangwe ba itumelela go reetsa mainane ka nako ya go robala, fela ba bangwe ba utlwa go le bonolo go reetsa sentle motshegare.
- Bana ba tshwanetse go ikutlwa ba lokologile mme ba nne mo godimo ga sengwe se se bonojana.
- ★ Go se nne le modumo o o kwa godimo, gore ba kgone go reetsa sentle.
- Go tlhopha mainane a o a itseng sentle, go go thusa go anela ka boitshepo. Gape netefatsa gore mainane a tshwanela dingwaga tsa bana.

### TSELA YA GO ANELA LEINANE

- 1. Pele o anela leinane, botsa dipotso tse di nyalanang le leinane gammogo le maitemogelo a bana a lefatshe. Se se thusa go tsosolosa kgatlhego mo go bona.
- 2. O seke wa bua ka bonako fa o anela leinane. Bana ba tlhoka nako ya go akanya ka se ba se utlwang.
- 3. Tsenya tlhagisomaikutlo mo lentsweng la gago go aga maikutlo, dirisa mantswe a a farologaneng mo tlhagisong ya modiragatsi mongwe le mongwe fa a bua.
- Dirisa puo ya matsogo le tiragatso. Sekao, fa modiragatsi a tenegile e bile a kiba, le wena kiba ka dinao fa o anela leinanane.
- 5. Botsa dipotso tse di sa tlhokeng dikarabo kgotsa dira ditshwaelo tse di sa tlhokeng dikarabo, sekao, "O akanya gore go tla diragala eng se se latelang?" kgotsa "Ke ipotsa gore o ne a ikutlwa jang fa a ne a iphitlhile mo sekgweng." Se se dira gore bana ba akanye ka leinane le go le tlhaloganya sentle.
  - Fa o fetsa go anela leinane, rotloetsa bana ba gago go arogana dipotso kgotsa ditshwaelo tse ba nang le tsona. Leka go bona dikarabo tsa dipotso tsa bona mmogo.

### The benefits of stories

Research shows that:

- introducing children to stories and books at home before they start school helps them to do better at school.
- telling stories to school-aged children boosts their language skills, feeds their imaginations and helps them to think about new ideas.

### Mesola ya mainane

Dipatlisiso di supa gore:

- O go ruta bana mainane le go ba ruta dibuka kwa gae pele ba simolola sekolo go thusa gore ba dire sentle kwa sekololong.
- go anela bana ba ba tsenang sekolo mainane go thusa bana ka bokgoni jwa puo, go nonotsha dikakanyo tsa bona e bile go ba thusa go tla ka megopolo e mentšhwa.

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### Get creative! Nna le boithamedi! 🖈 ☆ 🛠 Using puppets is a great way to get children Tiriso ya diphaphete ke tsela e to retell the stories you have read to them, e siameng ya go dira gore bana and to encourage them to make up their ba anele sešwa mainane a o ba own stories! Here are some suggestions for buiseditseng ona, le go ba rotloetsa how to create a puppet show. go itirela mainane a bona! Tse di latelang ke ditshitshinyo tsa gore motshameko wa diphaphete o ka dirwa jang. Make stick puppets AL'BALI **Dira diphaphete** Showtime! tsa ditlhokwa Follow the instructions for making Latela ditaelo go dira diphaphete tsa stick puppets of the Nal'ibali ditlhokwa tsa badiragatsi ba Nal'ibali characters or let your children kgotsa letla bana ba gago go itirela create their own story characters. badiragatsi ba mainane a bona. 2. Cut out each picture. Find a thin stick Glue a small piece of paper over the end 1. Cut out the pictures of the Nal'ibali characters 3. on page 3 or use the characters you have (about as long as a ruler) for each of the stick on the back of each picture. collected in past editions of the supplement. character - you could use kebab sticks (If your children are creating their own story or any stick you find outside. Use glue or 3. Kgomaretsa lenathwana la pampiri mo characters, let them draw a picture of each tape to attach the end of a stick to the ntlheng ya letlhokwa mo morago ga character.) Paste each picture on a sheet of back of each picture. setshwantsho sengwe le sengwe. paper or thin cardboard so that in doesn't tear. Segolola setshwantsho sengwe le sengwe. Iponele 1. Segolola ditshwantsho tsa badiragatsi ba Nal'ibali mo 2.

- Seguida dirsi warisho isa badiragatsi ba o iponetseng bona mo dikgatisong tsa ditlaleletso tse di fetileng. (Fa e le gore bana ba gago ba itirela badiragatsi ba mainane a bona, ba letle go thala ditshwantsho tsa modiragatsi mongwe le mongwe.) Kgomaretsa setshwantsho sengwe le sengwe mo letlhareng la pampiri kgotsa khateboto e tshesane gore e seke ya gagoga.
- Segolola setshwantsho sengwe le sengwe. Iponele letlhokwana le lesesane (la boleele jwa rula) go dira modiragatsi mongwe le mongwe - o ka dirisa ditlhokwana tse di dirisetswang dikebabo kgotsa letlhokwa lengwe le lengwe le o ka iponelang lona kwa ntle. Dirisa sekgomaretsi kgotsa theipi go tshwaraganya ntlha ya letlhokwa mo morago ga setshwantsho sengwe le sengwe.







Iponele lebokoso le legolo la khateboto la khutlonnetsepa. Bula ditswalo mo letlhakoreng le lengwe la lebokoso. Ke gona fa o tla tsenang gona mo gare ga lebokoso.

Mo pele ga lebokoso, dira setswalo ka go sega botlase le matlhakore a khutlonnetsepa. Letshoba le o le segang e tla nna serala mme o ka dirisa setswalo go





1. Find a large, rectangular cardboard box. Open the flaps at one end of the box. This is where you will get inside the box.

On the front of the box, make a flap by cutting along the bottom and sides of a rectangle. The hole you cut will be the stage and you can use the flap to open and close the stage.

### bula le go tswala serala.

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- 2. Get inside the box with your stick puppets. Use them to tell your own stories.
- 2. Tsena fa gare ga lebokoso le diphaphete tsa gago tsa ditlhokwa. Di dirise go anela mainane a gago.

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For a chance to win some Book Dash books, write a review of the story, *Why birds sing at dawn* (pages 7 to 10), and email it to team@bookdash.org, or take a photo and tweet us at @bookdash. (Your review could be published in a future Nal'ibali Supplement!) Remember to include your full name, age and contact details.

Go bona tšhono ya go gapa dibuka tsa Book Dash, kwala tshekatsheko ya leinane, *Goreng dinonyane di opela ka makuku* (ditsebe 7 go ya go 10), mme o le romele go team@bookdash.org, kgotsa tsaya setshwantsho mme o se romele ka twitter go @bookdash. (Tshekatsheko ya gago e ka phasaladiwa mo Tlaleletsong e e latelang ya Nal'ibali!) Gakologelwa go tsenya maina a gago ka botlalo, dingwaga le dintlha tsa gago tsa kgolagano.

## Nal'ibali news

### Roger Priddy is the creator of Priddy Books, which publishes books for babies and young children.

Growing up in a home without books, London-based Roger Priddy spent much of his childhood at his local library, paging through books and gazing at pictures. When he went to art college after he finished school, he discovered that he could create books!

"One of my lecturers was an illustrator of children's picture books and it was the first time I realised that I could make books too," said Priddy. And that's how Priddy Books was born. Today it is part of Macmillan Publishers.

In December 2019, Priddy Books together with Pan Macmillan South Africa gave away thousands of Priddy books to different South African reading organisations, to help ensure that more children have the chance to grow up with books. "It was important for us to choose books that appeal to South African children and especially the children at the Nal'ibali reading clubs. So, we chose a range of first concept books in English, isiXhosa and isiZulu as well as a wonderful book about South African animals. These books are easy for parents to read and talk about with their children," explained Priddy.

On 6 December 2019, Roger Priddy visited a Nal'ibali reading club in Soweto to read some of his books to the children there. "Books are a wonderful way of getting parents and their children to sit and spend time together. They also help to develop children's vocabulary and their understanding of the world around them," said Priddy.

## Dikgang tsa Nal'ibali

Roger Priddy ke motlhami wa Priddy Books, e e phasalatsang dibuka tsa masea le bana ba bannye.

Go golela mo legaeng le le se nang dibuka, moagi wa London, Roger Priddy o ne a etela laeborari ya motse ka dinako tsotlhe fa a ne a le monnye, a bula ditsebe tsa dibuka go leba ditshwantsho. Fa a simolola kwa kholetšheng ya botaki morago ga go wetsa dithuto kwa sekolong, o ne a lemoga gore a ka kgona go dira dibuka!

"Mongwe wa batlhatlheledi ba me e ne e le modira ditshwantsho tsa dibuka tsa bana mme e ne e le lekgetlho la ntlha ke lemoga gore le nna nka kgona go dira dibuka," ga bua Priddy. Ke ka moo Priddy Books e tlholegileng ka teng. Gompieno ke karolo ya Macmillan Publishers.

Ka Sedimonthole 2019, Priddy Books gammogo le Pan Macmillan South Africa ba ne ba neelana ka diketekete tsa Priddy books go mekgatlho e e farologaneng ya go buisa mo Aforika Borwa, go thusa go netefatsa gore bana ba le bantsi ba na le tšhono ya go gola ba buisa dibuka. "Go ne go le botlhokwa mo go rona go tlhopha dibuka tse di ka kgatlhang bana ba Aforika Borwa segolo-bogolo bana ba ba mo ditlhopheng tsa puiso tsa Nal'ibali. Ka jalo, re tlhophile dibuka tsa megopolo ya ntlha ka mefuta tsa English, isiXhosa le isiZulu gammogo le buka e e itumedisang ya diphologolo tsa Aforika Borwa. Dibuka tse di bonolo go buisiwa ke batsadi le go buisana le bana ka tsona," ga tlhalosa Priddy.



Roger Priddy sharing a book with young children in Dobsonville, Soweto. Roger Priddy o arogana buka le bana ba bannye kwa Dobsonville, Soweto Ka 6 Sedimonthole 2019, Roger Priddy o ne a etela setlhopha sa puiso sa Nal'ibali kwa Soweto go buisetsa bana dingwe tsa dibuka tsa gagwe. "Dibuka ke tsela e e itumedisang ya gore batsadi le bana ba bone ba nne le nako e e itumedisang mmogo. Di thusa gape go oketsa tlotlofoko ya bana le go tlhaloganya dilo tsa lefatshe le ba tshelang mo go lona," ga bua Priddy.

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### Create TWO cut-out-and-keep books

1. Take out pages 5 to 12 of this supplement



### Itirele dibuka tsa sega-o-boloke tse PEDI

- Ntsha ditsebe 5 go fitlha ka 12 tsa tlaleletso e.
- 2. The sheet with pages 5, 6, 11 and 12 on it makes up one book. The sheet with pages 7, 8, 9 and 10 on it makes up the other book.
- Use each of the sheets to make a book. Follow the 3. instructions below to make each book.
  - a) Fold the sheet in half along the black dotted line. b) Fold it in half again along the green dotted line. c) Cut along the red dotted lines.





- 2. Letlhare la ditsebe 5, 6, 11 le 12 le dira buka e le nngwe. Letlhare la ditsebe 7, 8, 9 le 10 le dira buka e nngwe.
- Dirisa lengwe le lengwe la matlhare a go dira buka. Latela 3. ditaelo tse di fa tlase go dira buka nngwe le nngwe.
  - a) Mena letlhare ka bogare go lebagana le mola wa dikhutlo tse dintsho.
  - b) Le mene ka bogare gape go lebagana le mola wa dikhutlo tse di tala.
  - c) Sega go lebagana le mela ya dikhutlo tse dikhibidu.



# Momma Moeng's surprise

Kgakgamatso ya ga Mama Moeng



Momma Moeng sets out to surprise Gogo Moeng on her birthday. She carries the jar of jam she made on her head, and ties Baby Beka and his blue balloon to her back. Along the way, they meet many more well-wishers, and Momma Moeng ends up heading a noisy, colourful procession carrying piles of presents to Gogo. When they finally get to Gogo's house, there is a short pause, but then the party really gets going!

Ntate Sithole a epa mo tshingwaneng ya gagwe ya merogo.

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go ne ga botsa Valecia.

"Lo ya kae?" go ne ga botsa Valecia.

ga thalosa Sipho.

asked Valecia.

explained Sipho.

Kgogo e kima e ne e re koko-kokoro, koko-koko, pakana ya diršhipisi tse di gautsegang tsa ditapole e ne e re *tšhrrrr-tšhrrrr*, balunu ya ga Lesea Beka e ne e re *bo-bo-bo* mme borampheetšhane ba ga Mama ba ne ba re *tshe-tshe-tshe-tshe-tshe* mo tselaneng e e letole go fithelela ba bona

"Ebu," Mama o ne a rialo mme ba ne ba tswa ba tsamaya. Ngata ya malomo e ne e dira gore Valecia a ethimole, "Ethitii

"Ke tshwaretse Nkoko Moeng ngata ya malomo. A le nna nka tla?"

"Re ya kwa ga Nkoko Moeng. Ke letsatsi la gagwe la botsalo," go ne

The bunch of flowers made Valecia sneeze, "Achooo! A-A-Achoooo!" The chubby chicken went chuk-chuk-chook, chuk-chok, the packet of crispy potato chips went crinkle-crinkle, Baby Beka's balloon went bobbity-bob and Momma's slipslops went pliff-ploff, pliff-ploff down the dusty path until they saw Mr Sithole digging in his vegetable gatden.

"Ive got a bunch of flowers for Gogo Moeng. Can I come too?"

"We're going to Gogo Moeng's house. It is her birthday,"

"Of course," said Momma and off they marched.

"Where is everyone going?" asked Valecia.

Mama Moeng o ipaakanyetsa go itumedisa Nkoko Moeng ka letsatsi la gagwe la matsalo. O rwele jeke ya jeme e a e dirileng mo tlhogong, a bofa Lesea Beka le balune ya gagwe ka thari mo mokwatleng wa gagwe. Fa a le mo tseleng, ba kopana le batho ba le bantsi ba ba neng ba mo eleletsa masego, mme Mama Moeng o feleletsa a eteletse pele tlhomagano ya setlhopha sa mebalabala se se modumo, sa batho ba tshotse mekoa ya dimpho tse di isiwang kwa go Nkoko. Fa jaanong ba goroga kwa ntlong ya ga Nkoko, ba ema nakwana, fela jaanong moletlo wa simolola!

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ilo tsotlhe di simolotse fa Mama Moeng a ne a diretse Nkoko Moeng morufa wa jeme ka letsatsi la gagwe la botsalo. Mme Lesea Beka o ne a bona balunu ya gagwe e ntle go gaisa ya mmala o mopududu. O ne a batla go e naya Nkoko ka letsatsi la gagwe

"Of course," Momma smiled and off they marched.

birthday today," replied Momma. "I've got a packet of crispy potato chips for Gogo Moeng. Can I come too?" asked Sipho.

"Where are you going, Momma Moeng?" asked Sipho. "Baby Beka and I are going to Gogo Moeng's house. It's her

Momma tied Baby Beka to her back with a soft blanket. Then she put the jar of jam on her head and off she marched to Gogo Moeng's house. Baby Beka's balloon went bobbity-bob and Momma's slipslops went *pliff-ploff*, *pliff-ploff* down the dusty path until she met Sipho coming out of the Tip-Top shop.

t all started when Momma Moeng made a jar of jam for Gogo Moeng's birthday. Then Baby Beka found his best blue balloon. He wanted to give it to Gogo for her birthday.

"I have a trolley full of vegetables for her," said Mr Sithole. "Please "We're going to Gogo Moeng's house. It's her birthday," she replied. "Where are you all going, Momma Moeng?" Mr Sithole asked.

problem - there was too much to carry! She had to think of a plan. "Of course," answered Momma. But now Momma had a BIG

The feathers tickled Valecia's nose and made her sneeze even wasn't happy with this so she put the chubby chicken on Valecia's head. chubby chicken was very happy to peck at all the vegetables. But Momma Beka onto her back with the soft blanket. Baby Beka was happy and the So, Momma put the chubby chicken on top of the trolley and tied Baby chicken onto her back with the soft blanket. Baby Beka SCREAAAAMED! First, she took Baby Beka off her back and then tied the chubby

more, "AAAA-CHOOOOO!" Valecia wasn't happy.



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Ntate Sithole. "Lo ya kae lothe, Mama Moeng?" go ne ga botsa

"Re ya kwa ga Nkoko Moeng. Ke letsatsi la gagwe la

"Ke mo tshwaretse teroli e e tletseng merogo," go botsalo," o ne a araba.

"Ebu," Mama o ne a araba. Fela jaanong Mama o ne a na le bothata yone?" ne ga rialo Ntate Sithole. "Tsweetswee ke kopa le mo feng

tshwara! O ne a tshwanetse go tla ka leano. jo BOGOLO – go ne go na le dilo tse dintsi tse a tshwanetseng go di

Valecia o ne a sa itumela. ga Valecia mme tsa dira gore a ethimole le go feta, "EEEEEFTHIIII!" kgogo e kima mo thogong ya ga Valecia. Diphofa di ne di tsikitla nko ya mo merogong yothhe. Fela Mama o ne a sa itumelela se ka jalo o ne a baya Beka o ne a itumetse le kgogo e kima e ne e itumeletse thata go tlopinya belega Lesea Beka mo mokwatleng wa gagwe ka kobo e e boleta. Lesea GOA! Ka jalo Mama o ne a baya kgogo e kima mo godimo ga teroli le go kima mo mokwatleng wa gagwe ka kobo e e boleta. Lesea Beka le ne la La ntlha, o ne a belogolola Lesea Beka mme o ne a bofelela kgogo e



ba ga Mama ba ne ba re tshe-tshe-tshe-tshe mo tselaneng e e lerole go

balunu ya ga Lesea Beka e ne e re bo-bo-bo mme borampheetshane

Kgogo e kima e ne e re koko-kokoro, koko-kokoro-koko, pakana

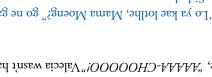
Fa Lesca Beka le utiwa monko wa kuku le ne la ngunanguna,

ya ditshipisi tse di gautsegang tsa ditapole e ne e re tshrrrr-tshrrrr,

fithelela ba kopana le Valecia.

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could you give it to her?"

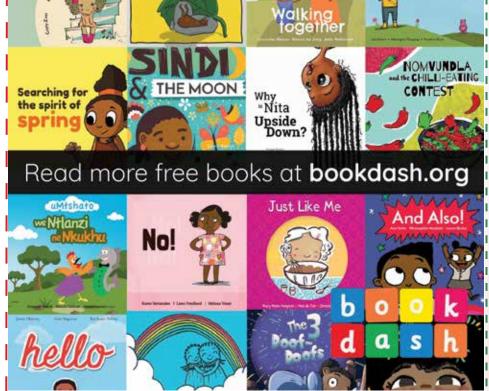


la botsalo.

Mama o ne a belega Lesea Beka mo mokwatleng wa gagwe ka kobo e e boleta. Morago o ne a baya morufa wa jeme mo tlhogong ya gagwe mme a tsamaya go leba kwa ntlong ya ga Nkoko Moeng. Balunu ya ga Lesea Beka e ne e re bo-bo-bo mme borampheetšhane ba ga Mama ba ne ba re tshe-tshe-tshe mo tselaneng e e lerole go fitlha ba kopana le Sipho a tswa mo lebenkeleng la Tip-Top. "O ya kae, Mama Moeng?" go ne ga botsa Sipho. "Nna le Lesea Beka re ya kwa ga Nkoko Moeng. Ke letsatsi la gagwe la botsalo gompieno," go ne ga araba Mama. "Ke tshwaretse Nkoko Moeng pakana ya ditšhipisi tse di gautsegang tsa ditapole. A le nna nka tla?" Sipho o ne a botsa.

"Ebu," Mama o ne a nyenya mme ba ne ba tswa ba tsamaya.







Why birds sing at dawn Goreng dinonyane di

Emmanuel Grebo

Joseph Makongo Kiugu

Mama Bird. And off she flew. "I will go. I am not afraid," said



Nonyane. Ke ole a fofa. "Ke tla ya. Ga ke boife," ga bua Mama

Would she be able to find her way back home? Everyone missed Mama Bird, and her song.

song, she will find her way back to us." suggested. "Mama always said that if we sing her What if we sing Mama's song?" Yellow

Pina ya gagwe. A o tla kgona go boela gae? Bothhe ba ne ba thologeletse Mama Nonyane, le

". sono si o tla bona tsela ya go boela mo go rona." dinako tsotlhe o ne a re fa re ka opela pina ya Mama?" Serolwana a tshitshinya. "Mama ka Go ka nna jang te ka opela pina ya ga



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di ne di kgona go bua mmogo.

A long time ago, in the forest of Happy-Land, birds and trees could talk to each other.

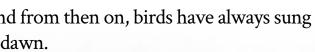
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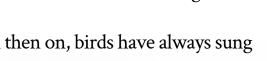
Go tloga motsing o, dinonyane ka gale di opela

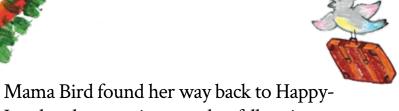
Land and soon rain started to fall again.

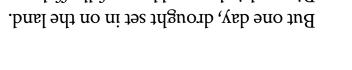
And from then on, birds have always sung at dawn.

Mama Nonyane a bona tsela ya go boela gae kwa Happy-Land mme pula ya simolola go na gape.









"sog lliw ohw zuß go?"

we should fetch the magic worm that brings Mamango thought long and hard. "Maybe Rivers dried up and leaves fell off the trees.

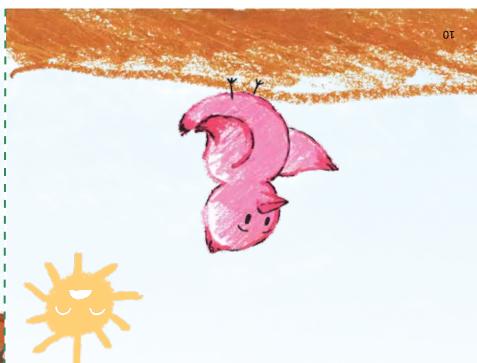


thothorega mo dithareng. ke komelelo. Dinoka tsa kgala mme matlhare a Fela ka letsatsi lengwe, lefatshe le ne la tlhaselwa

se tlisang pula. Fela go tla ya mang?" re tshwanetse go tlisa seboko sa dikgakgamatso se Mamango o ne a akanya nako e telele. "Gongwe

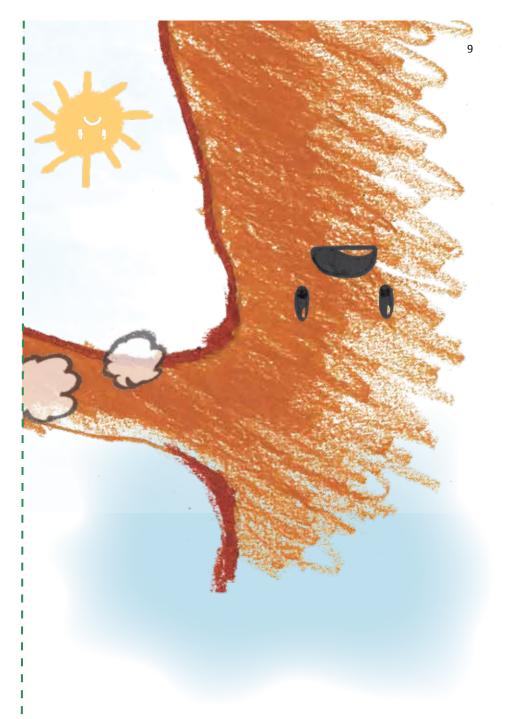
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"A o kile wa leka go opela?" ga botsa Mamango. "Fela nna ga ke itse go opela!" ga bua Pinki. "Have you tried singing?" asked Mamango. "But I don't know how to sing!" cried Pink.





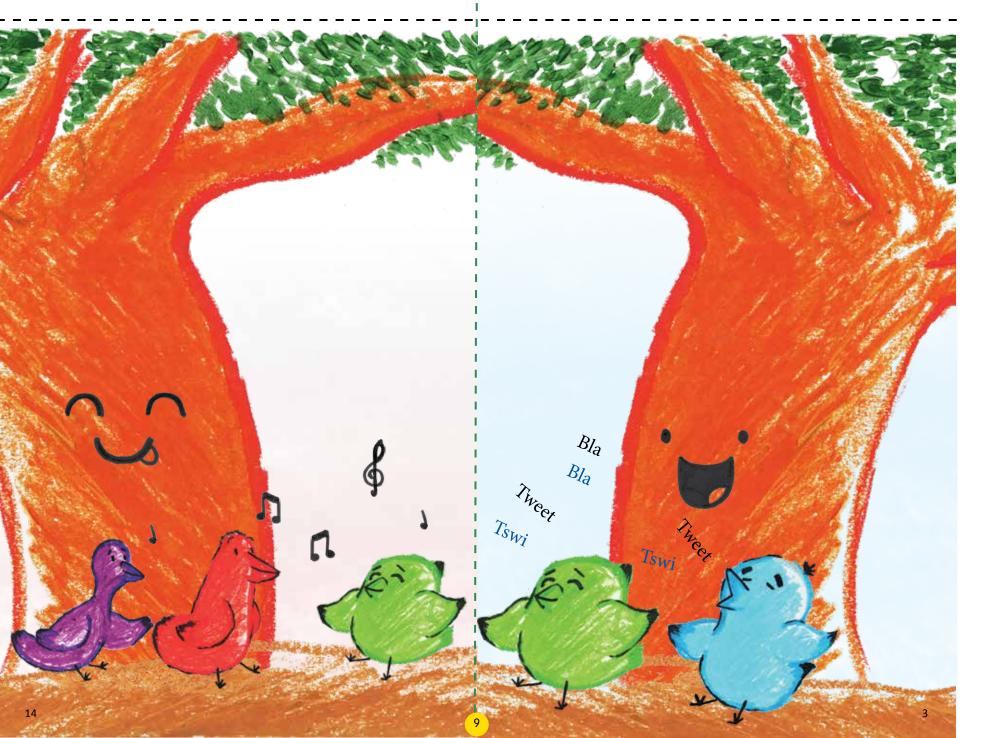
ka makuku.



"I have tried singing," said Yellow. "I can teach you."



"Nkile ka leka go opela," ga bua Serolwane. "Nka go ruta."

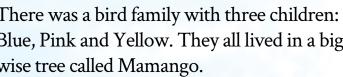




Mo mosong wa letsatsi le le latelang, Serolwane a opela pina ya ga Mama, "Bosele sentle! Tsoga o opele!"

Jaanong, dinonyane tsotlhe tsa opela pina mmogo le Serolwane.

Blue, Pink and Yellow. They all lived in a big wise tree called Mamango.



Go ne go na le lelapa la dinonyane di

na le bana ba le bararo, Talane, Pinki

le Serolwane. Botlhe ba ne ba nna mo

setlhareng se segolo se se botlhale se

bidiwa Mamango.

There was a bird family with three children:

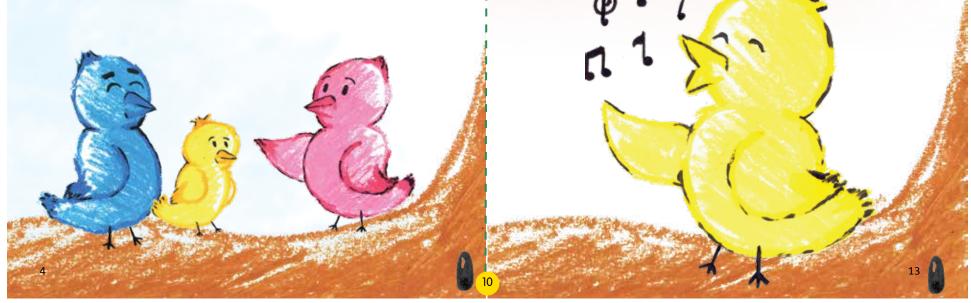


wake up early to sing her song. Mama Bird's voice was beautiful! She would

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·Suos ui Eventually, all the birds joined Yellow

"!gnis bns qu sake w Rama's song, "It's a beautiful morning! Early the next morning, Yellow sang



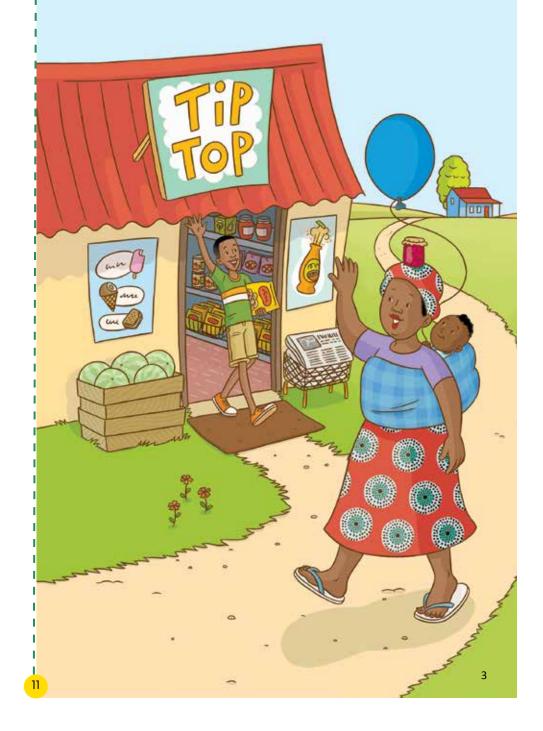
Mo godimo ga tafole go ne go na le phae ya merogo le diterete tsa jeme tse Mama o neng a di dirile, mae a a sa tswang go beelwa ke kgogo e kima, kuku e e kgethegileng

Fa a le bula batho botlhe ba ne ba simolola go opela pina ya keleletso masego.

"THIS IS MY BEST BIRTHDAY EVER!" said Gogo. And she should know, because Gogo had already had at least eighty or ninety birthdays before this one!

On the table were the vegetable pie and jam tarts that Momma had made, newly laid eggs from the chubby chicken, the special birthday cake and the crispy potato chips. The table was decorated with flowers and Baby Beka's beautiful blue balloon.

When she opened it everyone started singing a happybirthday song.



"We must get a birthday cake for Gogo," said Momma. They went inside. *Ting-a-ling* went the doorbell. "Good morning, Mrs Makabelo. Did you know today is Gogo Moeng's birthday?" "Oh yes," said Mrs Makabelo. "I have baked a special cake for het, "Oh yes," said Mrs Makabelo. "I have baked a special cake for het,

but I can't leave the shop. Could you take it to het?" "Of course," offered Momma, but there was a problem – Momma needed two hands to carry the cake. So, she made a plan. She put the chubby chicken on top of the jar of jam that she was carrying on het matched Momma, Baby Beka and Sipho through the *ting-a-ling* door. When Baby Beka smelt the cake he mumbled, "Nummy, nummy, When Pany Beka smelt the cake he mumbled, "Nummy, nummy, marched Momma, Baby Beka and Sipho through the *ting-a-ling* door.

The chubby chicken went chuk-chuk-chook, chuk-chuk-chook, the packet of crispy potato chips went crinkle-crinkle, Baby Beka's balloon went bobbity-bob and Momma's slipslops went pliff-ploff, pliff-ploff down the dusty path until they met Valecia.

"Re tshwanetse go batlela Nkoko kuku ya letsatsi la botsalo," Mama o ne a rialo. Ba ne ba tsena mo teng. Tleloko ya mo lebating e ne ya re *tinki-linki.* "Madume, Mme Makabelo. A o ne o itse gore gompieno ke letsatsi la botsalo la ga Nkoko Moeng?" "Fe no nesi o ne a rialo Mme Makabelo "Ke mo

"Ee, go ntse jalo," go ne ga rialo Mme Makabelo. "Ke mo baketse kuku e e kgerhegileng, mme fela nka se kgone go tswa mo lebenkeleng. Ke kopa o mo isetse yone tlhe?"

"Go siame," Mama o ne a dumela, mme fela go ne go na le bothata – Mama o ne a tlhoka diatla tse pedi go tshwara kuku. Ka jalo, o ne a loga leano. O ne a baya kgogo e kima mo godimo ga morufa wa jeme o a neng a o twele mo tlhogong ya gagwe. Jaanong o ne a na le diatla tse pedi tse di lolea go tshwara kuku e e kgethegileng ya letsatsi la botsalo. Mama, Lessa Beka le Sipho ba ne ba tswa ka lebati la *tinki-linki*.



ne ba re tshe-tshe-tshe mo tselaneng e e lerole go filha kwa nilong ya

ya ga Lesea Beka e ne e re *bo-bo-bo* mme borampheetshane ba ga Mama ba

palsana ya dirihipisi tse di gautsegang tsa ditapole e dira tihirir tihirir balunu

mmmm, "Kgogo e kima e ne e re koko-kokoro, koko-kokoro-koko,

a na le diatla tse pedi tse di lolea go kgorometsa teroli. Batho bothe ba ne ba

o ne a na le diatla tse pedi tse di lolea go ka tshwara kuku. Mme Mama o ne

went pliff-ploff, pliff-ploff down the dusty path all the way to Gogo's house.

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happy and off they marched to Gogo Moeng's house.

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from the cake on her cheeks so her tongue went slurp-slurp. Baby Beka

The wheels of the trolley went squeak-squeak-squeak. Valecia had icing

the cake. And Momma had two hands free to push the trolley. Everyone was

So, Momma took the chubby chicken and put it on Sipho's head and she

gave him Valecias Howers to hold. Now Valecia had two hands free to hold

ga Sipho le go mo nava malomo a ga Valecia gore a a tshware. Jaanong Valecia

Ka jalo, Mama o ne a tsaya kgogo e kima mme a e baya mo thogong ya

latswi-latsi-latswi. Lesea Beka le ne le ngunanguna le re, "Mmmmm,

itumetse mme ba ne ba tsamaya go ya kwa ga Wkoko Moeng.

Maotwana a teroli a ne a re *truim-truim-truim*. Valecia o ne a na le aesing ya kuku mo marameng a gagwe mme loleme la gagwe le ne le re

Sa Nkoko.

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ya letsatsi la botsalo le ditšhipisi tse di gautsegang tsa ditapole. Tafole e ne e kgabisitswe ka malomo le balunu ya mmala o montle o mopududu ya ga Lesea Beka. "LE KE LETSATSI LA ME LE LE GAISANG LA BOTSALO!" Nkoko o ne a rialo. Mme o tshwanetse go itse, gonne Nkoko o ne a setse a nnile le bonnye malatsi a le masomearobedi kgotsa masomearobonngwe a botsalo pele ga le!



"Where are you going?" he asked. "We're going to Gogo Moeng's house. It's her birthday," answered Momma.

Sipho's packet of crispy potato chips went *crinkle-crinkle*, Baby Beka's balloon went *bobbity-bob* and Momma's slipslops went *pliff-ploff*, *pliff-ploff* down the dusty path until they came to Mr Shabalala, who was feeding his chickens.

"I've got a chubby chicken for Gogo Moeng. Can you give it to het?" asked Mr Shabalala. "Of course," said Momma tucking the chubby chicken under her

arm and off marched Momma, Baby Beka and Sipho. The chubby chicken went chuk-chuk-chook, chuk-chuk-chook, the packet of crispy potato chips went crinkle-crinkle, Baby Beka's balloon went bobbity-bob and Momma's slipslops went pliff-ploff, pliff-ploff down the dusty path until they came to Mrs Makabelo's home-bake shop.

yone?" go ne ga botsa Ntate Shabalala.

"Ebu," go ne ga rialo Mama a sukunyetsa kgogo e kima mo tlase ga letsogo la gagwe mme ba tsamaya e le Mama, Lesea Beka le Sipho. Kgogo e kima e ne e re koko-kokoro, koko-kokoro-koko, pakana ya

Kgogo e kima e ne e re koko-kokoro, koko-kokoro-koko, pakana ya ditšhipisi tse di gautsegang tsa ditapole e ne e re tšhrrrr-tšhrrrr, balunu ya ga Lesea Beka e ne e re bo-bo-bo mme borampheetšhane ba ga Mama ba ne ba re tshe-tshe-tshe-tshe mo tselaneng e e lerole go fithelela ba fitha kwa lebenkeleng la ga Mme Makabelo la lepaka le le mo gae.



mabenkeleng go ithekela dijo tsa dilalelo tsa letsatsi la me la botsalo." Nkoko o ne a retologa le go tlhatloga mokgokolosa. Diselepere tsa gagwe di ne di re *tšhoff-tšhoff*, mo tselaneng e e tletseng lorole. Kwa bokhutlong o ne a fitlha mo lebating la kwa morago.

mmogo. "NKOKO!" Kwa tlasetlase ga mokgokolosa Nkoko o ne a re, "IJOOOO-JOOOO. Go na le mongwe yo o mpitsang. Jaanong nka se kgone go ya kwa

"Nkoko! Nkoko!" o ne a bitsa. Batho botlhe ba ne ba lebelela. "NKOKO! NKOKO!" batho botlhe ba ne ba goeletsa

reached the back door.

shops to buy my birthday supper." Gogo turned round and walked all the way up the steep hill. Her slippers went *shuffle-shuffle* on the dusty path. Finally she

"Gogo! Gogo!" he called. Everyone looked. "GOGO! GOGO!" everyone shouted together. "GOGO!" Way down at the bottom of the steep hill Gogo said, "EE-EE-EE. Someone is calling me. Now I can't go to the

Momma knocked on the front door. Sipho whistled. Valecia shouted. But there was no reply. Momma pushed the front door open and they all went inside. But there was no one there. They looked in the kitchen – nobody. They looked in the bedroom – mobody. They looked everywhere. Where could Gogo be? Momma said, "Let's get cooking and maybe Gogo will turn up." So that is what everyone did – everyone except Baby Beka. He sat on the kitchen counter next to the window and watched until the saw Gogo walking way down the path at the very bottom of the



Mama o ne a konyakonya mo lebating le le kwa pele. Sipho o ne a letsa molodi. Valecia o ne a goa. Mme fela go ne go se na karabo. Mama o ne a kgorometra lebati la kwa pele le go le bula mme bothe ba ne ba reena mo teng. Fela go ne go se na ope moo. Ba ne ba leba mo phaposi boapeelo – ope. Ba ne ba leba mo phaposing ya borobalo – ope. Ba ne ba leba mo gothe. Nkoko a ka tswa a le kae? Mama o ne a te, "Tla re simololeng go apaya mme gongwe

Weoko o da da." Mme ke seo batho bothe ba neng ba se dira – batho bothe kwa nde ga Lesea Beka. O ne a dula mo khaontareng ya phaposi boapeelo gaufi le letihabaphefo mme a lebelela go futhelela a bona Wkoko a fologela mo tselaneng e e mo dasetlase ga mokgokolosa.

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Pakana ya ga Sipho ya ditšhipisi tse di gautsegang tsa ditapole e ne e re *tšhrrrr-tšhrrrr*, balunu ya ga Lesea Beka e ne e re *bo-bo-bo* mme borampheetšhane ba ga Mama ba ne ba re *tshe-tshe-tshe* mo tselaneng e e lerole go fitlhelela ba fitlha fa go Ntate Shabalala, yo o neng a fepa dikgogo tsa gagwe. "Lo ya kae?" o ne a botsa.

"Re ya kwa ga Nkoko Moeng. Ke letsatsi la gagwe la botsalo," Mama o ne a araba.



## Get story active!

Here are some activities for you to try. They are based on all the stories in this edition of the Nal'ibali Supplement: *Momma Moeng's surprise* (pages 5, 6, 11 and 12), *Why birds sing at dawn* (pages 7 to 10) and *Thato, the dreamer* (page 14).

### Momma Moeng's surprise

Here are some things to do after you have read the story.

- Choose a part of the story that does not have an illustration and draw a picture for it. Copy out the words from the story that go with your picture.
- What would you have given Gogo Moeng as a birthday present? Write a list of your ideas.
- Make a birthday card for a friend or family member whose birthday is soon – or make one for Gogo Moeng. Remember to write a message inside your card!

## Nna le matlhagatlhaga a leinane!

Tse ke ditirwana dingwe tse o ka di lekang. Di ikaegile ka mainane otlhe a kgatiso e ya Tlaleletso ya Nal'ibali: *Kgakgamatso ya ga Mama Moeng* (ditsebe 5, 6, 11 le 12), *Goreng dinonyane di opela ka makuku* (ditsebe 7 go fitlha ka 10) le *Thato, mmaditoro* (tsebe 15).

### Kgakgamatso ya ga Mama Moeng

Tse ke dingwe tse o ka di dirang fa o fetsa go buisa leinane.

- Tlhopha karolo ya leinane e e se nang setshwantsho mme o e thalele setshwantsho. Kopolola mafoko go tswa mo leinaneng a a nyalanang le setshwantsho sa gago.
- Ke eng se o ka bong o se abetse Nkoko Moeng jaaka mpho ya letsatsi la matsalo? Kwala lenaane la megopolo ya gago.
- Direla tsala ya gago kgotsa mongwe wa losika karata ya letsatsi la matsalo o letsatsi la gagwe la matsalo le leng gaufi – kgotsa direla Nkoko Moeng karata. Gakologelwa go kwala molaetsa fa gare ga karata ya gago!

### Why birds sing at dawn

Remember that in Happy-Land the birds and trees could talk to each other. What do you think Mamango and Mama Bird told each other the morning after Mama Bird returned? Try writing their conversation below. Then read it aloud with a friend!

### Goreng dinonyane di opela ka makuku

Gakologelwa gore kwa Happy-Land dinonyane le ditlhare di ne di kgona go bua mmogo. O akanya gore Mamango le Mama Nonyane ba ne ba buisana ka eng mo mosong morago ga kgorogo ya ga Mama Nonyane? Leka go kwala puisano ya bona fa tlase. Jaanong e buisetse kwa godimo le tsala ya gago!

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### Thato, the dreamer

Talk about the story.



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# Thato, mmaditoro

- Why do you think the children called Thato names like *mokhukhu* girl?
- What would you have done if you were Thato?
- What would you have done if you were there when they called Thato names?
- Do you think a person is a bully if they call someone else names?
- On your own or with a friend, write the newspaper report about Thato. You may also want to draw a picture to go with your report!

- O akanya gore goreng bana ba file Thato maina jaaka mosetsana wa mokhukhu?
- O ne o ka dira eng fa o ne o le Thato?
- O ne o ka dira eng fa o ne o le teng fa ba bitsa Thato ka maina a tshotlo?
- A o akanya gore motho ke mokgokgontshi fa a fa ba bangwe maina a a sotlang?
- Ka bowena kgotsa le tsala, kwala pego ya kuranta ka ga Thato. O ka thala setshwantsho se se tsamaisanang le pego!

## Thato, the dreamer



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In Disteneng, just five kilometres from Polokwane, lived a girl named Thato. Thato lived with her mother, Mokgadi, in a house made of poles and iron sheets - a mokhukhu. Early in the morning, Thato's mother would walk with her all the way to her primary school in Ladanna

One morning as they passed the green shack on the corner, people were sitting outside drinking beer.

"Tlou stays here," said Thato. "He doesn't come to school anymore."

"Are you sure?" asked Mokgadi.

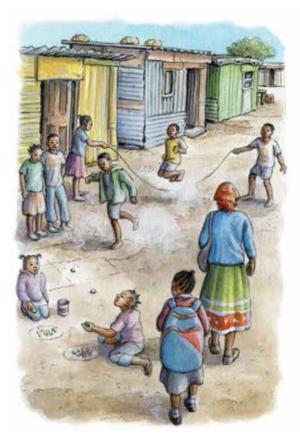
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"Yes. He said school is for rich people, not poor people," Thato answered sadly. "I miss him so much. He was the only other child from Disteneng at school."

Then Thato ran ahead of her mother. Further down the road, as they got closer to Ladanna, she heard the sound of birds. In Disteneng, she only heard loud music.

Thato worked hard at school. During break time, she always did her homework because it was difficult to do it at home. But it was Grace's birthday today and she had brought cupcakes for everyone in class. Mrs Sephuma handed out the pretty little cakes to the children. Slowly Thato ate a small piece of her cake. It had chocolate icing on top and tasted sweet. It made Thato think about her last birthday. She had not brought cakes, but had sung a song for the class. The teacher had loved it, but not the children. Some of them had sulked, while others said, "Mokhukhu girl! Hey, mokhukhu girl - the one who sees electricity across the river - where's our cake?"

As she thought about that, Thato did not feel like eating her cupcake anymore. She wrapped what was left of it in some paper and put it in her schoolbag. Then she took out her writing book and started doing her homework.



After school, Thato walked back home behind her mother. As she got closer to the corner where the green shack was, she saw some children, white with dust from head to foot. They were playing games – *kgati, tshere tshere* and *diketo* – in the road.

"Here comes the schoolgirl," said one of them pointing at Thato. The children stopped playing. The girls playing diketo stopped singing. They looked at Thato in her school uniform that was too big for her. Thato did not mind being called the schoolgirl. It was better than the names she was called at school.

"She is back," they all said together.

You should come back to school," said Thato. "We can all go to school together.

"So what?" a few unkind children said. "She sang for us on her birthday. Now we will sing a song too: Thato, the mokhukhu girl, the dreamer." Then they followed her around the schoolyard singing their unkind song. "Thato, the mokhukhu girl, the dreamer." Over and over again.

But, things don't stay the same forever. When Thato turned nine, she could take part in school sports. The first time her teachers saw her run, they knew that she would be a champion!

"You must practise every day after school, Thato," Mrs Sephuma said.

Every day, Mrs Sephuma would give Thato a sandwich and some fruit when the other children were not around. Every day, Thato practised.

When it was the school sports day, Thato came first in all her races. "Now you must run for the school! You must help us win the sports competition this year," said the principal as she gave Thato a big packet.

Thato didn't open the packet until she got home, but as soon as her mother had closed the door, Thato opened it. Inside was a pair of running shoes, running shorts and a T-shirt. Thato ran even faster in her running shoes.

It wasn't long before the same children who had called her mokhukhu girl started calling her the bullet girl.

"There goes the bullet girl!" they would shout as she sped past them on the sports field. And at all the races they cheered her on, chanting, "Run, Thato, the dreamer, run. Run, bullet girl!"

After two years of training every day and eating the extra food that Mrs Sephuma brought to school for her, Thato became one of the fastest runners in Limpopo.

One day Thato ran up to her mother as she waited at the school gate. "Mom, mom!" she shouted. "I'm on the Limpopo team! I'm going to Cape Town with the team!"

The principal gave Thato more packets. There was one with running shoes and running clothes. The T-shirts all had Limpopo's emblem on them. There was also a packet with a cap, jeans and a jacket. And there was a small packet with a plastic bank card that had spending money for the trip to Cape Town.

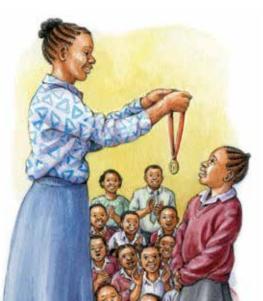
When the time came for the Limpopo team to go to Cape Town, a big bus with soft seats and dark windows came to fetch Thato at her school. She hugged

Mokgadi goodbye and climbed up the steps of the bus. As she turned to wave goodbye, she saw Tlou standing next to her mother. Behind him, stood her dusty friends from Disteneng.

She remembered how they used to call her the school girl. She smiled. "You should come back to school," she said.

Thato was the fastest one hundred metre runner in her age group. They wrote about her in the local newspaper and talked about her on the radio. They called her a golden girl in waiting. At school Thato was given a medal at assembly. All the children and teachers clapped for her. And they sang a song over and over again, "Thato, the golden girl, the dreamer."

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"Go to school?" they laughed. "Never! You will find nothing there!"

At school it was the same. Sometimes Thato would be upset and cry. Sometimes she would get angry and shout back, "My name is not mokhukhu girl! It's Thato! Lucky you, who chose your parents! If I was asked to choose, I would choose to live in a big house!"

Some children laughed, but others said, "She is right. We did not choose where we were born. Thato is right." And after that they only called her Thato.





## Thato, mmaditoro



Kwa Disteneng, dikilometara di ka nna tlhano go tswa Polokwane, go ne go nna mosetsana a bidiwa Thato. Thato o ne a nna le mmaagwe, Mokgadi, mo ntlong e e agilweng ka dikota le disenke – mokhukhu. Phakela mo mosong, mmaagwe Thato o ne a mo felegetsa go fitlha kwa sekolong se se potlana sa Ladanna se o neng a se tsena.

Mo mosong mongwe fa ba feta gaufi le mokhukhu o motala mo sekhutlong, batho ba ne ba ntse ka fa ntle ba nwa bojalwa.

"Tlou o nna fa," ga bua Thato. "Ga a sa tlhole a tla sekolong."

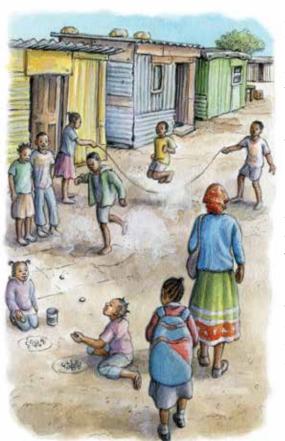
"A o tiisitse?" ga botsa Mokgadi.

"Ee. A re sekolo se tsenwa ke bahumi, e seng batlhoki," Thato a bua a hutsafetse. "Ke mo tlhoafaletse e le tota. E ne e le ene a le esi go tswa Disteneng mo sekolong."

Jaanong Thato a bo a taboga kwa pele ga mmaagwe. Kgakajana mo tseleng, fa ba le gaufi le Ladanna, a utlwa molodi wa dinonyane. Kwa Disteneng, o ne a utlwa fela modumo o o kwa godimo wa mmino.

Thato o ne a dira ka thata kwa sekolong. Ka nako ya go kgwa mowa, o ne a dira tiro ya gae ka gonne go le thata go e dira kwa gae. Fela gompieno ke letsatsi la matsalo la ga Grace mme o tletse mongwe le mongwe mo phaposing dikhapokheike. Mme MaSephuma a abela bana dikhekhe tse dinnye tse dintlenyane. Ka iketlo Thato a ja lenathwana la khekhe ya gagwe. E ne e tshasitswe ka tšhokolete fa godimo e bile e le botshe. E ne ya dira gore Thato a gakologelwe letsatsi la gagwe le le fetileng la matsalo. O ne a sa tlisa dikhekhe, fela a opelela baithuti ba phaposi ya gagwe. Morutabana o ne a e rata, fela e seng bana. Bangwe ba bona ba ne ba ngadile, fa bangwe bona ba re, "mosetsana wa mokhukhu! Hey, mosetsana wa mokhukhu – motho yo o simololang go bona motlakase kwa moseja wa noka – khekhe ya rona e kae?"

Fa a santse a akanya ka se, Thato a utlwa a sa tlhole a batla go ja khapokheike. A phuthela masaledi ka pampitshana mme a e tsenya mo kgetsaneng ya gagwe ya dibuka. A ntsha buka ya gagwe ya go kwalela a simolola go dira tiro ya gae.



Fa sekolo se tswa, Thato a sala mmaagwe morago go boela gae. Fa a le gaufi le sekhutlo se mokhukhu o motala o neng o agilwe teng, a bona bana bangwe, ba setlhefetse ka ntlha ya lerole go tswa tlhogong go fitlha kwa dinaong. Ba ne ba itshamekela metshameko – kgati, tshere tshere le diketo – mo tseleng.

"Mosetsana wa sekolo ke yoo o etla," ga bua mongwe wa bona a supa Thato. Bana ba emisa go tshameka. Basetsana ba ba neng ba tshameka diketo ba kgaotsa go opela. Ba leba Thato a apere yunifomo ya gagwe ya sekolo e e mo fetang. Thato o ne a sa ganane le go bidiwa mosetsana wa sekolo. Le le ne le le botoka fa le bapisiwa le maina a a bidiwang ka ona Bana bangwe ba ne ba tshega, fela ba bangwe ba re, "O bua boammaruri. Ga re a itlhophela gore re tsalelwa kae. Thato o bua boarmmaruri." Morago ga moo ba bo ba mmitsa fela Thato.

"Jaanong ke eng?" bana ba se kae ba ba pelomaswe ba rialo. "O re opeletse ka letsatsi la gagwe la botsalo. Ka jalo le rona re tla mo opelela: Thato, mosetsana wa mokhukhu, mmaditoro." Ba bo ba mo sala morago mo jarateng ya sekolo ba mo opelela pina e e sotlang. "Thato mosetsana wa mokhukhu, mmaditoro." Gangwe le gape.

Fela sengwe le sengwe se na le bokhutlo. Fa Thato a le dingwaga di le robong, o ne a kgona go tsaya karolo mo metshamekong ya sekolo. Fa barutabana ba gagwe ba ne ba mmona a taboga lwantlha, ba itse gore o tlile go nna mmampodi!

"O tshwanetse go ikatisa letsatsi lengwe le lengwe fa sekolo se tswa, Thato," ga bua Mme MaSephuma.

Tsatsi lengwe le lengwe Mme MaSephuma o ne a neela Thato samentšhisi le leungo lengwe fa bana bangwe ba se gaufi. Thato o ne a ikatisa letsatsi lengwe le lengwe.

Ka letsatsi la metshameko ya sekolo, Thato o ne a bona maemo a ntlha mo dikgaisanong tsotlhe tsa mabelo. "Jaanong o tshwanetse go nna moemedi wa sekolo mo kgaisanong tsa mabelo! O tshwanetse go re thusa go fenya dikgaisano tsa metshameko mo ngwageng o," ga bua mogokgo a fa Thato phakete e kgolo.

Thato ga a ka a bula phakete go fitlha a goroga kwa gae, fela e rile fa mmaagwe a fetsa go tswala mojako, Thato a e bula. Ka fa gare e ne e le ditlhako tsa go taboga, borukgwe le sekipa. Thato o ne a taboga le go feta ka ditlhako tsa go taboga.

Go ne go ise go ye kae fa bana ba ba neng ba mmitsa mosetsana wa mokhukhu ba simolola go mmitsa mosetsana wa setsokotsane.

"Ke seo setsokotsane sa mosetsana!" ba bo ba goa jaaka a ba feta bongwe ka bongwe mo lebaleng la metshameko. Mo metshamekong yotlhe ya mabelo ba ne ba mo duduetsa, ba re, "Taboga, Thato, mmaditoro, taboga. Taboga mosetsana wa setsokotsane!"

Morago ga dingwaga di le pedi a ikatisa letsatsi lengwe le lengwe le go ja dijo tsa tlaleletso tse Mme MaSephuma a neng a mo tlela tsona, Thato o ne a nna mongwe wa boramabelo ba ba bonako thata kwa Limpopo.

Ka letsatsi lengwe Thato a tabogela kwa go mmaagwe yo o neng a mo emetse kwa hekeng ya sekolo. "Mme, mme!" a goa. "Ke mo setlhopheng sa Limpopo! Ke ya kwa Motse Kapa le setlhopha!"

Mogokgo o ne a fa Thato diphakete di le dintsi le go feta. Go ne go na le ya ditlhako tsa go taboga le diaparo tsa go taboga. Dikipa tsotlhe di ne di na le sekano sa Limpopo mo go tsona. Gape go ne go na le phakete e e neng e na le kepisi, borukgwe jwa jini le baki. Go ne go na le phakete e nnye ya karata ya polasetiki ya banka e e neng e na le madi a leeto go ya kwa Motse Kapa.

Fa nako e fitlhile ya gore setlhopha sa Limpopo se ye Motse Kapa, go ne ga tla bese ya ditulo tse di manobonobo le matlhabaphefo a a mmala o mofitshwa go tla go tsaya Thato mo

sekolong sa gagwe. O ne a atlarela Mokgadi gore a sale sentle morago a palama direpodi tsa bese. E rile fa a retologa go laela botlhe ka go tsholetsa letsogo, a bona Tlou a eme fa thoko ga mmaagwe. Fa morago ga gagwe, go eme ditsala tsa gagwe tse di setlhafaditsweng ke lerole tsa kwa Disteneng.

A gakologelwa malatsi a ba neng ba mmitsa mosetsana wa sekolo. A nyenya. "Lo tshwanetse go boela sekolong," a rialo.

Thato a bona maemo a ntlha mo lebelong



kwa sekolong.

"O boile," ba rialo mmogo.

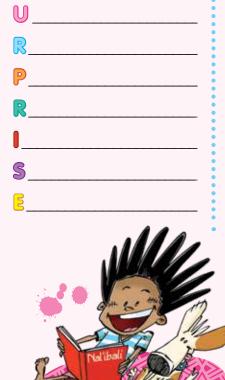
"Lo tshwanetse go boela sekolong," Thato a rialo. "Re ka tsamaya mmogo go ya sekolong."

"Re ye sekolong?" ba tshega. "Legoka! Ga go sepe se o ka se ungwang koo!"

Kwa sekolong go ne go tshwana. Ka dinako dingwe Thato o ne a hutsafala a bo a lele. Ka dinako dingwe o ne a šakgala mme a ikarabela, "Leina la me ga se mosetsana wa mokhukhu! Ke nna Thato! Wena o lesego, o itse go itlhophela batsadi! Fa ke ne ke ka kopiwa go itlhophela, ke ne nka itlhophela go nna mo ntlong e kgolo!" la dimitara di le lekgolo la setlhopha sa bathubalebelo ba dithaka tsa gagwe. Kuranta ya selegae ya kwala ka matsetseleko a gagwe mme radiyo ya bega ka phenyo ya gagwe. A tlotlomadiwa ka go bidiwa mmagauta wa isago. Kwa sekolong Thato a fiwa sekgele sa phenyo mo kgobokanong ya sekolo ya mo mosong. Bana bothe ba sekolo le barutabana ba mo opela legofi. Ba opela pina gangwe le gape, "Thato, mmagauta, mmaditoro."

# Nal'ibali fun Monate wa Nal'ibali

- □ In Momma Moeng's surprise, Gogo Moeng got lots of birthday surprises! Follow the steps below to create your own poem about surprises. Start each line of your poem with a letter from the word, "surprise".
  - 1. On a separate sheet of paper, write down all the words or phrases you think of when you hear the word, "surprise".
  - Choose which of these words or phrases you want to use in your poem. Remember each line of your poem has to start with a letter from the word, SURPRISE. For example: you could write "people and presents" on the line that starts with the letter, "p".
  - 3. Add in any other words you need to complete your poem.
  - Read your poem aloud.



Mo Kgakgamatso ya ga Mama Moeng, Nkoko Moeng o fiwa dimpho di le dintsi tsa letsatsi la matsalo! Latela dikgato tse di fa tlase go itlhamela leboko la gago ka ga dikgagamatso. Mola mongwe le mongwe o simolole ka "kgakgamatso."

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- Mo letlhareng la pampiri kwa thoko, kwala mafoko otlhe kgotsa dipolelwana tse o akanyang ka tsona fa o utlwa lefoko, "kgakgamatso".
- Tihopha gore ke mafoko afe kgotsa dipolelwana dife tse o batlang go di dirisa mo lebokong la gago.
  Gakologelwa gore mola mongwe le mongwe wa leboko la gago o tshwanetse go simolola ka lefoko, KGAKGAWATSO. Sekao: o ka kwala "motho le mpho" mo moleng o o simololang ka tlhaka "m."
- Tsenya mafoko mangwe le mangwe a o a tlhokang go feleletsa leboko la gago.
- 6. Buisetsa leboko la gago kwa godimo.

# □ Can you unscramble the letters to make the names of the birthday gifts that Gogo Moeng received in *Momma Moeng's surprise*?

ekac	 
foeslwr	 
pchsi	 
slaeevgtbe	 
enicckh	

### □ A o ka siamisa ditlhaka go dira maina a dimpho tsa moletlo wa matsalo a ga Nkoko Moeng a di filweng mo Kgakgamatso ya ga Mama Moeng?

ukuk	
meje	
moloma	
lunuba	
gorome	
gokog	

Sometimes Hope likes to make her own sandwiches to take to school. She always puts peanut butter on them. Can you give her some ideas of other fillings she could use? Circle your favourite filling.

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Ka dinako dingwe Hope o rata go itirela disamentšhise fa a ya sekolong. Ka gale o tshasa phinatebatha mo go tsona. A o ka mo fa maela ka ga ditshaso tse a ka di dirisang? Sekeletsa ditshaso tse o di ratang.

Answers: cake, jam, tlowers, balloon, chips, vegetables, chicken Dikarabo: kuku, jeme, malomo, balunu, ditšhipisi, merogo, kgogo

