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## 1

I honestly don't love the life I am living not that I have a choice... I have to help my mom where I can with essentials, she is already spending a lot on my fees... I wouldn't be doing this if it weren't for my abusive father, my mother wouldn't have stabbed him to death... She was only protecting my little brother and I from living a life of hurt and having to witness my mom end up in hospital every weekend.. May my brothers soul rest in peace, i miss his tiny self every single day, the day he passed on was the day i felt hopeless, i failed him as an older sister, i watched him die in my arms, i couldn't help him, he couldn't speak and tell me what the problem was. Lord please forgive me. My mother lost three babies due to miscarriage because of the man i call my father, she doesn't speak about this though, she thinks i might not understand, I do very much.

"Thandi, I am leaving now. Don't be late for school! I can't afford to get another call from your principal that wena you're always late for school, don't test me not today my girl"

This lady and just barging into my room like it's hers yes it's her house but this is my room. I hate having to hide my diary each time she comes in uninvited. I also really don't want to go to school today but I am not about to test the "great" Thulisile Sibeko , she has her moments of revealing the crazy side and I don't like that side at all so not today. I also don't know why my school principal is overreacting, I live to the "Better late than never" concept, its not like I don't get to the school building though. To be honest waking up every single day to go to school wasn't the best thing but had to do it to get where my mom wants me to be, because yes education apparently is the key to success, I don't believe that, I have a talent to speak and advocate, that is what i am good at and school doesn't teach me that, its system is preparing me to be what it wants me to be but that's a battle I will not win. There is levels to this morning routine, waking up, being shouted at by the most high,

bathing and having to fix my hair, my hair was the reason I'd arrive late for school.

I am not one to eat breakfast, I just cant eat in the morning, Its not in Thandi's blood to do so. Ever since a group of boys started chilling by the passage route they made things harder for me, never again shall I use that route, the last time I did I came back holding my school books with my hands, they had stolen my Nike back pack and my cell phone and that was the fastest way to get to the taxi rank now I have to use the longer way and I am seriously not going to rush shame, I don't go to school alone, I usually meet up with my friends Soso and Olebo, we are such a great pair of friends, we are such a squad, everyone sblw's us. Apparently we live a nice life, if only they knew the stories behind the great life they think we have. I am not proud of it but Soso and I do the most to help in our families and to also pamper ourselves up without troubling our parents. Getting money in our families was a struggle, the only form of allowance we get is the lunch money we get when going to school, forget getting that payment during school holidays and weekends.

My friends and i all live in the same area just a few blocks away from each other the only distant one is Owami by just a few streets, We really don't get along but I love her dearly, we just have different views on things and that lets us argue a lot but she really is a nice person, although she thinks I am a bad person and judges me for the life i live. I am still surprised on how she became friends with us. I know its bad to have people who judge you but there is really something I love about Owami and I need to find out what it is, she is a very down to earth person you could describe her as in introvert. She is hardly out and about like the rest of us but that doesn't mean she doesn't belong to us, she completes the squad. I cant imagine us having another person being part of us, they will have a lot to learn about us and introducing yourself to someone new each time is very hard, I cant repeat things all over and people mistaken me for being a secretive person, i really am not, anything you want to know about me is just there , I am one person you don't need to study well in order to understand I guess so.

I wish I had chosen to go to school with Uncle Lwazi's transport because this taxi thing every morning, I am tired of it and I feel like going with public transport costs more than paying Uncle Lwazi. I still need to do monthly calculations on the difference to figure out which one is better to take.

"Wow guys, remember the guy i told yall about, I found him walking with a different girl and its not the first time i see them walking together." Soso really thinks that this guy is one to trust and fall in love with, I am not good at giving relationship advice especially to someone who is older than me, Yes Soso is older than us by a year or two, she had to stop going to school until she gave birth and let the baby grow a bit, though she is keeping the baby a secret , everyone who meets her knows the baby as her little sister. Judgement is one thing she is afraid of. She gave birth to a beautiful baby girl by the name of Lethokuhle. I am glad that the father does play a role in the child's life though him and Soso aren't together anymore.

"Hayii friend you really cant be serious about this Sipho guy, we all know that Sipho is one guy who is all over the place, we really don't you getting sick." Olebogeng responded to her trying not to sound like a jealous friend, we all know how it sounds like jealousy when other people try to give you advice but you are in denial of the truth.

Olebogeng is a very straight forward person, she speaks her truth and what she believes is right, although she doesn't have brakes, she doesn't stop, she overstays her visit when giving advices, we all know that the advice we get from Olebo is the best and will never lead us into trouble but lead us in a good path but we still very well choose to ignore her and the favourite line we will get from her when things start to go west is "But I told you so friend, Didn't I?" That is one question i hate answering, I usually tell her to not say it when i tell her about how things didn't go well because i didn't take her advise, she is always right. The funny thing is she cant give herself advise, each time she tries to be her own adviser things go south.

There was a point her and Soso never got along, we all don't know why, the girl to girl hatred that happens in the atmosphere is making some people miss out on good life things, we miss meeting people who will help in enhancing our growth and us doing the same for them. That right there is Olebo, she helps you to grow into understanding yourself better and helps you reach your goals and objectives, she really is a nice person, a happy soul, i have never witnessed Olebo being in a bad mood, she is always the person who handles all of our moods.

Our morning rides to school were the longest because we would normally be up by 4am, I usually spend half of the ride sleeping on Olebo's lap because she is the good hearted one, my friend Soso on the other hand would slap my back each time i fall asleep on her to wake me up, me falling asleep was actually a bad thing because it ruins my hair, the natural afro girls know the struggle, having to fix it again when I get to school was a piece job i did before attending the assembly or register class but i swear the sleep was the best sleep I've ever had, that 1 hour nyana feels like Heaven.



"Hurry up ladies the bell is about to go off in 5 minutes, you don't want to be late, especially you Thandi not when your mother is having a meeting with the principle today at 11am" Wait what is my mom coming to do here? My principle is really dramatic guys wow! Mr Mdu and I had a thing going on, this is why i hate having to be tutored by student teachers, they are snacks for days, he was usually the reason why I always arrive home late every afterschool. He also has my back always when I get into trouble at school

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i must say this has taught me to be a good girl at times because I don't like having to ask him for favours to help me get away from the trouble I usually get into, so i started behaving. "Haa sir why is my mom coming to school today?" I hated calling him sir but i had to do it to keep what has been happening between us a secret, even my friends don't know about this, yet. If anyone ever finds out about it, I am getting expelled and he is losing his job and i don't want such drama happening in our lives. "Aii Thandi, i wish i knew hey. The principle has been

keeping this away from us, so i am not sure, I'm sorry hey" I wonder what the meeting is about, Imagine waking up from your taxi ride to nearly being late for school then hearing such news, this is the most scariest thing ever, a meeting with my mom. "Yoh , its okay Mdu". Mr Mdu is very silly when we got to the school gates he winked at me and blew me a kiss, I know for a fact that Soso saw that she is very cautious that one, she sees things that happen, she is the type to know everything.

"Thandi and Mr Mdu sitting on a tree, K I S S I N G, first comes..." (I know the reader sang that in their mind) I stopped her before she could continue any further because wow that would get everyone's attention and they would ask what Soso means by that, there's no privacy in this school everyone knows everything about everyone. "Soso imma strangle you if you say one more word about Mr Mdu bruh" I am such an aggressive person at times, I usually threaten people as a joke but Lord knows I've already killed the person in my mind. "Haibo Thandi why you threatening to strangle other kids now? Good Morning guys, how are you all doing?" Oh yes the Queen has arrived, Owami one of our friends the distant one remember? Her parents drop her off everyday, perks of having both parents who have nice jobs. Owami is usually the one who's able to

stop the fights and arguments we have in our circle of friendship, she mothers us all the time, well when she is with us.

"Owami, Thandi and "Mr Mdu" are together" Soso whispered to Wami

"You do realize Olebo and I can hear you guys whispering" I responded to her comments rolling my eyes. This fay won't end without half of the school questioning me about this whole Thandi and Mr Mdu so called "love life", they don't know me very well, I am Thandi Sibeko and I will deny the whole thing like I know nothing about it and put them in their places after that.

Today we atleast arrived a bit early, I even atleast was able to fix my hair before the school bell went off as indication of the start of the day. I can't stop thinking about Mdu, I really can't wait to go to his lesson. I think he's the only reason I decide to go to school, I love being around him, his presence makes me really happy. I honestly hate having to attend assembly every single day, it's a waste of precious time.

"Good Morning school, today I do not have any announcements to make but may I have the following people to stay behind once i release the whole school to go to their classes... William Sithole,ENZOKUHLE MSIBI and Thandi Sibeko, thank you" My heart felt as if it was stopping a bit after he had called my name, wow. I could feel my hands sweating, yes Thandi does get anxious and scared too. I see the principal approaching the direction where all three of us are standing.

"William & Enzo I will speak to you guys about the Science expo shortly after I've had word with Mrs Sibeko here , so you guys will wait outside my office... Follow me" H for Hektik he even wants to speak to me first. We all followed him to his office and as he said Enzo and William stayed behind as Mr Mazibuko and I got into his office. It's been a while since I've been in here. He even changed a few things.

"Mrs Sibeko, I have called in your mom for a little meeting about your late coming behavior and the disruption you had caused last week with your Tourism teacher, that was unacceptable! We don't fight nor argue with teachers. Your mom will arrive at 11am so you will wait for her, I will not allow you to go to class, you will sit in the library until your mom comes, thank you" Yes i knew that this day wasn't going to go well that's why i didn't even want to come. I would've avoided all of this. This man he still remembers what happened last week with the tourism teacher, also that lady didn't she forgive me? Because wow they made me write a whole essay as an apology, so why we telling my mom these things, I always knew that Mr Mazibuko had a problem with me. I left him behind and headed to the library.

I hardly spend my days in the schools library, its not my favourite place, instead of me worrying about what the meeting is about, I have been reading a book I found in here about Activism, I never knew that what i had passion for was called activism. One day i might even be the best activist in the country or world. "Earth to Mrs Sibeko" What is Mr Mdu doing here? He knows very well we cant be left together in one room especially at school. "Mduduzi what are you doing here?" That was a very stupid question I know, He is a teacher so he is bound to be everywhere. Before I could even say another word, he pulled me up as he pushed me towards the shelf and held me tight as he looked into my eyes, we started to kiss, I could hear him breathing faster, I could feel that the kiss pumped up his adrenaline and his male parts where getting out of control we both stopped and stared into each others eyes. "Thandi, I love you" I wasn't expecting him to say that, I thought we just agreed that we will be playing around, all of a sudden he loves me but I think I love him too, I hate to say it but I have caught feelings for him. "I love you Mdu.." I watched him smile like a 5 year old who was just promised a treat to Crispy Kreme "Then let me be your man Thandi, let us try" I do want to have a

relationship with him but the lifestyle I live is not allowing me to be in a stable relationship and commit, I am afraid of commitment. "Mdu.. I love you but... I cant, I mean you know the life I live , Its not for relationships, I don't want to make you to fee.." I could hear footsteps so i quickly moved away from him and pretended to be fixing books. 'Thandi, your mom is... Mr Mdu what are you doing in here with Thandi?' You see with Mr Mazibuko he likes asking stupid questions at times. "I was just checking as to why the library was unlocked and as to why Thandi is in here all alone" That was fast, I never expected him to cook up a lie so fast. "Oh I sent her here sir, Thandi you can come with me" Yah no here goes nothing, lets go hear what this old man has to say to my mom. As I am walking behind him I feel like tripping him and make him fall, argh he irritates me so much.

As i walk into his office I see my mother sitting down, she looks really worried and that is starting to worry me too. "Mrs Sibeko I thank you for agreeing to come here today, Thandi you may sit down." Oh all of a sudden he is sweet, alright then. I sat down on the chair besides where my mom wa seated. "Mrs Sibeko I am not sure if you are aware of your child's behaviour ever since she has lost her father and her little brother and has only you as a single parent, we a s a school think its better we suspend her for a month due the fight she had with her tourism teacher, we feel she needs some time out to find herself and go

through some self introspection and decide what she wants, we feel she has anger and toxicness in her, we will provide a therapist for her to help her out. I am really sorry mam but Thandi can no longer come to school until further notice" I watched my mom drop a tear, I don't know why this school is making decisions without consulting my mother and I but thank God I will have a break from this place, I was already tired, grade 11 really is the pits for me. "Thank you Bab Mazibuko for letting me know, I hope to hear from you guys soon" Wait! Why is my mom so calm this not her, she would've thrown a tantrum about this whole thing, people change shuuu. "So Bab Mazibuko, Am I leaving with Thandi now?"... "Unfortunately yes Mam!" He stood up as he led us out of his office door handing my mother an envelope. I cant leave without saying goodbye to Mdu. "Mama , please wait for me can i quickly go fetch a text book from one of my friends" I didn't even wait for her response and I ran off up the stairs straight into Mdu's class, I know he doesn't have a lesson right now. "Mdu, we will meet up after school, I just got suspended and I am going back home right now, so please call me when you're free" I informed him and gave him a kiss before he could even respond to me... "Oh bye Thandi, I will pop in by your area tonight"

Here goes a whole month of me staying at home and doing nothing... Well maybe.





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Being home was the best thing, for a second I didn't miss school but that had a negative impact in my life because i was too busy in the streets rather than focusing on my studies, self studying was one thing i could not do.

Today is the second time I go to therapy, I usually go on Thursdays, every week, the first session with Mr Mogale wasn't productive, he's is my therapist, I don't know if i will ever speak to him about serious things. We made out on my first therapy session and not to lie, i really enjoyed his company, i think it is the only reason as to why I came back here again today, I want a Mogale scent left on my shirt. I know for a fact my fathers death didn't hurt me, that much, not even a bit, not that he deserved to die but if it meant for my mom to be free from all the hurt he'd cause to her I'm okay with that. The death that affected me a lot and deeply is my little brothers, he was too young to die, he wasn't supposed to, sometimes I question why God takes away people who did nothing but keeps those who sin, it's like in this Christian world people who sin are given more chances than those who pray but on the other hand my brother is in a better place, atleast he will not experience the bad of the world we live in.

Mrs Sibeko, how are you today? I want us to be professional today. I watched him say that to me with a smile of mischief on his face. Ah I'm good Mogale, or shall i say Mr Mogale? How are you?

Mogale! it is Thandi. I am glad you asked, I am good but i couldn't stop thinking about you during the weekend and half of the week too, I really missed you. I thought he said today we are going to be professional so why is he telling me that he missed me. Men sometimes.

Hawu! Mogale, i thought we were having a "professional session today?"

Oh Yes Thandi, Professional neh? For some reason I knew that there is no ways Mogale and i are going to have a serious therapy session anytime soon. We found distraction in each other , i wouldn't say it was a way for me to get relief from stress for those few hours but i can assure you that it was like that for him. So Thandi lets get to business. How are you feeling? Ever since your father and little brother passed away? That was one question i didn't like answering, i would do everything in my power to run away from answering it at that

particular moment. To be honest I don't really know how I feel, if my happiness right now is all an act or if I am still hurt and in pain, I really don't know. I sat there on the couch staring at him without an answer, this was the time for me to pour out everything in my heart but the words could not come out. Thandi it is okay to take your own time, you don't have to answer me immediately, just relax and start somewhere, you do miss your brother don't you? Things were starting to get too emotional between us. Yes, I do miss him very much, Mogale, I sometimes blame myself for his death, I was there when he died, i could've saved him but i failed to.

No Thandi as a sister you did everything you could but remember you're also not some super hero, who will know how to understand baby language and then fix the problem, it was not your fault that he died! All you need to do is give yourself time to heal Thandi. Wow, for the first time in months i actually spoke about things that were bothering me, i feel relieved , that whatever I was keeping inside me is now out. Mogale is the first person to see me cry in his presence , Thandi doesn't cry in front of people, that's one thing i don't do. Mogale came closer to me and gave me a hug along with some tissues and a glass of water, I could feel my emotions starting to misbehave, I really love how he smells guys. Can I go to the bathroom, i will be

back now. He excused me and i rushed to the bathroom to take the mini pill i always have with me, its called the HIV prep. Its a pill one takes to prevent themselves from Being infected. One thing I am worried about is getting HIV, STIs? I use vaginal cream every time after being sexually active.

I went back to him and locked the door behind me, obviously we wont want disturbance. I sat next to him. Come give me a hug. He said. We continued hugging as i took the first move to kiss him passionately. We needed to do this one quickly because my mom would be here anytime soon to fetch me. I felt his male parts getting harder as he rubbed his hands on my thighs going up my skirt and his fingers into my panties. He looked at me and said "Thandi are you sure? Do you want this?", Yes, I do. We looked at each and smiled as i unzipped his pants and reached for his male part, in seconds he was on top of me in motion. I enjoyed how he would cover up my mouth to shut the sounds i would make. A knock on the door stopped us as we looked at each other and laughed silently , he continued pouncing and the knock happened for the second time. In a second, I am coming. He replied. Mr Mogale its Gabby. Damn she doesn't have timing. Gabby is the young lady at the reception, she really doesn't like me. Mogale continued pouncing harder and harder before he could get out of me, he

was rushing to reach the point of ejaculation but couldn't because my Gabbys knock disturbed us once again , he got of me and wore his pants as i just had to pull down my skirt. Mogale walked up to the door and tried to unlock it without making it obvious that it was locked. Yes Gabby? What's the problem. Acting like i wasn't just given some male goods was hard

i couldn't stop blushing while i smelled my shirt. I could see it was hard for him to do the same. Before Gabby could reply, her eyes laid on the side i was seated on, I watched her face change. Oh you're with her ? I thought she was gone. As she rolled her eyes. Uhh excuse you! what are you saying? This one is talking to Mogale like i am not around, who does that? I don't like nonsense, i fix nonsense now. Before she could reply to me , Mogale interrupted her. No ladies come on stop now, Gaby you don't go around harassing my clients okay? Understood? So please leave , i need to finish something with my client before she leaves!. I looked at her with a "that serves you right" expression as she left and shut the door behind her. I am sorry about that Thandi, Gabby is sometimes full of herself, she has a crush on me and I am not interested in her. Can he save that speech for someone who actually cares because, I don't. Thank you Mogale for the session, I will see you next Thursday. Bye Thandi I will miss you. So even today you aren't going to give me your number?. I winked at him as I got out of the office

without answering his question, he is not going to get my number anytime soon.

I couldn't stop thinking about Mogale while on a taxi to my home. My thoughts were disturbed by a call from Mdu. Thandi hii, how are you holding up? I am by your street can you please come out. This guy wants to make my mother suspicious . Uhm I am good and yourself, i will text you now, I cant hear you well, the taxi I'm in is making a noise. I knew very well that, that was a lie. I am glad that he bought the lie quickly , he understood what was going on and didn't ask any questions and immediately sent me a text. I told him Id be around my area in less than 20 minutes. I hope he is patient enough because I will first have to go home with my mom then sit down a bit for 5 minutes then go out as if I am going to Soso's. My mom knows how much i love being at Soso's just because of Lethokuhle, I enjoy playing with her baby.

Finally I met Mdu and got into the car. He was on about how much he wants him and I to push a relationship. I really did like him, well maybe love him a lot but I cant live with feeling guilty of cheating on him every single day, no . I am not ready for that. Mdu, you know we cant risk your career like that. If someone ever finds out that we... you and are in a serious

relationship, it is over for you and I. It seemed as if he wasn't buying that excuse. I repeat guys, I don't want to hurt Mdu. He then started to kiss me passionately, before he could go any further he stopped and looked at me in a different way. What? What's wrong?. Thandi whose perfume is that? I really forgot about changing my shirt. Oh, this one, ah its my fathers, i use it each time i feel like i miss him. God forbid, I wasn't supposed to say that but i had to. Thandi , i am sorry i asked you in that manner, I didn't know. Your father really had a good sense in cologne/perfume neh?. That was a close one. Haha yes i guess so. It was getting late so i needed to get home before Thulisile starts leaving 1pom5 missed calls. Thank you for coming to see me today Mdu, I really appreciate it. I watched him smile at what I was saying. Bye Thandi, I will call you before i sleep hey. I lov He stopped before he could finish his sentence. Bye Thandi.

So Mdu nearly told me that he loves me, I am glad he didn't finish that sentence because Lord knows how I don't know how to reply to the I love yous i receive from males. As i was walking, heading to my house, a nice merc stopped by i couldn't help but stop and try look who it was, by then i wasn't stressed about being kidnapped, the car grabbed my attention it is a really nice car, no lie. Hey dear, why is a beautiful lady like you walking alone? I don't like stupid question hey and that was a



very stupid one, first turn off , second one is calling me dear but I don't blame him because he is old, he looks like he has 3 kids, he looks around the age of 40. I ignored him and continued walking. I am Robert dear, I have an offer for you. As he mentioned the word offer , i was curious to hear what offer he has for me so my pace slowed down a bit. You really attracted me dear, i love young girls with great bodies like you, as you can see i am quite an old man and my wife too is old she doesn't do anything exciting in the bedroom, and you my darling seem very fresh to do nice things. Yoh this man, i don't like the fact that he speaks about my body, where's the respect in that. So dear, i want to take you out for lunch and I will give you R5000 For going out with me on the day, how you like that? That was a great offer 5k for just going out for lunch with him, i know this is going to go to another level but alright lets get the 5k for lunch first, the rest will follow later, we will cross that bridge when we reach it. Mr Robert, no problem, i will go out with you but money first then we can go. I called out my numbers and gave him my name. I am Bontle Spielman. Ya Bontle is my fake name, the name i give to all the guys. I said that as i left him behind and got into my house and locked the gate.

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Last week was one of my best weeks, imagine getting money for just going out for lunch with someone? Yes at last, after weeks of me postponing our "lunch date" I finally decided to go out with him, Mr Robert and yes he did give me the money before anything else. He is quite a boring human being, not that i was expecting anything exciting from him, i mean he is old so... Yeah.

I never thought we would come to this stage where im half naked in a hotel room laying on his chest, hairy chest i must tell you. All of this for 15k, fifteen thousand guys. I also feel like the money is too much because wow poor guy kept complaining about how he's getting cramps and how his back hurts, we should stop. Easy job for easy money.

Bontle my darling, good morning sweetheart. This man, I'm not his sweetheart nor his darling, it's Bontle to him but obviously I won't tell him that before he sends the money into my account, I'll inform him after i get a notification! Morning! I hate how he kept playing with my ear.

I reached for my phone, to find 5 missed calls from my mom and 10 from Mdu. I'm not going to call my mom back because i know she got home and didn't find me and she is probably pissed off at me right now . Can i take a quick call? I had to ask him because mans was so curled up around me.

I sat on the edge of the bed with my eyes scanning the whole room for my clothes but I couldn't see them so i got out of bed with just my panties and a Bra. Oh sexy little girl, look at you, please turn around and come to papa darling. This one thinks I'm at a fashion show here or I am a model to be twirling and turning for him. I ignored his dry comments and went straight to the bathroom. I sat on the toilet seat as i released my morning urine, it felt sooooo good. I kept it in there for a while. I continued sitting there as I dialed Mdu's number. "the subscriber you have dialed is not available, please try again later" This white lady , better reach me through to Mdu, real quick. I tried several times and still the same lady pitched. I went to the lounge and found my clothes and went straight to the bathroom, i opened the shower taps and got in. The hotness of the running water felt so good as it ran down the shoulders of my smooth skin. Before i knew it Mr Robert was behind me. Yes sis forgot to lock the door now I have to act like i enjoy his 80s sexual arousal. I felt his male part toughening

and touch my bum as he pulled me closer to him bending me down as he penetrated me. This old man is low-key a freak, sadly his aging doesn't allow him to do the most. I wasn't in the mood today, the only thing that got me in the mood Last night was the wine we drank yesterday. I stopped him before he could continue any further, such positions are for either Mdu or Mogale not 40 year old men. I got out of the shower before i could even have a proper bath and dried myself up and wore my clothes, he bought me a new pair of jeans and a shirt.

We stopped at a drive thru to get some coffee, i really needed that strong coffee. Our ride to my home was awkward, we had nothing to talk about. So Bontle, how was the night? Tjoh he really is going to ask me that, i don't even know how to reply to that because his sex is really bad. Twas fine. I said that as i looked outside the window trying to avoid any further conversation that Are going to follow. I honestly hope this was the last time i met up with him.

We stopped a street before my home as he transferred the money into my account. Thank you Rob'. I kissed his cheek as i got out of the car. I forgot to mention that it is a Sunday and it feels really uncomfortable walking past abo mama bomthandazo knowing what I did last night. I was also not in

the mood to greet everyone that i walked past but I had to since i was "thee Thandi Sibeko, Thulisile Sibekos daughter" everyone knew me so i have to give much more respect than expected from me.

Before i went home I stopped at Sosos. Chomi , chomi i have news for you ntwana. I wonder what news she has for me, she always has the daily scoop for me. What is It Soso? She could tell that I am tired but ignored that .Letho's daddy wants us to get back together and i said yes, Thandi you dont understand how much love i have for him, he said he wants us to be there for Lethokuhle's growth as her parents. I am seriously not going to say anything on this one. No comment Soso. Anything that has to do with Soso and her baby daddy, angisazingeni, it doesn't concern me because one minute they are together playing mommy and daddy, the next they hate each other for days and we the friends have to end up playing Doctor love to get them back together, andizi shame on this one. Bye chomi, I'll see you later on, i was just passing by.

Before i got to my house, I was praying that my mom went to church because I wasn't ready for her to shout at me. I got home and tried walking quietly because i wanted to look at her bedroom window if she was at home but then Danger made

chaos, Danger is my moms dog, it's really ironic on how we named it danger and everyone in the township is scared of it but really it doesn't do anything to people. So i had no choice but to walk straight into the kitchen, luckily the door was locked, that's how I knew she went to church. I went at the back of the House and lifted an old carpet for the keys, thats where we hide our keys if we leave the house before the other person comes back because I lost mine at a party and my mom still thinks I lost them on my way back home from school in the bus. The day she finds out about that party, I am dead.

I didn't realise how tired I was until i fell asleep for the whole afternoon. Only to be woken up by my mom sending me to go to one of her stokvel ladies Sis Poppy. Surprisingly she didn't shout at me for not sleeping at home last night .

I felt really fresh when i woke up, like i had recharged my energy bar. You will always find a bunch of kids in my street playing ama tin/mgusha and i love how they always ask me to join them. Sis Thandi, Sis Thandi, may you please come play with us? I am really tired today but I will join them When i come back from uSis Poppy. They all hugged me while i was telling them I'll come play with them a bit later. My mom always says the way these kids like me it's like I am going to fall

pregnant anytime soon, honestly i just love kids guys, if ever things fall apart, i will consider opening a creche.

I hate going to Sis Poppy's because she talks alot and some things i just forget to tell my mom. So i just record the whole conversation and avoid listening attentively because i just zone out and start thinking about my own things as i keep on nodding as if i am paying attention to her. Another reason as to why i hate going to Sis Poppy's is because of her daughter, Neo. She started hating me when her brother and I broke up, I used to be in a relationship with Sphiwe, she acts as if I am the reason Sphiwe and I broke up, time boy is the reason i stopped trusting in males, he grated my heart like he was grating a tomato. I also hate how he always accompanies me back home and we end up finding ourselves in each others arms and kissing before i get into the house. I must admit, he is one ex i will always love. I guess its true that you will always be attached to the person who broke your virginity.

Yep i told you guys of how Sphiwe always accompanies me back home, here we are walking together like the king and queen of this township. Thandi joh, you know much I love you. You will always be my wife you, nanoma bengathini. Kasi boys and claiming their territory(I am not saying that i am his territory , I

am just saying in general) and this thing of his always makes girls here fight with me, he attracts the most craziest of females, the pocket knife and K-way type of females. They would do anything to keep him, there is just something about him besides being cute that makes us want to stay, I'd say it is the fear of leaving him since he is part of a group that steal cars and all but it's not that. There is just something else about him, not to talk about how he has the cutest smile ever. Thandi, I said I love you hau! Yessss I love you more Phiwe. Damn, I wasn't supposed to say that, maybe I do love him too. I am quite confused at this point if I really do love him or I am just saying that because he insisted on me to reply back. He pulled me closer to him not giving a damn about what the people around us are going to say. Thandi

look, i know i did you wrong , i cant live without you. I know I have a lot of girls in my circle but they don't make me feel the way i feel when i am with you, i need you in my life, Thandi. Remember we made a promise to each other after i broke your virginity, the tattoos we made together. Oh yah, I even forgot about the tattoos we did, i was still crazy about him by then, thinking that him and i will be together forever, what a joke. We both did tattoos of a heart on the side of our index finger, they both match and we did them on the same day with his money of course, i think that is why the tattoo doesn't bother me much. Aii Sphiwe, you know its done between you and i ,



and you know how your sister will make sure you and i break up again. Eish Thandi mfwethu , you really think i will allow someone who is not my moms daughter to decide on my life? We only have a father in common, we are not from the same womb. Ohhhh now that makes a lot of sense, she most proly has a crush on her own brother since they are half related. I am not saying that is how it is but it is the only thing that makes sense right now. Sphiwe, i really need to go home. Before i could escape from his arms he pulled me tighter and kissed my forehead, as he smiled at me and went for my lips to give me a baby kiss. Sho Thandi. I cant stop smiling at the mini moment Sphiwe and I had, to be honest, i do enjoy his company. I have been smiling the whole way, even while I was playing with the kids in my street, even when i was in the kitchen cooking our dinner , my mother even had to ask what the problem was because apparently she hasn't seen me smile so much in a while, she says i am always an angry baby.

My mom and i are always chaotic in our house, we always laughing and commenting on things that happen on tv but today she decided to sleep early. So i stayed alone watching tv. Mdu came back to my thoughts and i called him again, finally this time he picked up. Thandi. I have been trying to call you, what happened? Where did you disappear to? I didn't know

how to answer to that, I also didn't want to lie to Mdu but if i tell him the truth he will get hurt and i am not willing to hurt him at all but i had no choice. Oh my phone didn't want to switch on since Saturday morning, i don't know what is wrong with it. One thing i hate about Mdu is that he knows when I lie to him, that's why I don't like doing it. Argh Thandi I need to get you a new phone when we meet up! I was just calling to let you know that I got into a car accident, but i am fine, I am not hurt just a minor ankle twist my love. I hope he is fine an accident is something serious. Are you okay though Mdu, are you still at the hospital should, i come visit you? No Thandi it is okay, i am getting discharged tomorrow so you can come to me after that, I love you okay. How many I love you's did i get today, I love you's I don't even know how to respond to them. Our call with Mdu was disturbed by Mogales call. Mdu goodnight my mom is coming we will talk tomorrow, bye.

Hey Mogale, unjani? The smiles on my face right now, lord send me to Mogales place right now! Thandi, i know we agreed to keep things professional, don't ask where i got your number, i did an illegal search in our patient files at work so that i can call you. Thandi I miss you, I am craving for you, i cant stop thinking of how i didn't finish my round with you , i want to finish it can i come? We can go to my house and i will bring you back, I don't

mind sneaking you out of the house, what do you think? That sounds like a great plan, plus i myself have been craving for a Mogale touch, after sleeping with Mr Robert, not that I am complaining, I mean with Mr Robert i am 15K richer. Yes Mogale, please do come, I am in. He hung up and i washed the dishes so that i don't wake up to a lot of work tomorrow, i will just have to clean. I also boiled some kettle water to wash my feminine parts and put on some femegane gel. I was so happy to see Mogale, I know i saw him last Thursday but we have grown into being attached to each other, or maybe our sex only. I waited for a good 30 minutes staring into my phone waiting for him to call me again

Thandi, I am approaching your township, please send me your exact location! I did exactly that and i sent him my location. My emotions were starting to get more excited. Should i wait at the corner or come straight to the gate? Just come to the gate its okay, my mom is asleep. I went into my room and grabbed a hoodie to wear. I swear I didn't want to smile as i saw his car but i was smiling like a baby who got a sweet treat. I wasn't going to open the gate because i know it is going to make a noise so i jumped the wall with Mogales help. We got into the car and he immediately started to kiss me, i kissed him back because there was no time to waste, it was like I have been

waiting for this moment to happen, we kissed passionately and went straight to business. Yes we had sex in the car and that was one of our best moments together. There was no time to cuddle but we continued kissing as i was about to get out, he stopped me and held my hand. Thandi, i cant afford to not see you for 7 days, so i have made our therapy sessions 3 times a week, on Monday , Wednesday and Friday. Fridays program is much more nicer because we can leave from my office to my house and i will bring you back home but i will call your mom tomorrow and see what she thinks about these "therapy days" okay. I was loving the idea, sex with Mogale, i am game for any day. He is an exception. We got out of the car and he helped me to get back home jumping the wall and i went on the side of the gate and we stood there for a good 5 minutes and said our goodbyes to each other.

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This is the third Friday I'm at Mogales house. Yes my mom agreed for me to go to therapy on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. I was so happy when she agreed to that, Being With Mogale makes me forget about all the things that bother me. I even forget that I still have school to study for, i lowkey feel like a 21 year old. It's a Friday and I do not want to go home, I want to spend my weekend with him, I want to be in his arms, get drunk and you know...

Thandi my love don't you want more of a Mogale touch before I drop you off at home? Yes I'm at Mogales , fully naked, we've been doing this ever since we met. He does counsel me when it's necessary otherwise we're always having intercourse, i think I'm starting to fall for him, I think I am addicted to being around him.

Mogale, I don't want to go home though, I want to stay here and spend time with you! Please make a plan for me not go home? I know he wants that too, he needs me to be with him, I am certain of that. Ah Thandi, we will do sleepovers once weeks pass by, now we don't have to give your mom a reason to be suspicious, I promise in 2 weeks, i will make a perfect plan

for you to stay here. Now i have to drop you off, okay? Come now dress up and come give me a hug.

I dressed up with an angry face, Mogale could see I'm not happy to go back home. Me being home on a friday is not in my blood and I've been doing it for 3 weeks ever since i stayed up at Mogales in the afternoon. My Friday night demon is not okay with this, it needs to be fed alchol, music, intoxication, i need to get drunk and wake up with a Sunday Morning Babalaz, yes Hangover. Okay okay Thandi, i will take you home then, i will sneak you out later in the evening. We will go for some drinks and i bring you back home before 4am? Finally he is talking something that makes sense to me, sneak out for drinks? I don't mind, I am most definitely doing that. I finished dressing up with a smile on my face. Come to me now. I kissed him as we were reaching to get out of his apartment. We held hands as he opened the door.

Mogale! Thandi! What! Gabby really doesn't know how to mind her own business. Okay her minding her own business is a story for another day, what is she doing at Mogales door?

Gabby? What are you doing here? Mogale seemed really shocked. Oh Mogale, so you were expecting Gabby to come to you? Right after sleeping with me? You're going to sleep with her too? Wow Mogale, take me home please! Now!! I don't know why I am exaggerating like this? Mogale and I aren't even together, we just have sex nothing more! Free sex at that point, he doesn't pay me to sleep with me. I walked out the door pushing Gabby out of my way. Mogale are you coming or not? Mogale followed me as he left Gabby standing at the door of his apartment. This wasn't the way for Gabby or anyone to find out, this chick has a weird crush for Mogale she might even go tell my mom about what she saw.

We got into the car and i decided to sit at the backseat to avoid talking to him, i know it's stupid but I don't want to be next To him right now. Thandi come on now! Stop being childish please come sit at the front? Gabby and I are not in a relationship babe. Look if you dont come sit in the front i won't move this car and Gabby will come down and she will find us here and it will cause more trouble . Listen to Mogale acting like I am scared of Gabby, not even, she must walk down here and i will rearrange her.

I got out of the car and opened the door to the front seat and put my seatbelt on. See that's better Thandi. He gave me a forehead kiss as we drove. I kept holding in my tears while starring out the Window. I don't know why I want to cry. Me? Thandi? Cry for a male? This is not me, it's not normal.

When i got home, my mom could realise i wasn't well. Thandi what's the problem mtanam? I simply told her it's nothing as i went past her. I'm also not feeling to go out with Mogale today anymore, I don't want to see him. He is most prolly going back to Gabby and talk things through with her and end up being in each others arms, fully naked. Not that, that's how i think of Mogale but it's the only thing that makes sense to me right. I grabbed my phone sobbing and typed out a message to him "Let's cancel tonight. Enjoy the rest of your evening!" I hesitated on whether i should send it or not but i eventually pressed the send button. I switched off my phone while at it. I don't want anyone to call me, right now i just want to sleep.

Falling asleep while crying has got to be the best thing, it has both advantages and disadvantages, the advantage was that i slept like a baby, i really had a good sleep. I even woke up the following day, waking up to finding missed calls from Mogale and a text reading "I'm outside, please come out" well



apologies for letting the poor guy drive all the way from his place to mine to not even see me, I don't feel guilty at all because I personally did let him know that I am not down for going out with him anymore and he decided to come see a Thandi who fell asleep right after sending him the text. Shame man.

My thoughts are arguing on whether i should call Mogale or not but i decided to call Mdu to hook up with him , since i haven't seen him after the accident and we made plans

he said he'd send one of his friends to come pick me up. I'm such a Queen, these guys don't want me to catch taxis on my way to them. I agreed on his friend coming to fetch me and we agreed he'd come at around 12pm. Mdu gave him my number so he could keep in contact with me in terms of location and time. I got out of bed, cleaned and took a bath. My mom is probably at Sis Poppy's house because she isn't home . I'll call her to find out .

Mama, ukuphi? I heard her laugh a bit. Oh Thandi you can now speak, I'm at Sis Poppy's. We at a stokvel meeting, remember i told you yesterday? Oh yaa I remember she told me about stovel meetings. Oh okay mama, i am going out neh, we are

going to the mall with a friend of mine. Oh okay mtanam, please bring the key to Sis poppy's before you leave. I'll just ask Mdu's friend to dirve me to Sis Poppy's for me to leave the key.

He finally arrived and i locked the house and got into the car . Hey, you must be Tiisetso? I'm Thandi. He smiled and gave me a handshake. And you must be Thandi, what a beautiful girlfriend my friend has. Oh so he told his friends I am his girlfriend. Haha thank you Tiisetso . Uhm may we please pass by my moms friends place, i need to leave her the key? He didn't even hesitate and we drove to Sis Poppy's and i handed my mom the keys and left before she could ask anymore questions on which friend I am going with . Ncaww Tiisetso is such a nice guy .

I hate the fact that Mdu lives far, he is on the other side of the world, Cosmo is really far from my place I must say. So Thandi. Are you done with school? I don't know how I should answer this, I don't know what Mdu told his friends. Not really Abuti Tiisetso. Ah Thandi, Tiisetso it is, you're making making me feel like an old Abuti, plus I'm pretty sure we are round about the same age.

Same age? If he knew that I'm still a pikachu.

The rest of our drive was quiet, very quiet. We finally reached Mdu's place. Cosmo people and starring at the car like it's their first time seeing a female in a car. We stood at the gate and he told me he won't come in with me, he said that as he was brushing my thigh , since well I was wearing a dress. For the first time i felt uncomfortable with a male doing that to me but i let the thought go. Thank you Tiisetso.

I am soooo excited that I'm going to see Mdu after a while. I got in the house without knocking and he was seated on the couch, he smiled at me as i walked towards him. I sat next to him and gave him a hug. Mduduzi? How are you? The accident, what happened? When i care about someone, I ask alot of questions in one go not giving them a chance to answer one question at a time. Thandi. Thandi. I am okay. I can walk on my own now. I just lost concentration a bit and a mess happened that's all. Where you drunk Mduduzi? No Thandi, I don't drink and drive.

Well I am glad that he is fine. We sat together and watched tv, made food and really had a great time with a few drinks, he wasn't in any condition of having intercourse but we really had a great time. I am a bit tipsy and in no condition of going back home with a taxi so Mdu did the most and called Tiisetso to

come take me back home. Bye Mdu, I love you. Thandi, you finally said it, I love you more than anything baby. Please be safe. Guys alcohol will make you say things you don't want to say, did i just tell Mdu that I love him, yes I do but i didn't want to tell him yet.

I got into Tiisetso's car and found him with a friend of his so i got in the backseat . Thandi, this is my friend Sihle. Oh HI Sihle, nice to meet you. Sihle is such a snack guy, he looks like the herbal life guys with muscles ngapha na ngapha, I'd have him all to myself at any day but nope, I'm not going to disrespect Mduduzi like that . Tiisetso and Sihle stopped at a garage and they both got out of the car, I tried to hear what they were on about but I couldn't .

Mdu kept texting to check if I am doing fine.

We continued with our drive to my kasi and stopped at a bushy place because Sihle wanted to pee. When he came back in the car, him and Tiisetso exchanged seats . Sihle went to the driver's seat and Tiisetso came to the back where i was seated . He started to touch my thighs as he went up to my boobs. No Tiisetso, what are you doing stop! He didn't stop after i told him to, he continued playing with his fingers as i tried to fight him, i

ended up not having the strength to fight him, with me being intoxicated a part of me wanted this to happen so i gave myself away. He continued pouncing on me , when he eventually stopped, Sihle was also ontop of me, in and out. In and out he was busy on me. His muscles made me looser as i touched them, the connection him and I made was much more different from the one when Tiisetso was on me. I didn't want to sleep with him. They eventually both finished with me and they dropped me off. Sihle smiled at me as i got out of the car. We will keep in touch, Ms Mduduzi. He still has the nerve to call me that, right after they had a piece of Mduduzi's girlfriend. Sihle and Tiisetso raped me, well Tiisetso did, I didn't want him but he forced himself on me but I will let it go .

I got back home and threw myself on my bed. I texted Mdu to let him know I'm home .Babe I am home but we need to talk, please come by tomorrow? I had to tell him about what happened before the boys could turn the tables around and make it look like, i made them do it.

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Thandi? You seemed like you weren't doing okay during our phone call! What is the matter. I don't know how i will start telling Mdu about what Sihle and Tiisetso did to me, he will think I am trying to ruin their friendship by starting stories that aren't even true.

Thandi. Are you okay baby?

Yes babe, I'm fine.

Are you sure Thandi? Khuluma nami Sthandwa

Mduzuzi, uSihle no Tiisetso... They..

They what Thandi???

They... We got interrupted by a call from Mdus phone before I could tell him what happened. Only to find out that the person calling was Tiisetso.

I tried to listen to what the conversation was about but i struggled since Mdu was only replying with one word sentences. "okay, ya, neh sho, fede"

Who was that Mdu? I acted like I didn't have an idea on who it was.

It's Tiisetso, what's this I'm hearing Thandi ? You slept with my friend?????

Bab... No.. I... I.. Didn...

No stop it Thandi you are full of lies. This is the reason why i didn't want to be involved in a relationship with Mduduzi in the first place, he knows i live a very complicated life for me to be in a stable relationship.

Mduduzi. Bang fostile! They forced themselves on me, I was drunk , you also witnessed that, clearly i didn't know what to do.... They were stronger than I, Baby please believe me.

No Thandi, we are done! You slept with my friends, so much for a hoe and a bitch in you.

Mdu, I'm ...

Get out of my car before I push you out!

I got out of the car without any hesitation. I knew he wouldn't believe me, I don't even know what made me think that telling him would make things easier for me. It's okay I'll make peace with it and let him think I agreed and seduced them into sleeping with me. Clearly he believes the friends more than he believes me.

He usually parks his car by the stop sign which is a walking distance from where I live. So I had to walk to my house.

Ah ekse Thandi!



Gosh it's Sphiwe, can't someone walk in this area without getting any disturbance from guys here.

Sho!

Eh why you greeting me like this wena, since when you greet your boyfriend nje?

I'm not in the mood to play all lovey dovey with him today. I'm going through a lot. My alot is the fight i just had with Mdu.

Mxm I'm not your girlfriend, you're not my boyfriend so please Phiwe

What's wrong talk to me bhebheza lam!

Hayi nothing hau, sharp! I walked faster and got into my yard before he could follow me. I know he won't get in because he is scared of my mom more than he is afraid of Danger our dog.

It's really not like me to go straight to my room and start crying . I first cried over Mogale with the Gabby drama, now I'm crying for Mdu and for the fact that his friends had sex with me forcefully.

Thandi!! Thandi.

I had to wipe my tears before my mom could realise that i was crying.

Ma???? I walked to the passage to try get closer to her.

Tomorrow you are going back to school, your principal just called me , he says your therapist spoke to him and they think you're fit to go back.

What! Mogale didn't say anything to me, does this mean, I'm no longer going to see Mogale ever again? I'm not complaining about going back to school , I'm excited, but Mogale guys!

So mama! Am i still going to go to therapy?

I am not sure Yazi Thandi. Mr Mogale thinks you're strong enough to continue alone.

Oh okay keh. Let me prepare my uniform.

I rushed straight to my room to call Mogale but his phone sent me straight to voicemail. I don't know if it's a thing with black people to think that calling several times will lead to the persons phone switching on and them answering but after 5 tries it still took me to voicemail, i was starting to get frustrated forgetting that things will be awkward between Mdu and I Tomorrow at school.

It's 7:45am and I just arrived now for school. 15 minutes late but Mr Mazibuko will make a whole fuss about it. Today the girls left me, I forgot to tell them I was coming back to school.

Chomiiii. Why didn't you tell us you're coming Back??? We all know who asked that question right, yes it is the one and only Soso

Ah chomi, i forgot, nani it caught me off guard when uMa told me.

Ms Sibeko. Welcome back to school it's been months without you. I don't know why this man is acting like he is happy, he wanted me to fail grade 11 kahle kahle. He was hoping Mogale keeps me in until term 4. Thank God I'm back in Term 3. Even though I failed 1 and 2. I am back and I will pass term 3 & 4. I'm also surprised he didn't fuss around about me being late today.

Yeah thanks sir. Anyone could tell the tone of my sentence, I wasn't in the mood to act all happy around him

We are half way through the rest of the school day and I haven't seen Mduduzi anywhere.

Soso, have you been to Mdu's class today?

Nah friend we were on subs, I don't think he is here.

I wonder why he is not here, It's not like him to not come to work, plus he has healed from the accident. He probably heard I was coming back and Didn't want to see me, but our fight shouldn't interfere with his work, I Don't want him to lose his job because of me. No no no.

I took my phone out during Mrs Van de Merwe's lesson and attempted to call on Mdu but he did not pick up . So i then texted Mogale. "Hey Mogale, I hope you're doing good , i know it's a Thursday and we don't see each other on Thursdays but could we see each other after-school? I also tried to call but your phone was off. Thandi x"

Ms Sibhekhu, that is unacceptable, put away that phone before i confiscate it.

Sorry mam. She Still can't pronounce my surname but I'm expected to pronounce Van de Merwe as if I'm Afrikaans. Bits of racism always follow us even after the era.

Thandi, you don't seem okay whusup? Whispered my desk mate Ntsiki.

I was surprised she asked, we hardly talk, it's either I'm fast asleep or the other way round or we're writing a test and can't talk. Ya I'm fine, why?

No, you've been on your phone as if you are waiting for someone to text you.

Oh no I'm fine, nothing serious. Thanks Ntsiki.

Finally it's after-school , as my friends and I were about to go to the bus stop, a car stopped by and a very hot male opened the window . Hello ladies, are any of y'all Thandi? Thandi Sibeko? All my friends looked at me and I confirmed that I am Thandi.

Hello Thandi, hop in . I was sent by Mogale to fetch you after school . This guy wasn't convincing but because I heard Mogales name, I decided to hop in the car.

Bye guys, will see y'all when i arrive at Kasi.

Bye!! They were as confused as I was but we all went with the flow.

Apologies on behalf of Mogale, he couldn't fetch you himself, so I will take you to his house and he will meet you there once he is done with his appointment at work .

Oh okay thanks sir.

By the way I am Thuso, Mogales brother . I'm sorry I didn't introduce myself when I pulled up at your school . He called me as fast as possible when he received your text. You seem very important to him. Are you guys together.

Together? No, uhm.. I.. Actually I don't know, it's complicated

He laughed a bit. Relax girl, you can tell me Anything

I won't bite

I kept quiet and ignored him while i looked straight at the road. The rest of the ride was peaceful with my friends texting me, making sure that I am doing okay and nothing is happening to me . That's what i love about my friends. We just send each other our live locations and track ones safety until they send a text that they are not doing well.

I also don't know why I feel so comfortable around Thuso. What if he is just kidnapping me and what if Mogale knows nothing about a Thuso fetching me from school . But his story sounds true. For reassurance I will text Mogale ."who is Thuso?"

I waited for a good 20 minutes and there was no reply from Mogale. I started to calm down once we reached Mogales place .

We're here! I will leave you here since I have somewhere to go to, Mogale will find you here. If there's a problem you can call me here's my number!

Thank you Thuso.



Make yourself at home, I ordered pizza for you, I didn't know what you drink so i bought several drinks too, you'll choose which one you want, they're in the fridge. Sharp neh! It was nice meeting you.

Byee! I just gave him a mini smile .

I texted Soso to tell her about what was happening. Which im pretty sure she was passing the news to the rest of the girls.

A box of Pizza and drinks Thuso bought, I don't think I want Cold drink or juice, I know where the wine stays, I'll have wine and Pizza , not a bad combo for a Thursday afternoon In school uniform. I made myself home as i had 3 slices of pizza and I don't know how many glasses of wine because I can barely hold my phone steadily . That means I had more than enough but i continued drinking more and more of it, i was bored moss.

I heard a knock on the door and didn't know if I should go open or ignore it but the drunk Thandi decided to open.

Oh it's Gabby. What are you doing here Mrs?

What are you doing here Thandi, you are even drunk and in school uniform? What's wrong with you, stay away From Mogale, he is older than you, he doesn't like school kids.

Oh and who are you to tell me that Gabby Gabs? Gabisile? Gabile? Whatever your name is.

Bitch! She said that as she slapped me for the second time, the first one I didn't feel it but this one I felt it and it fired me up. So i slapped her back and in no minute I was ontop of her strangling her to her last breath.

Hey! Hey, Thandi!!!! Gabby!!!! Stop it. Mogale looked really annoyed by all of what was happening.

Baby, she started it. I tried to defend myself.

I don't care who started what! Thandi get up, Gabby get out. As he pulled me away from Gabby.

Sies Mogale, you sleep with 17 year olds who are drunk in school uniform. Wena Thandi you will get pregnant and Mogale will leave you and your baby and you will fail grade 11

Tsek!!!!

Gabby out!!!!!!

Oh Now it's Gabby out but last week when your Thandi wasn't around to have sex with you, you were all over me on your desk, going down on me.

Gabby!!!! Out now. Mogale pushed her out and locked the door behind her.

I didn't care about their sex agenda at that point, i just wanted a piece of him to Myself. I walked up to him and hugged him and started to kiss him.

Thandi, stop! I didn't listen to him but continued to unbutton his shirt, he smells sooo nice.

Thandi!!! He shouted

Arhghh, Mogale what?????

I didn't call you for this. I want to talk about something serious and clearly you're not ready for this talk you are half drunk, I'll go make coffee for you and go wash your face .

He left and went to the kitchen and i undressed myself being half naked waiting for him to come back. He stayed in the kitchen for a long time, i followed him with my half naked self and I stood behind the kitchen table with my body structure bended . He looked back and i could feel he was trying hard to ignore it but he put down the coffee and grabbed me into his arms as he kissed me passionately, picking me up and putting me on the counter, i took off his belt followed by unzipping his pants, he did the same as he unclipped my bra and we went straight to the deed. That moment sobered me up alot, we were ontop pf each other.

Thandi, I didn't want this to happen, i have something important to tell you about .

Yeah sure I'm listening. I stood up to fetch a glass of water.

This thing! Between you and I! It's starting to get too much, I can't stay away from you, I've been trying to ignore you for a few weeks but I can't . Thandi I love you Ms Sibeko, kakhulu and I want to be in a stable relationship with you.

Mogale caught me off guard on this one. He is only 6 years older than me, he is far from reaching his 30s so I might as well agree to this. I love him too, alot . Mduduzi wasn't on my mind anymore on this one.

I love you too Mogale, yes we can start something serious. I felt i was ready to be stable with Mogale . But what's this i hear about you and Gabby sleeping together.

Thandi, Gabby and I. It was a mistake, i needed to get you out of my mind, that's why i asked my brother to bring you here, i wanted to talk to you about this whole thing, uxolo Thandi, I'm sorry.

No no it's okay Mogale it's going to get late can you please take me home.

Yes sure Sthandwa , dress up let's go. I'll drop you off at home and I'll talk to your mom that we can continue with therapy days.

Half past 5 and Mogale and I pulled up at my house, we both got out of the car and walked in. My mom was already home by then .

Sawubona Ma. The respect Mogale had was making me smile alot.

I greeted my mom too and went to put my school back in my room and texted Soso before I went back to Mogale and my

mom. "Chomi I'm home, lol can we meet in an hour, i have news for you." I sent the text and went back to my mom and Mogale .

...Yes Ma, thank you so much.

I got there and they were done with their conversation, they didn't even sit down for it.

Akuna nkinga Mogale, if Thandi doesn't mind then you can proceed.

Mind what Ma?

uMogale said he could also tutor you with school work every after-school accept for the days you guys have therapy .

Oh yes yes, no problem ma, i can.

You heard it yourself my son, she doesn't mind. Safe journey my son .

I walked Mogale out, i wanted to kiss him but my mom was watching us from the window . I watched him drive away as i smiled alot.

Mama , I'm going to Sosos, I'll be back.

Hayii Thandi finish up cooking from where i left off, I'm going to Sis Poppy's.

I couldn't wait to tell Soso about all of this but i will tell her at school. So i sent her a text. "ah chomi I'm still cooking, WIFE MATERIAL things you know, I'll tell you all about it tomorrow . Goodnight".



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So yes chomi, Mogale and I are dating.

So friend what about Mduduzi?

Ah Mduduzi, he chased me out of his car and we had an argument.

What argument manje?

Eish, long story

Cut it short

Haa Soso hau. I wasn't ready to tell anyone about what happened between Sihle, Tiisetso and I. I don't think I'll ever tell anyone about it . Mdu was the first and last since...Well he didn't believe me about it.

Okay okay, sorry, no more questions asked keh!

Good!

I can't stop thinking about Mogale the whole day, ever since we started dating I've been getting attention every single Day. We're an hour from the school ending and I received a message from him .

"Baby, I will fetch you after school, we're going for lunch . Love you"

I can't stop smiling at this message, even my friends realised the mood change from the morning till now.

Heee Soso and then? Why's your friend so happy? Asked Olebo

Lord knows chomi

Thandi who's the guy???

Asked Owami

Hayini guys it's no one .

The rest of the lesson I was glued to my cellphone texting with Mogale. He said he had a client so I don't know how he's talking to me, he is probably not listening to the persons life problems at this moment .

A part of me is happy to be in a relationship with Mogale the other is worried about Mr Mdu. He didn't come to school again. I tried calling him and his phone still didn't go through .

Okay guys, it's after-school, your homework for today is page 114 on your Platinum textbook and do notes before you start the activity. I want to see it completed on Tuesday.

Thank God it's after-school and it's a Friday. I don't want people at my school to get familiar with Mogales car so I told him to wait by the Robots, people in My school speak alot. My friends and I walked to the robots and I spotted Mogales car.

Bye guys, see you Tomorrow.

Yoh wena Thandi Ever since you've been going to therapy you have no time for us, you don't even travel with us after-school anymore, different cars fetch you.

Yaah honestly friend. Concluded Olebo.

Y'all sound like babies Right now, sharp byeee!! Mncwaaa. I love you guyss.

Hehe sharp Thandi! Smiled Soso.

I got into Mogales car and we kissed before greeting each other verbally .

So your friends didn't ask who I was?

They know who you are but still think you're just my therapist

Oh alright

Where are we going?

My house!

But... I thought ... Lunch?

Oh i knew you wouldn't agree to go to my house after the Gabby issue Sthandwa sam

Argh.

Thandi kodwa,I'm still sorry about what happened.

Nah it's cool Mogale .

We got to his house and for the first time we didn't have sex, we just chilled, ate and did my homework for the weekend. Today I wasn't in the mood for Mogale, all i could think about was how worried I was about Mdu. A normal girl would've went to the police station and reported that she was raped but I didn't because I didn't want to ruin his friendship with Sihle and Tiisetso but no he is not appreciating that. Also I don't feel like going home and I'm broke so I'll call Mr Robert and hook up with him. Y'all remember him right, the blesser who I met up for lunch with for only 5k? Yes him.

Mogale took me home and I arrived before my mom arrived from work, i quickly took a bath and called Mr Robert to fetch me and he was in my township in no minute.

Mhm that was fast Rob, i didn't think you'd remember me.

How would i forget the girl who gave me the best time of my life? Today we won't have the chance to be together , my wife and kids are around but I called two of my friends to keep you company , they both will pay you for keeping them company so will I.

This was new to me. Having to keep 2 40 year old men company is something I've never done before and something I never thought I'd do but if it meant getting more than 5 thousand rands in a night, I'm game.

Oh, yeah sure. I'll do that.

We drove to a different hotel from the one we used months back. He gave me 1 thousand in cash and told me he'd leave me here until his friends arrive so i can order anything from room service under his name because he has to rush back home, he will only come back tomorrow to take me back home. I obviously agreed to everything . I went to the bedroom and found a pair of 2 lingeries, 1 was black and the other red with a letter for me to choose which one I'll wear tonight and the other to be kept for the future. I thought black would look good On me so i took a shower and changed into the lingerie. Whilst at it, there was a sound coming from the lounge so i went to go look, thinking it was one of Mr Roberts friends but it was the room service guy.

Ah! Sorry mam, I.. I..didn't know you weren't dressed. The man downstairs told me to bring these drinks here. I'm sorry.

Yoh. Chill. Don't act like you've never seen a female in lingerie, you're too cute to act surprised by all of this.

Thing is , I am shocked. You're so beautiful and that color suits you really well, it blends with your skin.

I watched him get aroused by just looking at me. I stepped closer to him and whispered in his ear.

Thank you for the drinks.

I guess i had given him the wrong impression by whispering in his ear because he picked me up and grabbed my butt as we kissed, him leading us into the bedroom. He is such a rough person. He is also too cute , i couldn't resist him at all. He threw me on the bed and unzipped his pants. I was surprised by what I saw and disappointed at the same time. I never expected him to have such a tiny male part. He is too cute and tough for that. Never trust guys who pick up weights because wow. I was not excited anymore but I really was interested in having him in me so we continued kissing. Before he could get ontop of me, his



aroused penis went back to sleep. I always heard my friends talk about their experiences and i thought they were joking turns out these things really do happen, it finally happened to me.

Play with it so it can get back

No no no. I don't play with things to toughen them up. I don't do that. I stood up and wore my jean and shirt ontop of my lingerie and left him in the room and sat on the couch, waiting for him to finish up what he came to do. I was really disappointed guys.

He came back fully dresses and things were awkward between us.

Uhm Mr.. Abuti what ever nearly happened pretend it didn't . Thank you for the drinks.

You're welcome cutie.

Thank God we didn't get to a point where we had to introduce each other. We're better off as strangers.

I spent an hour alone after the mess that just happened whilst drinking and worrying about my mom. I didn't tell her where I was going and I know she will not call me because she is very angry. It's 7pm now and it's already dark outside but as i kept adding 1 glass after another I stopped worrying about my mom and finally heard the sounds of 2 men . Getting inside the hotel room.

I hope Robert brought us something sexy , we can't waste our money on something ugly.

You know he doesn't disappoi....

(I cleared my throat interrupting their conversation) I won't pretend like I didn't hear that conversation, as you can see he brought you something thats much more worth the amount y'all going to pay and Evening gentleman I'm Bontle.

Ouuu shit brother this is a fiesty one, petite but fiesty.

Hello dear Nice to meet you Bontle

I'm Jabulani and this is Joshua.

A black and white man. I'm not used to chilling with a white man, a black man I can do anything to him and he would be impressed but a white man having a taste of the tiny black girl it's not normal for me.

They look filthy rich, the type to drink expensive whiskey and own 3 or more businesses.

Nice to meet you Josh and Jabu. Shall we get straight to business? Its 8k each gentleman.

For you we can make it 10k dear, you're so beautiful. Right Jabulani? 10k for her?

Yes yes man. 10k darling.

10k it is gentlemen.

I didn't know where I'd start, I've never had a threesome if that's what we call it. A part of me was excited that I'd get 20k by the end of the night but the other was frightened that they'd feel the female condom I put in and would demand me to take it out. Blessers don't like to wear condoms. The other part was worried about how I'll give both of them attention at the same.

Jabulani disturbed all the thoughts I had as he pulled me down to kneel down in front of him. Oh no I've never done what he is about to make me do, i can't even do it, it disgusts me. What if i bite him? He took off his pants and he put his penis on my mouth, i had no choice but opened my mouth as i closed my eyes with his hands doing the movement. It isn't bad it's quite nice to do this. As i kept sucking in and out Joshua came behind me as he moved my lingerie to the side and got in me. This white man is much more rougher and freakier than Jabulani. We were in it for a good 30 minutes until Joshua's phone rang and I was left With Jabu.

Oh Bontle. You're really good at this man, can i have you every weekend?

5k sir to have me every weekend. I don't even know what made decide on that price.

I don't mind dear to have you ontop of me Every weekend I'll take out the money, i have it all.

Joshua walked in and told Jabulani his wife just called him that she is at the hospital giving birth he has to be there in a hour. He kept being busy on his phone and in no time there was a notification from my phone I checked it and it was a notification from Capitec that my account has been credited with R10 000. I don't remember giving them my account number but I think Mr Robert gave it to them.

There you go Bontle. Thank you for tonight, hope we meet again . Cheers Jabu .

Cheers Brother.

Bye and thank you!

So now it's just Jabulani and I. Shame poor guy is tired so he decided to also send the money into my account before he sleeps. I left him in the bedroom and i went to the couch to have a drink and text with Mogale . I have 3 missed calls from him.

"Babe, i just saw your missed calls. What's up?"

"Thandi where are you? I know you didn't sleep home? Your mom called me! Are you cheating on me? Who's the guy?"

"babe no cheat? I'd never I'm at my friends place, it was late for me to walk back home, I'm sorry. Please call my mom and tell her I'm at a friends"

"we will talk about this when you get back home . I'll send Thuso to fetch you and bring you here. Goodnight Thandi"

"Goodnight Baby, I love you"

He didn't answer my last text as he blue ticked it. He must be very angry at me.

Before i went back to bed to join Jabulani I received a text from Mduduzi.

"Hello Thandi, I am sorry for being distant, i was just so angry at you, can we please meet tomorrow so we talk things through Sthandwa Sam. Please don't ignore me, please text back"

"Hii Mdu, Tomorrow I'm busy let's make it Sunday or Monday morning before school starts. Goodnight"

I switched off my phone after sending through that text . I couldn't fall asleep. I spent half of the night wide awake starring at the ceiling because Mr Jabulani here is snoring really loud. I finally fell asleep to be woken up by voices in the other room. I walked to go listen and it was Mr Robert, Jabulani and the room service guy from yesterday. They were fighting about how he

failed to seduce me and sleep with me, the conversation was really disturbing my peace so I had to step in.

What's this I'm hearing? So Mr room service was paid to sleep with me and what else?

Nothing Bontle, go back to the other room. Shouted Mr Robert

One thing I didn't set straight with you Mr. I am not your daughter and you're not my father. The only connection we have is business, so you will not chase me to a room like you're speaking to your 8 year old daughter. Jabulani? Room service what's happening . Speak before I call the police and report all three of y'all for rape? See their numbers are on speed dial, if you don't talk I'm Calling.

Bring that phone here missy. Jabulani tried to grab my phone

Oh now we're being aggressive sir? I said that as i pressed the call button and put it on Loud speaker.



"Mayfair police station how may we help you?" answered a lady.

Hello this is Bontle , i am calling to report a rape case. I looked at the 3 guys threatening them to speak before i go any further.

Okay okay, hang up I'll tell you. Said Mr room service.

It's okay mam it's a misunderstanding, thanks for your time. I hung up on the call.

These men paid me to drug one of the wines i brought up here and seduce you into Sleeping with me so that I could pour you a drink and watch you black out so they could come, have sex with you and leave without paying you and later call you to Tell you that they couldn't make it, knowing you won't remember what happened to you. But it turns out you opened the wrong wine when i left which wasn't drugged and meant for the two gentleman who came but turns out that they drank the one i drugged.

(laughing historically) oh that's why Jabulani fell asleep so quickly . Y'all really think you could drug me. My ancestors are with me all the time. So if you don't want me to report the drugging y'all will need to add another 2k in my bank account right now before I call that police officer again.

They did exactly what i had told them to do and I ubered myself home because I didn't want anything to do with Mr Robert, Jabulani, Joshua or Mr Room service .

"Hey babe. Im on my way home." I sent Mogale a text .

I got home and found my mom seated outside.

Mhm Thandi, you're even getting dropped off by amadoda"

Haa mama it's an uber. (I explained to her as i showed her the app)

Mhm atleast. Where were you.

A friends.

Oh you don't talk when you visit friends now?

I wasn't intending on sleeping there, it became late for me to come back home.

So the parents don't call?

She was home alone

You even have answers to every question.

That's a black parent for you, they will ask you a question and expect you to answer them but once you answer it's a problem and they tell you not to answer them back but when you don't answer that's also a problem too.

Yoh sorry mama, i won't do that anymore.

Oh okay, go wash the dishes .

I hope she leaves so that i can meet up with Mogale because she won't allow me to go out before i finish with these dishes and Mogale is probably 5 minutes away from my house .

Whilst washing the dishes, I see Mogales car parking outside our gate. I am really happy that i start doing a mini dance in the kitchen.

I try to listen to their conversation with my mom but all I can hear is my mom screaming "Khuluma naye tuu Mogale, there she is in the house washing dishes, akalaleli uThandi, I am tired mina shem, talk to her".

Baby! (he smiles at me, trying to make sure my mom doesn't hear that)

Babeeeee!!!! How are you?

Ke sharp Thandi wena?

I'm good

Where were you yesterday.

Hawu kodwa I told you angithi,my friends.

Oh alright baby. But don't stress your mom like that okay. (he gave me a kiss, with both of us trying to be cautious of my mom) I'll see you on Monday neh. Sharp.

I accompanied him outside and he said his goodbyes to my mom giving her a respectful handshake.

Uhambe kahle mtanam

If she knew that this is her mkhwenyane.

I hope Mogale spoke to you and you will listen to him or you'll go live with your friends wena, gah. Go back and wash those dishes before i slap you.

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It's been 10 minutes since I've been waiting for Mduzuzi to arrive at the corner. He isn't being serious with me. On Friday he sent me a message that he wanted to meet and we agreed we'd meet today , we even confirmed that. Now here he is being 10 minutes late.

"Mduzuzi where are you?"

"Sorry, I'm on my way, traffic"

Traffic on a sunday? Wow I'm not even going to argue with him because I know he is lying to me.

Ah mabhebeza, sweedie lam lomkhuhlane. How are you baby

Whoever told Sphiwe that him and i are a couple should reverse their words. I'm even considering covering up the tattoo i made with him because he forever reminds me how these tattoos mean him and i are practically married.

Hello Sphiwe, im good wena?

Eh Thandi , I'm now Sphiwe. It's nomore baby? Sthandwa?  
Babakhe?

Hawu since when? Sphiwe you and I are done, we are never  
going to be an item again.

Ah mara Thandi baby, okay keh give me a baby then. I want one  
from you.

Ayii wena stop speaking rubbish, you don't even have money to  
take care of your mother.

Ah mara Thandi you see now, uya off ramp(a) joh.

Tsek! Hamba.

Mxah ungenza so mfethu? (holding my arm)

Bye bye Sphiwe.

Mduduzi finally arrived but he came at the wrong time when Sphiwe was still holding my arm with me not even fighting him to leave me alone.

Ekse Thandi, hop in! (demanded Mduduzi)

Ey ftsek wena! Who are you to tell my girlfriend to hop in your car.

I'm not your girlfriend Sphiwe, leave me alone. (I got in the front seat of Mduduzi's car)

Ah Thandi , you're leaving just like that?

Mdu and I drove off to the nearest Kota place , he promised he'd buy me one once he gets here.



So Who was that Thandi?

Oh him. It's my ex, he doesn't want to accept that him and I done.

Okay, Thandi look. I am really sorry for ignoring you for weeks. I needed some time to think.

Think about what exactly Mdu? You aren't the one who got raped by my friends, matter of fact my friends don't go around raping people's partners Mduduzi.

Thandi, I still don't believe you . My friends would never I trust them

So weeks of you ignoring me and being distant to come back to telling me you don't believe me? Wow.

Thandi I'm sorry.

No save it! You and I are done. I can't be with someone who can't support and be there for me when i need them. (I stood up and started to walk away)

Thandi!!! Manje ikota yakho?

Eat both of them.

I continued walking away trying to increase my pace for him not to catch up with me. I can't stop thinking about how hurt I am

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how i thought I would consider Mduduzi as my boyfriend, someone who would support me through thick and thin.

Thandi, wait!!!

I continued walking faster without looking back at him. Just when i thought I had gotten away from him and not hearing his foot steps, he is already Driving by my side.

Baby sorry mfethu.

Okay

Thandi! Talk to me I'm sorry....

Mdu i don't want so LEAVE ME ALONE!!!!

I was getting annoyed by him to a point where i decided to catch a cab net for going right around the corner and i did that and used the R6 i found in the pair of jeans im wearing.

Mshana uright? You look very worried, what's wrong?

I appreciate the taxi drivers care but he should mind his own business.

I'm all good baba. Can i get off estopini

Okay nana, be safe.

I don't know why I'm so sad over breaking up with Mduduzi, I mean I have Mogale in my life and I love him alot , I am also certain that I'm not using him as a rebound or as someone to make Mdu jealous with.

"Ma'Thandis. It's Tiisetso here, hope you remember me"

After months of healing from what him and Sihle done and months of me healing from my break up with Mdu. He decides to text and bring back that Memory. I also don't know whether I should reply or not if do he'll think I'm interested in him.

I finally came with the decision to ignore him .

Baby are you good? You've been looking at that phone for a while now. What's wrong?

Nothing babe.

Remember I'm a therapist? I know when someone is good and when they're also not good

It's nothing baby trust me.

Yoh muntu wami you are very secretive hey but okay I'll let this one slide.

Thank you. So baby... What would you do if i was raped?

The question i just asked really shocked, you could tell he wasn't expecting it.

To be honest with you. I don't know Thandi, but I'd make sure we deal with it in a good manner.

Oh okay

Why?

No my friend got raped so one of the guys texted her and she's scared to tell her boyfriend .

Thandi tell your friend she should talk to her boyfriend, it's not a good thing to have secrets and keep things to yourself. They might trouble her in the future causing her to be restless.

That friend is me Mogale

You were raped baby? By? Where? How?

Yoh so many questions. By my ex boyfriends friends. They had to fetch me since he couldn't .

Thandi, I am so sorry. I didn't.. Know. I'll make sure I cancel Thuso from fetching you, you must have been feeling uncomfortable.

No no, it's fine I don't have a problem with Thuso. He isn't problematic.

Did you go to the police?

No

Why?

I was drunk

So?

They wouldn't believe me, they'll say i also wanted it, imagine my ex not believing me, what are the police going to do?

Nothing babe

Thandi. Why didn't you tell me sooner, we would've done something by now. Now we don't have proof baby . Argh Come here don't cry babe.

I can't stop sobbing. I am also confused with this whole thing. I sleep with men for money but I'm crying because 2 young men had sex with me.

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Okay okay, I love you baby let me go back to class

Bye Thandi I love you .

Been months since Mogale and I have been in a relationship, even the pathetic receptionist girl knows about us, she can't help but swear at me when she sees me walk into the building where they work, kids in my school too know that so does Mr Mdu. Things were a bit awkward when he came back to work but now i hardly even notice him. The crush i had for him has disappeared into thin air. I don't even know why he is walking towards my direction. I look around to see if he is going to someone else besides me but no. Mans is coming to me.

Thandi, show me your activity.

I showed him the work he had given the class and tried to ignore him.

Thandi can we meet after-school?



No!

Yes please

No Sir.

Okay fine, I'm putting you down for detention since I'm the detention teacher this after school and you miss, you will be there with me.

You can't do that.

I just did, see you after school. (as he winks at me)

This is really not fair, you can't just give people detention because you feel like you need their presence .

What was that all about ntwana? (asked Owami)

Nothing chomi.

For the rest of the lessons I've been paying attention and not causing any Disruptions because it's the end of the year and we are 2 weeks from writing term 4 exams. I need to Be done with this grade, I want to see myself in matric next year . I want the jacket, the dance and the freedom one gets when they are 18 and in matric.

The school bell rings and i look at my phone and see a message from Mogale.

"Baby, I can't fetch you today, I'll request an uber for you to go home with hey, you can leave with your friends in the uber"

"Oh thanks baby, i still have detention to attend, i will call when I'm done"

"Okay, enjoy the rest of your day sweetheart. I love you"

"Love you too"

Chomis today we're leaving with an uber but I still have detention.

Detention? Why? (Olebo)

Argh ankere it's yalls favorite teacher Mr Mdu

What did you do? (Soso laughs historically)

Aii I don't know too.

(We all laughed about my detention story as I left them while laughing about it)

Sorry, Hii where is the detention class for today?

In Mr Naidoos class (Answered the kid i asked)

Thanks.

Just when I got to Mr Naidoos class, there was no one, just Mr Mdu seated on the table . For a second I thought i was too early as i checked the clock on the wall and confirming with the time in my phone, it's 14:00pm sharp. I'm not late, I'm not early what's happening in here.

Erhh? Where are the others?

Seems to me like you're the only one in detention today!

You son of a ....

Take a seat .

Thandi since you have been ignoring me, I decided to bring you into detention so we could have a talk.

Okay let's talk sir

Stop calling me that, I am Mdu to you.

Okay Mdu, let's talk.

Thandi you know i love you right

No you don't, you don't, you DON'T.

I DO

okay then thank you for loving me.

I am really sorry about what has been happening. (he stood up to go lock the classroom door)

Mdu if you're about to bring up the rape issue, let it go and please tell your friend Tiisetso to stop texting me or he will go

to jail for harassment, that goes for you too, I have a boyfriend so you too leave me alone.

I don't care about your rich boyfriend Thandi, I want you. (as he walked up to me)

And i don't want you Mdu.

He did not respond to what i said but he started to kiss me, I hate how i didn't stop him and I also continued to kiss him back. He pulled up my school skirt and we made out on Mr Naidoo's table. We did not use a condom , i wasn't prepared for this one.

Thandi!!!! I.. Something just happened.

What???

I..I...

Talk.

I just ejaculated in you .

Mduuu!!! Nooooo. Noooo. Noooo this cant be.

I'm sorry babe.

Argh whatever. (I got out of the class running to the bathroom)

"I can get you morning after pills, I'll bring them tomorrow"

I looked at Mdu's text whilst in the bathroom. I won't reply to it because vele uMdu uyangi jwayela mina. I walked back to my friends and we requested an uber home. I've been quiet the whole ride .

Thandi , you good?

Yeah I'm fine, just tired. Detention was tiring.

It's been 2 weeks after Mduzuzi and I had unprotected sex And I am not feeling well lately.

Thandi vuka!!! Vuka!! You're going to school. I'm not the one who said you must sleep late now you don't want to wake up. Vuka dali.

Ah Ma!!! We not doing anything at school since we're done with the syllabus, we're just revising. We're a week away from the end of year exams to start. So i prefer staying home so i study on my own, at school I'll be talking nabo Soso.

Oh okay . Sharp keh. You must clean and wash the dishes when you wake up, I'll see you in the afternoon.

Sharp.

"Heyy Soso



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I'm not going to school. I'm not feeling well"

She replied my message in less than 5 minutes.

"Okay friend, get better, I'll check up on you after school with the girls"

I went back to sleep and woke up around 6 am being Woken up by me wanting to vomit. After that I could not go back to sleep , so I bathed, cleaned and decided to go to the clinic . Hopefully the doctors will give me something to stop this headache and something to boost my appetite.

Baby, baby, baby wami.

I'm sure we all know who that is. The one and only Sphiwe, he is really such a nuisance.

Why aren't you at school today

I'm taking a break.

Mhm nice to be you, you take school breaks at your own time neh.

Argh Sphiwe Unjani?

Ah baby I'm good, since i saw an angel from heaven.

Mxm.

I was serious about having a baby with you yazi. Just give me the baby and i won't bother you anymore, phela i know our baby will be a hotty.

Ayi wena stop speaking nonsense and stop the taxi for me.

Uyaphi?

eMall

Should i accompany you so i buy you Ice cream.

No! Misa itaxi wena tuu.

Ekse kleva, iya eMall?

Ya sho mall.

Okay bye Thandi, its the correct one. I love you bhebeza lam

Sharp Sphiwe.

While in the taxi i felt like I wanted to vomit again but i held it in until I got off by the clinic street and i finally did the vomiting on a tree. Me walking to the clinic feels like a route i won't

reach anytime soon but nonetheless i finally got there opened a file and waited for my name to be called.

Thandi Sibeko! The doctor is ready for you.

I walked up to the doctors room.

Good Morning Thandi . I'm Dr Mbuso. What is wrong.

I don't know Doctor. I'm weak, i have been vomiting. I don't know.

Mhm I see. How old are you?

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Are you sexually active?

Uhm.. Yes.

When last did you have unprotected sex?

Mhm 3 weeks ago, i think .

I see okay, come climb on the bed and let's check you .

Breathe in... Breathe out... Mhm okay take this Cup and go pee in it.

Y'all know the pain of forcing out pee when you don't have any? I did exactly that in the bathroom until i felt some coming out. I washed my hands and went back to the Doctor.

Let me do 2 minute tests on this pee and i will give you your results .

The 2 minutes felt like a full hour.

Okay Thandi I'm back and the results show that you are 2 weeks pregnant. Congratulations!

Haaaa congratulations. I'm going to kill Mduduzi. I immediately sent him a text while waiting for an uber to take me home.

"I'm pregnant"

"What?"

"Yes I'm two weeks pregnant, Mduduzi"

"You lying"

Here he goes again with not believing me and he is one male I tell the truth to About every single thing but he never believes me. Wow amadoda. I'm not even going to respond to his last text. I'll just text Mogale.

"Babe! I'm not feeling well"

"What's wrong dali?"

"I don't know too"

"Aw baby , you just miss me, I'll send Thuso to bring you to my office. Plus he is around your area. He will be there in 15 minutes."

"Cool thanks baby"

I really need to see Mogale and just cry or do whatever . Indeed Thuso arrived 5 minutes after I arrived from the clinic.

My brother told me you aren't feeling well what's wrong?

I don't know too.

Aww makoti you must be better, let's drive thru at Mc Donalds and get you lunch.

Thank you Thuso.

Pleasures all mine koti.

We finally arrived at Mogales work place. Thank God Gabby wasn't at the reception minus one problem a problem I met on my way into Mogales office when i opened the door.

Oh Mogale look who's here. Your girlfriend.

Eh Mogale is this your other girlfriend? (asked Thuso)

No, no. She works here.

Gabby went out of the office pushing me while at it.



Angithi you see? You saw that right? I didn't say anything to her and she pushed me then y'all going to say I'm a crazy girlfriend. Thuso nawe you saw that.

Ayii Thandi , angizingeni. Mogale bhuti i brought umakoti to you safely, I'm off now, see you tomorrow .

Sho bafo, thank you .

Baby I'm going to burn Gabby alive and I'm not joking .

No relax mamakhe . Don't mind her. Come give me a hug.

We spent a good 1 hour together and me talking to him about my problems, we had like a mini therapy session today. I really needed that, now i feel relieved, though i didn't tell him about the pregnancy . I also know what to do with this baby. I am going to abort it. Mduduzi is not ready to have a baby, I also won't tell anyone about this pregnancy.

Chomi, my chomi. I was worried sick about you, what's wrong?

Ah it's just a stomach bug but I'm fine now.

While enjoying the company my friends are giving me. Mdu sends me a text.

"Im by the corner , please come out"

My friends and I left our yard and we accompanied Olebo to the tuckshop and i disappeared from there rushing to Mdu before Olebo and Soso could notice .

Im here? What's wrong?

Thandi, you said you're pregnant?

Yes I am.

Get in the car, this looks dodgy.

Okay okay . Yes I'm pregnant Mduduzi. With your baby.

Look. I bought this pregnancy test, can you please take it?

If it'll make you feel better, do you have a cup.

Yes, pee in my flask .

We waited for a good 15 minutes waiting for the results.

++Positive++

See i told you that I'm pregnant.

Thandi!! We are going to be parents babyyy.

No no no, not we, no one is going to be a parent, you and i are not together so please . I'm aborting this baby and i know it's R1500 to R2000 for me to abort at the clinic.

Are you mad? I don't have such money Thandi.

See you don't even have money for a once off abortion, how are you going to take care of a baby for the rest of your life. If you don't give me the money I'm going to do this abortion with or without you Mduduzi!

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My End of year exams started 2 weeks ago and here I am in the exam venue with only 15 minutes left till this session is over but I can't stop thinking about how I made my first abortion, I never thought I'd take a life before it's even born. Mdu too has been really distant from me which is a good thing, I can't let him come in between Mogale and I.

Start finishing off whatever you need to finish, you have 6 minutes left.

6 minutes left and I am not sure whether I did the most on this paper or not. I've been thinking of my life problems instead of acing this paper.

Father Lord Jesus, i know you witnessed me study last night, can you please help me pass this paper and my grade 11.  
Amen.

I know God helps those who help themselves but on this one, I admit i certainly helped myself I am just not certain on whether

I wrote the right things, I don't even have time to go through it and check.

Ms Sibeko. Time is up, pens down and fix your papers for stapling.

I am left with just one question to answer but Ms Bothlale is keeping an eye on me. As i keep writing trying to hide the fact that I am from her she comments again.

Ms Sibeko. E chaile!!!!!!

I really didn't want to discuss the paper with anyone but keh grade 11s will always be grade 11s.

Chomi how was it?

It was fine.

Just fine?

Yes, just fine!

No these days you're too quiet whusupp? Is everything okay with you and Mogale?

Everything is okay chom.

So when is he taking us all for lunch?

I laughed a bit before answering that question, one thing my friends are not understanding is that Mogale is my boyfriend, what happens between him and I is for the two of us, then the blessers are for everyone, the money is shared with everyone .

What Thandi, why you laughing?

No , nothing shame.

Thandi, it's Mdu. I figured out that you blocked me on my other number. I know i haven't given you the support you need, I am really sorry. Can we meet up so we fix everything.

For a second I thought I was done with Mdu but i guess I was wrong. I am even considering to meet up with him. I can be stupid at times, going back to the same person I have to prove my honesty to.

Hi. Yeah sure you can sommar pull up where we always meet up, down the road.

I also thought I'd hesitate with sending the message but no Thulisile Sibeko's daughter replied in less than 5 minutes . That's what i hate about myself, I don't know if it's kindness or stupidity but ignore me for two weeks I'll still reply to your texts in less than 5 minutes.

I hate how i always get home and find the dishes waiting for me, even during exams one has to go through a fight with ibhodo esine skhokho and having to look for the skirpot everywhere in the kitchen because one of us misplaced it. I



don't mind doing my chores kodwa keh i need to rest too but forget about that in a black family. Also I don't feel like cooking, I will tell Mduduzi to buy some food angithi he's coming to apologize , so he must show it.

Don't feel like cooking tonight, please buy me takeaways on your way here!

I don't have money Thandi.

Mduduzi is too broke for my liking. A whole teacher , broke? He is just one stingy man.

Then what are you coming to do kimi if you're broke. Ungezi ulengise izandla Mduduzi . What kind of father were you going to be if I decided to keep your baby?

I swear one could sense my frustration through the text i just sent to Mduduzi, he really frustrates me alot these days. He doesn't have that thing that used to excite me each time I thought of him or his scent.

Okay keh, what should I buy?

Angazi but not fish n chips please!

Ok sho. I'll be there around 5pm

I finally finished Cleaning, the whole house, when I am in stress I clean alot. I'm just glad i won't be writing for the next 3 days and I'm only left with 2 papers until i finish my grade 11, well hopefully. I'm also happy that I won't be cooking, thanks to Mdu. Let me just tell my mom she mustn't cook when she comes back .

Mama, I'll be going to the mall neh, to buy takeaways. So don't cook.

Where do you get the money from?

That's one question I won't answer, I'm not even going to reply to her last text.

Hey baby. I miss you!

Baby, i miss you alot too but you know we have to let you write and finish, I don't want to disturb you .

Mogale is such a considerate guy but another part of me thinks he is cheating on me. I don't know what makes me feel like that but i know my instincts never lie to me but then I tend to ignore them.

Thandi come out!

Mdu surely is serious about meeting me because he is even early. I didn't bother locking the door because I knew we wouldn't be a distance away from my house plus my mom lost her keys, so putting it under the old carpet was a waste of time, besides no one would dare try sneak into our house . Danger is one scary dog by it's looks.

Sawubona MDUDUZI

haibo Thandi, why you being so aggressive?

Phela I'm not here for an hours conversation, get straight to the point, say whatever you have to say and give me my food.

Okay then. How are you holding up.

You can see I'm alive so yes?

Thandi

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I'm sorry bandla. Really, i know i should've been with you during the abortion , i wasn't being a man

Mhm clearly Mduduzi

I'm sorry Thandi. Really, we don't have to get back together , i just want peace and us to be friends. Although I love you alot .

Mduduzi, I did the abortion weeks ago, so it doesn't matter anymore, i don't need sympathy nor empathy . I'm going to forgive you, i won't forget but we will dead the issue okay.

Than...

No, don't say thank you. Just do the right thing in the future! I hope we're done here. My food please!

Oh i got you some Mc Donalds and your mom Tashas, hope she is cool with that .

Yeah thanks.

Before i opened the door, he touched my shoulder leading me to look at him and he continued to lifting my chin up and started to kiss me, I didn't stop the kiss because I missed it, well i miss Mogales and my lips have been dry for too long, i needed

the boost. Before he let go of me he bit my bottom lip, knowing how that makes me think with my private part and not my brain but nope not today, I'm not that cheap, we are not sleeping together , maybe after my last paper just to surprise him.

Bye Mduduzi.

Sharp Thandi .

I never thought he'd buy so much food and yet i thought he was broke. I'm not complaining though, we'll have some left overs. I can't eat two burgers and two large fries with the drinks, that's quite alot. I need to maintain my mkhaba.

I knew I'd get back home before my mom so i unpacked all the food and put her bits in the plate she'll use and put it in the microwave and the rest in an Ice cream skhatin .

Yaaa Thandi!!! Thandi mtanam. Hayi I am tired . Today uMadam no Baas had visitors , i had to clean the whole house

and wash all the dishes they used. Ek is moeg shuu. Please make me some tea.

Rooibos? Five roses or iKofi?

Fusek iKofi yiTea? Which one do i drink Kante? Yenza iFive Roses.

Exactly my point.

Utheni??

Ha.a nex mama (as i giggled)

Should I bring your food too?

Yes!! So tell me where did you get the money .

Ah mama I've been saving lunch money.

Oh, you save wena you don't buy food at school? That's why my grocery always finishes because Thandi you CAN'T MAKE 4 EGGS ALONE IN A DAY. You can't also eat 6 slices of bread. You're a girl man behave.

I knew she'd complain on how "I am wasting her money" by saving it instead of buying lunch at school. Black parents and complaining about every single thing .

I'm not going to lie. I really miss Mogale. I'll go to his place tomorrow to just surprise him a bit, i won't tell him I'm coming, that would ruin the surprise, plus i know he's off duty today .

Thandi, I'm leaving neh. If you go anywhere leave the key. Sharp

Usually I'd go back to sleep after my mom tells me she's leaving but today I was just so excited to see Mogale, i couldn't wait until the time was 6am so i can bath and leave the house at 7. Knowing this time, it will take it's own sweet time to move. It won't move as fast as the regular days.



I decided to stay in bed and go through my phone to push time, i wasn't in the mood to clean, i would've done it after waking up but andizi on this one .

After robot. (I shouted)

Enjoy the rest of your day, awu wamuhle nana.

I'm not surprised. Zulu men always have something to say to females all the time.

I walked up to the floor where Mogales apartment is at. I tried knocking 3 times but there was still no answer so i decided to go the reception to ask for a spare key. I really struggled to get that guy to help me out but my charm did the work and he gave me the key. I'm so happy that I'll see Mogale . I unlocked the door and got into the apartment which seemed like the was no one around . I continued walking and saw 2 glasses of wine and 2 plates. He probably is with his brother.

Babyyy!! Babeee.

Still no answer from him, so i decided to go to his bedroom to undress myself.

\*giggles\* Mogale stop it man.

For a second i thought i was imagining the whole thing, hearing my own things, so i still decided to open the bedroom door. To find Mogale fully naked with another female, it's not Gabby this time.

What! Mogale!

Tha... Tha.. Thandi. Babe.

Aw baby who is this now did she come to join us? (responds the unknown female)

Thandi, baby, it's not what you think.

Oh so that's the reason why you didn't want to see me Mogale?

Aw shame baby girl he didn't want to see you? Am i that good Mogale baby.

Omphile Shut up!!!!

So Omphile is her name . She is also full of herself, there's no difference between her and Gabby.

Mogale, you are fully naked with a girl in your house and you're going to tell me it's not what i think. You think I'm stupid. Watch and see.

I stormed out of the room to fetch a knife in the kitchen, luckily Mogale knew what was going to happen next because he followed me to the kitchen.

ThanDi. Baby. What ever you're thinking of doing, don't do it! Don't even open that utensils drawer. You don't want to go to jail.

At this point jail wasn't something I was afraid of, i just wanted to finish off with this Omphile chick so whoever decides to be intimate with my man will fear trying their luck .

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I am honestly done with Mogale and definitely Mdu too. Men think the world revolves around them all the time and it doesn't really. How nice for them to both me men and have their names start with an "M"

I've been acting cool and all around people, Lord knows how the anxiety has been kicking in. We're getting our reports in 3 days and I am quarter to shitting myself . I don't know whether I passed or not, i really can't tell this time .

Mtwana ka Sibeko, did you pass?

Yoh nkosi yami. This Is what irritates me the most, EVERYONE in this township will be asking this question until the 31st of December . "Did you pass? uhambe njan?" I'm not surprised Mam'Ngubani likes things, funny how she never speaks to us the whole year but when she wants the latest of news about our lives or other peoples lives she knows how to speak to us.

Ah Angazi Ma.

How come you don't know? You must know you were the one writing

It's like she is waiting for me to tell her i failed, everytime I'm supposed to get my report , she comes to ask whether I passed or not. If i fail i know it's her because wow.

I'm going to leave my mom with "Her friend" i can't be in the same house with Mam'Ngubani .

Nisaleni!

I know how my mom will complain about how i left her with that lady when i come back home . Which is not anytime soon.

I even found myself a new boyfriend his name is Kgaugelo. I'm on my way to him as we speak. Well he is not yet my boyfriend, i just have an intense crush on him and maybe we could try something out, well if he does the first move. Oksalayo amadoda izinja.

Ouuuuuu chomi you're so pretty wakayi?

Haaa Olebo. Now someone can't just decide to be pretty without going somewhere?

Hehe Chomi phela wena you always look like an Abuti. Abuti Thandi with your Baggy tracksuit pants and those addidas slides of yours.

Hahaha ftsek. A girl can look pretty if they want too hao. Byeee bye keh

See! You're going somewhere.

Arggg Lebo nooo.

Mhmm byee Thandi.

With Kgau'gelo i am not telling anyone anything, I am not about to Jinx this one .

Thandi. Where are you? I've arrived at the taxi rank.

I'm on my way, i just got off the taxi. I'm wearing a blue jean with black boots and a white fluffy jersey.

I see you !! (\*fire emojis\*)

Hii Kgau' (as i gave him a hug)

Mhh Thandi, you smell so nice. You are sooo beautiful too. How are you?

I'm good wena?

Ke sharp.

I never thought I'd one day fall in love with someone who doesn't have a car? Someone i use my own Money to climb a taxi to go see them. Things definitely do change.

He wasn't actually located far from where i stayed, it's only a walking distance from the rank too. Perk number one of dating him. I won't spend much on meeting him. I am not quite sure on what he does for a living. I will ask when get to his home. I hate that we're nearly the same height or nje mina I'm just tall but no.

So Kgau' what do you do in general?

Wuuu. I don't know where to start. I'm an artist but have a part time job at the police station. I can't really go into detail on that one yet.

Artist?

Oh yeah. I draw.



Wow guys he's a drawer, not drawer ela ya di... Okay but you get what I'm saying.

Why drawing?

I wouldn't say i express myself and emotions in drawing. It's just a passion I've grown with. Which i love a lot.

I don't know why im asking such questions because i know nothing about art and im not interested shame. Yona it's beautiful but i just can't. I can't really can't tell meanings through art.

Thandi. I really like you I'd like..

It's funny how i gave Kgaugelo my real name instead of the Bontle Spielman one.

I like you too

Like me? Really?

Yes.

Well can we try it? Anything. You and I

Yeah Kgau' why not?

Thandi you don't know... You just made me the happiest man alive.. I really don't know what to say. Thank you.

So he just thanked me for agreeing to be in a relationship with him.

You guys should be proud of me. Kgau' and i didn't have Intercourse. I too am proud of myself .

Wena Thandi uyadina yazi. How can you leave me with Mam'Ngubani. Hayi uyadina shem.

You know a black parent is irritated when their sentence ends with "shem". I was also confused whether she's irritated at me or her "Friend". I hardly paid attention to what she was saying my focus was on my cellphone texting with Kgau and and Soso. Kgau made me forget about both Mdu and Mogale. The double toubles..

Hehe lol. Chomi. He's cute and all ey but me and him date? No no no

Oho don't say I didn't tell you.

You'd swear Soso has some psychic powers. It's like she knows the truth in everything we all do in the squad.

Goodnight Thandi baby.

Goodnight Kgau'.

I wanted to type i love you but i won't do the first move. Not with Kgau. I'll wait for him to say it. Let pride exist in me for once .

December 6

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05:15.

I barely slept. My tummy has been feeling off. I sweat each time i think of the report . My anxiety levels are high right now. You guys know the report stress. I also don't want to attend the award ceremony, the pain of not getting even one stifikate, shuu.

Thandi Sibeko. Dilligence in English HL, Afrikaans Fal and Tourism...

Still these don't really tell me that i passed, the applauds and screams from the parents are making me much more scared . I still have to pretend like I'm not anxious.

As they applauded and scam I put on a smile on my face.

My report is in my hand Thulisile told me not to open it before she sees it but I'll deal with her later yoh. Im opening it.

I ran to the bathroom at school disappearing from my friends.

The first thing i looked for was "Thandi Sibeko has been promoted to matric"

I did a little prayer before opening it. As i was about to. I got a text from Kgaugelo.

Goodluck baby. I know you aced those exams.

I gathered up the guts to open it and i did.

\*\*Thandi Sibeko has been promoted to the the next grade. We wish you all the best for your matric year. What a good set of results. Well done\*\*

Babyyy babyyyy. I passed. I made it!!! Grade 12 next year babyyyyyy.

Well-done babe, see I told you don't worry. Now come back home so we celebrate today we are going to a club.

Yoh. A club. I don't even have an ID yet. They won't even allow me but let me just agree. Sounds like a nice plan to get wasted knowing you're going the next grade. Final year in high school. Matric 20 what what . Wow guys.

Chomis. Let's go home tuu. I'm tired I need to sleep.

Thandi did you pass?

I don't really know. Haven't really opened my report yet. My mom wants to see it first.

I'd tell them kodwa i feel like my mommy should know first .

Haa Thandi vula she won't see it's open, we'll close it nicely.

Hayii guys no. Did y'all pass.

Of course moghel. Matric baba.

Congratulations guysss

I got home and showed my mom my report.

Ahhh Thandiii mtwanam. Baby I'm so proud of you . After all we've been through you still managed to get through it Thandi. My little girl is growing up.

I don't like the emotional moment my mom and i have so i decided to cut it before it got there.

Mama, can i go out with a friend today? Tonight?

Yebo. (as she left the room)

This lady said yes without fighting with me, asking me who I am going with? Where? Why? How?

I even had an outfit in mind. I will wear my cute jumpsuit with a denim jacket and my sneakers.

Aww Thandi omotle jwang

Haha ngiyabonga baby

We speak different Languages and his Zulu isn't on point but he'll learn .

We arrived at the club and the bouncers didn't give us any problems. It's like they knew Kgau. As if he was a regular customer there.

We had a "few" drinks and i started to notice i was wasted by starting to talk at mirrors in the bathroom.



Kgau did tell me his friend and his girlfriend would be joining us at the hotel we're going to sleep in.

You won't believe. His friend was Mogale guess with who? Mogale and Gabby. I thought i had gotten over him but my heart broke when i saw them together looking all cosy. I had no choice but to go back.

Oh, here you are baby. Mogale, Gabby this is my baby, Thandi. Thandi my friend Mogale and his girl Gabby.

My eyes clicked with Mogales but we had to pretend like we didn't know each other. It was hard especially when things weren't fixed between us, things didn't end well. I nearly stabbed his intestines out of him.

Baby, we will all be leaving together with Them. We are going to sleep at one place.

Labona jwale. Sleep in one area. I'm not ready for this.

Yeah sure babe. (fake smile)

You could see Gabby was proving a point to me that at some point him and Mogale would be together. I want to pull this fake wig out of her head it's not even that nice. Actually Thandi don't be that girl.

I swear everything that just happened sobered me up in split seconds.

You won't believe, he is friends with Mogale anyways we will talk tomorrow. Goodnight friend.

What . Wow.

Goodnight chomi

This place is beautiful neh guys.

It really is. I'm pretty sure Mogale paid for it.

For some reason i couldn't sleep and Kgau was already fast asleep plus i needed the bathroom. Alcohol urine doesn't play, your bladder can't even keep it in for 5 minutes.

As i opened the bathroom door. I found Mogale in there urinating. I didn't even shut close the door quickly i Instead walked in and closed the door behind me. We didn't even say a word to each other and started kissing. He was half naked. He was immediately aroused by the touch of my barely cold hands . The smell of alcohol we had made me much excited to sleep with him. I know we still cared for each other. It wasn't the alcohol . We knew what we were doing. Having sex with him was something for fun at first but as time went by it started to mean alot so does today. We had a quick one and i really wanted more of him but we had to go back to our "respected partners".

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I still had a thing for Mogale. I don't know if it was because of the sex or because it was really just a genuine love or crush. I felt bad waking up next to Kgaugelo knowing what I did last night with his friend whom i didn't know they had any relation with each other.

Sthandwa sam. Thank you for agreeing to go with me last night. I really enjoyed.

Aww baby, i also needed to celebrate a bit, so thank you baby.

Call me when you get home neh?

Yeah definitely bye baby. (hugs and kisses)

When i got home my mom didn't even bother asking about where i come from that's how happy she was about my report which I'm still surprised about .

Baby, it's Mogale. This is my new number.

Now i get why I couldn't get hold of him he changed his number . He doesn't even let me know. I'm not saying i have the right to know. I'm not his girlfriend any more but could've told me. I still can't believe him and Gabby are dating. How could he disrespect me like that.

Oh hey Mogale.

What happened yesterday wasn't supposed to happen. I really love Kgau. So this should stay between us.

Don't worry i won't tell Kgaugelo if that's what you worried about. You too please don't mention it to Gabby.

Yazi it wouldn't be a bad thing if I do mention in it to her. She took him away from me either way so if i want what's mine back i will mention this to her and he will regret the day he played with my feelings and made me a fool in front of this girl and she will also regret starting this silly game with me. With Mogale the heart will always want what it wants.

Yet i really feel bad too for cheating on Kgaugelo. Flirting i wouldn't feel bad. Sex is just something else especially with his friend. There's also something I don't understand about this guy but I don't know what but he is too good to be true. I sense trouble when i see one.

Thandi. I won't be home for the next two weeks. I'm going home .

How i miss home in Standerton, Mpumalanga. I wish to go with her but it's too early, ill get bored quickly. I will go on the 29th of December so i can enjoy my new year there. New years eve is lit in Mpumalanga guys. Free alcohol, food and not just the even colours you get on a regular Sunday in Johannesburg, we are talking about 13 colours here with some 50 shades of red.

Awufuni uku hamba nami Thandi? Each time my mom asks me that i know she is re-thinking leaving me alone here

Nope , not at all. Ill come after you when uMalume June leaves nge moto, so i will go to Alex a day before he leaves

What if he never leaves and decide to stay in Joburg?

Ah mama he will never we all know MP is his favourite place and if he doesn't go then ill come with taxi, I know where the taxis are.

mhm okay Thandi, NO MISCHIEVIOUS BEHAVIOUR TUU!!!!

Ah, I wont be naughty sis Poppy can check up on me on the next few weeks

Yes great Idea. Or her son will come stay here to make sure you're safe and not naughty.

Somebody please tell my mom Sphiwe and i CANNOT be in the same house for more than 5 days we would end up making a baby and always being drunk and cheating on our partners too. He will also feel as if he is now married to me because i know he has always wanted to spend more than 12 hours with me after we broke up but again its a good thing because Sis Poppy

wont be checking up on me and i can go in and out of the house as i please and than God she didn't think of Dineo, Sphiwes sister. We would kill each other before my mom reaches her destination to MP.

Yes its fine Bhut'Sphiwe can come. Oh ya Sphiwe is 3 years older than me so my mom doesn't know we were once in a relationship so she feels comfortable with me saying Bhuti instead of shouting out his name like we are the same age, shame if she only knew that lo Bhuti Sphiwe is the virgin breaker, the top dog of zonke izinja , my so called soul mate.

Okay keh, I am leaving tomorrow since it a Friday, so i will just go to uPoppy right now and see if she agrees about Sphiwe coming neh. Start cooking so long, I will continue when i come back from where you left off.

I don't even know why she is saying that because when she is with Sis Poppy, she will come back 4 hours later when i am even done with eating and now relaxing.



I am done cooking and the almighty Thulisile Sibeko just arrived and this time she didn't arrive alone she is with Sphiwe carry a whole suitcase, Suitcase guys, He lives a few blocks from our house, why bring a whole suitcase when your home is like right around the corner. kodwa keh I know Sphiwe, he is dramatic like that

I hope you cooked enough food because we decided Sphiwe sommar comes today

Oh ya there's enough food, i am done eating yall will sort yourselves out

Haa Thandi, don't be rude now, dish up for him

I am not complaining about Sphiwe being here because i know we wont cook everyday we will buy takeaways and of course i will be with Mogale or Kgaugetelo most of the nights.

I don't know where my mom is rushing too because each time she goes home she wakes up really early and makes sure that she is out of the house before 8AM.

Thandi, I am leaving now

see you when you come to Standerton, don't forget to make Bhuti Sphiwe some porridge when he wakes up neh Bye I love you nana

I love you more mam. Did you leave us money?

Yes, I put it where i always put your lunch money.

Oh okay, thank you mama, travel safe. You must call when you arrive.

I am not mad to be making uBhuti Sphiwe porridge, he doesn't even eat in the morning, you will always find him by the corner every morning having his morning joint with his friends. So Morning Porridge Andizi, he will eat Stylos as usual.

Thandi baby, Morning kiss nyana? I know you want it, I know you want me. Who can resist me in boxers though?

He really does look cute in those boxers but i am not getting tempted, can the lord please intervene.

He came closer to me and touched my bum as he pushed me into the room he is sleeping in, closing the door and pushing me towards it and stripping me down as he touches my boobs. I hate how i cant stop him from doing it. He is touching me the way i want to be touched, he is kissing me the way i want to be kissed too, he slips his hands through my panties and plays around with them as he pulls down his boxers himself and my hands automatically touching his penis brushing it up and down gently and in no minute we found ourselves wanting more of each other until he ejaculated in me, this time i could not feel it.

Shit! Thandi! Yoh Yoh Yoh

What?

Eish ngikuchamele ntwana

For some reason that didn't even bother me, a guy ejaculating in me was whatever. I think i had gotten used to it after i had my first abortion with Mduduzis child.

Awe Mme Mduduzi. You good? I want us to meet up, i need some of you

I don't even know whose number this is, I will just block this number. Before i could block the number i got an incoming from the same number, i argued whether i should answer or not.

Hee.ello?

Mme Mduduzi. Ke Tiisetso. Whats up why are you ignoring me?

Yoh, Tiisetso leave me alone!

No, you and i ae not done, are sexual relation isn't finished

I don't recall making a deal to have sex with you so leave me alone hle

I am at your gate so its either you come out or i step in, we don't want you to be answering questions on who i am to your mom

NO! I am not coming to you

Okay then. (He hangs up)

I was stupid to think his okay meant none of us will be going to see the other one, this guy was right behind my back in a position where he seems as if he is about to strange me.

Tiisetso?

I don't like fighting Thandi, I told you to come out and you didn't listen so we do this my way okay?

What way? Leave me alone wena!

Listen we don't want to be making noise neh, so do as i say.

Tiisetso NOOOOOOOOOO!!!!!!

Stop screaming.

Okay let me go then.

No.

Take me to your room

NO

Now, its either we do this very quickly with an agreement or i force myself on you because i am not leaving without having sex with you girl

What?

You heard me

No, you must be joking

I am not yazi. (as he strangled me harder)

Before i could say another word he was on top of me, i tired to fight him like the day he slept with me when i was drunk and as sober as i was i couldn't fight him to get off me. He did what he came to do and left me laying on that couch with his sperm all over me.

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I don't know if people who force you into sleeping with them are well mentally, it's like rapist need some sort of therapy to understand what the word No means. Yet Tiisetso is too cute to be that kind of person, it's true that looks are deceiving.

Sthandwa sam you don't seem like you're okay what's wrong?

Nah nothing I'm fine.

I really didn't want to be here anymore so i sent a message to my mom that i want to come to her. Bare in mind it's been just 3 days since she left and I am not feeling like being here for this December anymore. I cant deal with Tiisetso coming every night to sleep with me . It's like he even knows the times that Sphiwe leaves the house and comes back at.

Mama, please send me money i want to come tomorrow?



Oh, i was about to call you, your Uncle will fetch you tomorrow because his children want to come tomorrow so i told him to fetch you.

I was quite relieved that things were actually going the way i had hoped for them to go.

Sphiwe, tomorrow I'm leaving. I'm going to MP. My uncle will fetch me

Hawu so soon Thandi? I thought maybe, we could, you know, spend some time together.

Well you thought wrong.

But...

Hayi uthoughthelani vele Sphiwe, stay in your lane.

I was really happy that I'm leaving this place so i started to pack my stuff. I don't know why i have a full suit case and a full side bag with me , i know very well that i won't use all these clothes that I packed here because i can go a whole day in my pyjamas to only bathing around 6pm and back to my Pjs again.

So vele Thandi you're leaving tomorrow?

Yes Sphiwe I am.

Sphiwe was cute at times the way he had peeped in my room to ask if I'm really leaving, the sad facial expression he had on, was the cutest.

Mshana, I hope you're ready because we are on our way.

Yoh, my uncle and just deciding times on his own really annoys me. I haven't even woken up nor washed the dishes but he says he's on his way

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knowing him he is 15 minutes away.

I tried to get all the dishes done but before i could even wipe them, i could already here my little cousin being shouted at for running and my uNtokozo my cousin who is a year older than me dragging her feet.

Coussssssssss unjani??

That's how loud she is, she is one loud person

Ntokozo, I'm good wena?

I'm good, haaa you haven't bathed, go bath, I'll wipe the dishes for you.

That's what i loved the most about her, she was really just genuinely generous person.

Mshana!

Malume

How are you my daughter

I'm good good you

I'm good , atleast you're finishing

Haa Malume, better late than never moss

He.e that line won't work on me go, spill your water so we can leave.

Eish nawe so many bags are you staying there the whole year?

My uncle is one strict person but for some reason I know how to calm him down.

Our En-route to Mpumalanga was the shortest yet longest because my little cousin kept wanting to pee. It's the water and juice he has been drinking .

Ah Nokulunga, Ntokozo, you guys have grown so much, come give me a kiss.

I really did miss my granny but I don't like being kissed at the age that I am at Yoh. Nokulunga is my first name. I don't like it but have to keep my cool for this whole December because they will be calling me Nokulunga . I honestly just prefer Thandi, that's why I chose to use Thandi all the way back in Johannesburg.

The reason i also wanted to come later in December is because I have a boyfriend here. His name is Samuel . I did love him shame but he needs to understand that now our relationship is for December only or each time I go to MP be it June or September holidays. There's also no way for me to hide from him, news travel fast here. By the end of the day people would've told him that Nokulunga is here.

Spending time with my family was priceless I really enjoyed it. Celebrate with me guys. Here goes a whole December to eating 15 colours and slaughtered cow and sheep. Go tloba monate shame.

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January 12 and we're back in Joburg. Next week will be my first day in Matric, sis is happy she is a matriculant no more Pre matric shandis.

Chomi i think I saw you, are you back in Joburg?

You'd swear that i was famous in my location, when I'm not around everyone knows, when I am around every one knows.

Yes Chomi I'm back. Missed me?

Ha.a don't get full of yourself I was just asking.

I know my friend very well, she did miss me, I know Soso well.

Nana, please go to Poppy's and tell her we're back

Guys I am exhausted and I'm being sent to go to Sis Poppy's .

Mama yazi you can just call her though.

Hayi fusek, I don't have airtime.

Wuuu guys here goes another year of always being sent To Sis poppy's house everyday of my life, i can't even run away From Sphiwe. Even on a new year .

Koko!

Come in

Dumelang, Sphiwe where's your mom?

She's not here as you can see. (says Dineo)

I don't even know why SHE'S answering because i specified that I am talking to Sphiwe and not her.

I'm not talking to you.

I don't care but I'm telling you my mom isn't here.

Wow, thank you "Sphiwe"

Ahhh ekse Thandi let me accompany you home.

Nah Sphiwe I know my way home, you didn't even fight for me when you're sister was acting all sassy on me, so stay with her.

Tjoh!

I can't believe Sphiwe actually let his sister get ontop of my head like that . I didn't expect this from him

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i really didn't .



Mama bathi sis Poppy isn't home.

Oh okay thank you I'll call her then.

Ha. This lady told me she doesn't have airtime and now all of a sudden she's going to call her, wow.

It's been 2 weeks since schools opened and I am already tired, can i just finish high school already . I can feel that this year ngiyodontsa ngo gear 1 until my last final exam .

So matrices, you guys decide on a design for your matric jackets, we wil meet tomorrow during second break and I want my homework too. Let's pray .

I don't have a problem with this after-school prayer but sometimes i feel it's wasting my time the bus won't wait for me to finish praying and God won't give me transport that will take me home .

It wasn't an after-school without me buying ama skopas they call them ama nqamla stress where i live and A Cool Time which is Scima mlilo. Being a black kid is honestly the greatest gift one get from God .

Heee Thandi. I think Olebo got a new boyfriend.

Stop lying Soso where did you see this new boyfriend of mine.

Muss you're always being dropped off by a white GTI

Ah ah ah Soso where did you see me?

I know things mina

Haaa Soso, haaa Olebo vele?

Yes Yes Yes. He's my new boyfriend.

Olebo is one friend who is secretive. When I got home my mom sent me to go to Mme Maletsatsis yard because apparently she had found me a new friend so i did as she told me .

Sawubona Ma, my mom told me to come here.

Oh, you can go the other yard and knock there.

Oh dankie.

I am tired to be doing these up and downs yhu ha.a

I hope this is the last time I am knocking .

Koko!

Yebo

A very beautiful girl opened there door for me. She had the most nicest afro and she was just a beaut no lie.

Hey. I'm Thandi, Thandi Sibeko.

Hi Thandi, I'm Phindile Mdluli.

Nice to meet you Phindi, I can call you that right?

Yes, yes. Nice to meet you too. I'm new here, came all the way from the Villages. I've never been in Johannesburg before.

Your mom said we will be in the same school.

Yes babe, i heard . Welcome to Being in a black dominated private school with sanitizers and flushing toilets not forgetting it's in a Suburb. Sometimes privileges come unexpectedly. All the best for your new life here chomi.

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