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khala! talks to plants**

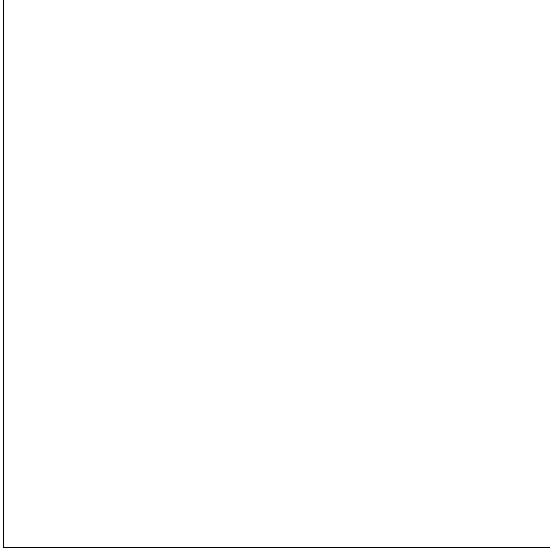
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Khalai ni msichana mwenye umri wa
miaka saba. Jina lake lina maana ya
'aliye mzuri' katika lugha yake ya
Lubukusu.

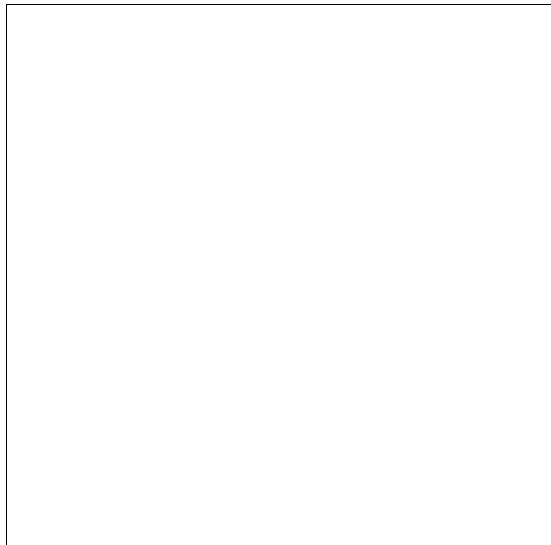
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This is Khalai. She is seven years old.
Her name means 'the good one' in her
language, Lubukusu.

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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Khalai annamka na kuongea na mmea mchaniga wa Mchungwa, "Tafadhalii mtii wa Mchungwa, kua mkuuwa uzae machungwa menyi mabivu."

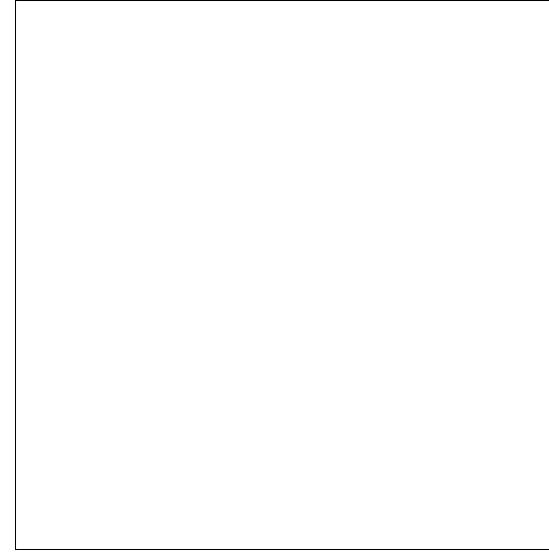




Khalai anaenda shuleni na njiani
anaongea na Nyasi, "Tafadhali Nyasi,
kua kijani zaidi na zaidi na wala
usikauke."

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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."

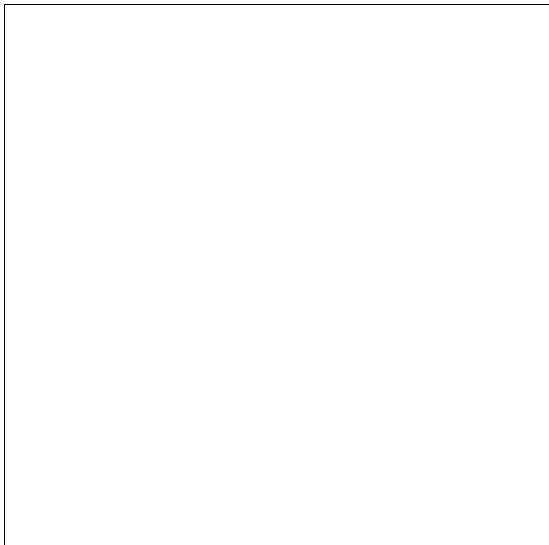


"Machungwa bado mabichi," Khalai
anashusha pumzi. "Nitakuona kesho,
we mti wa machungwa. Labda utanipa
chungwa bivu wakati huo."

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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!"

Anapordi nyumbani alasiri, Khalai
Khalai anyapita Maua ya mwituni na
kusema, "Tafadhai! Maua, endelea
kunawiri ili niwize kukuweka kwenye
nywele zangu."

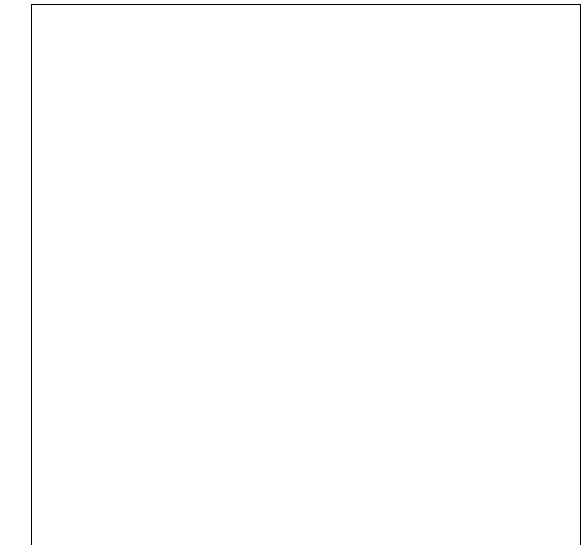


Khalai returns home from school,
Khalai passes wild flowers. "Please
flowers, keep blooming so I can put you
in my hair."

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

Anapordi nyumbani alasiri, Khalai
anautembelea mti wa Mcchungwa
kuangalia kama machungwa yameiva.
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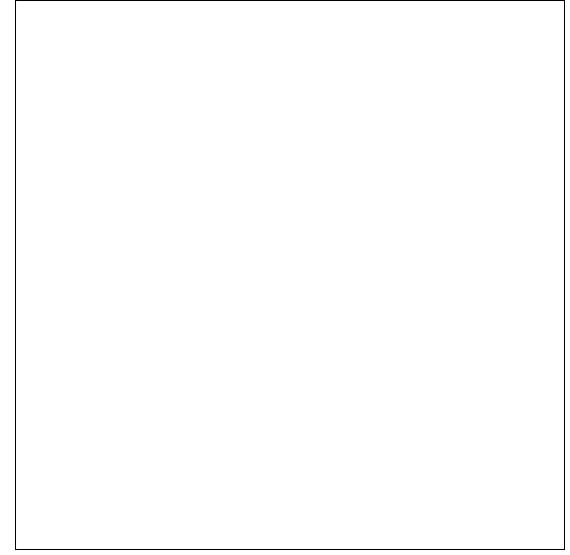




Akiwa shuleni, Khalai anazunguumza na Mti ulioko katikati ya shule, "Tafadhali Mti, toa matawi makubwa ili tusome chini ya kivuli chako."

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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."



Khalai anazunguumza na ua unaoizingira shule yake, "Tafadhali ua, kuwa mwenye nguvu ili uzuie shule yetu kutokana na watu wabaya."

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