

Zama is great!

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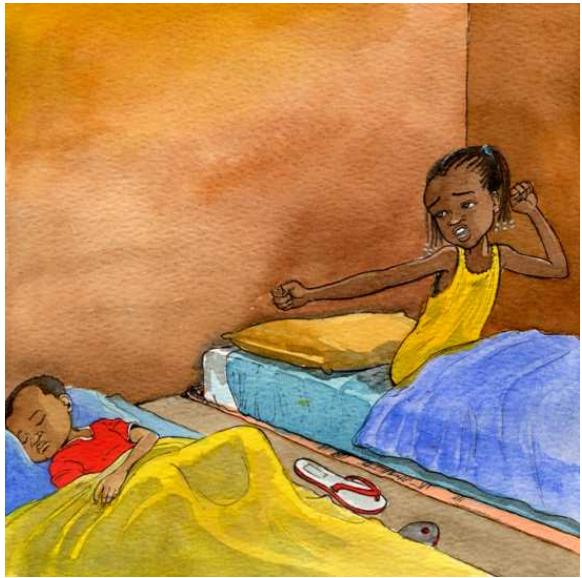
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Walaalkeyga yar wuxuu seexdaa waqtii dambe.
Anigu waxaan soo toosaa xilli hore, maxaa
yeelay waa mid aad u wanaagsan!

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My little brother sleeps very late. I wake early,
because I am great!

I am the one who lets in the sun.

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Anigu waxaan ahay kan qorraxda soo bixiyo.

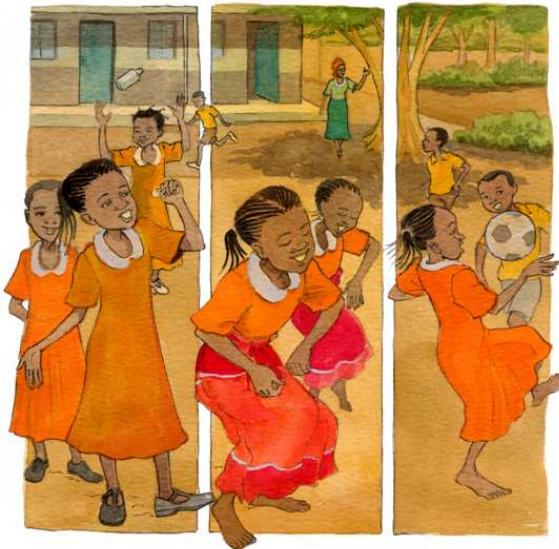




“Waxaad tahay xiddiga subaxdayda,” ayuu yidhi Mama.

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“You’re my morning star,” says Ma.



Waxyaabahan wanaagsan oo dhan waxaan sameeyaa maalin kasta. Laakiin waxa aan ugu jeclahay, waa in aan ciyaaro oo aan ciyaaro!

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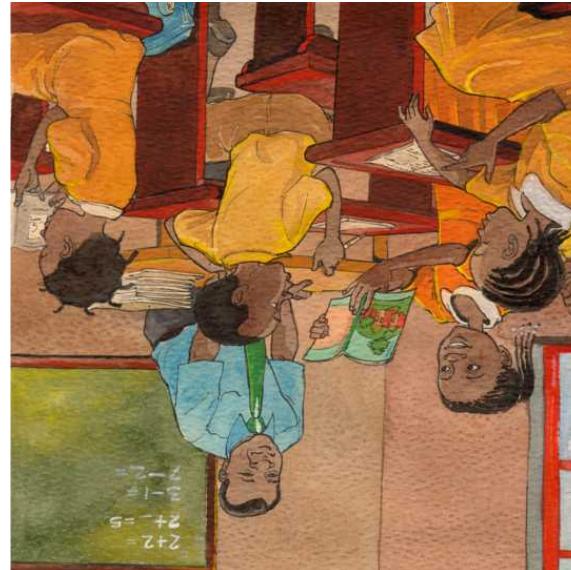
I do all these good things every day. But the thing I like most, is to play and play!

In class I do my best in every way.

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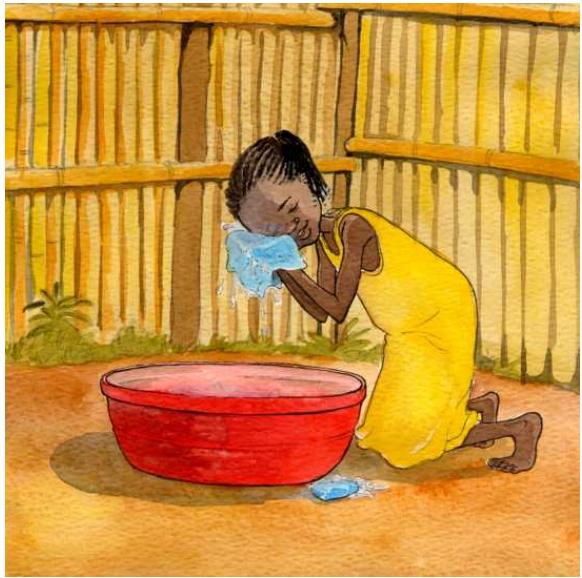
Fasalka dhexdiisa waxaan ku dadalayaa sida



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Anigu wan maydhaa, ma u baahni wax caawin

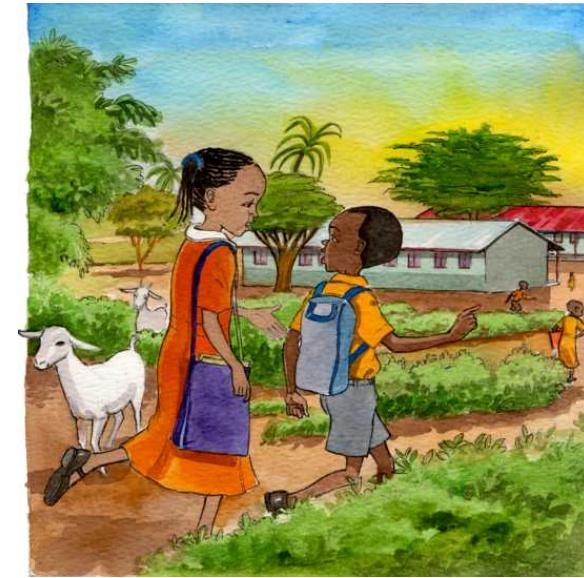




Waxaan u dul qaadan karaa biyo qabow iyo saabuun shiirayso oo buluug ah.

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I can cope with cold water and blue smelly soap.



Waxaan na hubiyaa in walaalkeyga yar uu yaqaano dhamaan wararka iskuulka.

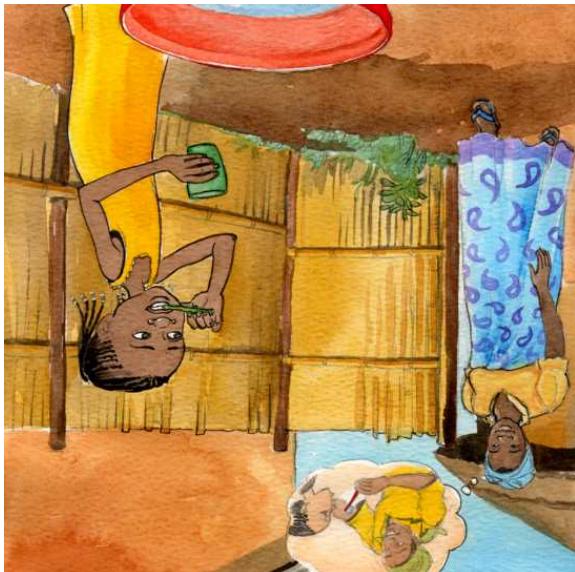
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And I make sure little brother knows all the school news.

Ma reminds, "Don't forget teeth." I reply,
"Never, not me!"

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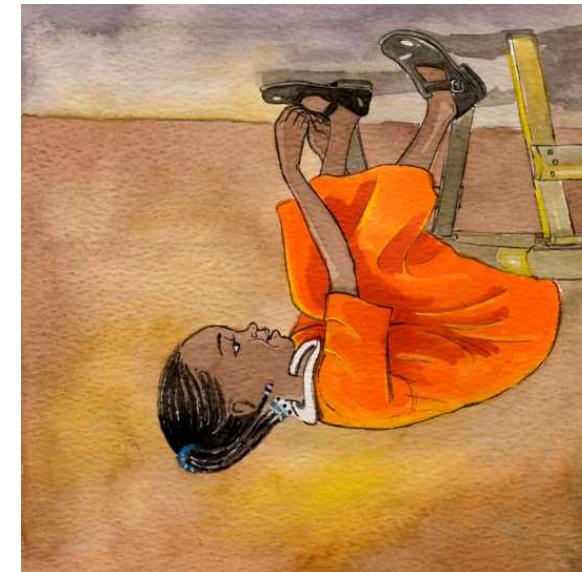
Mama aya i xasuu siyo, "Ha illoobin ilkaha."
Waxaan ku jawabaa, "Maraba, aniga ma
ihii!"

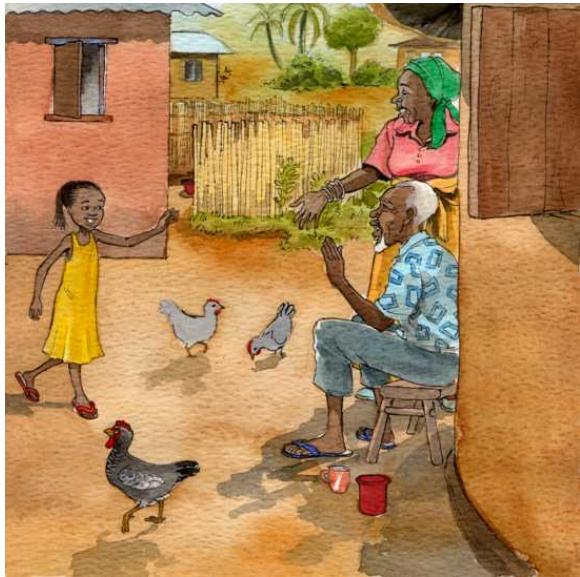


I can close my buttons and buckle my shoes.

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Waxaan xidhi karagulussadeeyda iyo sunnaka kabahayga.





Ka dib markii aan maydho, waxaan salaamaa
awoowe iyo eedo, oo waxaan u rajeyaa ayaga
maalin wanaagsan.

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After washing, I greet Grandpa and Auntie, and
wish them a good day.



Dabadeedna waan labistaa, "hadda waan
weynahay Mama," ayaan dhaha.

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Then I dress myself, "I'm big now Ma," I say.