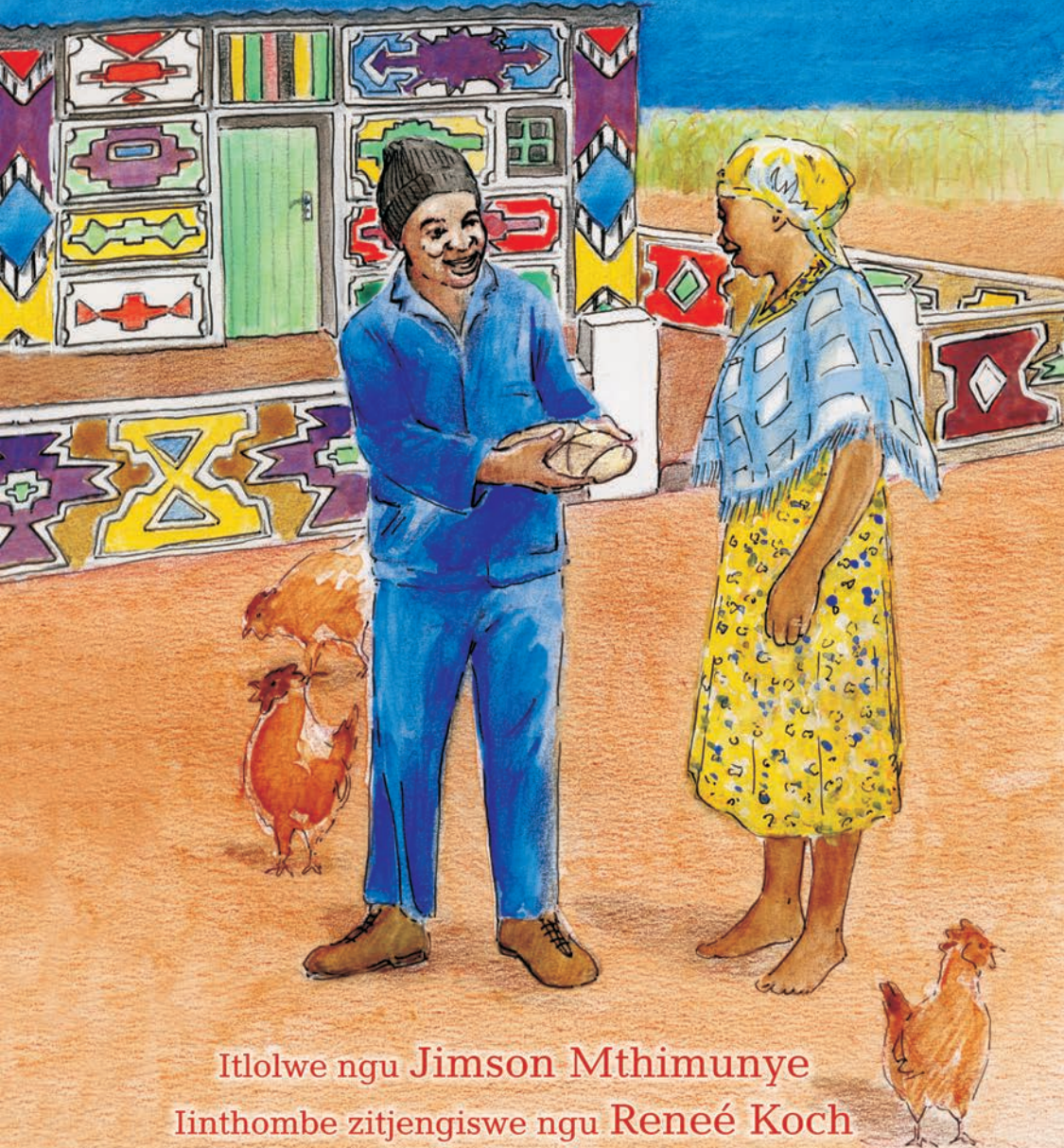


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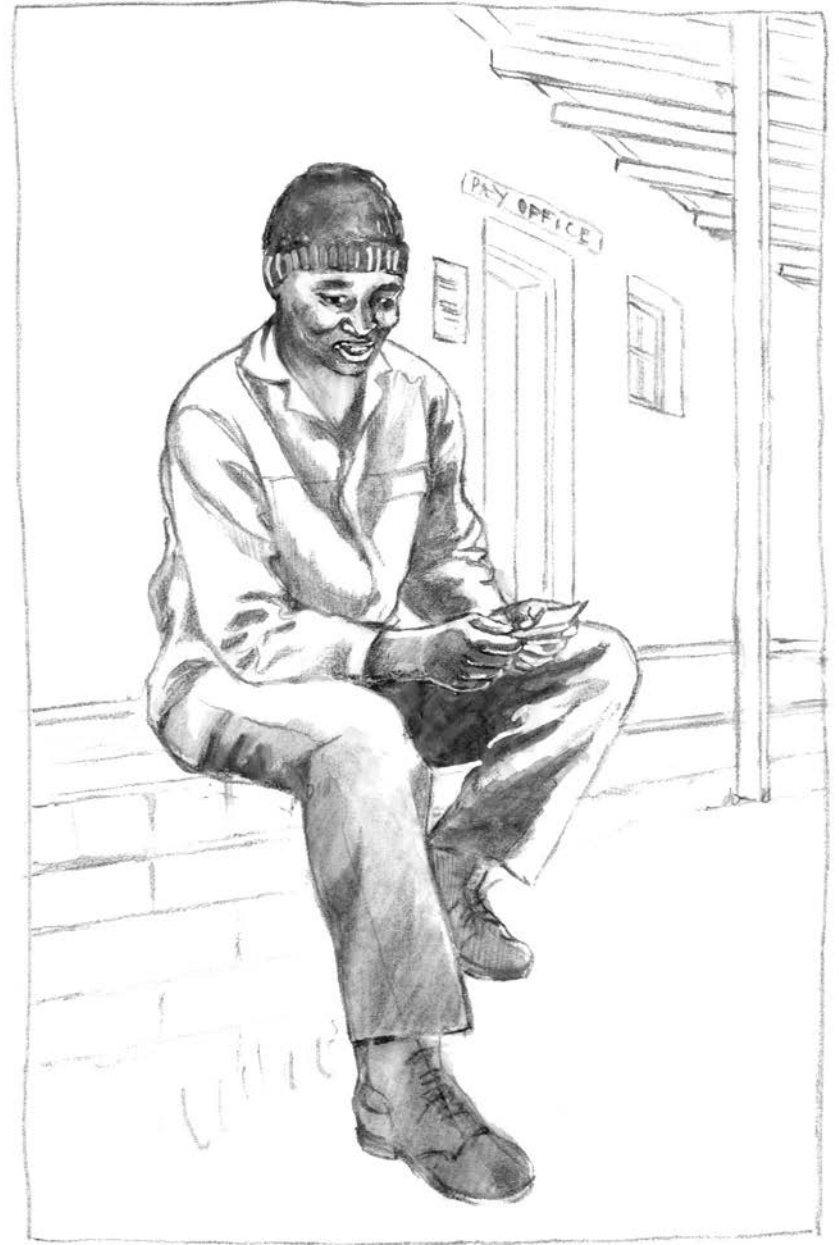
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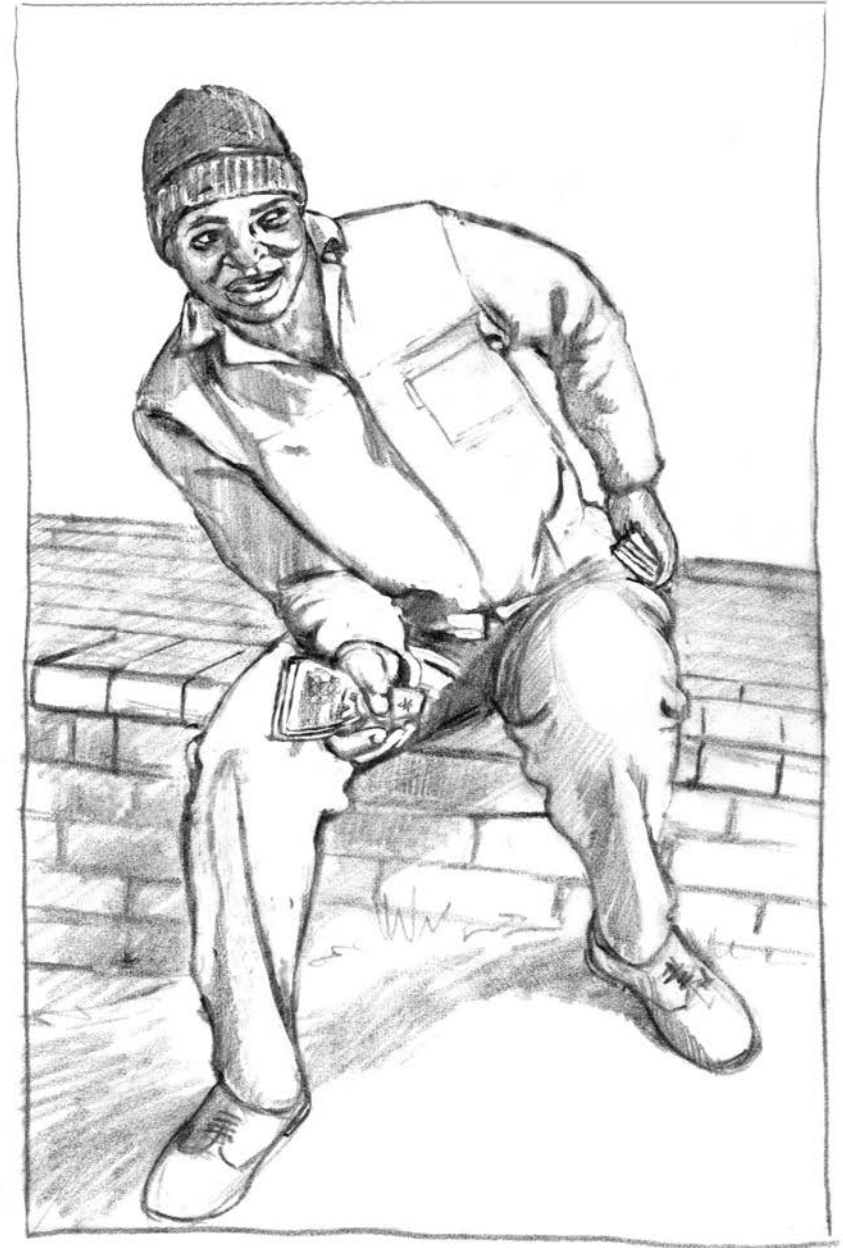
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Kuthe bona arhole uVimbela
wahlala phasi wabala imalakhe
ngokuyibuyelela. "Kwamambala
iphelele," watjho ngehliziyo.



Wathoma ukuyihlukanisa amahlandla
amabili. "Enengi le ngeyomrhamulo.
UNaS'rudla akukafuzi ayibone."
Wayifaka esikhwameni sangemva
sebhrugu.



"Lencani ngiyobanikela yona ekhaya."
Wayifaka esikwameni sangeqadi
sebhrugu.



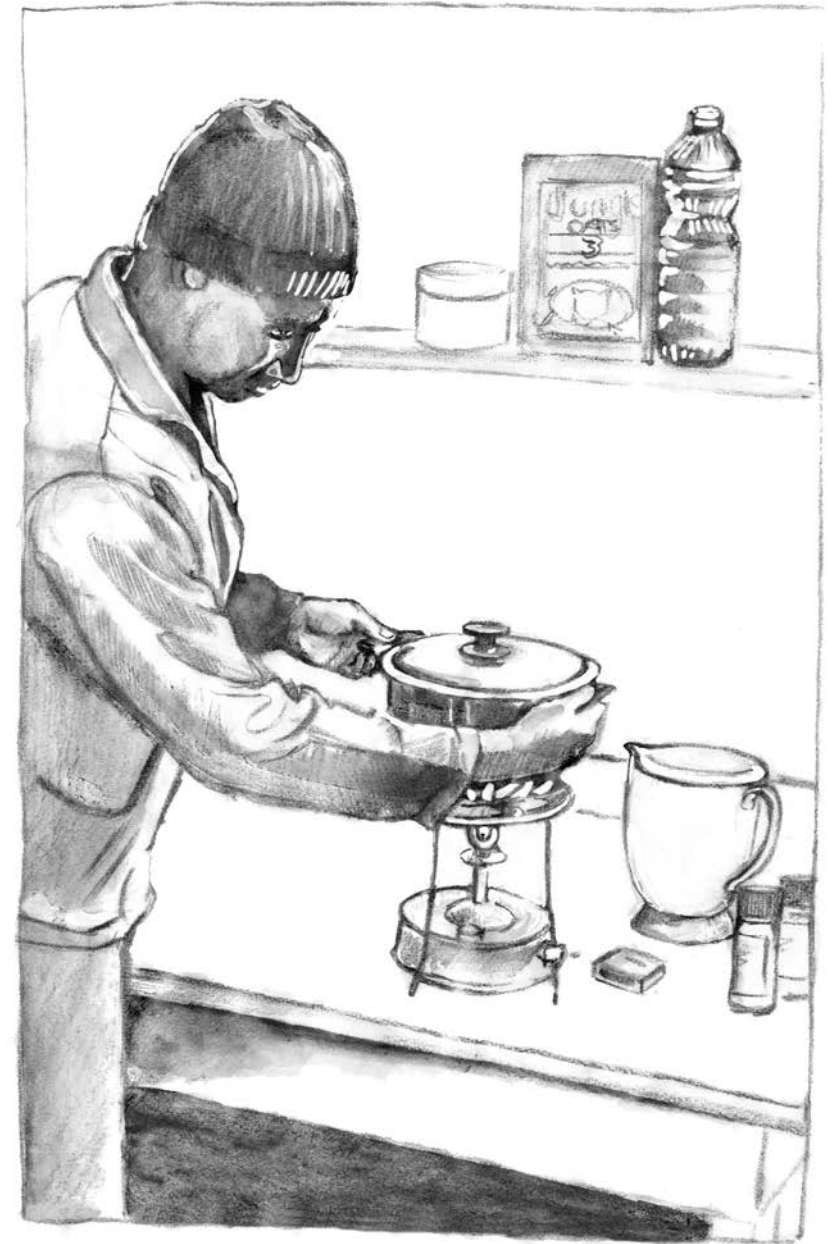
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kwaba lithabo elikhulu kumkakhe
UNaS'rudla.



Kwathengwa inyama msinyana.
"Inyama le ngifuna iphekwe
kuhle," kutjho uVimbela atjela
umkakhe. Aziphendule godu. "Jama,
izak'phekwa ngimi."



Atike ipramastofu. Akhuphe inyama
ayilungise njengokwazi kwakhe.
Ayifake epotweni, athele amanzi
kancani ayibeke epramastofini.



Emva kwalokho uVimbela aye
endlwaneni. Nakafika endlwaneni
akhuphe imali leya ayibale godu.



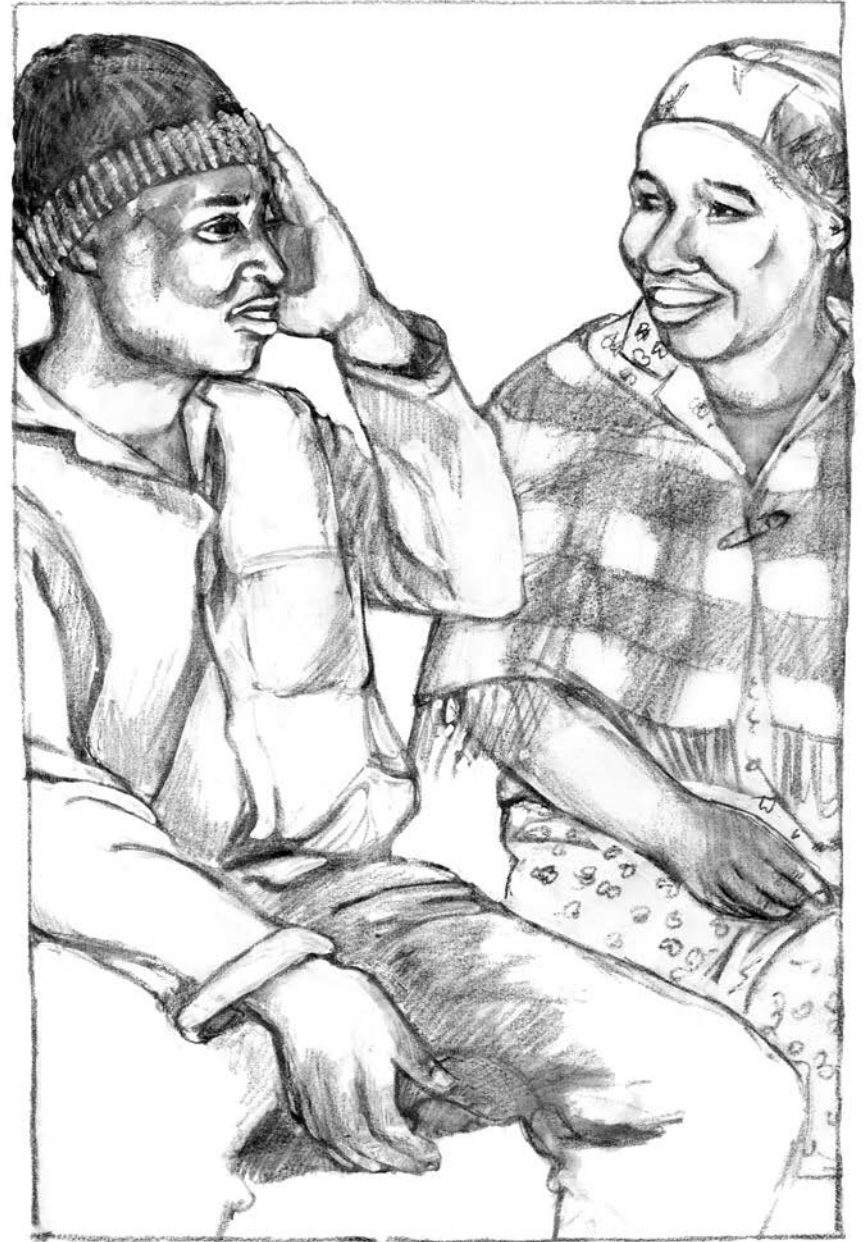
Abuyele ngendlini la apheke khona.
Avule ipoto. "Mbala iyeza," kutjho
uVimbela.



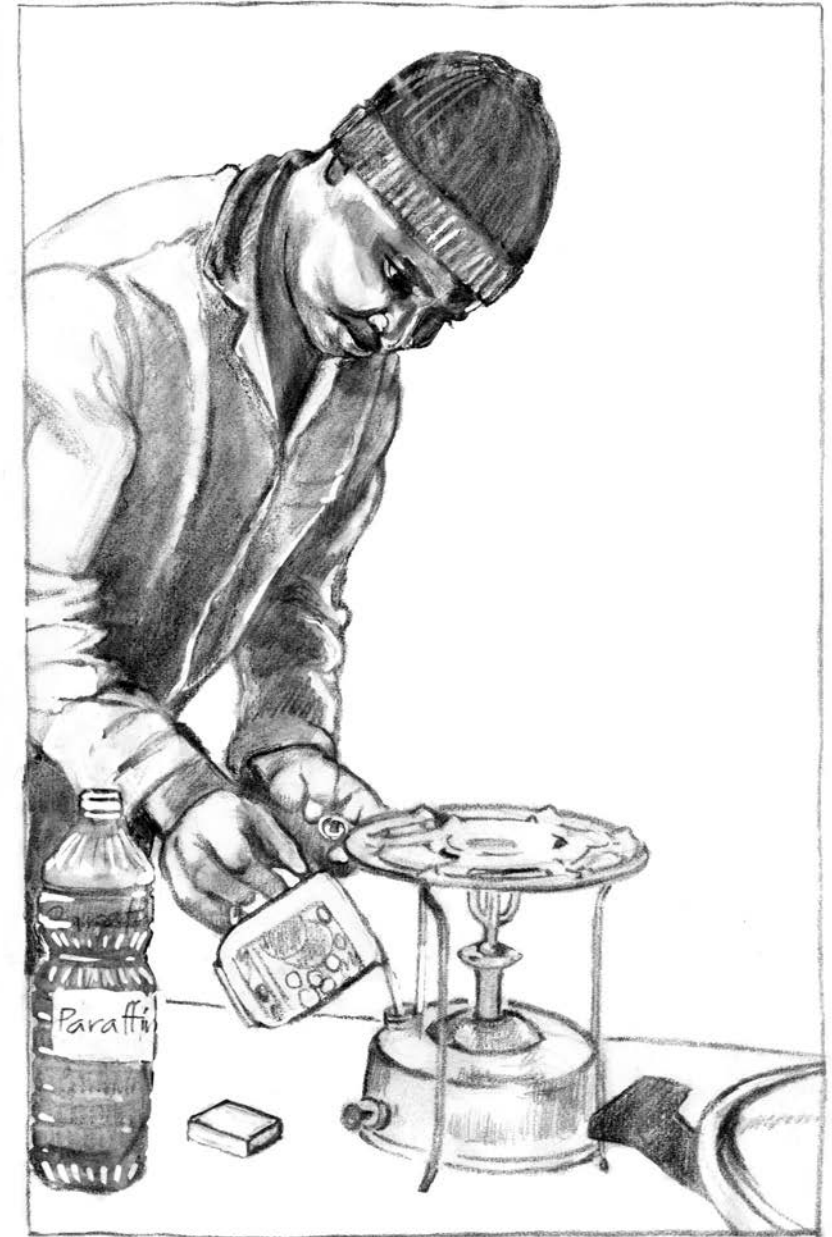
UVimbela abuyele endlwaneni
godu isikhatjhana. Nakabuyako
angasangena ngendlini.



Ahlale esitupeni abize umkakhe,
"NaS'rudla, yowuze ngaphandlapha
mma. Bengisebenza. Bengisebenzela
wena nobentwabami." Azesule
ngetjhila ebusweni.



UVimbela athi nakayokuqala
ipoto epheke inyama, athole bona
ipramastofu icimile. Athathe ibhigiri
athele ipharafini. Ayitike godu bese
abuyela kumkakhe ngaphandle.



"Nasi-ke imali egade ngiyisebenza isikhathesi soke," kutjho uVimbela ingqondwakhe ikumnganakhe uMbijana. Atjho amnikela imali engesikwameni sangemuva sebhrugu. UNaS'rudla ayithathe imali.



Athokoze begodu amnanazelele.
Ayibale imali leyo. Athole bona yi-
R500.



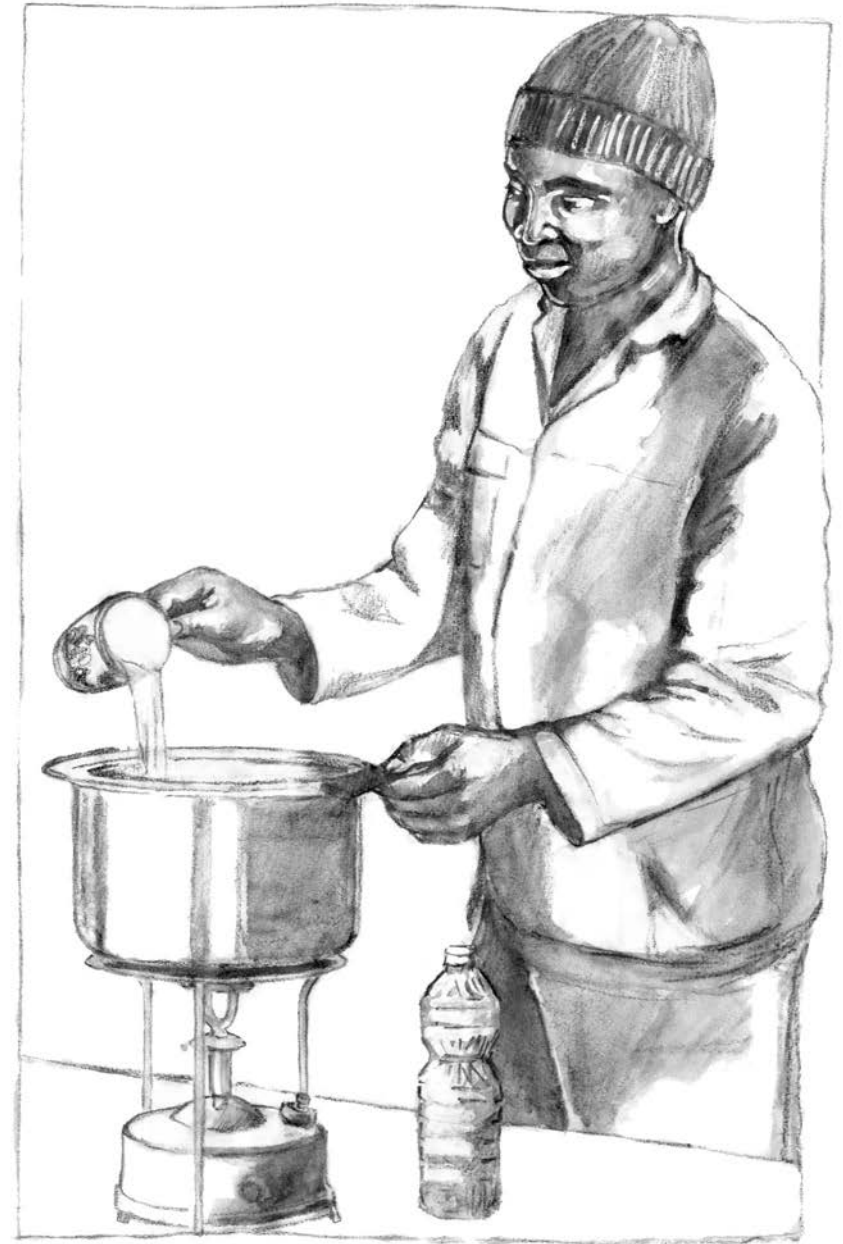
Khonokho atheleke uMbijana angakalindelwa. "Akwande mngani," atjho alotjhisa uVimbela athabele ukumbona. "Tjhe...! Asikhambe mngani ngiyokuthengela mabidlana kwaS'dudla, sithambise umphimbo," kutjho uVimbela.



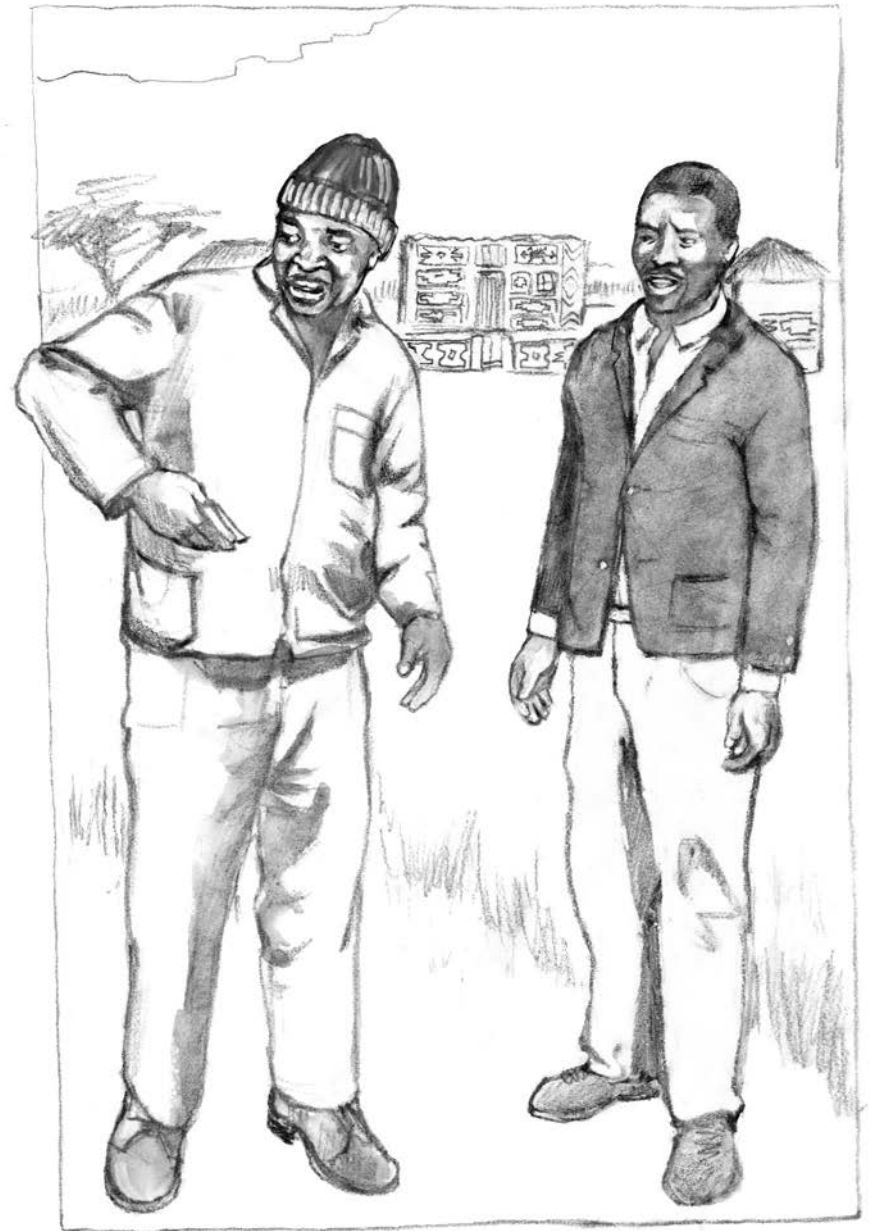
Ngaphambi kobana bakhambe
uVimbela abuyele la apheke khona.



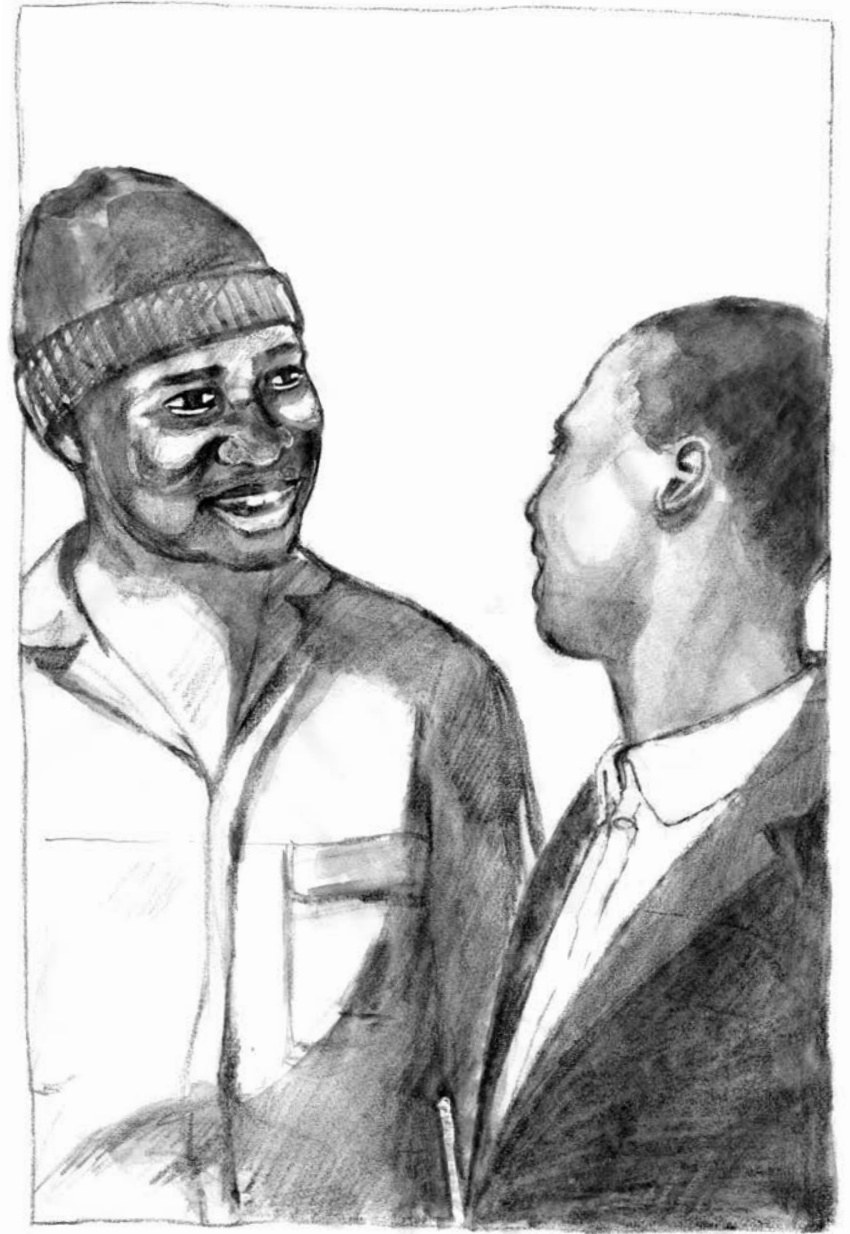
Angene ngaphakathi. Athole ipoto
iyatjha. Angasazi nento ayenzako.
Athathe ibhigiri egade isetjenziselwa
ipharafini, athele ngayo amanzi
ngepotweni.



Athi angaqeda bakhambe. Endleleni
eya esipotini uVimbela athi ukhupha
imali ngesikhwameni. "Bababe...!
Ngayenza iphoso engangani.
Ngithethe imali ekufuze siyisele
ngayinikela umkami."

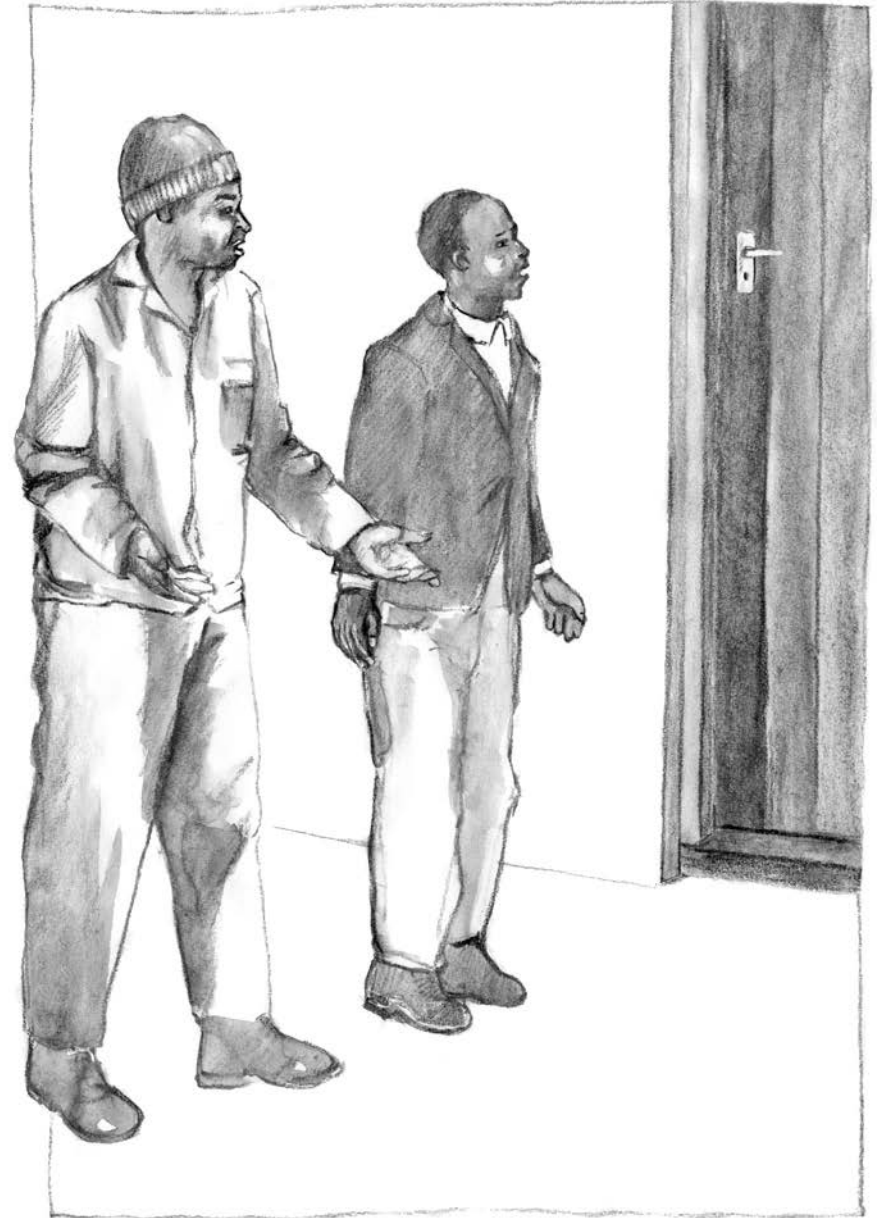


Bajame. UMbijana arareke agcine
ngokubuza, "Senza njani-ke?"
"Asikhambe," kuphendula uVimbela.
"Ngiphethe i-R100 esikhwameni.
Ngiyo esizayisela."



Nabafika esipotini kwaS'dudla bathole kuvaliwe. Badane.

"Asibuyele ekhaya. Ngitjhiye nenyama eziko. Ngithemba bona seyivuthiwe layikhona," kutjho uVimbela.



Nabafika ekhaya uNaS'rudla
abaphakele ukudla.



"Ukudlokhu kunuka ipharafini,"
kulwa uVimbela. "Nguwe NaS'rudla,"
utjho ukhomba umkakhe ngomuno.
Gade asilingeke kwamanikelela
uVimbela. Ilanga lakhe lokuza ekhaya
lonakala.

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