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Murumuna wange aryama atinze cyane.  
Byuka kare, kuvera ko mpambaye!

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



Ni ngewe ufungurira izuba.

...

I am the one who lets in the sun.



Mama aravuga, “uri inyenyeri y’igitondo.”

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“You’re my morning star,” says Ma.



Ndiyozza, ntabufasha na buke nkenera.

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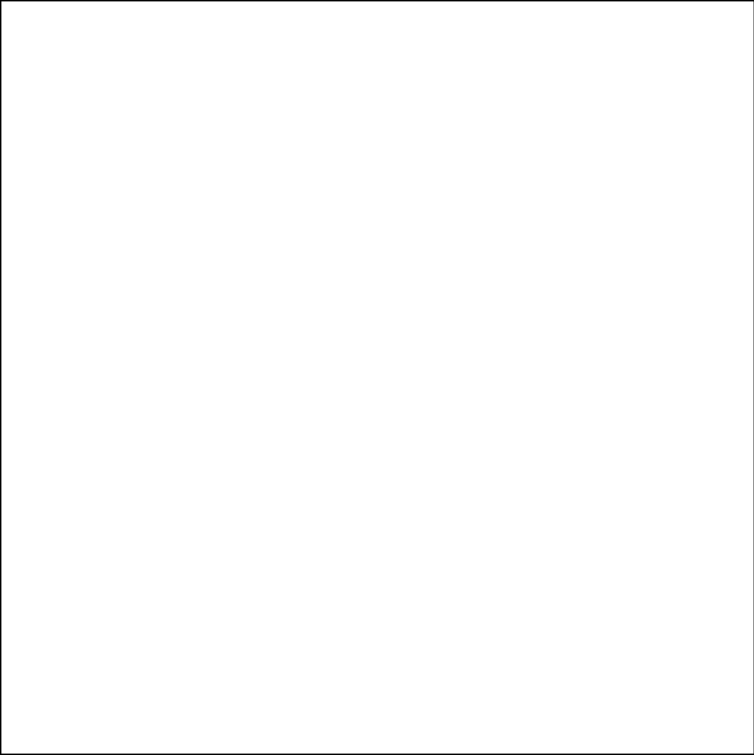
I wash myself, I don't need any help.



Nshobora kwihanganira amazi akonje  
n'isabune y'ubururu inuka.

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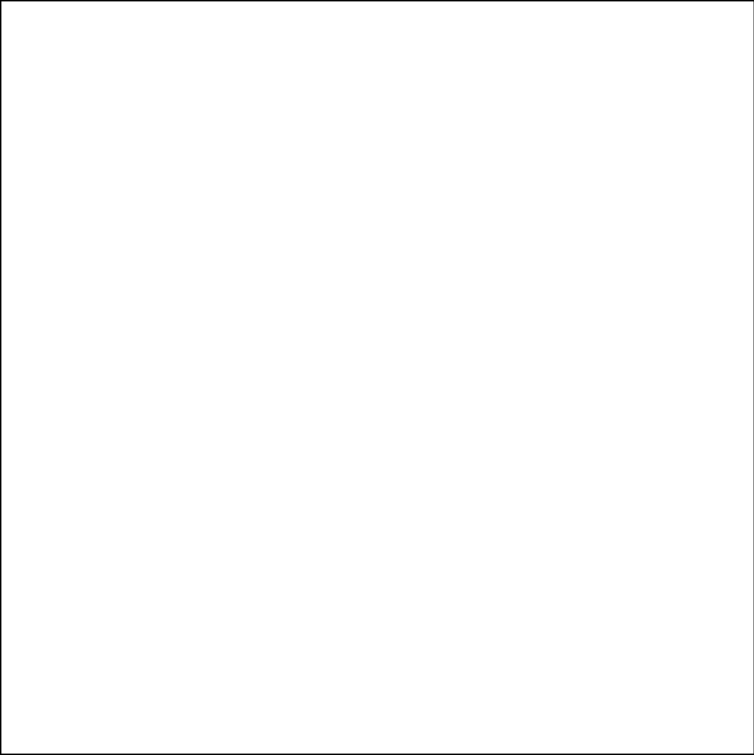
I can cope with cold water and blue smelly  
soap.



Mama anyibutsa, “Ndiwibagirwe amenyo.”  
Nkasubiza, “Ntibishoboka, hoya ngewe!”

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Ma reminds, “Don’t forget teeth.” I reply,  
“Never, not me!”



Nyuma yo yoga, nsuhuza sogokuru na  
masenge, nkanabifuriza umunsi mwiza.

...

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





Hanyuma nkiyambika, nkavuga “Ndi munini /Narakuze ubu Ma.”

...

Then I dress myself, “I’m big now Ma,” I say.



Nshobora gufunga amapesu nkanafunga  
inkweto zange.

...

I can close my buttons and buckle my shoes.



Kandi menya ko murumuna wange azi inkuru zose z'ishuli.

...

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



Mu ishuli nkora cyane muri buri buryo bwose.

...

In class I do my best in every way.



Nkora ibi bintu byiza byose buri munsi. Ariko ikintu nkunda cyane ni ugukinda no gukina!

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



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