"Cha, cha," kusho uMnu. Mandindi.

"Ungakwazi ukungigcinela imbuzi yami?" kubuza uThuso.

"Yebo," kwasho uMnu. Mandindi.

"Mnu. Mandindi, uyazithanda izimbuzi?" embuza.

"Oh no," said Mr Mandindi.

"Can you keep my goat?" asked Thuso.

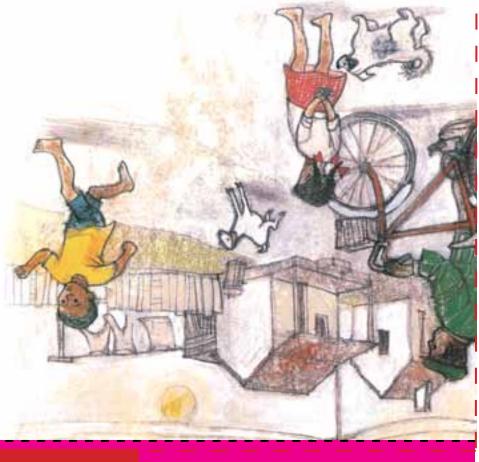
"Yes," said Mr Mandindi.

"Mr Mandindi, do you like goats?" he asked.



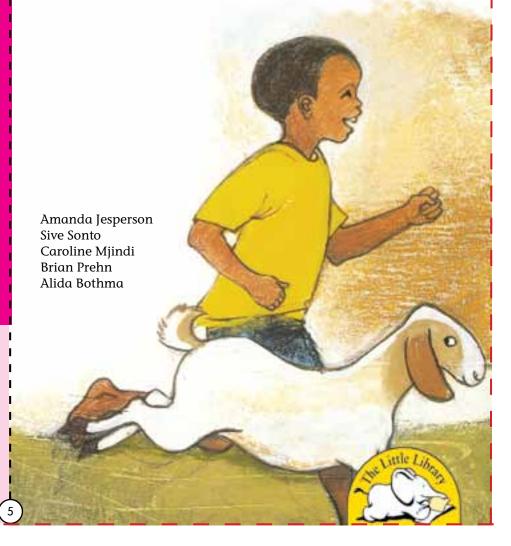
UThuso wagijimela kuMnu. Mandindi.

Thuso ran to Mr Mandindi.



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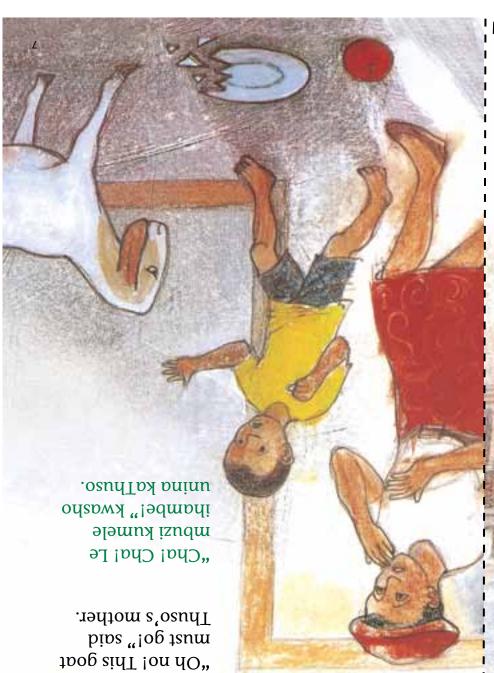
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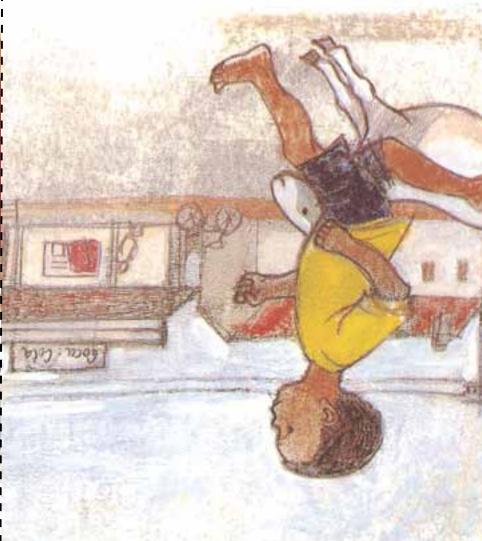


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Ngakho-ke uThuso wagijimela kuMalume uJim.

So Thuso ran to Uncle Jim.



Thuso loved animals. His mother said, "No animals in our house! Animals make a mess!"

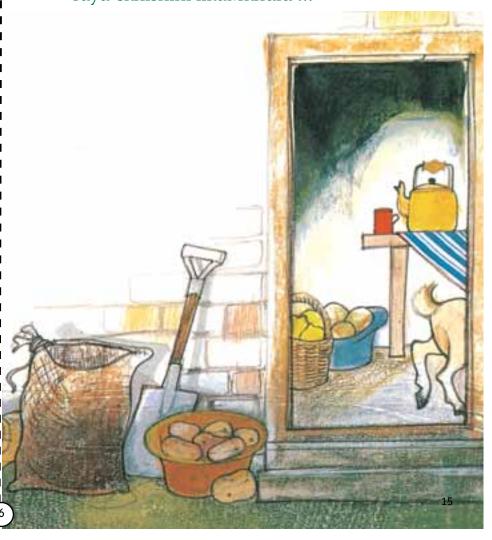


UThuso wayezithanda izilwane. Unina wathi, "Angizifuni izilwane endlini yethu! Izilwane ziyangcolisa!"

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The little goat was happy! He went into Grandfather's kitchen ...

Imbuzana yayijabulile! Yaya ekhishini likaMkhulu ...

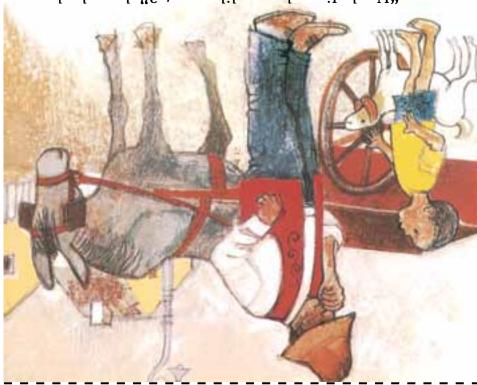


"Yebo," kwasho uMalume uJim. "Ziyangcolisa, kodwa zimnandi uma uzenze ukhari. Uyawuthanda ukhari?"

"Malume Jim, uyazithanda izimbuzi?" embuza.

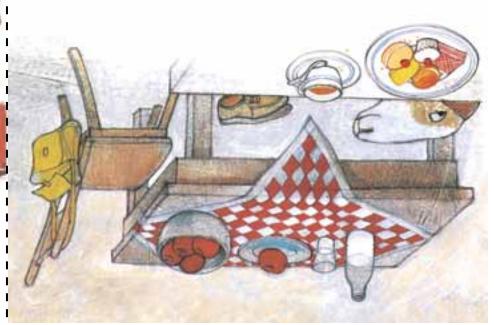
"Yes," said Uncle Jim. "They make a mess, but they are good in a stew. Do you like stew?"

"Uncle Jim, do you like goats?" he asked.



Yadla isicathulo esingaphansi kwetafula. Yadla isikhwama esasingemuva Kwesihlalo. Yadla amabhisikidi aphezu kwekhabethe.

He ate the shoe under the table. He ate the bag behind the chair. He ate the biscuits on top of the cupboard.



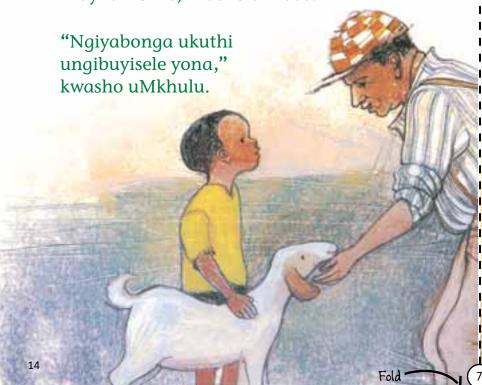
"But this is my goat," said Grandfather.

"He was lost," said Thuso.

"Thank you for bringing him back," said Grandfather.

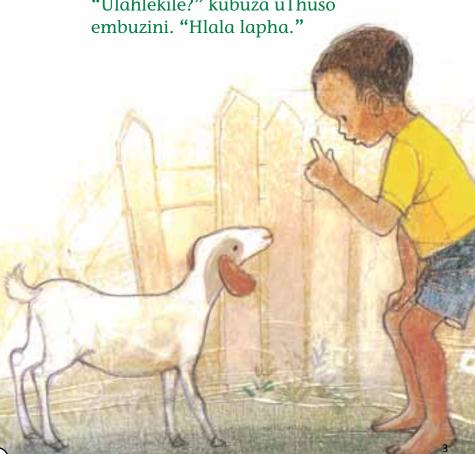
"Kodwa lena yimbuzi yami," kusho uMkhulu.

"Yayilahlekile," kusho uThuso.



One day a little goat followed Thuso home. "Are you lost?" Thuso asked the goat. "Wait here."

Ngelinye ilanga imbuzana yalandela uThuso baya ekhaya. "Ulahlekile?" kubuza uThuso



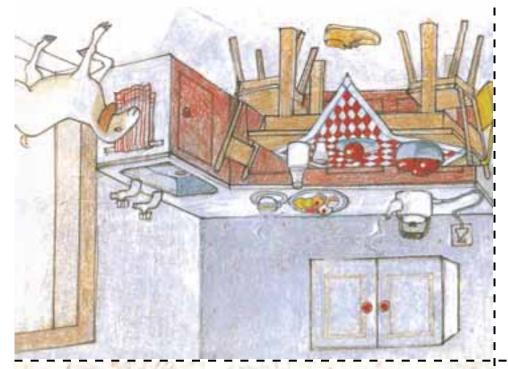
Imbuzana yaya ekhishini.

".onke into." "Cha," kusho uMama. "Izimbuzi zidla

.osudTu "Ngingaba nayo nami imbuzi?" kubuza

"Yebo," kusho uMama.

ebuza unina. "Uyazithanda izimbuzi?" uThuso





kaMkhulu. UThuso nembuzi bagijimela endlini

"Baleka!" kumemeza uThuso.

"Shuu!" kumemeza uMalume uJim. Imbuzi yamkhahlela uMalume uJim. Jim wabamba imbuzi.

> Grandfather's house. Thuso and the goat ran to

> > "Run!" shouted Thuso.

"Ow!" shouted Uncle Jim.

kicked Uncle Jim. Uncle Jim grabbed the goat. The goat



"Grandfather! Grandfather! Help! Uncle Jim wants to make a stew with the little goat," shouted Thuso.

"Mkhulu! Mkhulu! Ngisize!

ukhari ngembuzana,"

Umalume uJim ufuna ukwenza

"Do you like goats?" Thuso asked his mother.

"Yes," said Mama.

"Can I have a goat?" asked Thuso.

"No," said Mama. "Goats eat everything."

The little goat walked into the kitchen.

kumemeza uThuso.