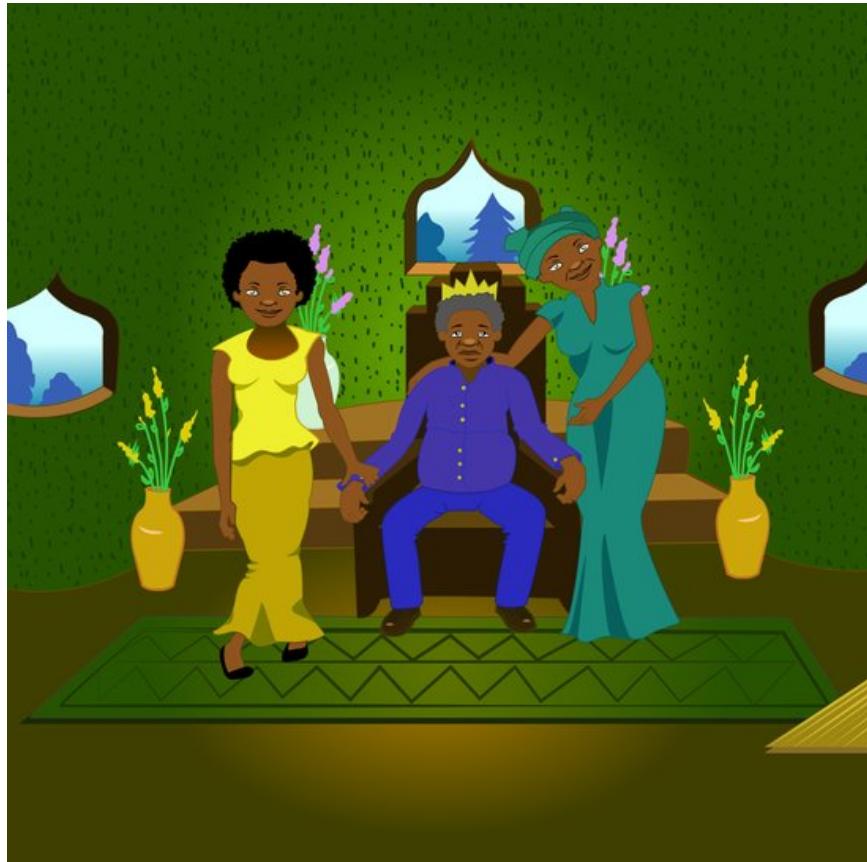


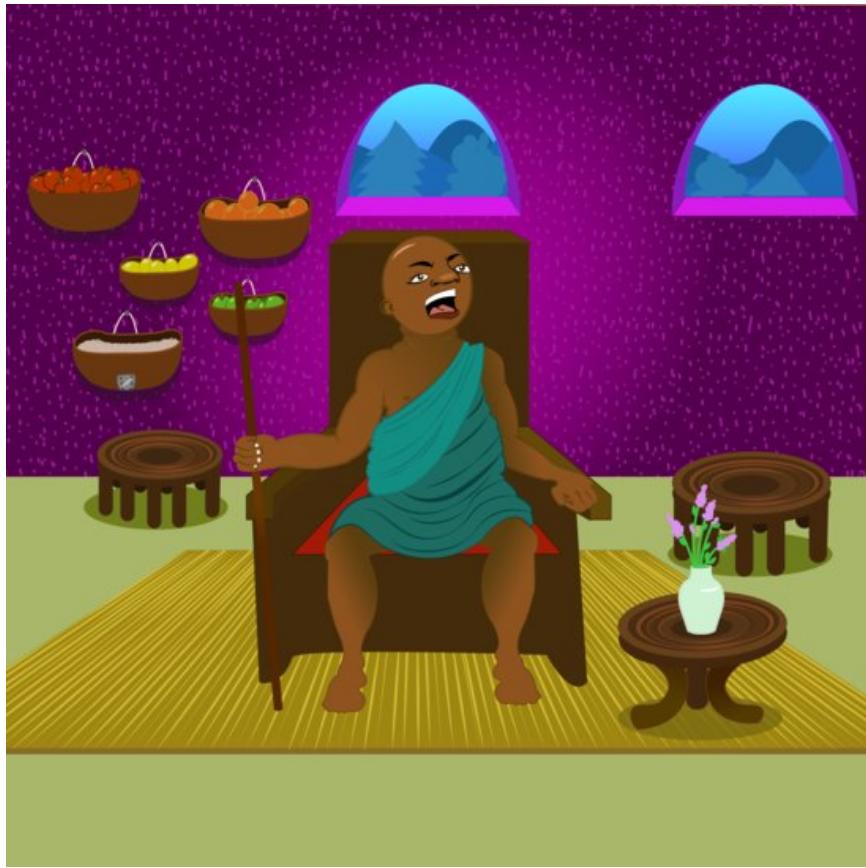
Ikosi uMjekejek nendodakazi yakhe

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Ekadeni kwakukhona ikosi ebekade
ibizwa ngo Mjekejeke. Ikosi le yayihlala
esigodlweni nendlovukazi kanye
nekosazana yayo engu Sponono.

Ikosazana uSponono bekumntazinyana
omuhle khulu,yoke indoda endaweni
beyifuna ukumtjhada. Kodwana ikosi
uMjekejeke bekafuna inani eliphezulu
khulu lamalobolo wekosazana le.

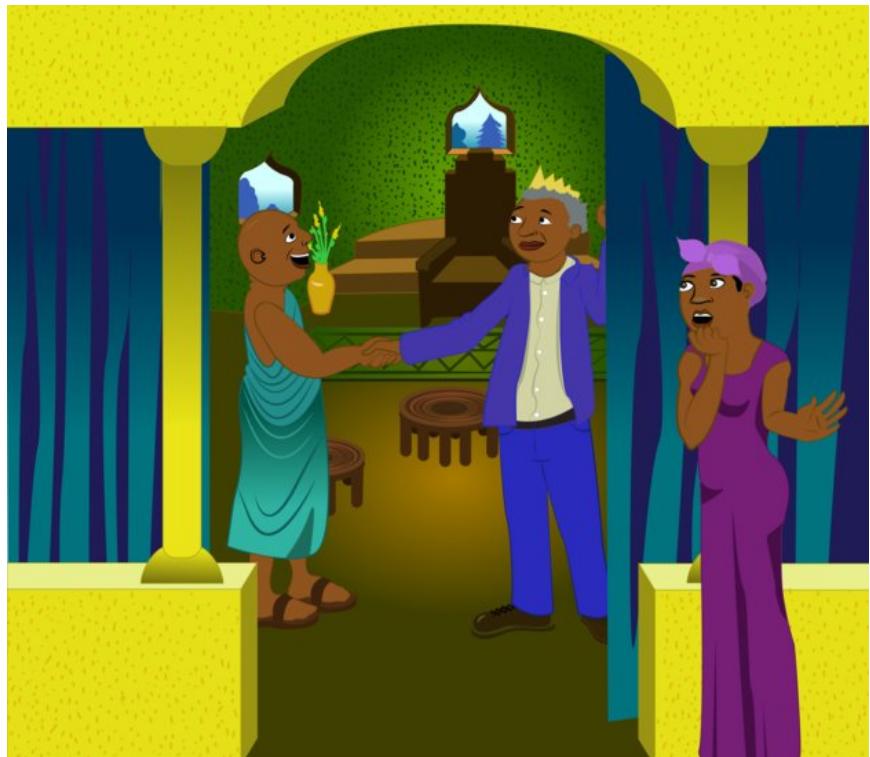




Eduze nesgodlo sekosi uMjekejeke kwakuhlala ikosana eyayibizwa ngomhlonitjhwa u Sgonondo. Bekabizwa “ngomhlonitjhwa” ngombana woke umuntu endaweni bekamhlonipha. (Bekayindoda ebethako ebantwini ebebangamhloniphi).

Ikosikazi yekosana uSgonondo bekungasikade ibhubhile ngobulwelwe bemalariya, yeke ikosana le besele seyifuna ukuthatha omunye umfazi.

Yeke ikosana edala, enonileko le
yakhamba yayokubona ikosi uMjekejeke
ukuyokunikela ngomnotho ukuze akwazi
ukutjhada nekosazana yekosi.
Amadoda amabili la athe asabonisana
ngendaba yenani lelobolo, kanti
isisebenzi uNofanezile siyezwa ikulumo
ebayiphetheko. Isisebenzi lesi
besitjhidelene khulu nekosazana
uSponono.





Ikosana uSgonondo yenza isivumelwano sokunikela ngengcenye yomnotho wakhe ekosini uMjekejeke, kufaka hlangana nenalidi eyayihlangana naso isivumelwano selobolo lekosazana.

Amalungiselelo womtjhado wekosana uSgonondo nekosazana uSponono enziwa kwabayifihlo. Ikosi le beyazi bona indodakazi yakhe angeze yasithabel a isiquonto lesi.

Iveke yinye yangaphambi kwelanga
lomtjhado, isisebenzi uNofanezile saya
kuSponono.

"Kosazana yami ehle, ubabakho uhlele
umtjhado wakho nekosana uSgonondo,
begodu uzokwenzeka ngeveke ezako,"
kukhuluma uNofanezile.

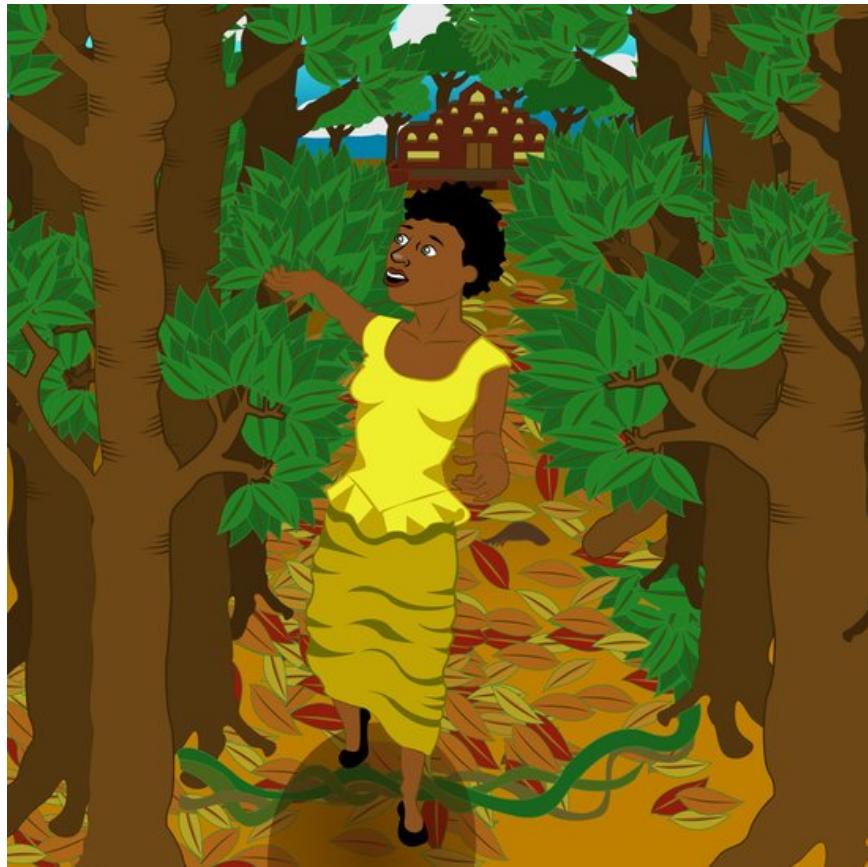


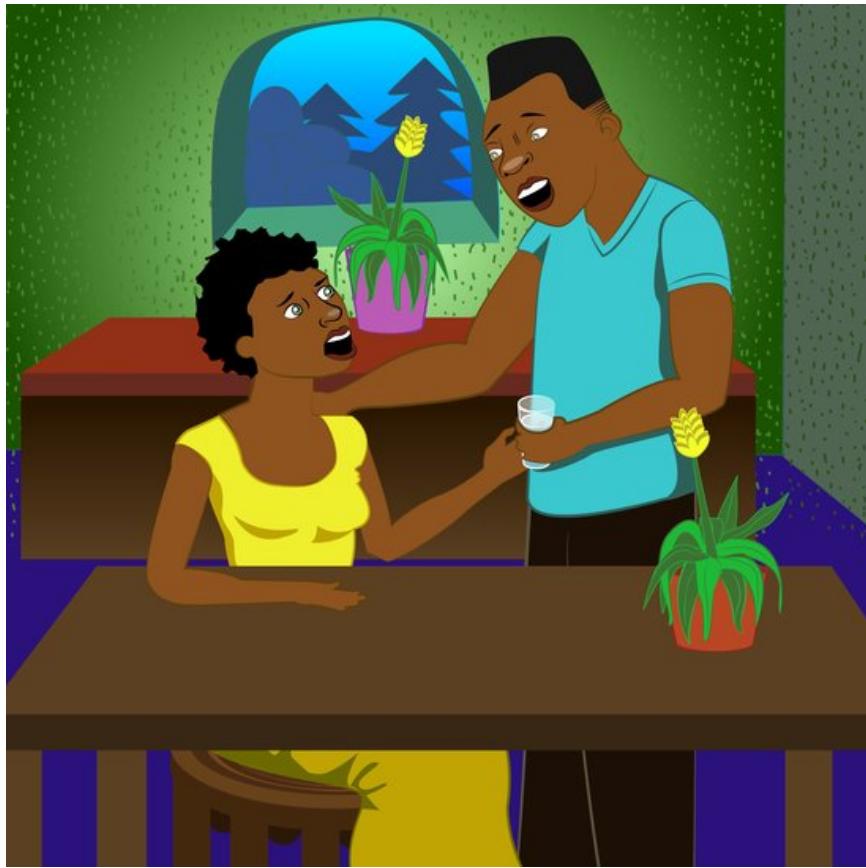


Ikosazana uSponono wathukwa khulu ukuzwa indaba le begodu khange azi bona uzokwenzanjani ngalokho. Wafikelwa mkhumbulo, "Angeze ngatjhada nekosana uSgonondo, indoda edala begodu enone nakangaka. Ngeze! Ngifuze ngirhabele kuSipho ngibone bonyana angangirhelebha njani ngaphambi kobana kuphele isikhathi." USipho bekulisokana elalihlekisana noSponono.

Ngobusukobo uSponono wakhukhutha aphuma esigodlweni. Ingathana uyise bekazi bona ulibangisaphi, bekazokusilingeka khulu.

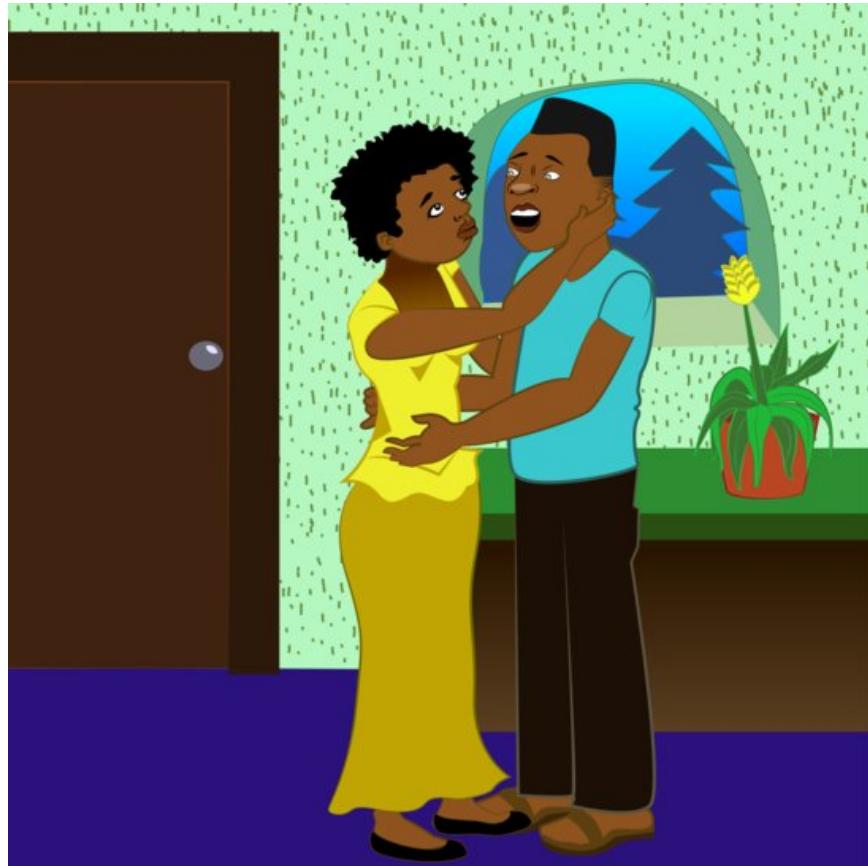
Wagijima hlangana nehlathikazi elinzima elizele amatje nameva, wagijima wabe wafika esokaneni lakhe uSipho. Uthe bona afike ngendlini bekadiniwe, alambile begodu ome khulu.





“Sthandwa sami, kubayini ugijime ibangakazi elide begodu ebusuku nakangaka uwedwa?” kubuza uSipho. Wasikima wayomthathela amanzi wokusela ngemvakwalokho wamlisa waphumula.
uSipho khange ahlaliseke lokha asalinde bona uSponono akhulume ngokumtshwenyako.

"Kosazanami, kanti khuyini umraro?"
kubuza uSipho.
uSponono wadosa umoya kabuhlungu
wakhulumo ngokudana wathi, "Ubaba
ufuna ukungitjhadisa nekosana
uSgonondo umhlonitjhwa. Kodwana
angeze ngavuma ukwenda endodeni
ethusako begodu ekhohlakele kangaka.
Sipho, mina ngifuna ukutjhada nawe
nanyana uhlupheka nje. Ngizimisele
ukuhlupheka kanye nawe,
ngiyakuthanda."





“Kodwana kosazana, anginayo nepeni enzima engingayikhupha ekhenu njengelobolo, uyazi ngilisokana elizihluphekkelako,” kulila uSipho. USponono waphendula, “Ngiyazi, kodwana nguwe kwaphela umuntu engingathabela ukutjhada naye.” Wacobanga isikhatjhana wathi, “Asikhambe siye endoden i leya yesikepe uMadzela simbawe bona asiyamisele ngale komlambo. Ngilo kwaphela iqhinga esingalisebenzisa ukobana siphunyurhe begodu ubaba angeze asifumana.”

Emuva esigodlweni, ikosi uMjekejeke
sele ilemukile ngokunyamalala
kwendodakazi yakhe uSponono,
wahlanganisa amabutho wakhe bona
bayomfuna kiyo yoke indawo.

Abonogada, amajoni, nawo woke umuntu
barhelebha ukuzuma, kodwana khange
bayifunyane ikosazana uSponono.

Babuyela emuva ekosini bayoyibikela
bona uSponono akatholakali. "Yeke
khambani niyomfuna ngehlathini,"
kulayela ikosi. Bekasingeke khulu.





USponono noSipho bathe basarhabele esizibeni, kwathoma kwahlanga amafu anzima. Isiwuruwuru sasele siza ngamandla.

UMadzela umtjhayeli weskepe besele
asijamisile, asibophelelo lokha
iinthandanezi zimfikela. USipho wabawa
uKategga bona abathuthele ngale
komlambo.

UMadzela khange asamukele isibawo
sabo, ngonobangela wesiwuruwuru
ebesele siza ngamandla, begodu
bekuzoba yingozi ekulu ukukhamba nabo
nakunje.





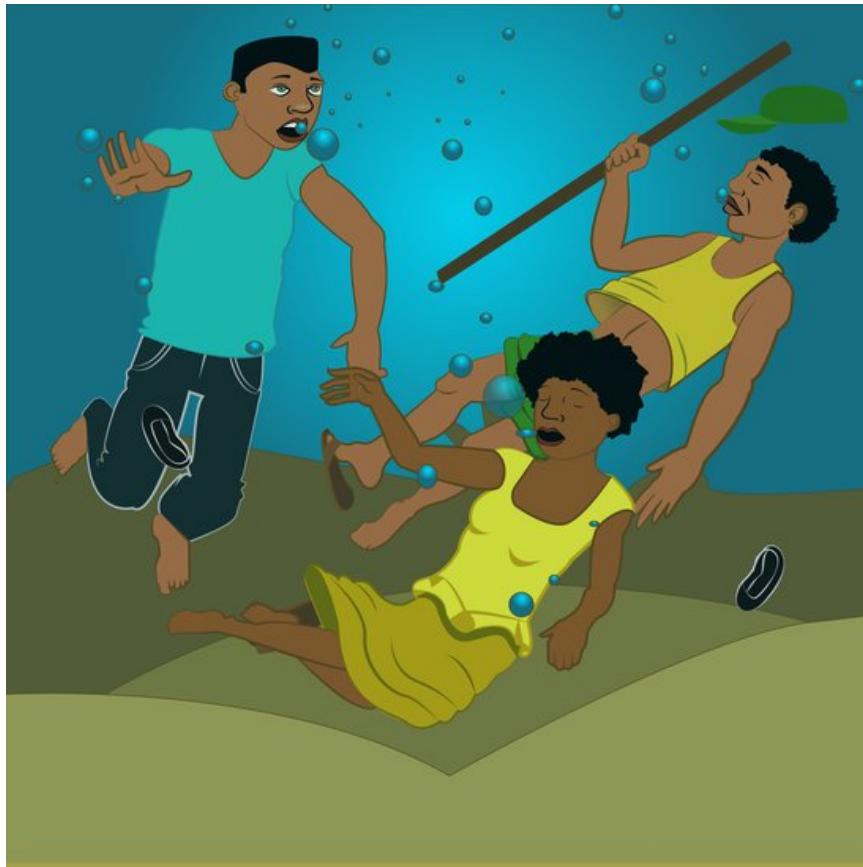
USipho wakatelela bewahlathulula bonyana kubayini kufanele bakhambe. Wafaka isandla sakhe ngesikhwameni wakhupha icephe lelwandle walinikela uMadzela.

UMadzela uthe bona ezwe indaba yabo wabona necephe elihle anikezwa lona, wabazwela ubuhlungu. Wavuma bona abayamise umlambo nanyana isimo sezulu sasinjaya.

UMadzela wadosela iskepe eduse
nomlambo wabatjela bona bakhwele.
Basuka bakhamba.

Kuthe ikosi uMjekejeke nekosana
uSgonondo nabafika ngemlanjeni
babona abantu abathathu eskepeni.
Balinuka bona iinthandanezi
ziphunyurhile.





Isiwuruwuru somoya sakahlumeza isikepe okwenza umtjhayeli angasakgona ukusilawula. Ikosi uMjekejeke warhuwelela wathi: "Sponono, ngibawa bona ubuye! Sengikulibalele begodu angeze ngikujezise wena noSipho." Kodwana isikepe besele sibaketulele ngemanzini, baqwila boke. Ngemva kwalelolanga woke umuntu watjhaphuluka bonyana atjhade nanyana ngubani amthandako.

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