



Nomadlakadlaka lonesibindzi!



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Endzaweni lekhashane epulasini, bekuhlala lintjwele lenkhukhu lebelingaketayelevi. Belihlukile kuwo onkhe emantjwele.

Kunekutsi tinsiba talo tiluleke tikhatimule,
talo betifiphele timadlakadlaka. Linentsamo
lengenatinsiba, imilente yalo beyinetinsiba.





Libito lalelintjwele bekungu Nomadlakadlaka,
libitwa ngetinsiba talo letimadlakadlaka.
Lamanye emantjwele abebitwa ngemibala yawo.
Nomadlakadlaka abelitsandza libito lakhe ngobe
belihlukile, kumenta ative akhetsekile.



Lamanye emantjwele abengafuni kudlala
naNomadlakadlaka.

“Timbi tinsiba takho, ngisho nelikamo ngeke litelule!”

“Singadlali naye, Nginesiciniseko kutsi uyanuka
futsi unemakhatane!” kusho Mhloshana, lonetinsiba
letimhloshana, futsi lamanye emantjwele amtsandza.
Atsandza kumlandzela shengatsi uyabahola.





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“Ngingatibamba ngitive tinsiba takho?” kubuta Mushi. Nomadlakadlaka wanikina inhloko, wavumela Mushi kutsi eve tinsiba takhe. Mushi akamange akholwe lakuvako! Tinsiba taNomadlakadlaka betitsambile tifana netakhe, futsi betinganuki njengobe abevile.



Kusukela ngalelo lilanga, laba lababili
bangasahlukani. Kwekucala emphilweni yakhe,
Nomadlakadlaka waba nemngani . Kwamjabulisa
loko.



Lamanye emantjwele ababuka ngemona uma
badlala, bacoshisana, batingela imisundvu
nalokunye kudla, bahleka kakhulu. Abemangele
ngalobungani.



Ngalelinye lilanga uma Nomadlakadlaka naMushi basadlala esigangeni, Lusoti lonelunya waphaphela dvute nalapho lamantjwele lamabili adlala khona. Wasondzela dvute kakhulu aphapha etulu kwabo. Mushi abetfuke kakhulu. Nomadlakadlaka watjela umngani wakhe kutsi akakhululeke ngobe yena akamesabi kuLusoti lonelunya.





Lusoti wavula tidladla takhe letindze,
letingcolile, alungiselela kuhlwitsa Mushi. Kepha
Nomadlakadlaka wema emkhatsini wemngani
wakhe naLusoti.



Nomadlakadlaka waphaphatelisa timphiko takhe,
wanikina tinsiba takhe letimadlakadlaka. Wabuka
Lusoti ekhatsi emehlwani. “Uligwala! Kungani
wetfuse emantjwele langete akwati kutilwela? Tsatsa
mine; angikwesabi! Hamba usiyekele!” washo
acosha lusoti ngetimphiko takhe letincane.



Lusoti akazange akholwe tindlebe takhe. Waphapha masinyane, atfukile ngobe akumange kube nelintjwele lelake lamelana naye ngaloluhlobo.





Lamanye emantjwele abebukela konkhe loku
abhacile futsi atfukile, kepha ajabulile ngesibindzi
saNomadlakadlaka. Abengatsembi indlela lafake
ngayo imphilo yakhe enkhingeni wasindzisa
umngani wakhe.



“Ngiyabonga kungisindzisa kuLusoti mngani wami,”
kusho Mushi.

“Bangani benta njalo!” Kusho Nomadlakadlaka
amamatseka.

“Kungani wena ungamesabi kuLusoti?” kubuta
Mushi.



“Ngicabanga kutsi tinsiba tami letimadlakadlaka
tinemilingo!” Bangani lababili bahleka.

Nomadlakadlaka abejabulile kutsi wehlukile
kulabanye.



Ngelilanga lelilandzelako, onkhe emantjwele
eta kuNomadlakadlaka naMushi, aholwa
nguMhloshana, umholi waho.

“Ngicela kuba ngumngani wenu nami,” kucela
Mhloshana.



Mushi wabuka Nomadlakadlaka, lowamatsekwa
watsi, “Yebo! Ungaba ngumngani wetfu.”

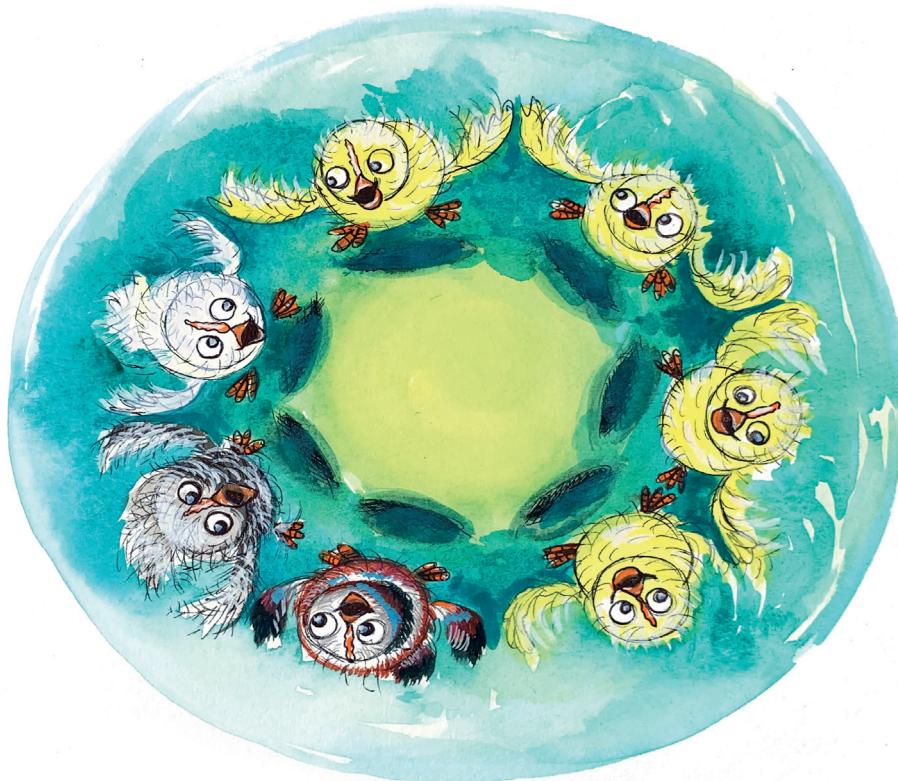
“Ngiyacolisa ngato tonkhe tintfo letikhohlakele
naletingemanga lesitishilo ngawe,” kusho
Mhloshana.

Nomadlakadlaka wavuma ngenhloko.



Kusukela ngalelo lilanga, onkhe emantjwele
abedlala ndzawonye.

Nomadlakadlaka wabafundzisa kuphephetelisa
timphiko tabo banyakakatise tinsiba kute bativikele
kuLusoti.





Lusoti akamange asabahlupha futsi ... mhlawumbe
waya kulamanye emapulasi.



Nomadlakadlaka wangasabi nesitunge. Lamanye
emantjwele ayekela kumbita ngemagama, acala
kumbita nga Nomadlakadlaka lonesibindzi!