



# Ingxaki egadini kaMakhulu



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Indlu kaMakhulu yayimi kufuphi nethafa.  
Yayinesitiya ekwakutyalwe kuso imifuno,  
iminqathe, iimbotyi, nezinye izityalo.  
Sasisithi sakuhluma senze umona  
nakubani ogqithayo. Kwakweli thafa  
kwakuhlala uMvundla owawundwebile  
ubawa. Oku kuhluma kwesitiya  
kwakubangela uMvundla ungakwazi  
ukuzinqanda.





USoze wayengumhlobo wenene kaMakhulu. Wawungambona erhorhozela emva koMakhulu xa enkcenkceshela.

Ukutshona kwelanga, uMakhulu egqibile ukusebenza esitiyeni, wayengena naye endlwini. Rhoqo ebusuku uMakhulu wayefika apheke imifuno batye, balale.



Kwathi ngobunye ubusuku uMakhulu  
noSoze belele cum, uMvundla  
wachwechwa wangena esitiyeni. Esakufika  
esitiyeni wanyoshoza, walaqaza ejonga  
ukuba akabonwa kusini na. Wemba  
umngxuma osuka esitiyeni ukuya ethafeni.

*Uqakathe, uqakathe, udibane  
nekhaphetshu, utye!*

*Uqakathe, uqakathe, udibane neminqathe,  
utye!*

*Uqakathe, uqakathe, udibane neetapile,  
utye!*

*Wakonela, unyantsule, unyantsule,  
ugoduke uhluthi!*









Ngentsasa elandelayo uMakhulu  
uqaphele ukuba kukho into etye imifuno  
yakhe. Iminqathe neetapile zazombiwe,  
kanti neziqo zeembotyi zophukile.  
Wayengaqinisekanga ukuba ngumntu,  
yimfene, yinkawu kusini na eyenze le nto.

Ebusuku wavala isango lesitiya,  
waliqamangela ngekhonco neqhaga.  
Wagqiba ekubeni uSoze alale ecaleni  
kwendlu agade. UMakhulu yena wahlala  
ecaleni kwefestile ukuze ave xa kukho into  
engena esitiyeni.

Wahlala apho wada wabiwa bubuthongo  
engekeva nto.



Ngosuku olulandelayo wabona isango lisavaliwe. Yonke into iluhlobo awayeyishiye ingayo kungekho nemizila yeenyawo.

Ngesiqhelo wankcenkceshela isitiya, uSoze engumsila wakhe. Ngaloo mini balala endlwini kuba besazi ukuba isitiya sikhuselekile lucingo esasibiyelwe ngalo.







“Hayi ke Soze, ngumhlola ke lo!” Watsho kwintsasa elandelayo esakubona imifuno yakhe ityiwe kwakhona. Wajikeleza uthango lwesitiya ekhangela ukuba akukho ndawo kusikwe ucingo, kwangenwa ngayo akabona nto. Uthe esacinga ngaleyo waqaphela ukuba kukho isikrotyana apho kudibana khona ipali ncingo. Wasondela wabona umngxuma onzulu owawungangena noSoze lo wakhe.





Wacinga engazi ukuba yintoni etya imifuno yakhe.

“Yikati okanye yinja? Hayi aziyityi imifuno ekrwada azingeni nasemingxunyeni!”

“Ingaba nguxam? Abayityi imifuno.”  
Wayebuza kuSoze ngoku ngathi angaphendula.

“Akunakuba ziintaka, ziyalala ebusuku.

Ingaba sisikhova, bethu? Hayi, isikhova sihlala emithini siyangxola ebusuku, kodwa asingeni emingxunyeni.”

Wathi esabhidekile enjalo kwathi qatha!

“NguMvundla! Ndiyayazi Soze! Nguye kuphela okwaziyo ukungena kulo mngxunya kwaye utya imifuno ekrwada!”

“Hawu! Hawu!” wakhonkotha uSoze.







Wacinga ukwenza icebo lokuthiyisela uMvundla. Wakhetha iminqathe emihle wayibophelela ngentambo ende, warhintyela isiphelo sayo kumlenze kaSoze.

“USoze uzakuva ukutsaleka okuncinci kwentambo abambe uMvundla,” wacinga njalo. UMakhulu wazenzela isiselo esibandayo waphumla uSoze ethe natya egcakamele ilanga.





UMvundla wawulambe kakhulu ucinga ngeminqathe esitiyeni sikaMakhulu. Awuzange ufune ukulinda ukufika kobusuku wathubeleza kuloo mngxuma waya esitiyeni. Wanyoshoza walaqaza wabona iminqathe emihle. Watya ngokuphanga kanti ude waluma umlenze kaSoze. USoze waxhuma wavuka wakhonkotha. Waxhuma naye uMvundla ngumethuko wacela kwabanentsente uSoze walanda ekhondweni.





UMakhulu naye wathathisa waleqisa ngentonga yakhe. Wayehleli ezinyaweni zikaSoze, uSoze ejoja eleqa uMvundla. UMvundla wayefuna nawuphi umngxunya owawunokuzifaka kuwo, uSoze emthe mba.

Kanye ngeloo xesha wawuthi nqaku umsila wawuluma waqhawuka wasisijungqe. Ukusukela loo mini waba mfutshane umsila woMvundla.





Kunanamhlainja isayileqa imivundla xa iyibona. Imivundla yona xa ibona izinja iyabaleka. Nangona kunjalo imivundla ayikayeki ukutya imifuno.

Uyazi xa ubona isitiya esinemifuno etyebileyo njengesikaMakhulu qiniseka imivundla ayikho kude.