

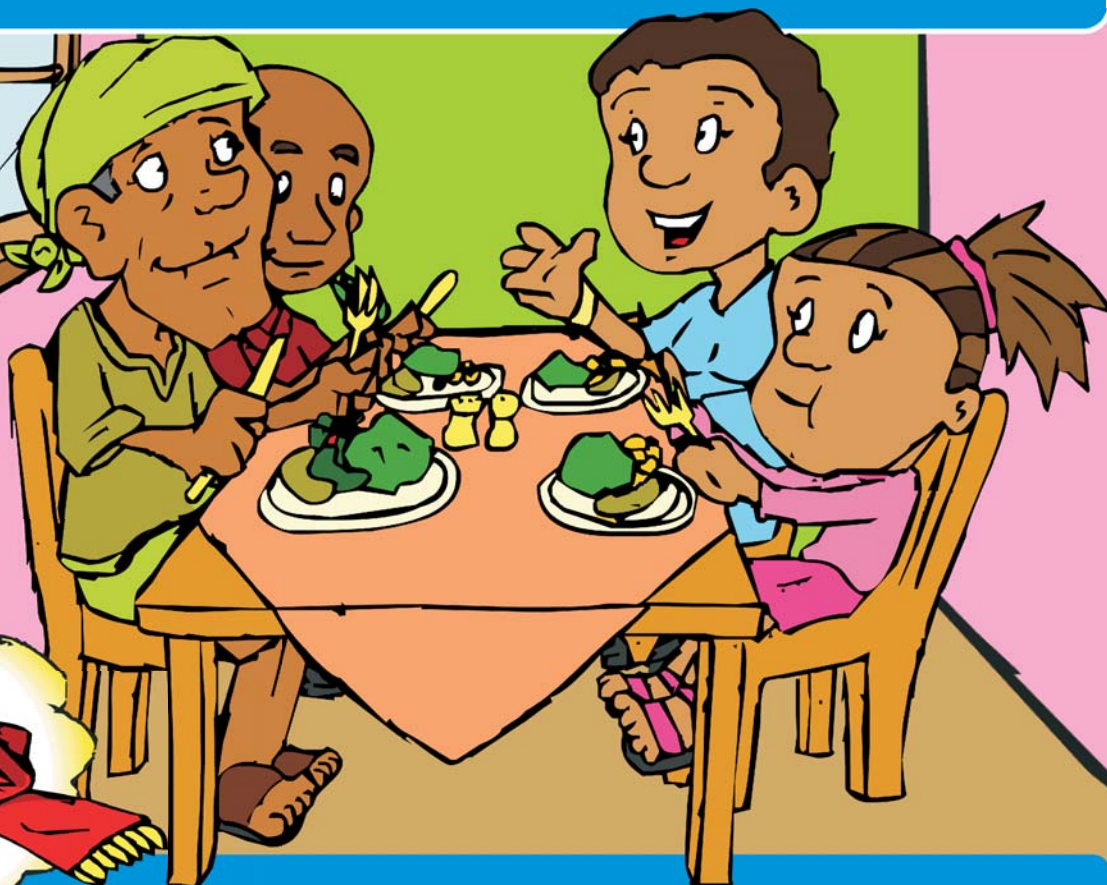


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## Simangaliso saGogo

Mndeni wami



"Hawu Gogo ... emavikini lamabili letako utoba neminyaka lengemashumi lasikhombisa!" Kwasho Make.

Kulobo busuku, Gugu asalele embhedzeni, wacabanga ngako konkhe lokuhle uGogo lamentele kona.

"Ngitakupha Gogo sipho lesihle,"

"Kutoba yini?"

"Ngitakupha Gogo lidzili lwelusuku lwekutsalwa!" kucabanga Dudu.







Gugu wabhala tincwadzi tekumema.  
Wotani edzilini lesimangaliso la Gogo ngeMgcibelo.  
Ngicela niphatse kudla tsine. Ngelutsandvo, Gugu.

Kusenjalo angabonwa ngumuntu ...

Wafihla yinge eskhafuthinini sababe.  
Watfukusa yinge ekhukhwini la malume Jabu.  
Walahlala yinge esikhwameni lesihle seMzala Nozi.  
Wafaka yinge esikhwameni lesikhulu sa Anti Mavis.

Uma uMgcibelo usondzela Gugu wacala kukhatsateka.  
Ingabe umndeni wakhe utitfolile yini letimemo?

NgeMgcibelo ekuseni Gugu wagcoka ingubo  
yakhe yalidzili wehla waya phasi.  
“Ngco ngco!” yasho insimbi emnyango.  
Gogo wavula umnyango ...  
munye, babili, batsatfu, bane, bahlanu!  
Bonke bebekhona!  
“Lusuku lwekutsalwa lolumnandzi, Gogo,” bonkhe bahlabela.

