



John Kani, o tswile Mosimeng wa Noga go nna Kgosi

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Bukakanelo e, e ka ga Bonisile John Kani.

O tsetswe ka 1943 kwa New Brighton, mo toropong ya Qheberha. Bonnyaneng ba gagwe o ne a rata dikgang le go diragatsa.

Mosimane yo, go tswa Kapa Botlhaba, o godile go nna modiragatsi, mokwadi le motlhagisi yo o itsegeng lefatshe ka bophara!



Kokoagwe John o ne a simolola go mo tlotlela dikgang.

O mo tlotletse mainaane a mantsi, a mo ruta le go tlhama dikgang.

Maitseboa mangwe le mangwe, fa go robalwa,
kokoagwe John o ne a mo tlotlela dikgang.

Dikgang di ne di tshosa, e le tsa moloi wa meno a
matelele le dinala tse di telele.

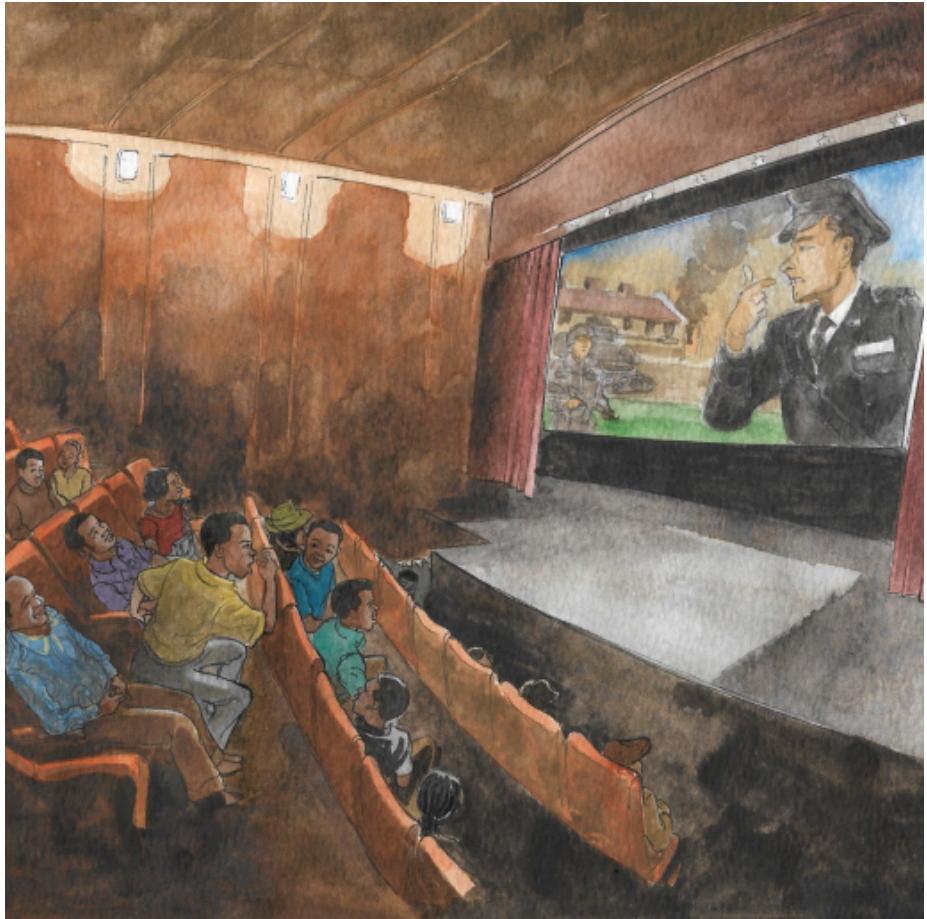


Ka letsatsi lengwe, kokoagwe a kopa John go mo tlotlela kgang.

A simolola ka gore, "Bogologolotala, go ne go le mosadimogolo, yo o neng a batla go bolelela bana dikgang tsa gagwe!"

John o ne a kgatlhegela go tsaya dikgang. O simolotse go diragatsa mo diterameng tsa sekolo.

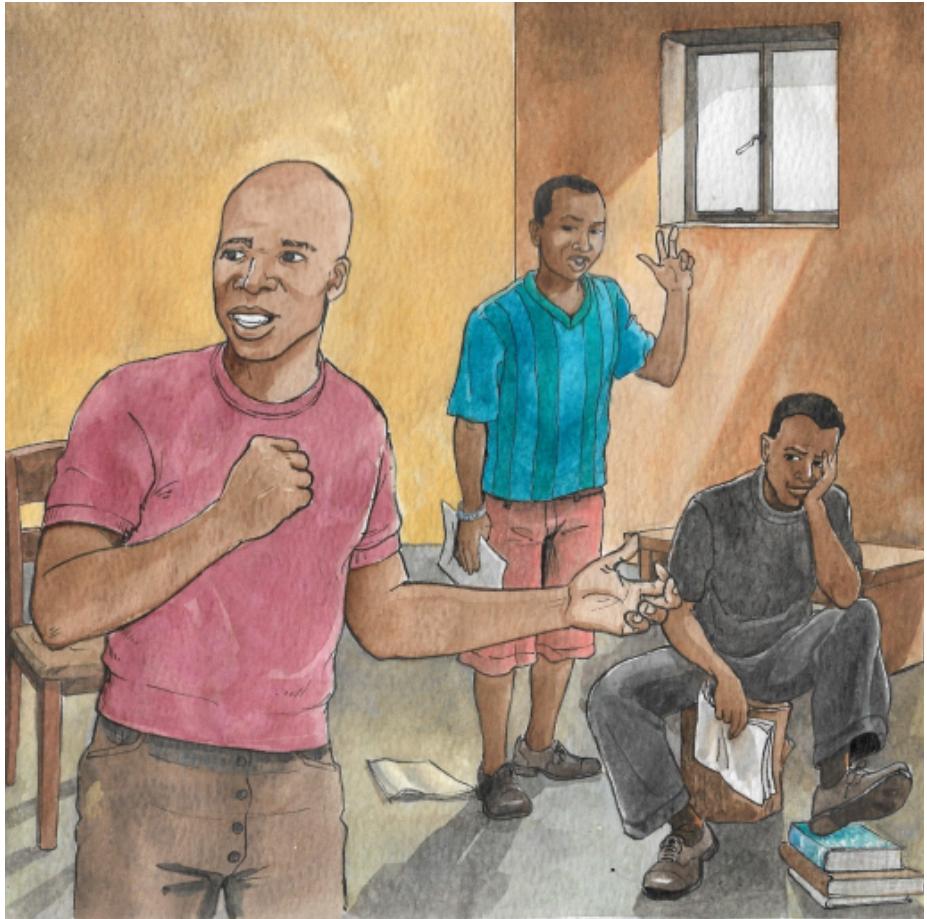
Terama ke kgang e e diragatswang ke badiragatsi.



Badiragatsi ba kgon a go fetola mantswe a bona go itira e kete ke batho ba ba farologaneng. Ba diragatsa jaaka badiragatsi mo diterameng le difilimi.

Fa John a le monnye, o ne a tle a bogele difilimi le ditsala, tse di neng di sa tlhaloganye English.

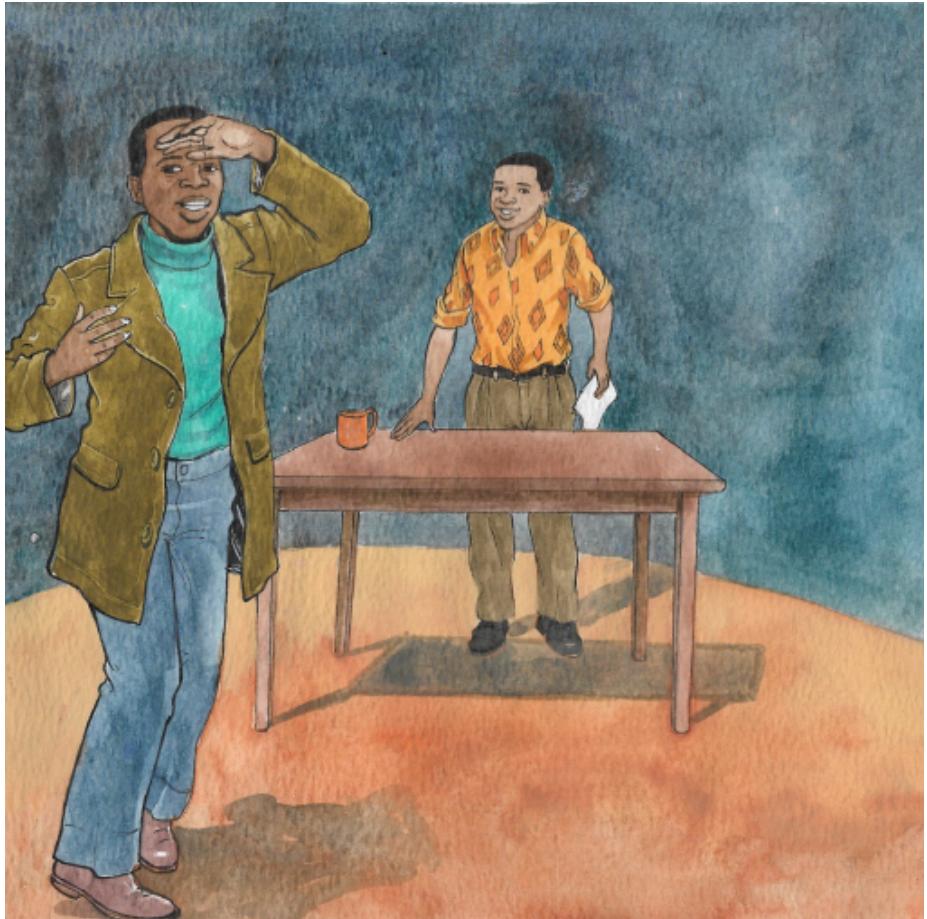
John o ne a ba tlhalosetsa mmuisano wa English, a diragatsa jaaka badiragatsi ba ba farologaneng.



Fa a fetsa dithuto tsa gagwe tsa sekolo se segolo, John o ne a dira kwa bodirelong.

O ne a tsenela setlhophpha sa badiragatsi, ba ba dirang ditiro tse dingwe. Bontsi e ne e le batho bantsho.

John o ne a re, "Re ne re se fela setlhophpha sa badiragatsi. Re ne re le masole mo seraleng. Re dirisitse botaki go bua kgatlhanong le botlhokotsebe.

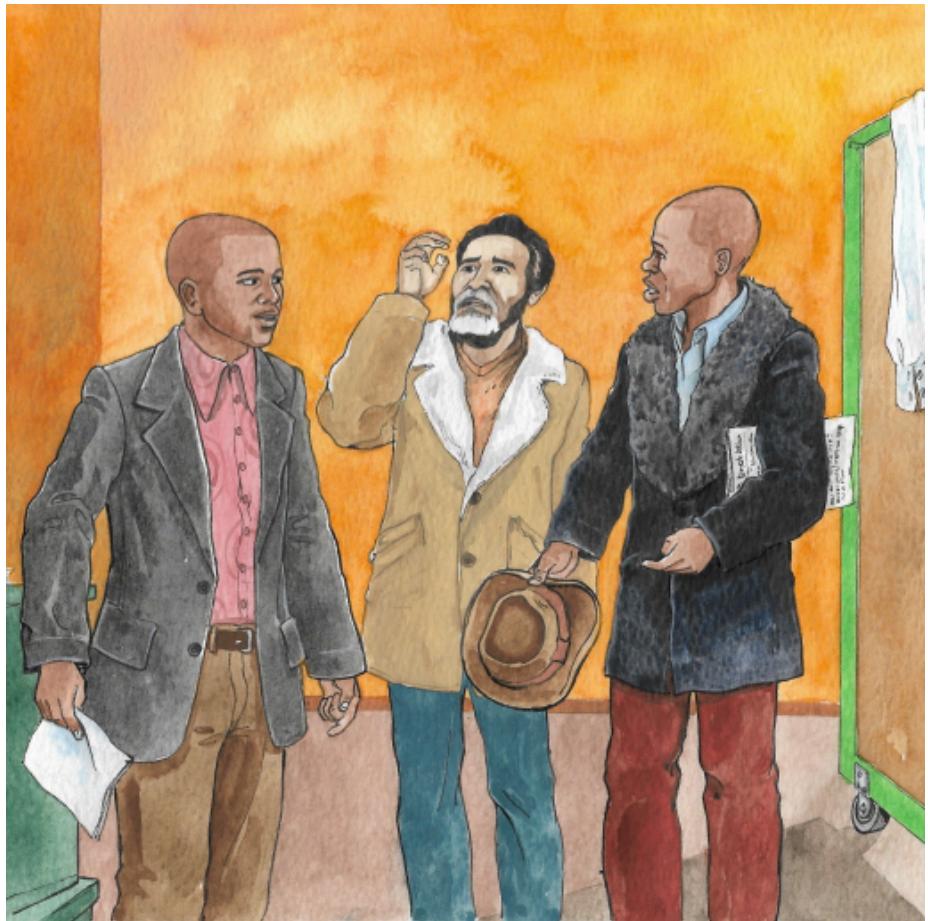


Ka nako e, John a nna tsala e kgolo le modiragatsi, Winston Ntshona. Ba simolola go tlhama diterama mmogo.

Ba ne ba le mo setlhopheng sa terama se se bidiwang *Serpent Players*.

Tiragatso ya setlhophpha se ya ntlha e ne e le mo mosimeng wa nogal o o lolea kwa serapeng sa diphologolo sa Gqeberha.

Ke ka moo ba neng ba ipitsa *Serpent Players*.



Serpent Players e ne e rulaganntswe ke Athol Fugard,
modiragatsi le mokwadi mongwe.

Athol, John le Winston, ba dirile mmogo go tlhama
diterama tsa botlhokwa mo tshimologong ya 1970.

Metshameko e, e ne e le ka ditlamorago tsa tlhaolele
mo Bantshong.

Diterama di bidiwa 'Sizwe Banzi is Dead' le 'The Island'.



'Sizwe Banzi is Dead', e ka ga molao wa dipasa, fa
Bantsho ba ne ba tshwanetse go tshola
makwaloitshupo a dompase.

Sizwe Banzi a ka se dire gonne ga a bone tumelelo mo
paseng ya gagwe.

'The Island' e ka ga banna ba babedi kwa Robben
Island, bao ba neng ba le mo kgolegelong e e itsegeng
ya batshwarwa ba dipolitiki.



Ka 1975 kwa New York, John le Winston ba gapile dikabo tsa Tony tsa 'Sizwe Banzi Is Dead' le 'The Island'.

Kabo ya Tony ke ya botlhokwa ya boditšhabatšhaba ya terama ya thieta. (Diterama di diragatswa mo thieta).

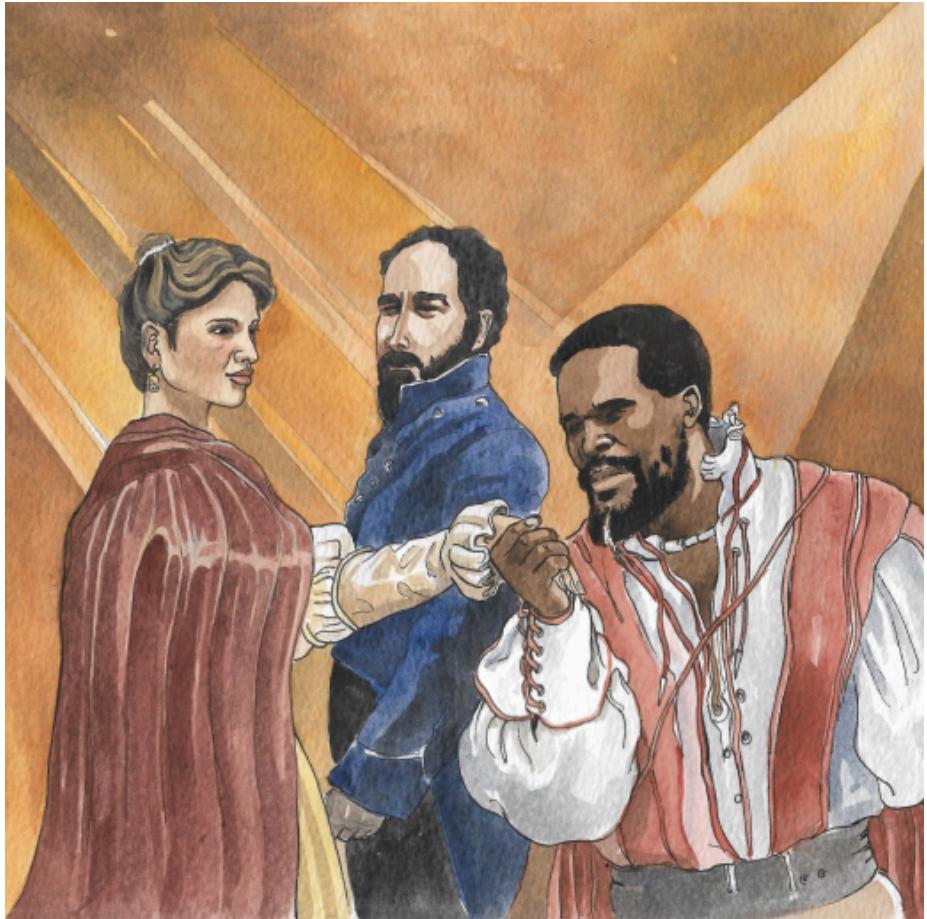
John a simolola go dira le motlhagisi wa thieta e bong Barney Simon.



John le Barney ba tlhamile *Market Theatre Laboratory*, e le karolo ya *Market Theatre* mo Johannesburg.

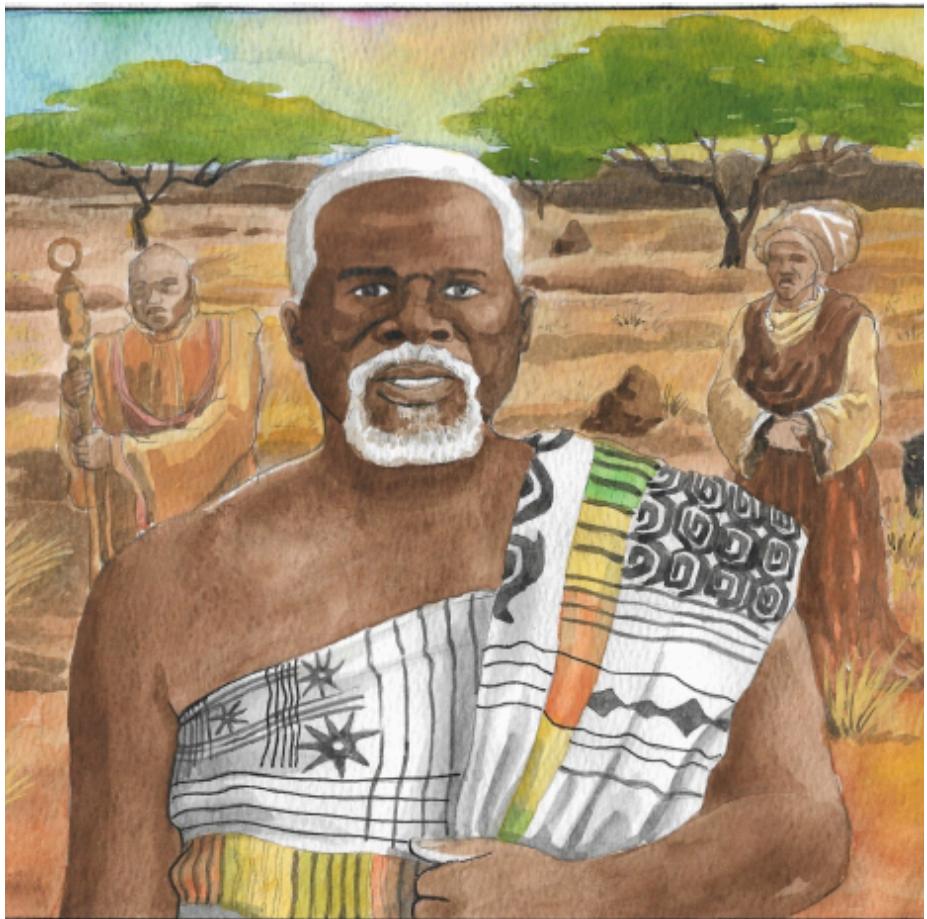
Laboratory e rupisa batho ba ba ratang go dira mo thieta, segolo go diragatsa.

Ka 2014, *Market Theatre* e fetotse leina la lefelo la yona le legolo go nna *John Kani Theatre*, go mo tlotlomatsa.



Ka 2002, John o ikwaletse terama ya gagwe ya ntlha. E bidiwa 'Nothing but the Truth' mme e tlhomilwe mo Aforika Borwa morago ga tlhaolele.

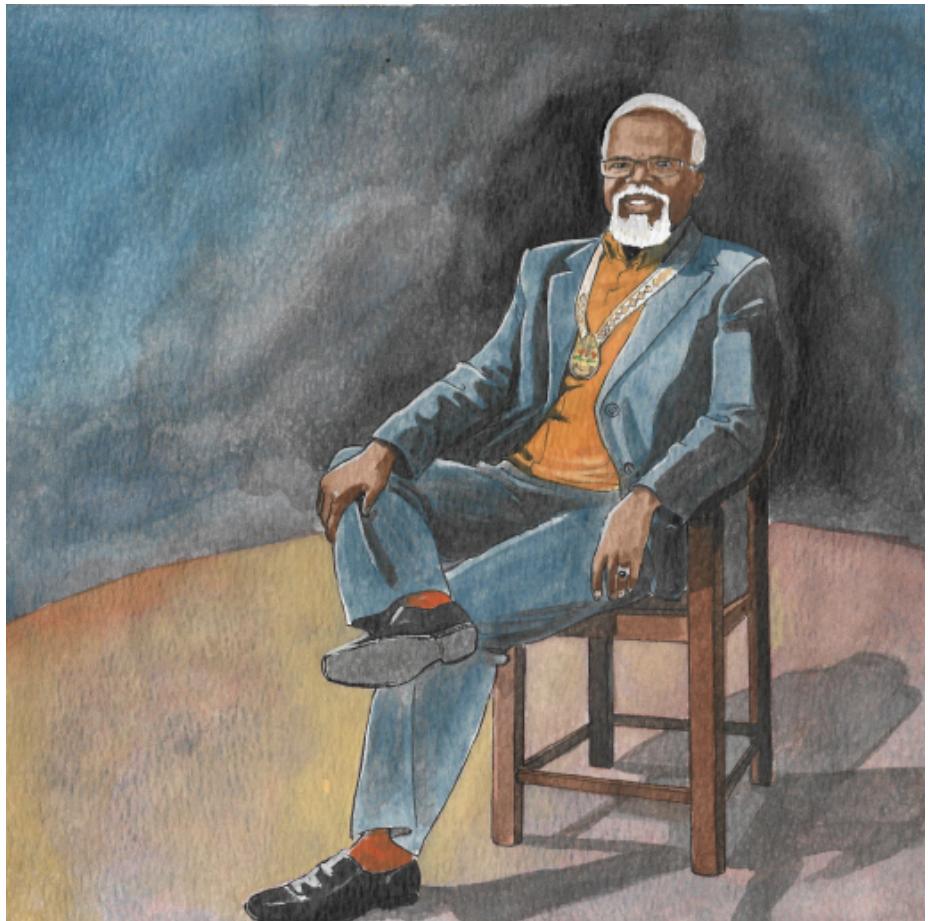
Morago ga dingwaga, o diragaditse mo diterameng tsa mefutafuta, go akaretsa "Othello" ka William Shakespeare, le 'Miss Julie' ka August Stringent.



John o diragaditse mo metseletseleng ya mananeo le difilimi tsa TV ka 2016, o tshamekile *King T'Chaka of Wakanda* mo filiming ya 'Captain America: Civil War'.

Morago ga dingwaga tse pedi, o tshamekile *King Wakanda* mo filiming ya 'Black Panther'.

John o tlhagisitse isiXhosa jaaka puo ya Wakanda.



Ka 2005, Mmuso wa Aforika Borwa o abetse John kabo ya *The Order of Ikhama*ga.

Kabo e, ke ya tiro e e gaisang mo lefapheng la boitlhamedi, sekai, mo thieta, dikwalo, mmino, kgotsa bobegakgang.

Gompieno, John o sa ntse a kwala, a diragatsa, le go atlega mo thieta.

Se ke se John Kani o se buang ka katlego ya gagwe.

“Thieta, go kwala le go diragatsa go nkgontsha go amana le se se diragalang mo teng ga me, mo tengteng ga mowa wa me.” O nagana gore o raya eng? Tlotla ka se le ba bangwe.

—Dipotso

1. Ke mang yo o rotloeditseng John Kani go anela dikgang? Ke goreng o rialo?
2. Tlhalosa gore batho ba, ba dira eng mo thieta: modiragatsi, mokwadi, motlhagisi.
3. Leina la setlhophsa sa terama sa tshimologo ya '*The Serpent Players*' ke mang?
4. Batlisisa gore a go na le setlhophsa sa thieta mo tikologong ya lona.

Bukakanelo e, e tlhamilwe le go kwalwa ka
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