



Ixoxo lisinda ekufeni

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Kudala, kwakukhona ixoxo elalihlala emfuleni i-Olifants River.

Ngelinye ilanga izulu lina wathi uXoxo ezibhukudela, wezwa efikelwa yindlala.

Yathi imvula inganqamuka, uXoxo wabona iqule lezimpukane bude buduze nalapho wayebhukuda khona.



“Ngizosishaya sibe bomvu ngalezi zimpukane,”
kucabanga uXoxo.

Wagxumela ngaphandle komfula waqonda
kuzona.



Kusenjalo kwaqhamuka uNwabu wama phambi kwakhe uXoxo.

“Yindawo yami le kanti futhi ukudla kwami lokhu!” kusho uNwabu efutheka.

UNwabu washo waqala ukushintsha umbala ngenxa yentukuthelo.



UXoxo wagxuma wama le kude.

Wagaqazela wangena ehlathini, ezama ukuziqinisa emva kokwethuswa uNwabu.



Kwathi esazama ukwehlisa umoya,
kwaqhamuka uMpisi ebabela umlilo eshisa
ihlathi.

UXoxo wethuka kakhulu ebona umlilo.



Wagxuma wama emhlabathini wacasha ngaphansi kwamaqabunga amakhulu.

Wakwazi ukucasha ngaphansi kwala maqabunga kodwa wayesakuzwa ukushisa komlilo eduze kwakhe.



UXoxo wavele wavala amehlo akhe ngenxa yokwesaba. Wagxumela phezulu futhi kude.

Waye wathi gxumbu emanzini ebuyela emfuleni.



Kusenjalo wabona uFudu eziphumulele egatsheni lomuthi. Wabhukuda waqonda kuye.

“Sawubona weXoxo, ngabe belunjani usuku lwakho?” kubuza uFudu.

“Hhayi belukahle ngiziphumulele nje,” kumoyizela uXoxo.



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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