



UMmakgabo Helen Sebidi nephasi lezobukghwari

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Indatjana le ikhuluma ngomSewula Afrika
odume khulu kwezobukghwari ephasini
mazombe.

Nangabe ufuna ukufunda ngezobukghwari,
kufanele ufunde ngoMmakgabo Helen Sebidi.

Indabakhe ithoma nakabelethwako
ngomnyaka we-1943 eMarapyane,
ngeMpumalanga.



UMmakgabo nakakhulako, uogwakhe wamfundisa ukukghuphula nokusinda phasi.

UMmakgabo wafunda ukusebenza ngedaka, apara imithangala ukwenza imihlobiso, wafunda nokutshidza phasi asebenzisa ubulongwe. Wafunda ukubumba nokuhlobisa iinkapho ngemincamo.



Ugogo uMetato wafundisa uMmakgabo ukukorotjha, ukuthunga nokufensa.

UMmakgabo bekabuya emndenini otlhagako, begodu kwafuneka bona athole umsebenzi asesemncani aneminyaka eli-16.

Wafuduka waya eJohannesburg wasebenza waba ngunomakhwitjhi.



Ngelinye ilanga uMmakgabo waba nekareko nakabona ubukghwari obabe bugwalwe mqatjhakhe. Wakhamba wayomthengela iimpende zakhe ze-oli zokuthoma.

Waragela phambili wapenda angabonwa mumuntu.

Umqatjhakhe wararwa siphwiwo sakhe begodu wamkhuthaza ukobana afundele iimfundo zobukghwari.



UMmakgabo walemuka bona sekathloga iimfundo zobukghwari ezisemthethweni.

Wakhamba wayozitlolisela ukufunda iimfundo zobukghwari e-*White Studio* eSophiatown.

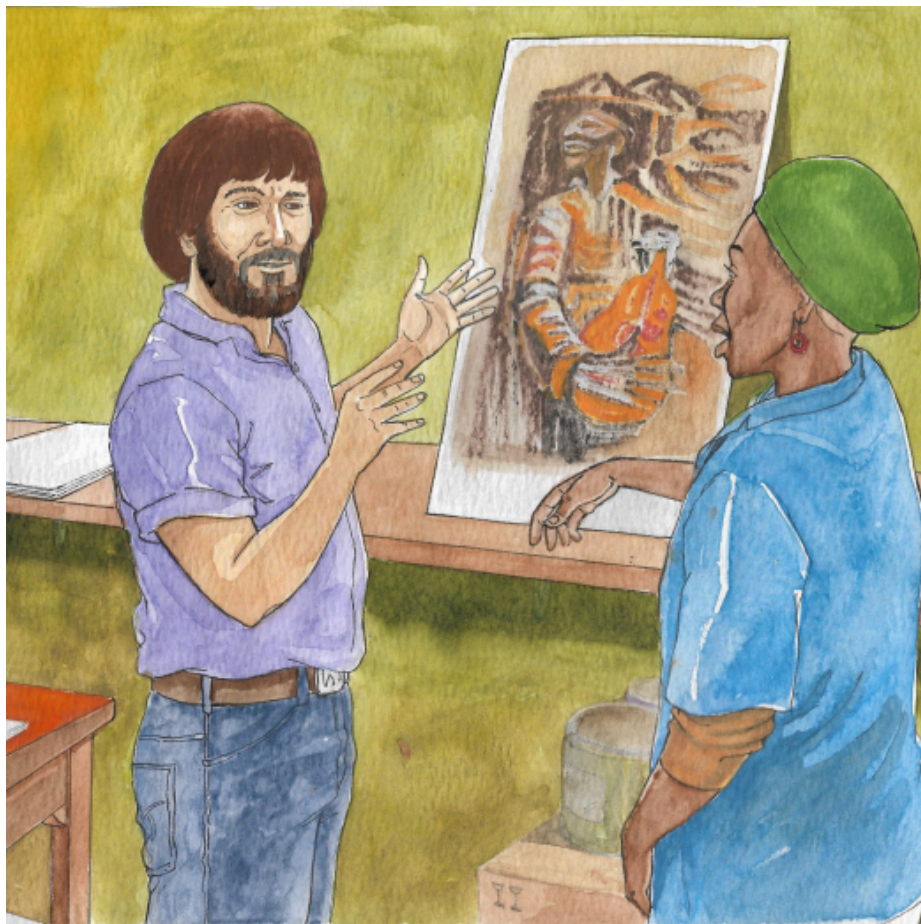
Utitjherakhe wabe amgwali odumileko kunguKeonakeefe Mohl. Waba ngumeluleki kaMmakgabo begodu wamsiza.



UMmakgabo wabe athanda ukudweba izehlakalo zeMarapyane, zalapha akhulela khona.

Wabe adweba abomma ababuya engomeni namkha abalima emasimini.

Wabe adweba izehlakalo ezenzeka kwamambala.



UMmakgabo wahlangana nomdwebi obizwa ngokuthiwa nguBill Ainslie, owamukhuthaza ukobana agwale.

Lokhu kwabe kuhlukile kunesitayela ebegade asisebenzisa ukugwala izehlakalo zendawo akhulela kiyo.

UMmakgabo wasebenza ngamandla wazijayeza ukugwala.



UMmakgabo wafundisa abantwana abancani ukugwala e*Katlehong Arts Centre*.

Wabandula nabanye godu abagwali. Naye waragela phambili nokuthuthukisa isitayela sakhe sokugwala begodu nokusebenzisa amanye amametheriyali wokugwala.

Kwesinye isikhathi bekakhangisa ngeenthombe zakhe nabanye abagwali bese uthengisa iinthombe zakhe zobukghwari.



Umsebenzi kaMmakgabo utjengisa ubudisi bepilo yabomma eenkomplasi zeSewula Afrika kanye neendaweni zemaplasini.

Bekaqalene neendaba zehlalakuhle kanye nepolotiki. Umsebenzakhe ngesikhathi sebandlululo bewutjengisa indlela abantu abaNzima ebebatlhaga ngayo.

Esinye seenthombe zakhe esabe sidume khulu ngileso esihlanganiswe ngeencucwana esibizwa ngokuthiwa yi-'Tears of Africa' (1988).



UMmakgabo waba nomkhangiso wakhe wokuthoma ngomnyaka we-1986.

Wabe angumma wokuthoma womuntu oNzima eSewula Afrika ukuba nomkhangiso wemigwalo ekungeyakhe.

Umkhangiso oyipumelelo lo wabe ungewesitayela sakhe ayedwa. UMMakgabo waduma khulu ngesitayela leso.



UMmakgabo watlonyeliswa ngomfundalize we-*Fulbright* ukobana akhambе ayokufunda e-Amerika.

Umfundalize lo wamsiza ukobana anqophe kwezobukghwari nokobana athuthukise ibizelo lakhe.

Umsebenzi kaMmakgabo wezobukghwari wakhangiswa e-Europe, England, kanye ne-Amerika.



Imigwalo kaMmakgabo ibekwe emyuziyamu nakumagalari ephasini mazombe.

Umgwali ohloniphekileko begodu uthandwa babantu boke.

Ngesimanga somnikelo wakhe kwezobukghwari eSewula Afrika, uMmakgabo wanikelwa unongorwana womLayo kaMengameli we-Ikhamanga ngomnyaka we-2004.



UMmakgabo watjengisa bona umuntu angaba ngilokho afuna ukuba ngikho.

Begodu ukulalela kwakhe ugogwakhe kwamenza bona aphumelele.

UMmakgabo wathi, "Ugogwami ophile bewafika eminyakeni eli-115, wangifundisa yoke into engiyaziko."

—Imibuzo

1. Itjho bona ugogo kaMmakgabo wamfundisa ini uMmakgabo?
2. Wathoma njani ukugwala uMmakgabo?
3. Kubayini ucabanga bona waphumelela ekugwaleni?
4. Yini oyithandako ngoMme Sebidi?
5. Dweba namkha gwala isithombe sento namkha somuntu oqakathekileko kuwe.

Indatjana esencwadini le yabunjwa begodu yatlolwa ngelimi leSetswana, njengengcenyeyephrojekthi yamamatheriyali wokufunda we-Zenex Ulwazi Lwethu we-2021.



Ulwazi Lwethu is a Zenex Foundation funded and initiated project to develop a series of graded and leisure African language readers and teacher support materials. This project is targeted at teaching and supporting learners in the Foundation Phase to improve their home language reading and understanding. The readers have been originated in nine African languages in collaboration with Molteno Institute for Language and Literacies, Nelson Mandela Institute for Education and Rural Development, Room to Read South Africa, and Saide. All resources are developed as Open Education Resources (OER).



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