



Ubusi

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UKopano noLereko babesitya
amaqebengwana ababewabhakelwe
ngumama wabo.

Loo maqebengwana ayevuza ubusi.



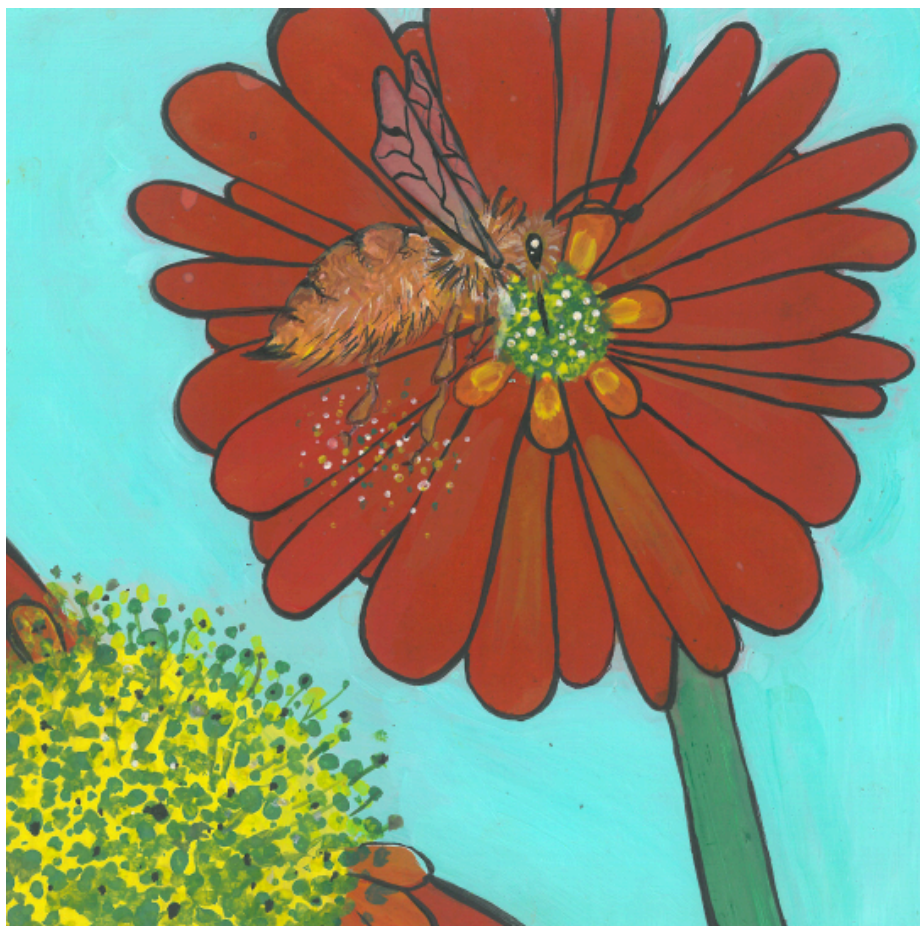
ULereko wabuza kumama wakhe,
“Buvela phi ubusi, Mama?”

“Mntanam, ubusi benziwa ziinyosi,”
watsho umama wakhe.



“Iinyosi zenza ubusi ngeentyatyambo. Ziqokelela incindi kwanomungu kwiintyatyambo,” wachaza watsho umama.

“Iinyosi zisasaza umungu kwezinye iintyatyambo.”



“Loo nto ibizwa ngokuba luvuvuzelo
–ukunceda izityalo ukuba zivelise
kwakhona ngokusasaza umungu.
Umungu wenza inxalenye yembewu.”



“Tinyosi zihambisa umungu phakathi kwezityalo. Zivuvuzela izilimo zethu,” watsho umama.

“Sikwafumana nemveliso eluncedo ezinyosini.”



“Kunjalo! Sifumana ubusi kwinyosi,”
watsho uKopano.

ULereko wongeza ngelithi, “Ubusi
bunencasa eswiti bumnandi!”



“Ubusi buyasetyenziswa nasemayezeni,”
watsho umama.

“Ezinye iipilisi nemigubo ezikumayeza
emveli zenziwe ngobusi.”



“Ubusi bupholisa imiqala ebuhlungu,
ukhohlokhohlo kwanengqele.



“Ubusi bukwaphilisa amanxeba nezilonda zokutsha.”



“Ubusi abubalungelanga abantwana
abancinci noxa kunjalo.

Bungabagulisa kakhulu,” wabalumkisa
ngelitshoyo umama.



“Benimamele? Kutheni iinyosi zibalulekile nje?” wabuza umama.

Zivuvuzela izityalo!” watsho uLereko.

“Zenza nobusi!” watsho uKopano.



Ukususela ngaloo mini uKopano
noLereko bayazihlonipha iinyosi.



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