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Ito si Khalai. Pitong taong gulang siya.
Sa Lubukusu, "mabuti" ang kahulugan
ng pangalan niya.

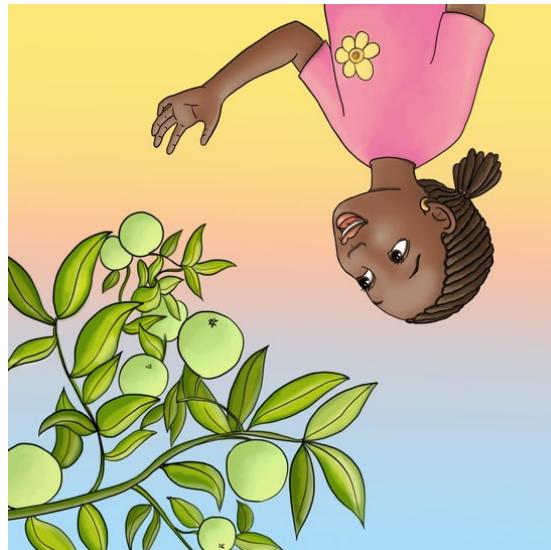
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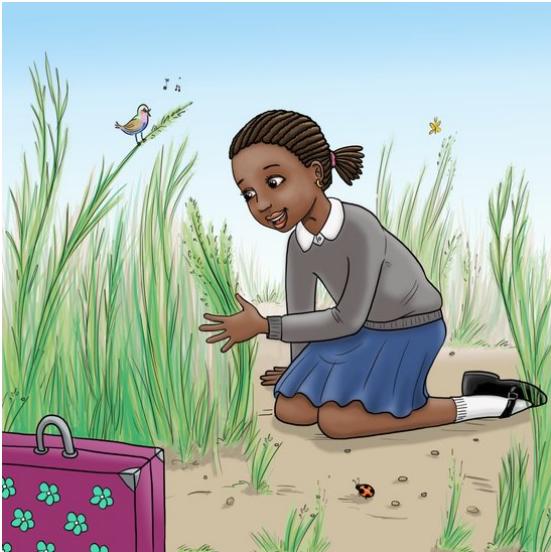
This is Khalai. She is seven years old.
Her name means 'the good one' in her
language, Lubukusu.

Khalai wakes up and talks to the orange tree. "Please orange tree, grow big and give us lots of ripe oranges."

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Kinakausap ni Khalai ang puo ng dalandan, "Dalandan, pasuyo naman, sana magkaroon ka ng marami at malalaking prutas."

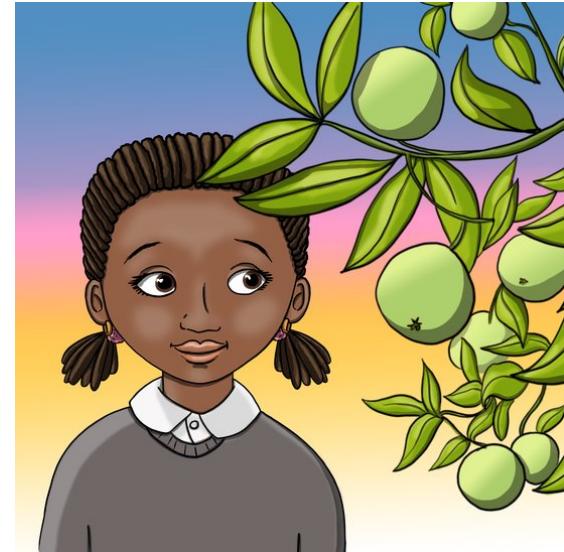




Naglalakad si Khalai papunta sa iskul.
Nadadaanan niya ang damo, "Sana
naman damo, lalo pang tumingkad ang
berdeng kulay mo at 'wag na 'wag kang
matutuyo."

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Khalai walks to school. On the way she
talks to the grass. "Please grass, grow
greener and don't dry up."



"Hay naku, hilaw pa rin pala. Bukas uli
ha, dalandan. Pagbibigyan kita at baka
meron ng hinog, kahit isa!"

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"The oranges are still green," sighs
Khalai. "I will see you tomorrow orange
tree," says Khalai. "Perhaps then you
will have a ripe orange for me!"

Napapansin din ni Khalai ang mga ligaw
na bulaklak, "Tuloy niyo lang ang
pamulaklak, para meron akong
pampaganda ng buhok."

Khalai passes wild flowers. "Please
flowers, keep blooming so I can put you
in my hair."

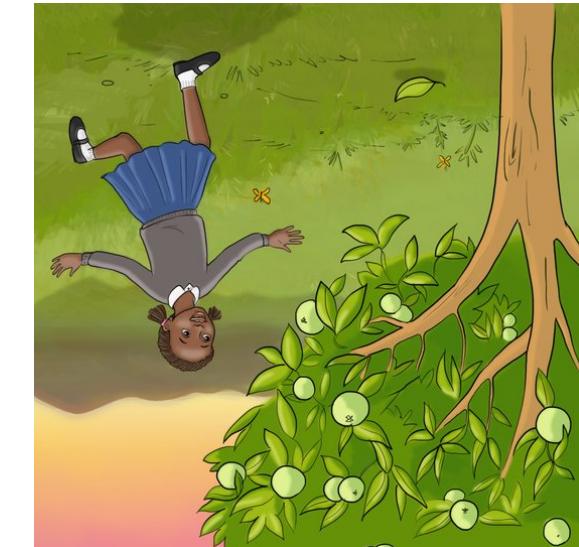
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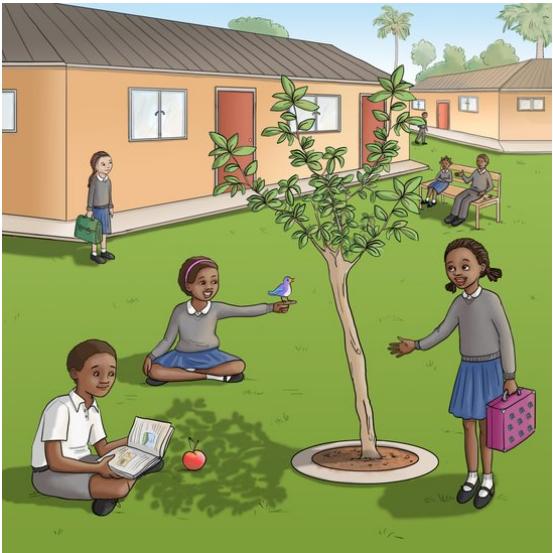


When Khalai returns home from school,
she visits the orange tree. "Are your
oranges ripe yet?" asks Khalai.
"Hinog na ba mga
bunga?"

Pagkauwi, pinupuntahan agad ni Khalai
ang dalandanan, "Hinog na ba mga
bunga?"

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Kinakausap din ni Khalai ang puno sa gitna ng iskul, "Plis naman, malaking puno, palaguin mo pa mga sanga para sa lilim mo kami ay makapagbasa."

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At school, Khalai talks to the tree in the middle of the compound. "Please tree, put out big branches so we can read under your shade."



May nasasabi rin si Khalai sa mga halamang-bakod, "Magpakatibay kayo, pigilin ninyong makapasok ang masasamang tao."

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Khalai talks to the hedge around her school. "Please grow strong and stop bad people from coming in."