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A romantic scene featuring the silhouettes of a man and a woman kissing. They are positioned in the center of the frame, with the sun setting directly behind them, creating a bright, glowing effect. The background consists of a calm ocean under a golden, hazy sky. The overall mood is intimate and nostalgic.

One Night Only

"The only crime I committed is loving her, I'm sorry."

BASED ON A TRUE STORY

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#Prologue

Thirty years earlier, a group of construction workers walked past a skip container. It was just before seven in the morning and they were running late, but one of them paused, he

thought he heard a baby crying.
The cry seemed to be coming
from the rubbish container...

Man1: There is a baby in there!

Man2: I thought I heard it too!

The man reluctantly walked
back and looked inside. The
tied black trash plastic bag
moved side to side as the baby
cried kicking and suffocating.

The man's heart skipped and he took off his backpack and handed it to the other guy, then jumped in.

He picked the plastic and immediately tore a hole, the baby gasped for air and cried even more with blood all over him.

Man: (stretched his arms) Take him so I get out.

The other guy took off his overall jacket and received him while the other called the police and the ambulance. The overall guy pulled out the black plastic and wrapped him with his jacket. The little boy still had his cord and he cried hysterically with his wrinkled pink fingertips waving on the air.

Cars stopped by, people walked over and the baby's cry attracted even more people. The man holding the little boy stared at this innocent life on his hands, and knowing that a woman, his own mother dumped him on the side of the road was sad. He couldn't imagine what it has been like lying in that dumpster crying for help trapped in a plastic with less air. He had never been

tearful before, but this time a sad sharp pain crossed his heart...

A woman walked over and took him from his hands then she pat him on the back and shushed him. Everyone stood in silence with their hands on their mouth staring. The police car and the ambulance wailed over as the crowd stood by...

At the hospital...

A nurse gently washed the baby boy humming and wrapped him with a hospital blanket, she then walked into the other room where another nurse was waiting. A doctor walked in and examined him one more time..

Doctor: (took off his stethoscope) He is good....
Weigh him.

Nurse: I still don't understand why people throw away babies. Look at this baby, he looks healthy and cute.

She put him on the scale and picked him up then she gave him the bottle as he desperately sucked..

Nurse 2: (sighed taking out her pen) So what's his name?

The doctor paused on his way out and looked at the little boy thoughtfully...

Doctor: Teto... Name him Teto.

The nurse wrote down the name while the doctor stood there looking at the little boy..

Doctor: Alpha is his surname, I hope he grows up to be successful and finds true love since his mother failed him.

He walked out and the nurses continued talking and filling in the papers..

Nurse: What time will they collect him? Shem he is so cute.

Nurse2: I'm not sure...He has to get dressed, do we have any clothes?

Nurse : I'm coming...

The nurse walked out...

At School...

On the same morning during report collection, a little boy wondered around the school

while other students walked around with their parents. At some point he sat on the stoop of his classroom and watched parents walking in and out with their children. He watched as a father laughed and rubbed his classmate on the head proudly. Minutes later they walked past him and the classmate asked for coins, the father gave him some and he ran to the tuck shop. This was just a wish, he

had always wondered what it felt like to say papa or mama, let alone live in a real house.

His social worker walked over with one of the children from their orphanage then he stood up, the social worker smiled and put her arm around him as they walked in. They took a seat and faced the teacher...

Teacher: (smiled) What can I say about Age?

She smiled at Age admiringly and took out his report..

Teacher : My boy is leading in every subject... He does as he is told and he never makes noise, but he never raises his hand in class yet when I force him to answer he gets it right. He hardly talks and I think we

should encourage him to open up and speak more. Ke bogale Age? (Age am I too strict?)

Age smiled shyly and looked down..

Age: No.

Social worker : He is always like this even at-home..

Teacher : I actually thought he would be talkative since he stays with a lot of children..

Social worker: He hardly interacts but thank you. We will keep trying.

Teacher: Thank you

Social worker: Can I take him before time? Akere from here ke cleaning hela, we are running out of fuel to collect them se 1-1.

Teacher : No problem at all.

Age and the social worker walked towards the car and her phone rang.

Her : Hello?... Oh ok, yes I know. I will pass by the hospital and pick him up, I had to collect some reports. Ok, bye.

She hung up and got in the combi.

At the hospital...

Later that morning Age sat by the window looking outside while other children sang in the back. The social worker and another care giver walked out of the hospital carrying a new born baby. The care giver moved closer to Age and they slid the combi door closed as the driver took off.

Age turned his head and looked at the baby, although he always wanted to ask where he came from there was really no one to ask. He guessed he was just picked from the hospital like this one.

Care giver: (smiled) Why are you looking at him like that?

Age: (smiled shyly) Nothing...

He touched the baby's hand and for some reason he liked this little baby. His friend at school had been talking about having a little brother and maybe he could make this one his. His fingers were soft and tiny..

Care giver: His name is Teto...(laughed) Wa mo rata? (Do you love him?)

Age laughed again quietly still holding the baby's tiny hands staring at him.

Social worker: (laughed) Ompolaa amo tshwara menwana.. (The way he quietly touches his fingers just kills me)

Life in the orphanage was never the same again and thirty years flew by...

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One Night Only

#1

Inside the plane...

Teto leaned his head to the side looking at the blue sky outside the plane, with headphones on his ears he listened to acoustic guitar music. It had been

almost a year since he'd been back home in Maun, and his excitement couldn't be hidden. He almost smiled at the thought of seeing everyone again but then.... He took out that piece of article he cut from an old newspaper titled "Newborn baby boy found in the dumpster". He leaned back reading it again as if he hadn't been doing so for the past year. He still hadn't shared this with

his big brother Age, but a part of him was curious to know his mother and father even if he didn't get to be a part of their lives. If only he could find out why he was thrown away...

Thinking about his childhood in the orphanage broke his heart, it wasn't bad until he was old enough to understand certain things, and even though Age was always there life was generally hard for the both of

them. He swallowed a big lump and folded the old article again. When he lifted his head sliding the paper in his navy blue suit jacket, his eyes fell on two white women sitting on the other row staring at him. They blushed and smiled at him. His lips curved as he smiled and leaned back winking at them, they looked at one another blushing and waving at him.

He was used to this kind of behaviour from women, although he used to panic when he was a university student and older white women touched him inappropriately. Over time he got used to it and responded accordingly without embarrassing them, it just felt un-gentleman like to respond otherwise.

Minutes later Air Botswana touched down and rolled along the channel and parked.

A few more people walked out before he stepped down the plane putting on his shades, yep he was definitely in Maun, the sun and hot temperatures were talking to him already.

His low cut classic sneakers touched the pavement as he

walked towards the clearance. One of the two young black women walking in front of him turned back and looked at him, then she quickly turned around giggling to her friend. The other girl probably told her not to look at the guy behind but she did and now she was caught by his spell too.

He took his headphones off his neck and wrapped the cord

around the earpieces then he walked past them and smiled.

Teto: (softly) Ladies

Both : (slowly) Hiii....

He got a little more excited as he got cleared and walked out of the building. At the exit, he stopped and inserted his local simcard into the phone and switched it on then he paced

down the stairs hanging his backpack over his shoulder while holding his luggage with the other arm.

Meanwhile in the parking lot Age stood behind the open door of his car as he pressed his phone. He glanced at the building again and smiled looking at his little bro approaching. He closed his tabs

and slid his phone in the pocket before waving...

Age: (laughed) Wa kae! (Where are u going)

Teto turned around and smiled then he walked back towards him. The two of them bumped fists before hugging and stepping back with smiles on their faces, it had been a while and both of them had been

looking forward to this
moment...

Age: (grabbed his jaws and
pushed him back) Look at you
looking all Hollywood!

Teto: (laughed and slapped his
hand off him) Wa simolla
akere? (Don't start with me)

They laughed and Age punched
him on the chest, Teto blocked

and stepped back dropping his bag..

Teto: (laughed) O diga beke yame the rra, golo mo go rekilwe ka di pounds kana mo! (boy u are dropping my expensive bag, I bought this in pounds you know)

Age : (laughed) O makgakga gatwe di pounds. (Did u say pounds, you are full of yourself)

Age picked his bags and dusted them then he put them in the boot as Teto pressed his phone.

Teto: (pressing his phone) Have you talked to Gontle? She has been rare on WhatsApp.

Age: No, I haven't seen her in a while. I went to her mother's house last week because I needed her to be part of the welcome party but they said

she went to see her aunt in Goodhope.

Teto : I can't party without her, the last time we talked she said she can't deal with this distance thing-

Age: So that's the real reason you quit your job there to come find something here? Shouldn't she be distracted by school and exams

Teto : Not just that, the communication is bad, we used

to video call and chat nowadays when I get online she logs out, I send a message and she responds ten years later. I do understand distance is challenging but I thought we had an understanding wa ntshwara?

Age: (sighed) So who came up with the idea of you quitting your job overseas and coming here?

Teto: I did when she started complaining about us because I don't want her to think making money is more important than her. I told her I'm coming but I don't think she believed me.

Age: Alright, try her phone..

Teto : How is Akeelah?

Age: She is good, I want to marry her and have a family. It's something I'm looking forward to, she stopped taking

contraceptives so I'm expecting good news anytime now.

Teto: Sounds like things are going good in Maun.

They laughed as he parked in front of his house, they both stepped out and walked into the house..

Age : The party is starting in two hours, that's how much

you have to bring Gontle on board.

Teto : (laughed) Alright... Let me shower and change, can you borrow me the car?

Age: Sure! (threw the keys at him) I'll call Cardo to pick me up, we have to collect a braai stand somewhere, o shapo akere?

Teto: Yeah, shapo.

Age left then he got in the shower...

At Gontle's mother's...

Teto parked the car just as one of the guys called him. He smiled at the call and put the phone down then he parked under the tree which Gontle's mother was sitting under spreading wet phane on the

sack. He stepped out and she smiled recognising him...

Mmagwe Gontle: Teto, motho yo wa bonwa ngwanaka? (Is that you)

Teto squatted sitting on his ankles respectfully shaking the old lady's hand. Gontle stepped out of the house with a bowl of phane and almost dropped it when she locked eyes with

Teto. Teto slowly got up from his ankle and looked at her bump, his throat dried up and he rubbed his nose looking at her. Surely it must have been his eyes or maybe her dress, it was poorly designed! But then he could see her big navel sticking out and showing on the stretchy dress.

Teto: Hi

Gontle: Hi..

She bent and put down the container then she shamefully dusted her hands and looked at him. There was an awkward moment as they looked at one another. With her mother sitting by, there wasn't much to say, they stepped aside and stood behind the car as Teto looked at her bump... The awkward part was that she didn't look like she had some

kind of support, she had white stuff coming out the corners of her eyes, her face had hundreds of pimples and her hair was as thick as a bush... Definitely not the girl he left a year ago...

Teto: What's this?

She looked down and folded her arms sadly. There wasn't much to say, she was

disappointed herself. She loved him and she knew he was going to take her places, she dreamt of having a family with him but...

Teto: Are you going to talk to me? I thought we were going to wait until you're done writing your final exams before we can have sex...so you have been cheating?

She looked down without saying anything and anger brewed inside him as he stood by looking at her. He glanced at her mother and figured she'd probably hear whatever happens between them should he do or say anything stupid. He stepped back and sighed rubbing his mouth...

Teto: Gee?

Gontle: Mmh?

Teto: Ibile o nkaraba ore mmh!
(U are even answering by
mmh)

Gontle: Rra?

Teto: Why did you do this to
us?

Gontle: I didn't think I'd get
pregnant, he told me that
women don't always get
pregnant when they have sex
and I believed him. It happened
once and now he says the baby

is not his and that I'm lying I
was not virgin.

Teto looked at her and huffed
shaking his head in disbelief,
the pain in his heart escaped
through his slips as he smiled in
disbelief putting his hands
together in a prayerful
manner...

Teto: Wow...

He stood there looking at her and put his hands in the pockets.

Teto: If I knew you're doing this I wouldn't have bothered coming here, this explains why you have been ignoring me.

Gontle: My phone's charging system is dead, I don't have the money to fix it that's why I have been rare on social media.

He looked at her bump once again and back to her shameful eyes..

Teto: Well, congratulations ey!

Gontle: I don't want the baby, I want to go back to school.

Teto: Good luck with that. So how have you been using the money I sent you for toiletries

because you don't look good at all.

Gontle: (looked down) I bought the baby's things.

Teto looked at her in disbelief. It seemed like a dream he would wake up from, but there she was folding her arms above her big bump! He sighed and took out his wallet then he gave her P100.

Teto: Get a proper maternity dress, this looks uncomfortable. (squeezed his wallet in the back pocket) And it's over, but then you long dumped me so I guess this is goodbye.

He walked around the car and respectfully bent over putting his hands together as he bid her mother goodbye.

Teto: Go siame, ne ke tile go dumedisa hela. (Goodbye I just came to say hello)

Mmagwe Gontle: Tanki papa. (Thanks my boy)

He got in the car and started the engine as Gontle stood by. Tears filled her eyes and she burst out crying, Teto swung the steering wheel with one hand out the gate as he dialed his brother.

Age: Yeah

Teto: Gontle is pregnant!

Age: What do you mean pregnant?

Teto: Pregnant-pregnant like big stomach pregnant, she dropped out of school kind of pregnant. Looks like she joined her mother in selling phone at the bus rank too, can you believe this? After everything we agreed on

Age : Are you serious? Where the fuck is the dude that got her pregnant?

Teto : Man I don't know, I didn't even ask her who the guy is, I was just shocked-like-she is pregnant!

Age: Ba ja boloto bafanas, but the party is on though right? Please don't bail out on me I already organised this and everything is ready

Teto: I need a beer! Pregnant!
Wow... (laughed in disbelief) I
mean.... Ekare ka lora kana
waits!

Age: I'm at Botho's house, pick
me up ko stopong in 15 mins, I
want to organise you
something nice for tonight,
(laughed) go bata rote di jelly
pele before we can party, don't
spoil the fun

Teto: (frowned) Botho ke ohe
gape mr? (laughed) Wena kana

Age: (laughed) Mo
gongwenyana jaana but yo ene
o off limits, I'll find you
something nice and sweet..
Don't try to be holy, for once
just relax and do something fun
and adventurous... I don't want
your silly lectures about that's
not my thing

Teto: (laughed) Ae, wena
monna! Ok but oska mpatela
village bicycle

Age: I got you, 15 mins, buy rubber. Cardo is already ringing me up the guys are already at the braai

Teto: (laughed) Alright bye

Age : Sure

He hung up and drove off...

At Botho's House....

Meanwhile Age hung up sitting in the toilet then he walked to the bedroom where Botho was lying on her side lost in thoughts, the sex he just gave her was good but a thought spoiled it for her, now she was confused about them.

Botho: Are you cheating on me?

Age: What do you mean?

She looked in his eyes then tears filled her eyes, she looked away and sighed. Age sat on the edge of the bed and leaned over kissing her back..

Botho: Someone told me you're with Akeelah

Age : And you believed that person why? I broke up with Akeelah but o ntshetse morago gake itse gore o bata eng mogo

nna. I'm not with her, why o
rata go utwa ka batho?

Botho: (turned her head
looking at him) Then call her
right now so I can hear you two
talking

Age: I'm not doing that... I'm
not feeding your insecurities.
You have to trust me. I love
you..

He stood up and looked at his
time..

Age: My little brother just arrived, I threw him a little braai, I'd take you with me but it's just the guys.

Botho: I understand, it's ok... O bua nnete ka Akeelah akere?

Age: Why would I lie to you?

He leaned over and kissed her then he stood up..

Age: I'll see you tonight

Botho: Ok..

He kissed her one more time
and walked out dialing
someone from his contacts as
he headed to the stop...

At the taxi stop...

Minutes later Teto approached
the stop while playing music,

he reduced the volume as he parked in front of Age and glanced at the girl he was with, she was petite, not quite his preference but I guess it could do for now. He stepped out of the car as Age walked around the car and they met in front of the car...

Age: (lowered his voice) She has to go back home in an hour.

Teto: Ok..

Age got in the driver's seat then Teto opened the back door for the girl, she shyly stepped in then he followed her and closed the door.

Teto took off his sweater and moved closer to her, she tried to look at him but she wasn't brave enough, actually her heart begun pounding. She

couldn't believe she let her friend trick her into this but then she needed the money.

Teto looked at her and put his hand on her thigh slowly going up and down between her legs touching her panties. He leaned over and French kissed her while his brother was driving and this made it even more awkward for her.

Teto grabbed her little waist and made her sit on his lap then he pulled down her chin and kissed her. She could feel his dick expand on her butt as his hands explored her body. She didn't understand what was going on but then she couldn't ask, the brother was driving and Teto unzipped his pants. Was he really going to fuck her in a moving car while his brother was sitting next to

them...Jesus, what kind of sickness is this!

Teto : (paused kissing her)

Mphe di condom moo

Age reached in the car compartment and opened the box for him then he took out his favourite flavour and threw it at the back.

Teto picked it up and tore it open, the girl sat on his lap awkwardly looking out the window as the car moved, Teto lifted himself up a bit and pushed his pants down then he rolled down the condom and grabbed his dick halfway rolling it to the end then he put his arm around her waist and pulled her over looking up in her eyes, she looked away avoiding his eyes as he grabbed

his dick and directed it up her smooth pussy. The opening of her pussy stretched as he pushed the tip in, she flinched up but he pulled her down as she gasped grabbing his manly hands..

Her: (shaky voice)

Imaweeeeee....

Age: (looked at them on the mirror) Oje ngwanyana yoo

Teto ska mo tshamekisa...

{Don't play with that girl, make sure you fuck her}

Teto pulled her head down and kissed her then he wrapped his arms around her waist and....

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At the taxi stop...

Almost an hour later Teto slowed down at the parking lot holding the steering wheel with one hand and reaching for his phone in the back pocket. In

the back seat, Age zipped his jeans, the girl pulled up her panties and faced out the window shamefully, she had never done this before and God knows it was the last, not after an encounter with these brothers..

Teto parked the car and turned back handing his brother a tissue, Age wrapped the

condoms while Teto looked at her..

Teto: Are you OK?

She barely look at them and tears filled her eyes as she rubbed her hands together. Teto observed her hands rubbing and how uncomfotable she was about this arrangement, he stepped out and almost bumped on Age

as he threw their condoms in the bin. Both of them got on each side and moved closer with her sitting in the middle, for a moment she thought they were about to carry on but Teto gently tangled their hands together and Age tangled her other hand, and they each leaned over looking at her as she looked down..

Teto: Are you ok babe?

Age: We didn't hurt you right?

Her: No, I'm just.... I needed money and... My friend told me that... You'd help me for P150. Are you going to pay me? My little sister is sick..

Age: Your friend charged me P300, go raya gore o iphile the other half because she told me to give her deposit ya P150 and give you balance after.

The girl looked back at him speechless then Age took out his wallet.

Age : But it's ok, I'll give you the P300, she will return that P150 one way or another.

Her: Thank you.

Teto ran his gentle hand along her arm and leaned over kissing her. He french kissed her and

touched her breast then he leaned back as Age leaned in french kissing her. Teto reached between her legs and pushed her legs part, he pushed her panties aside and spread her flaps looking at her pinkish flesh while Age kissed her then he gently slid his middle finger inside her and looked at her getting kissed while he thrust her and kissed her nipple... Age paused kissing her and leaned

over as both brothers pulled down her panties and leaned over spreading her pussy open admiring her. Age flicked her clits while Teto tapped her upper plate right on the gspot with his middle finger. Her toes began curling as the brothers worked on her then a police car parked behind them.

Teto: Fuck!

They both let go of her pussy and she pulled her panties from her knees up. Age innocently stepped out and closed the door checking them out.

Both police officers seemed to have been focusing on the paper they were holding, they didn't even notice what was happening in the car. Teto got out from the back and got in the passenger seat while Age

turned the wheels joining the road.

Teto turned to the girl as she fixed her clothes and sighed.

Teto: By the way if you decide to get into this business or whatever it is let me know I'll be your regular customer. I just got dumped and I support local businesses. Local is lekker

The girl looked down smiling, she didn't expect him to put it straightforward like that, but for some reason it sounded funny and she couldn't resist smiling back at him. Age held his laughter in and continued driving..

Teto: My name is Teto Alpha, search me on Facebook if you change your mind. Your rate is

not bad either, there is a couple of things I want to do with your body and I'm willing to make it worth your while. Search me when you're ready.

Age: O sala kae? (Where should I drop u off)

Her: Anywhere is fine.

Age stopped on the next taxi stop and handed her the money. She stepped out and closed the door as her sensitive

pussy flesh got irritated. Her pussy was throbbing like it was about to fall off and her legs had the cramps..

Her : Thank you.

Teto : (rolled up the window)
Don't forget my offer, shapo.

She smiled shyly and nodded, this was her polite way of saying no, she was not going to

let any of them on top of her again. As she stood on the side of the road holding that P300 her subconscious asked her again, did she just get fucked for P300, a mere P300 for guys who looked loaded! But then even if it was a thousand, what difference would it make? Her daughter needed milk and she had done everything she could, she didn't even have P2 for printing job application

documents.... What matters was that her child would get new clothes and she would finally be able to print her CV and get several copies. One day it would get better, she assured herself as her tears disappeared then she stopped the taxi and got her daughter something at the mall before heading back home.

At Botho's house...

Later that evening Botho cleaned the house to distract herself but Akeelah kept coming back to her. She sat on the couch holding the broom and picked her phone then she dialed...

Voice: Hello?

Botho: Hi, ne mma are you sure about this issue?

Voice: I wouldn't lie to you but maybe I was wrong and I misinterpreted things. Don't take me serious, I'm sure if there is something you'd have noticed, you have been with him for a year, surely you have known right?

Botho: Yeah but... (sighed) I don't know, I don't want to be the other woman, if Age doesn't love me I'd rather cry and walk away then find

someone serious, someone I can share my dreams with rather than fight women and argue all day. I really don't have that energy, when I ask him he denies her. Koore ke stuck hela jaana gake itse ke reng.

Voice: Why don't you ask her?

Botho: I don't know her, I only saw her on Facebook so I can't just call her.

Voice: Just call her, you're just asking you're not fighting.

Botho: The thing is even if he is telling the truth she might lie and say they're together or even say they're not because she has been told to lie. I don't want to contact her.

Voice: So what do you want to do? Just stay and mope around? Some women are different, she might actually tell you the truth and even ask him to face the two of you. Not all

women fight and go psycho for men.

Botho: He went to his brother's party I want to show up there and surprise him in case he is with her, ekare I'm desperate and I don't like how this makes me look. Not knowing the truth is really painful and I know if it turns out I'm the other woman I will be blamed. Waitse I'm so scared that he might be cheating on me, koore ha ele

gore waa chita ke taa dira jang ne mma? I'm so tired of getting cheated on it's like I have bad luck, guys leave me and go get married, I'm starting to doubt myself.

Voice: I'm against going to the party, he might get angry with you and if he is not with her then you end up looking insecure. You know how bae reacted that time when I followed him.

Botho: It's different, you were just being insecure. I have a genuine suspicion, I will talk to you later.

Voice: Bye..

She hung up and tried calling Age but he didn't answer...

At the party...

Cars parked all the way from the gate filling the yard and people sat in small groups chatting. Most of them were friends from the orphanage, from school and other parts of their lives. Being a “people’s person” Age invited even the ones Teto hadn’t seen in years...

In the back yard stood a braai stand where the guys were

standing holding their beer
turning the meat...

Age stood by the braai stand with his arm around Akeelah who was also holding a bottle of beer drinking quietly while Age chatted loudly with the guys. A young woman stepped out of the house and walked over to Age as Akeelah looked at her with an eye, she didn't buy the story of "we grew up

together in the orphanage and she is just like our little sister”, this bitch was way too comfortable around these guys and she just didn’t like her! Something about the way the guys spoke highly about her just annoyed her...

Precious : The pap is almost ready, I’m serving everyone who wants pap and

chakalaka..(looking around)

Where is Teto?

Age: (pointed holding a half beer bottle) Ko di biring.

Precious : (sighed) I hope he is not drunk because the party hasn't even started... (paused and turned) Um Akeelah? Can you help me serve everyone?

There are other girls in there too but you can start with your man and give the guys around here.

Akeelah: (sipped her beer) I'll hang with the guys, you do your thing.

Precious stared at her for a moment, honestly she couldn't even find the right words for her.

She turned around and approached Teto who was catching up with some guy holding a bottle of beer. Before

Precious could open her mouth
Teto put his arm around her
and kissed her forehead..

Teto: By the way meet my little
sister Precious.

Precious : (rubbed the beer kiss
off her forehead) Can we talk?

Teto: I'm busy

Precious: Heela the rra ke bua
ka party ya gago golo ha, heta
reye.

Teto: (laughed a bit tipsy) She likes acting like she is my mother, that's why I hate her.

Precious rolled her eyes and pulled him aside..

Precious : You're getting drunk but the party hasn't even started, what's going on?

Teto: (galloped the last swallow and threw the bottle by the

house) Kante mfana wa ma last
re mo phakisa dimpama asena
go go betsa o kae?

Precious : (laughed and sighed
annoyed) Teto! I'm serious
here... Who the hell even
opened the beer fridge, I
thought I had the key.

Teto: Re itetse di cooler box
akere o rata go laola koore o
ipona ole mmagwe Teto, just
because you're a woman

doesn't mean you're older than me you know!

Precious : At least I don't drink when I'm stressed because I know I'm likely to make bad decisions

Teto: Alcohol doesn't make people do what they wouldn't do already.. That's just an excuse..

Botho approached them with her hands in the pockets of her

jacket and boots with a black beanie with her hair falling down her shoulders. Teto stopped talking and licked his lips looking at her as she walked over..

Botho: Hi Precious... (to Teto)
Hi Teto.

Teto: Hi, you know me?

Precious : (laughed) You don't know her?

Teto : (laughed) Are you some kind of celebrity or something? Let me guess... You're a model... Nah that's a lot of hips and behind for a model so it must be singing, you probably sing pina tsabo Amantle tse.

Botho: (laughed) My name is Botho, I'm surprised Age hasn't mentioned me.

He stopped talking for a sec and lifted his eyebrows then he

cleared his throat and looked back at the braai...fuck!

Teto: Oh, yeah... He told me all about you but we never really exchanged pictures or something, figured we will meet like now... Hi.

He shook her hand and this time with a little panic..

Teto : So what are you doing here? Precious can you give us a minute?

She sighed and walked away then Teto took a deep breath looking at her..

Teto: Age left with the other guys, they had to buy ice blocks for the beer.

Botho: (pointed) But his car is over there!

Teto: They used our cousin's car-

Passer-by: (shouted) Age?? Tao njampe ha the mona.

Botho looked in his eyes and shook her head then she walked past him. As soon as she stepped into the light she

came face to face with Age and Akeelah. Age paused and looked at her as she folded her arms waiting for an explanation.

Akeelah :What's going on?

Botho: Age what's going on?

Age : So you decided to come even though I said you're not allowed here?

Botho: You said it's just guys! Is she a man?

Akeelah : Ware o mang mma?

Botho: My name is Botho, I'm his girlfriend.

Akeelah : I will hit you with this bottle, waa tsenwa ele gore (I will hit u with this bottle, are u crazy)

Age stepped over getting
between them as he held
Botho's waist...

Age: (softly) Botho wee kopa o
tsamae(please go), we will talk

Akeelah : Talk about what?

Why can't you talk here? Tell
her you have a girlfriend, tell
her! And that we are getting
married and having children..

Botho paused looking at him but he didn't deny it, Teto walked over and grabbed Botho's arm and they walked away.

Botho's eyes filled with tears as Teto dragged her to the car. She burst into tears and Teto pushed her against the car before hugging her..

Teto: I'm sorry.... It's just a misunderstanding... Akeelah o complicated Age is trying to break up with her but it takes time le wena wa mmona.

She stepped aside and rubbed her eyes then she turned and walked away..

Botho: I saw what I needed to see...

His phone rang and he answered as she walked out the gate..

Teto: Hello?

Age: Take her home, gaana kolo i o dirisa di taxi. (She doesn't have a car)

Teto : Ok-

Age: And Teto?

Teto: Yeah?

Age : That one is off limits, even if she cries don't hug her, don't even hold her hand. Take her home and come back.

Teto: Ok. I understand

He hung up and sighed then he took out the car keys and got in the car.

Meanwhile Botho walked along the road talking to the phone

and quietly rubbing her tears
with her hand..

Botho: And he was holding her,
his brother even wanted to
trick me in to leaving, even said
something about a cousin as if
they have a family... I'm the
foolish one here. He kept me a
secret but he goes in public
with her. The way I love Age...

She rubbed below her eyes and looked back at a car deeming the lights and driving by her side. Teto rolled down the window and switched off the music.

Teto: Hi, can I take you home?

Botho: No, I'll get a taxi.

Teto: I wasn't really asking!

She looked at him and he looked back..

Teto: I can put you in the car or you can get in willingly, the thing is I have been told to take you home and I'm going to do it with or without your help.

She walked along the road as he drove by her side..

Teto: (softly) I know you're hurt, I'm sorry but your safety comes first. Gagona di taxi and it's late, people get raped walking at night I won't let you put yourself at risk. Swallow your pride and get in..

She stopped walking then he stopped, he leaned to the side pushing the door open then she got in and closed the door. He rolled up the window and

switched the aircon on while she sat by. There was silence in the car, he drove then she put her hands over her face crying. Teto continued driving not sure what to do next..

At Botho's house...

Minutes later he parked in front of her house, she stepped out and unlocked the door and Teto got out of the car and

stood by. She opened the door and walked in then she turned around with reddish eyes looking at him.

Botho: Thank you for insisting on bringing me home. I wasn't thinking about my safety.

She stepped over and hugged him then he hugged her back and held her in his arms.

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At Botho's house...

Botho let go of him and stepped back rubbing her eyes then she smiled through the pain while he just stood there a bit confused...

Botho: I love your brother... And I know it sounds stupid but I actually thought we will end up happily married with three children... It's ok though. Wait, let me give you something...

He waited there while she walked into the house. He turned around looking around trying to distract his mind, then she walked over with a bag and handed it to him.

Botho: Give this to him.

Teto: What's this?

Botho: It's his clothes, toothbrush and everything he left in my house. I do love your brother but what happened

there showed me he doesn't love me, he even chased me away and remained with someone he loves, that's ok though. I'm not blaming him, I just want him to take his things and focus on his girlfriend.

Teto: How about he takes this himself tomorrow?

Botho: I'm asking you to help me but if you're siding your brother I understand, I know

I'm the last person whose interests you have at heart..

Teto looked down guilt stricken and slowly got the bag..

Botho: Thank you.

Teto: Sure.... (looked in her eyes) Are you ok by yourself?

Botho: Yeah, I'll be fine.

(laughed tearfully) I'm used to this it happens to me all the

time, I just got excited because this time around the relationship lasted but I'll be good. It's life.

Teto: I'm not lucky with relationships either, I generally don't trust women and I've tried to prove myself wrong but they always prove me right. I had a girlfriend whom I loved, I've never really fully opened myself to her because I knew at some point she will walk away

and I'll have to survive on my own, but I had high hopes for us.. I quit my job to be closer to her, (laughed embarrassed) very stupid, who quits a job for a woman right? (laughed) Anyways I found out earlier today that she is pregnant and I've never even had sex with her. She said she was saving herself for the right time... So if you think you're hurting just know that you're not alone. I

just can't cry like you but I'm
equally hurting, even beer
doesn't get me there because I
can still feel the pain..

Botho: What did she say?

Teto: O taa reng? (what can she
possibly say) Gagona gore ota
reng and I understand. A lot of
people fail to respect long
distance relationships.

Botho : I hope you didn't beat
her.

Teto: (laughed) That's not my style, gape it wouldn't change anything. It happened.

Botho: Iyoo ke mathata (issa problem)

Teto: Yeah...

He stood there looking in her eyes without really saying much...

Botho: Good night

Teto: Good night..

He turned around and walked towards the car where he threw the bag in the back then he got behind the wheel. He sat there for a minute with his hands over his face, minutes later he drove out of the gate.

At Akeelah's house...

On the same night Age parked the car and leaned back, Akeelah stepped out and paused seeing Age wasn't getting out..

Akeelah: Aren't you coming?

Age: My brother's party is on.

Akeelah: But I'm not the one who spoiled it, you did... You're the one who is sleeping around.

Age: Can you get in the house?
I'm not spending the night with
you, my brother just arrived
and I need to spend time with
him.

She walked around the car as
Age stared at her then he
locked the door. She quickly
opened the back door and got
in, she put her arm around his
neck reaching for the keys in
the ignition but he pulled them

out. With her arm around his neck choking him, she punched him on the stomach... He grabbed her hair pulling her down then she reached for the bottle of beer and spilled it all over him, before whipping him with it on the stomach. His hand wondered around trying to grab her hand but his eyes were blinded by hair..

Akeelah: You cheat on me after everything I did for you? If it wasn't for my father you would be unemployed! I can take away everything from you if I want!

She let go of him and pushed her hair back looking at him as he put his hands over his face leaning over the steering wheel.

Akeelah: You're nothing but trash, now I understand why your own mother dumped you in the toilet. You're a piece of shit and you should have died in that toilet, now you have wasted the government resources and everyone paying tax so pieces of trash like you can be raised! I know you had no parental guidance but I will not tolerate this kind of

behaviour, I made you Age and I can break you..

Age leaned back and sighed..

Age: So what do you want? My brother just arrived and I haven't seen him in-

Akeelah: He is not even your brother, you're being immature.. Teto is not your brother! You don't have a

family, I'm the closest thing you have to a family because at least I can give you children. My father wouldn't have hired you if it wasn't for me, you had nothing.... It's one thing to be educated but it's another to find a good job. You're being ungrateful, I get you a job then you sleep with the likes of that bitch!

She clenched her teeth and leaned over punching him on the back, he remained sitting holding the steering wheel.

Akeelah: Koore selo hela se se goletseng ko bo SOS abe o tago tsaya gore oka ntirela makgakga, golo go setsweng mo toilet go tshubilwe ke masepa mo maotong mo abe ore o itira kwankweta ka nna,

mxm waa kgora yanong o
bothela mogo nna!

Age stepped out of the the car
and walked into the house as
Akeelah walked behind him
talking..

Akeelah: My father's money ke
one ago dirang gore o beche
mo, Botho looks like a hungry
desparate bitch who will even

suck a dog just to get money
and you cheat on me?

He dropped the keys on the
table and headed to the
bedroom pulling out his tshirt
and sat on the edge of the bed.

Akeelah: Did you sleep with
her?

Age: I didn't sleep with her, I just met her days ago. I'm here can you stop saying all that...

Akeelah: Just say it, o tetse masepa Age wa bona? I'm sure when the soldiers broke that toilet and picked you up you came covered in shit, that's what you are right now...that's what I see

He looked at her as his heart shuttered. She had taught him

never to open up and tell people things about yourself because she used this against him and for some reason it never got old, it broke him so hard he could just burst into tears and cry, but of course he wouldn't, he is a man. He looked down and rubbed the corner of his left eye...

Akeelah: You're unthankful the next time you do this to me I

will make sure you lose everything, le ene Bothonyana yole I will deal with her appropriately. Mxm!

She walked into the bathroom and took a bath. Age slowly took out his phone and took a deep breath before calling his brother.

At the party

Meanwhile Teto parked the car and pulled out his ringing phone...

Teto: Yeah?

Age: (normal voice) I don't think I'll be back the monna, le shapo akere? (U will be ok, right?)

Teto: Is everything okay?

Age : (laughed) Yeah-yeah, I'm good.. I just want to make sure Akeelah is okay, you know how women are she is crying and I'm trying to comfort her.

Teto: Can't she wait just for tonight? I just landed, why can't you just use this one night for us. It won't even be long, what kind of a party will I have without you? I didn't even want a party to begin with, you invited all these people and you

know I'm not a social light,
what am I going to do?

Age : Precious will take care of
everything.

Teto: Are you seriously going to
do this? Kante why o
controllwa ke Akeelah. (Why do
you let Akeelah control u)

Age: You're acting like a little
kid!

Teto: And you're acting like
these kind of mothers who just
drop off their kids and never

look back, seems like a lot of things have changed. Who would have thought you of all people would miss my party! I'm not asking you to change my diaper I just need you to be here so I can have someone to talk to. These are your people, you're the one who knows the whole country how do I even strike a conversation with them? Why did you bother

doing this so you can just walk off?

Age: (sighed) Tee I'm in a bad space right now, I need to lie down and collect my thoughts. You wouldn't understand and that's ok little bro but don't make it seem like I did this to embarrass you. Ke na le situation o bonye le wena (I have a situation like u have seen).

Teto: Uh bona mr go shapo ee.
Couldn't you just give me an
hour of your time, kante
jaanong dibiri ne re rekelang
gole kana kana. (Why did we
buy so many beers)

Age : Teto I've got a girlfriend,
maybe this is what you don't
understand. Go have those
beers and give me space ke
bone gore ke dira jang kwano. I
don't expect you to understand
this because you've never really

had a good relationship, but you need to respect mine. Are we fucking arguing?

Teto hung up on him and stepped out of the car...

At Botho's house..

The next morning Age knocked on the door in a suit. Akeelah's words had not given him a

chance to sleep and the only thing he could think of that made him feel close to being a man was her....

She opened the door and looked at him, he looked in her eyes and tears filled his eyes..

Age: I'm sorry.

Botho: Please don't come here again.

Age: I want to be with you but...

He looked down and smiled tearfully then he rubbed his eyes and looked at her.

Age: I need time to find a good job but I can't find it.

Botho: (tearfully) You're wasting my time, I'm late for work.

She walked past him and locked the door then he put his hands in the pockets looking at her..

Age: I need you... I'm in serious pain and I don't have the strength to move on. I don't know why.

Botho: You cheated on me, in fact you didn't cheat on me you used me while you have a girlfriend you love.

Age: (tearfully) I don't love her!
I love you but sometimes life
doesn't work like that, I need
people to survive... I've
suffered throughout my
childhood and I'll not suffer as
an adult, just love me a little
longer....give me a little time
and I promise it will be worth it.

Botho's lips trembled as she
looked at him then she rubbed
her tears and fixed her hair.

Botho: You won't use me anymore. If you come to my house again I will call the police... (screamed crying) You used me! Told me you love me but you lied to me and embarrassed me o nkoba. I'm done with you!

Age's heart pounded as he looked in her eyes then she turned and walked away.

He got in the car and followed her but she refused and took a taxi, he drove off to work.

At Age's house...

Later that morning Age knocked on the door, Teto opened in shorts and turned back to the bedroom as Age followed him.

Age: How was last night? How did it go?

Teto : It was fine.

Age sat on the edge of the bed while Teto's phone rang...

Teto: Hello?... Yes ma'am that's me... Oh ok... Wait ke eng written interview kana- OK.
Thank you.

He hung up and unzipped his bag looking for a toothbrush..

Age : You found a job already?

Teto: I've been applying since serving my notice.

Age: Can you help me find a job? I have been applying but I don't get anything.

Teto: (sighed) So how is Akeelah?

Age: She is fine.

Teto: Why are you hurting
Botho? Why do you need all
these other women when you
have her?

Age: You're not lecturing me on
relationships, leave that space
for someone else with a good
record.

Teto: Cool then.

He walked into the bathroom and closed the door, Age walked over and stood by the door while his little brother brushed his teeth..

Age: Sorry for dropping you like that, I know you don't like parties and it was probably annoying having to deal with that but you know I wouldn't have left if it wasn't important.

Teto opened the door and looked at him..

Teto : It's ok, Precious took care of it, I wasn't feeling well myself so I went to bed early. Don't worry about it, are you sure you're OK?

Age : Yeah, I'm good... Botho dumped me but I'm sure we will be fine. Gake sure ka Akeelah wa ntena but I don't

know man... I just... Gake itse
tota (I really don't know)

Teto: If I were you I'd pick
Botho, she seems nice and
humble, she has a calm voice
and.... But that's your choice,
whatever you choose I'm good,
whatever makes you happy.

Akeelah doesn't even strike me
as a mother, my worst fear is
having a child with a woman
who can't connect with a baby.
Akeelah is just... She never

shows that softness women have that says they can be mothers.

Age: She was raised to be a strong woman but she is actually nice koore hela she doesn't know how to express herself properly and anger controls her..

Teto: What do you mean?

Age: Ka eng? (About what)

Teto: Anger controls her?

Age: She gets violent gape wa
rogana but I don't know maybe
I'm judging her and comparing
her to Botho.

Teto: Violent as in she beats
you up?

Age: (laughed) TF! Of course
not, she breaks things. I'd never
be that kind of stupid person.
She could never dream of that!

Teto: Ok... (sighed) Anyways I'm
going home

Age: Home-home?

Teto : Yeah, I want to get my childhood file le police statement and just ask questions around. My interview is in a few days so I have enough time to play detective and see if I can get anything. I'm sure whoever did this doesn't stay far from that area, obviously they didn't drive or get a taxi, she walked to the dumpster. I just have to ask the whole neighbourhood.

Age: Why are you doing this?
You're just going to hurt
yourself.

Teto: At least you have more
information about who your
mother might be, if you want
you could find out but you are
too scared. I'm not scared of
rejection, I just want to
understand. You think having a
family will make you forget? I
think I'd rather find out
everything before I lie to

anyone's daughter about loving her. Right now I'm starting to believe all women are shit.

Age: Ok, keep me updated and let me know if you need anything. Use my car, I'll use the company car.

Teto: Thanks..

Age: Sure.

He turned around and left for work. Teto showered and

changed clothes as he received a message on Facebook.

Tsame: Hi, it's the girl you were with yesterday le your brother. I found a temporary job somewhere and now I need P500 for school fees so that I can take my sister to school abe ke theogela. When can I work for it? Can it be today so that I can pay at least tomorrow? That's my number, thank you.

Teto copied her number and called her...

Tsame: Hello?

Teto: Hi, it's Teto... Where can I pick you?

Tsame: By the road is OK, where you picked me last.

Teto: OK, I have a few things to do before we can do this though, is that ok?

Tsame: Anything is fine. I will wait in the car for you.

Teto: Alright cool, P500 is a lot so I'm gonna take my time and do everything I want on you wa thaloganya akere?

Tsame: I just want to pay school fees, if you promise to pay me you can do whatever you want. Tota ke na le seemo, o itse masika gore a tshwenya bana, I can't leave her with relatives. Ga kena choice and I

will do my best to make sure le
wena you don't feel like you
threw away your money.

Teto: Ok, good. I'll be there in a
few minutes.

He hung up and got ready
before leaving..

At the stop...

Minutes later Teto parked in front of her and she got in then he joined the road.

Teto: Hi!

Tsame: Hey!

Teto: I was having tea on the way, I got you that and scones.

Tsame: Thank you..

She started eating and sipping tea from the disposable cup

while Teto glanced at his file again and drove towards the direction of the dumpster.

Tsame's eyes fell on his file as he put it on the dashboard..

Tsame: You grew up in a home?

Teto: Yeah.

Tsame: I didn't know these things are real.

She reached for the file and read it..

Teto: A lot of people don't know that we have orphanages and all these places raising children who have been rejected, they don't donate clothes or even spend P100 on toys then pass by an orphanage to give but those things mean a lot. Sometimes just visiting an orphanage to offer a helping

hand is enough, our care givers were paid very little but they worked a lot.

Tsame: O dira gore ke file guilty, so you were an orphan ole successful yaana?

Teto: (laughed) Successful ka eng Tsame, hahaha ija...

(turned the steering wheel)

Anyways this is where I was found...

He parked at the stop and sighed looking around...

Teto: It wasn't a stop by then, there was a dumpster on that shade so I suspect my mother was living around this area.

Tsame: O serious ne rra? (Are you serious)

Teto: Let's go.. Or you can wait in the car. I just want to get in this yard. The police asked questions nako ya teng but I

don't think they did a proper search.

Tsame: OK, I'll come with..

She stepped out of the car and closed the door then they walked towards the yard.

Teto's heart began pounding as they walked in. A few elders were sitting under the motsentsela tree having tee.

They respectfully bent down greeting them, a young man brought two chairs and they sat down as everyone faced them curiously.

Tsame also turned to Teto expecting him to say something but he swallowed and rubbed his beard tongue-tied...

Tsame: Thirty years ago there was a baby found in the dumpster that used to be where there is now a taxi stop. We are on the search for the mother of that child, we suspect she is in the neighbourhood because she couldn't have walked such a long distance after giving birth. Surely there must have been someone pregnant in the area, maybe they disappeared after

or something kana ngwana wa sekolo. It's very difficult to deal with everything when you're a teenager and pregnant... It's embarrassing to even admit that you have a child.. Maybe this woman is now ready, or whatever her situation or reasons may have been...we just want to find out... Pato ya rona e simolotse ka jarata ya lona ka le close to the

dumpster area. We are going home to home seeking help.

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Near the dumpster area..

Old lady : Lord Jesus! That boy survived? He must be very big, I remember taking him from the construction workers who found him... He was so tiny and I will never forget his cries

Teto : It's me..

Old lady : Jesus Christ!

She stood up and hugged Teto as he smiled, she leaned back and touched his face..

Old lady: You even have beard,
koore waitse gore nkile wa
galaotega jang wena!

Teto: (laughed shyly) Nnya
mma..

She emotionally looked at him
trying not to cry but looking at
this grown man and knowing it
was the same baby she held
and shushed brought tears to

her eyes. She hugged him again and rubbed her tears...

Old lady : You were wrapped in a black plastic bag and found by the construction workers who were building that big structure.

Teto: I read it in an old newspaper.

The old lady held both of his hands and kissed them..

Old lady : May God be with you for forgiving and looking for this woman. I don't know who she might be but as you know gossip goes around like smoke. There was a lot of noise during that time, we suspected two people... The other is Marea, she stays this side and the

other is Mareledi, ne Mareledi
o kae? (Where is Mareledi)

Old lady 2: Last I heard she was
sick and went back to her
mother's house, I'm sure she is
still there.

Tsame: Thank you, so it's this
side?

Old lady : Yes, Mareledi ke
kaha.. (Mareledi's place is on
this side)

Teto: Thank you.

Old man: I'm very proud of you, you look successful.

Teto: (laughed) I'm not successful...

Old man: You're on your way there, so who is this? Ke ngwetsi ya rona? (Is she our daughter in law)

Teto turned around and looked at Tsame with a smile. She had just rescued him a minute ago and honestly before this he

never really noticed anything,
but she was kind of beautiful
and she made him blush, he
usually doesn't blush at all..

He laughed back at the old
man and shook his hand..

Teto: Go siame (Bye)

Old man : Kare a selo se
ngwetsi? (I'm saying is she our
daughter in law)

Teto: (laughed) We are just friends.

Tsame: (smiled at everyone) Go siame (Bye)

Old man: Go siame bo ngwanaka (Goodbye my children)

They bid everyone goodbye and walked out the gate while Teto held in his excitement about what she just did for him. As soon as they had walked a

reasonable distance from the elders, he quickly turned around and put his arms around her lifting her as she panicked and grabbed his shoulders thinking she'd fall..

Teto : Did you see yourself out there!? You were like.. (he smiled and imitated her voice)
Years ago there was baby bla bla and you were flowing like you knew this information from

long back, how did you even know?

Tsame : (laughed embarrassed looking around) Are you going to put me down?

He put her down and stepped back a little embarrassed. He didn't even notice he walked carrying her. He cleared his throat as if he was clearing his childish excitement...

Teto: Thanks..

Tsame: (smiled) Thanks, akere I read your file, the rest I just added because it's logical.

Teto: That was brilliant! What did you study?

Tsame : Communications

Teto: Oh, it makes sense now...
But-why would you – you know..

She looked down a little embarrassed..

Tsame: There are no jobs and we have responsibilities, no one can give you money for free so..

Teto looked at her guilt stricken..

Tsame: Anyways, can we move on so I can get going? It's Friday and my cousin is visiting her boyfriend, she won't babysit for me for long.

Teto: How old is your sister?

Tsame: Two years old.

Teto: What about your mother?

Tsame: She died in a car accident and my uncle and his wife raised me, they moved in my mother's yard gotwe ke tshwaretswe setsha but now

when I say something they get angry and say I'm unthankful. They say they raised me yet I was really raised by the government, they never spent anything on me.

Teto: So where do you stay?

Tsame: I rent a dilapidated one room, it's someone's yard and they said they just want someone living there so it doesn't turn into a thick bush. In return I cut the grass and

rake but the owner is retiring and she is thinking about moving back to Maun. She wants to build a big retirement home go raya gore I'll be homeless. I hope I find a job before then.

Teto: Nah, you have a house, are you serious? How big is your mother's house?

Tsame: It's a two bedroomed house.

Teto: (laughed) Seriously?

Tsame: I think that lady was pointing here, let's get in.. This time you're speaking, o ntirile speakera sa gago (I'm not your speaker)

Teto: (laughed) Nnyaa bua labohela kana wena u are an expert in this field. (Speak for the last time)

Tsame : (laughed) Areng ngwana waga Marea kana o waga Mareledi? (What's up

Marea's child or are u
Mareledi's)

They laughed approaching the
people sitting outside....

At Age's office...

Later on Age knocked on Ra
Akeelah's office door and
stepped in, the old man smiled
and leaned back..

Him: How are you doing?

Age: I'm good, may I have a word with you?

He asked sitting and pressing his tie on his chest as he sat and sighed...

Him: What's going on?

Age: I need a letter of recommendation from you.

The old man's face turned down as he looked at him..

Him: Am I not doing something right?

Age: I'm happy here but...
(sighed) I'm not comfortable anymore because every time we argue with Aki she uses it against me, calls me names and says things like she made me and she can break me. I feel

like if I find a job that she doesn't have anything to do with I will have peace of mind.

Him: You do know that I signed a contract with you and whatever happens between you and Akeelah has nothing to do with work right? I don't understand how you can let her big mouth affect your career, there is a reason she didn't finish school and she knows

nothing about my business or how a business is ran.

Age: I was just trying to avoid harsh words from her.

Him: I'm sure she will still find other ways to break you, what happened? Have you two tried counselling?

Age: We had an argument, I have been talking to this other woman and I know I was wrong, but I feel like the way she responded and talked to

me.... It was a wake up call. I don't know if we are compatible, she is always calling me names for the way I was found as a baby and for someone who had a good childhood I think she has no idea what she does to me every time she says that. She will never understand because she has never suffered.

Him: Was it the first time she said that?

Age : Not really, she has always been like that but I thought I could handle it. I don't have the strength anymore and I think Gi found comfort in talking to this other woman because she is humble and she has never used this against me even when she is angry. I don't know how this will sound to you as her father but I don't think she is nice enough to be my girlfriend. I loved her when she was nice

nowadays she is just rude and she thinks she owns me. She also hits me I can't take it any more. I never really had parents guiding me but we were raised by good dedicated women who saw us as their children and we were taught never to hit girls. It comes as a shock when a girl hits me because I don't know what to do since I can't hit her back.

Akeelah's father sadly looked at him and for a moment he ran out of words. The words hurt like he was getting dumped himself. This was someone he had hoped to even have at home as a son but knowing his daughter he didn't doubt any word that came out of his mouth..

Him : I'm sorry that you have been going through all this

without saying anything, but whatever happens between you two has nothing to do with me. I didn't hire you because you are my daughter's boyfriend, I didn't even know you were dating. I hired you because I needed an employee and renewed our contract because you're the most valuable employee of this company. I will write you that recommendation but I want

you to know that I need you...
You know I do. I will talk to
Akeelah's mother about her
behaviour but I don't think she
will change. I don't want to
sound like a bad father but
that's my daughter and I know
how rude she can be. She never
needed anything that's why she
doesn't care about other
people's feelings. I didn't teach
her that kind of behaviour she
just acts like that even towards

her mother that's why I asked her to move out because she disrespected my wife. I just assumed she was respectful to you out of love.

He placed a pile of plain papers on the printer tray and closed before clicking on his reference templates..

Him: I will need a few minutes to edit this, I don't want it to

sound like a downloaded letter of recommendation. Whoever is going to read it will have to feel it.

Age: Thank you.

He stood up and walked out closing the door then the old man leaned back and sighed disappointed.

At Marea's house....

Meanwhile Teto and Tsame shook her hand as she walked them out the gate..

Marea: (laughed) It was horrible, people suspecting I'm the one who threw the baby in there but i6 went to the hospital and they checked me. I don't know about Mareledi but I was taken to the hospital mme le ene golo hale ekare she

was taken to the hospital and checked. She stays this side please go see her and don't give up. Walk in every home because I suspect it was a teenager, she probably hid it until she delivered. It was common back then it's just that they got caught.

Teto: Thank you.

Tsame : Thank you.

Marea: Bye

They walked out the small gate and walked towards the directed place. Teto looked at her as they walked along the passage...

Teto: (laughed) On a serious note though, why would you have sex for money when you're so brilliant?

Tsame: (laughed) Can you just stop! Plus it was the first time.

Teto: You came again, did you love my dick?

Tsame: I don't even remember half of the things you did to me I was scared embarrassed and everything, gape this is the last time. Ke duela school fees then blocking you.

Teto: (laughed) Why? Akere we are friends now.

Tsame: I'm not your friend!

Teto: (laughed) You don't befriend clients?

She laughed and stopped walking..

Tsame : I'm going back to the car.

He laughed and walked back to grab her hand then he walked with her..

Teto: (laughed) I'm kidding, come on... Let's go madam speaker. Ke taa buelwa ke mang ke sena go go koba, areye I won't ever say anything about your business.

She paused walking again and shrunk her eyes. He pressed his lips together trying not to laugh but couldn't resist laughing as he pressed her buttons...

Teto : (smiled) I just had to do that one more time, I'm sorry. Let's go...

Tsame : I'll go back so you can be tongue-tied alone.

Teto: (laughed) I'm sorry your worship let's go your highness.

They laughed and walked into the yard...

At Botho's workplace...

Botho walked into her reception class and her students giggled and laughed covering their mouths. She paused and looked at them, their little faces were full of smiles and they giggled covering their mouths..

Botho: What is it?

They laughed and she sighed holding her hips..

Botho: What is it? What are you laughing at?

The 5 year old continued laughing then she shook her hand and put her crayons on the table. Her eyebrows lifted as her eyes fell on a long box of chocolate balls wrapped in silver. She picked them up and

sat down, there was a note
then she reached for it and
opened it..

“ I’m sorry, I broke up with her.
Give us a chance”

She sighed and tore it into half
then she turned to throw it in
the bin, but there was a huge
bunch of flowers inside with a
few notes rolled between the
flowers. She gasped and picked

it up as her students burst into laughter.

Botho: Guys who did this?

Student: (laughed) It's a man, he walked in and put it then he said we shouldn't tell you anything. He left.

Botho sighed shaking her head and pulled out the notes from within the bunch of flowers as

the assistant teacher walked in
and paused..

Her : Wow!

Botho: Imagine motho a
ntisetsa di flower mo classing,
koore hane a kopane le
mogokgo ne agoreng ne wena?

Her: (laughed) I can't even
picture the scenerio.

Botho: Age o bata go nkobisa
ka di romancenyanana..

She put her flowers aside and got up to distribute the crayons before giving them work...

At Akeelah's house...

Later that afternoon Age stepped out of the car looking at his phone screen hoping to get a message from Botho, but there was nothing. He found

solace in the fact that she had made the flowers her display picture. He smiled and put the phone back in the pocket as he walked in..

Akeelah walked out of the house hanging her handbag over her shoulder..

Akeelah: My mother is calling me, do you have any idea why they're calling me?

Age: I don't know but it's over, I just wanted to say it in person. Last night was the last straw.

Akeelah: (laughed) O tsaya dilo easy akere? U take things lightly, right?)

Age: I need my clothes.

Akeelah: I'm busy right now!

Age : I won't be long.

She put her hands over his chest pushing him out as he

staggered at the stoop and gained his balance pushing her hand off.

Akeelah: Are you trying to hit me?

Age : Why won't you let me get my clothes?

Akeelah: Because I'm busy, so you're planning to leave me for that Botho woman? (laughed)
You don't know me but that's OK...

She locked the door and got in her car then she drove off leaving him standing there. This not hitting a woman thing was slowly wearing him off, nothing he ever wanted was taken serious and it somehow made him look stupid. She probably knew no matter what she did he would never beat her. He sighed and got in the car as his little brother called. He took a

deep breath and sighed calming his voice..

Age : Yeah?

Teto: Hey man, wago lala kogo Akeelah akere?

Age: Not necessarily, why?

Teto: I want Tsame to visit me.

Age: You bought her again?

Teto : I wouldn't put it like that but I guess you could say that.

Age: I can't be part of it, I'm too stressed.

Teto: I wasn't asking you to be, we kind of talked and she is good company.

Age: Please don't fall for that girl, everything will be complicated I won't be able to look at her in the face if she becomes your girlfriend. Shit will be awkward you know we never keep a relationship with

banyana ba di threesome. You can't fall for her.

Teto : (laughed) I'm not falling for her, I paid her P500 and she is going to work for it tonight.

Age: Ok, I'll spend the night with Akeelah then but we need to talk tomorrow.

Teto : Talk about what?

Age : I don't want to spoil your night with my nonsense, just enjoy your night we will talk

tomorrow. It's nothing serious,
ke taa lala kogo Akeelah.

Teto: Cool

Age: O dirise protection.

Teto: (laughed) Ee

Age: By the way how did it go?

Teto: Well better than I
expected, I mean I didn't get
anywhere close to finding my
mother but the two women
people suspected have been
cleared so weekend I'll carry on

my home to home search, but it was kind of cool. I was with Tsame and she helped me out, she is kind of cool gape o bothale.

Age: You realise that you're smiling talking about this girl?

Teto: (stopped smiling) I'm not smiling.

Age: I know when you're smiling, don't fall for this girl her friend says she has a kid. She probably has a baby daddy

or something, use protection too.

Teto: It's her little sister...

(laughed) Gape chill out we are just hanging out, I know we can't have anything serious.

Age: Good because you sound too excited I'm sure you just cleaned the house.

Teto : (laughed) Tsek!

They laughed as he hung up
and drove off...

At Tsame's house...

Later that evening Tsame
counted the money and hid her
purse under the mattress while
her daughter stood by..

Tsame: I won't take long..

Her: Bring me chapisi.

Tsame: (laughed) OK...

She sat down and put her daughter on her lap. She had never left her with anyone this late, 7pm was late for her because she locked the door at 6pm..

Her phone rang and she took a deep breath..

Tsame : Hello?

Teto: I'm outside.

Tsame : I'm waiting for my cousin. She is not here yet.

Teto: Ok, should I wait or come later?

Tsame: Let me call her first, ne are wa emella.

Teto: Ok

She hung up and dialed her cousin..

Her: Hello?

Tsame: Hi the mma wena o
kae?

Her: Eish mma baby daddy is
coming over so I'm going to
have to postpone.

Tsame: Ao mma, I told you I've
to meet these ladies ke ba
motshelo kana.

Her: Sorry!

Tsame: Ok.

She hung up and called him..

Teto: Hello?

Tsame: She says her baby daddy is visiting her so she can't come. Can't I come during the day? I promise I won't run off with your money.

Teto: Come with your sister, I just want company. I'm alone.

Tsame: I can't come with her, I don't know you.

Teto: Which part of my life don't you know?

Tsame: That's not what I mean

Teto: Can you just come, I already asked my brother to sleep out. We won't have sex in front of a baby I'm not some kind of creep, I need company and it's Friday...

Tsame: Ok, but I'm coming back right? I can't sleep out with her.

Teto: Ok, let's go. Stop acting paranoid.

Tsame: (sighed) OK...

She hung up and looked at her daughter then she fixed her beanie and put her in boots and jackets before picking her up and walking out..

In the car

Meanwhile Teto waited in the car listening to music then Tsame approached. He smiled and brightened the lights just to annoy her then he deemed..

She opened the door and sat in the back with her daughter..

Teto: Why are you sitting in the back?

Tsame: I want to hold her in case the car stops immediately.

Teto looked at the pretty little girl and laughed looking at Tsame..

Teto : This is your kid, there is no way she is your sister, just be honest... She fucking looks like you!

He laughed and she looked away..

Tsame : She is mine.

Teto: (laughed) Why did you lie though? It wasn't even necessary.

Tsame: I was afraid you'd judge me, thinking about it I felt guilty like I'm not proud of my daughter.

Teto: You don't have to lie to me, I'm not perfect.

He looked at the little girl and touched her hand..

Teto: Hi, my name is uncle Tom and Jerry

She laughed and nodded in disagreement..

Her: (giggled) You're not Tom and Jerry!

Teto: (laughed) My name is uncle Teto, do you believe me now?

Her: (laughed) Yes..

He leaned back and looked at the both them..

Teto: Mme o itiretse selonyana se sente, hake taa dirang teng

ngwana kago dira party.... Baby shower ya teng yoo direlwa nna ke celebrata scrotum same!

Tsame: (laughed) You'll have a cute baby..

He turned the steering wheel and drove off...

At Age's house...

Minutes later Tsame followed him inside carrying her daughter who was already asleep..

Teto : (whispered) Should we put her in the bedroom or leave her here and stay in the bedroom?

Tsame: (laughed) Why are you whispering she won't hear you when she is sleeping

Teto: (laughed) Ehe, I thought she will wake up.

Tsame: I think the bedroom, gaa rotele dikobo. (She doesn't wet the bed)

Teto : (forgot and whispered again) Ok, let's go.

Tsame laughed and followed him where he peeled the blankets for her, she laid her down and shook her butt back

to sleep then they both walked out as she closed the door..

Teto: Don't close so she can walk out when she wakes up in an unfamiliar house.

Tsame: True.

They walked across the passage then Teto grabbed her hand and walked into the kitchen with her..

Teto: So, this is what I did earlier while waiting for time to pass so I could pick you up..

Tsame's mouth dropped as she looked at the food he prepared. He had grilled a whole chicken and it looked delicious and golden..

Teto: Pick the sauces re jela mo tereing..

They walked to the living room and put down everything then he sat down and clicked on the movie..

Teto: It's a nice movie, oska tsela (don'tfall asleep). I paid you to watch it with me.

Tsame: (laughed) You had to remind me akere?

Teto: (laughed) Ee, value for my money! Sutella koo pele ke nne, let me switch her lights on first. I used to fear sleeping in the dark I'd literally cry to sleep with Age because they didn't want to leave the lights on. It was terrible, I used to get nightmares.

Tsame: (laughed) OK..

He walked over and switched the lights on for the baby then he walked back and laid on the couch while Tsame sat on the edge slicing the chicken. She turned around and fed him, he sat up and took a piece, then he leaned over and kissed her. He laid her on the couch and they kissed softly..

Tsame: Let's go to the car, I don't want her to hear funny sounds.

Teto : We are not having sex, I just love kissing you and touching you...

She looked in his eyes while he looked in her's, then he closed his eyes leaning in and kissed her touching her. She slid her hands underneath his tshirt and touched him, just the feel of his

skin got her clits throbbing. He slid his hand between her legs and touched her warm pussy while kissing her, then there was a knock on the door.

He got up catching his breath and walked to the door shirtless where he opened then Akeelah walked in, Tsame quickly sat properly as Akeelah looked at her..

Akeelah: Where is Age?

Teto : He is not here

Akeelah: So you just bring dirty women over and sex them in my house. Are you the reason he is doing this to me

Teto : Don't talk to me like that

Tsame: I will leave

Teto: Please sit down

Akeelah: Don't even try it with me, you're nothing but trash that's why you don't have a

house of your own. This is not a dumpster and I'm not a charity organisation, you don't bring women in here like its your house. This is half my house,

Teto: This is my brothers house

Akeelah: Brother? Which brother? Because the last I checked you found wrapped in a trash bag, was there another baby next to you? I won't be intimidated by you going abroad, you'll always be trash

and you need to stay away from Age. I know you're the reason he is talking about breakup. You're gay, Age probably fucked you and now you can't stomach him having me.

Tsame: (tearfully) That's enough! We are leaving, Teto put on your tshirt.. I'll get the baby..

She got her daughter and walked out then she stopped at the door.

Tsame : Teto let's go, don't say anything

He picked his tshirt and shoes then he followed Tsame out. She sat in the back with the baby while he got in the driver's seat but then he couldn't start the car. He

stepped out of the car and put his hands over his face catching his breath, Tsame put the baby down and walked out then she hugged him. He hugged her back and tightly before kissing her neck.

Teto: I'm sorry about that, I didn't know she will come. I have the money for a house, I saved for it I just arrived

yesterday and haven't had
time-

Tsame: Don't explain.. I
understand.

They got in the car and drove
off..

At Botho's house

Botho lifted her sleepy head
from the couch and noticed she

had dozed off watching a movie as someone knocked on the door. She walked over and opened the door then Akeelah walked in holding a pepper spray..

Akeelah : Where is he?

Botho : How did you know my house? Please get out of my house..

She sprayed on Botho's face as
she fell on the floor rubbing her
eyes screaming...

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At Botho's house...

Botho's eyes burned with itch as she tried to open her eyes, but the pain got worse and she crawled around blindly tapping around so she could support herself with something and stand..

Akeelah: This is for sleeping with my boyfriend, do you understand me? It's women like you that break other

women's marriages and cause misunderstandings in relationships.

Botho: (crawling) God, I can't see....what did you do to me?

Akeelah: This is just a warning. The next time I see you with Age I will burn you inside this house and no one will suspect anything because you would have committed suicide. I watch NCSI, Nyla!

Akeelah picked Botho's phone on the table and typed a message.

Text: I'm now completely done with you Age, by the way I never even enjoyed sex with you. You're boring and I think I kind of always thought of you coming out of the toilet, knowing I kissed you makes me puke. Your girlfriend was just here and I think you should

focus on her and leave me alone. Respect my decision, don't call me or else you'll see my true colors.

Notification: Delivered to Bae

She blocked his number and deleted only the message she had sent, then she put down the phone and sighed fixing her t-shirt..

Akeelah: Go report me, my father is one of the richest men in Maun and as soon as they hear my surname I doubt it will go any further, but you can knock yourself out.

She walked out and slammed the door. Botho staggered to the bathroom blindly and washed her face over the sink and wiped herself.

At the hotel...

On the same evening Tsame waited in the car while Teto walked into the reception to pay for the chalet. She looked down at her daughter asleep and leaned back. She still couldn't believe what had happened at Age's house and the look on Teto's face when she mentioned him being found in a dumpster was more than

sad. For a moment she forgot Akeelah had called her dirty, this girl needed a proper slap. She probably wouldn't do it herself but it would be nice if she could harass someone with a quick hand so they could fix her. Who in the world talks to another human being like that? Thinking about it, if she found out what happened between her and the brothers she would tell the whole of Maun that she

is a prostitute, God, the only option was to hope Age was good with secrets... He had to be...

Teto got in the car and reversed the car..

Teto: You ok?

Tsame: Yeah

Teto: I hope she is not hungry, re mo timile chicken golo hale.

Tsame: She is asleep, when she sleeps like this ha ese phakela ka 7.

Teto: Ok..

He navigated around the hotel and drove towards the grass thatched chalets where he parked in front of their room..

Teto: Stay in the car so I can switch the aircon on and warm the room.

She remained in the car with the baby, minutes later he stepped out and opened the door for her..

Teto: Let's go...

They walked into the room and closed the door as she stared at the two separate single beds..

Tsame: (laughed) Ok...

Teto: (laughed) That's what I said too... I guess you and I will be squeezed on a single bed.

Tsame: I guess so...

She laid the baby down and covered her while Teto pulled

out his tshirt and walked into the bathroom..

Teto: Hurry up!

She smiled fixing her daughter's pillow and pulled out her dress remaining with lacy thongs, then she walked into the bathroom where Teto was standing under the shower washing his face as his circumcised dick wiggled thigh

to thigh while he lathered himself. He grabbed his dick and washed it looking at her with a seductive smile. She had never seen a guy wash his dick and this view was just awesome. He held it with one hand washing it up and down with his fingers as the head slipped between his fingers back and fourth with lather and turned to the shower as the

water ran down flowing white lather...

Tsame : Is it cold?

Teto: (rubbed his face down and blew air) It's not..

Tsame: I hope it's not too hot..

She reluctantly stretched her hand to feel the temperature but Teto grabbed her and

pulled her over and under the shower as they laughed.

Warm water washed down her head and body as she relaxed and enjoyed every feeling. Teto put his arms around her standing behind her as water washed them down, then he leaned over and kissed her neck..

Teto: How is it?

Tsame: (smiled blushing) It's good...

Still standing behind her as water washed them down, he squeezed her breasts and pulled her closer as she bit her lower lip closing her eyes, God! This felt so good... A man's hands all over her while warm water showered her.. For a moment she forgot all her problems and gave in his

touches. He touched so good and his chest rubbed behind her as he leaned over turning her head and kissing her, he turned her around and softly kissed her as the sound of the shower and water droplets relaxed them.

Teto grabbed her throat and tilted his head kissing her while she touched his chocolate chest

and put her arms around his neck...

Their breathing got heavier as he pressed her against the wall, reached between her legs and touching her soft meat looking in her eyes. He knew he needed to control himself as he looked at her wet little lips then he slowly leaned over and baby kissed her lips before reaching for the soap and rubbing her

back while she washed her face.

After bathing they washed their undies and hung them on the rail then stepped on the mat reaching for the white towels and wiped themselves, Teto wrapped his towel around his waist as his dick pointers showed and stepped out while she followed him wrapping hers above her breasts. The TV

above the wall was showing
kind of action movie with
blazing guns and racing cars, he
switched to a music channel,
acoustic music to be specific
then he picked the telephone
and called for room service..

Tsame sat on the edge of the
bed applying the hotel lotion
on her body..

Teto: (turned around with the telephone on his ear) What do you want to eat?

Tsame : Eat again?! Bathong

Teto, we literally just had chicken! A drink is fine

Teto: Wine?

Tsame: I like fizzy drinks, any flavour

Teto turned away talking to the telephone, Tsame rubbed the

body lotion on her daughters
cheeks and nose, the baby
turned to the wall and went
back to sleep..

Teto: O ira eng ngwana o taa
mo tsosa

Tsame: (laughed) Neke bona
nkare dinko tsa gagwe di
phaphaletse

Teto: O tshwenya ngwana..

He walked over in a towel and bent over kissing her, he just couldn't resist kissing her and she was so good with kissing he wondered if she knew that. She reached for his side of the face and kissed back, Brian Adam's Heaven played on the TV and he paused then he grabbed her hand pulling up and hugged her. This felt so good, standing in the middle of a hotel room in nothing but towels as the music

played. He held her close as they both slowly wiggled side to side humming along..

 Baby, you're all that I want

When you're lyin' here in my arms

I'm findin' it hard to believe

We're in heaven

And love is all that I need

And I found it there in your
heart

It isn't too hard to see

We're in heaven 🎵

He closed his eyes holding her
body in his arms, this was a
feeling he felt vulnerable too,
something he would do
anything to feel. He kissed her
hair and continued rocking back
and forth...

With her cheek on his chest and arms wrapped around his torso Tsame closed her eyes, she'd never been in a hotel before let alone dance with a man like that, it had always been things in movies until he did this, this moment right here could last forever and she'd be the happiest woman on earth.

A knock interpreted their dance, he slowly let go of her and fixed his towel on the way to the door where he opened and got what he ordered. He placed everything on the table and poured her drink in the glass then his wine in the wine glass then he walked over and handed her.

Tsame smiled and got her glass, Teto took a few sips of the wine

and leaned over kissing her with the bitter taste of his wine, she kissed back still holding her glass, he now tasted different...the taste of a man... God let him be hers..

He leaned back and sighed then he put the glass by the headboard and moved up the bed checking his phone.

Teto: I forgot to talk to Age

She put down her drink and sat on his stomach while he laid on his back dialing his brother..

Age: Hello?

Teto: Akeelah just harassed me out of the house, I had to find accommodation for the night.

Age: What?

Teto: We really need to talk because you haven't been

honest with me about what's going on between you and Akeelah.

Age: (sighed) We will talk tomorrow

Teto: Alright, no problem..

He hung up and put his man hands around her waist, now comfortable in his arms she leaned over and kissed him before leaning back with her hands on his chest..

Tsame: Tell me about your childhood.. What was it like growing up in your situation?

Teto: (smiled looking up at her)
No one has ever asked me that before

Tsame: Don't tell me if you're not comfortable.

Teto: No, I'm fine..

He took a deep breath and shoved his hands behind his head as he looked up at her while she sat on him..

Teto: I felt neglected most of the time, I had to learn to dress and do things for myself because they didn't have a lot of caregivers. At first I was slow and it annoyed them so Age took care of me, I got bullied at school. At the orphanage we

were taught not to fight and then at school we would meet rough kids, they beat me a lot because I was quiet and I couldn't fight back with the strict rules at home. Age beat up one student so hard he bled and he was suspended, that's when other students feared me and him but he got punished severely at the orphanage. They made him cut the grass by himself and they wouldn't let

me help him. He was hungry and thirsty but he kept saying he is fine just to make me feel better. Age got in trouble for helping me a lot and that's why I love him, he has always been there for me for as long as I can remember.

Tsame: Did you miss your mother?

Teto: You can't miss what you never had but I was empty, I'm still empty. I got presents

during price giving and while other students were cheered by their parents mine were collected by a caregiver or social worker. It hurt, it hurts when you're told to write a composition about your family or the trip you had when you never experienced those. Sometimes I wonder why my mother never felt guilty enough to go back home with me.. I was just a child.. A baby, what

was going on in her head when she put me in a plastic and tied it...

He paused for a minute as his chest expanded, she got off him and sat by then he got up and sat on the edge of the bed resting his face on his palms..

Teto: I wonder if she ever thinks about me and wish to see me, on my birthday does

she remember? Who is my father and why would a woman do this if he is there, did he know and deny it? Did he rape her? Or maybe he is married? Who is he? Every time I sleep with a woman I keep wondering, what if I'm sleeping with my sister and its painful.

Tsame: I know both of my parents. Have peace with me...

She crawled over and knelt behind him as she hugged him from behind..

Tsame : I'm sorry that you had to go through all that but I don't want to judge your mother because not all children are planned. Some children come as a result of horrible actions women go through but.. (tearfully) We are forced to love our children even

though we don't want to
remember how they came
about...

She rubbed her tears and laid
her head on his back while he
held her arms on his chest..

Tsame: But no matter what, I'd
never throw away my baby. I'd
rather get judged by my family
and laughed at by my peers but
I will raise my baby the best

way I can, if I have to do
laundry house to house I will
and if having sex with you pays
her school fees I will do it
because I'd sacrifice my mind,
body and soul just so my child
can be happy. When she is
dressed beautifully like that in
boots and nice jackets with nice
hair, I feel good. Ga ngwanake
a jele a kgabile a tsena
preschool ke siame, the rest
comes after. I will be happy

when she starts university. I've decided my life will start there because I'm the only parent she has, I have to love her double. I'm sorry your mom couldn't handle this but I don't want to judge her before hearing her story. Don't stop looking, she might be looking for you too.. Don't stop... Postnatal depression is real, you go crazy. Don't judge her...

He sighed still holding her hands and turned his head pouting then she kissed him.

Teto: Thanks, I won't stop... So who is your baby's daddy?

Tsame: I'll tell you next week, this is your week..

He laughed and turned around pushing her down the bed and

kissing her as they both fooled around the bed.

At the hotel bar....

On the same night Age sat at the back of the bar having his drink looking at two young women who have been sipping the same drink for almost 2 hours. He already knew what they were looking for and maybe this is what he needed.

A rough sex with two women whom he controlled, It always worked and he felt so much better after...

He took out his phone to check the time then he noticed he had a message from Bae, the stress suddenly disappeared as he smiled standing up and walking out, he clicked on her message and smiled reading...

Bae: (text) I'm now completely done with you Age, by the way I never even enjoyed sex with you. You're boring and I think I kind of always thought of you coming out of the toilet, knowing I kissed you makes me puke. Your girlfriend was just here and I think you should focus on her and leave me alone. Respect my decision, don't call me or else you'll see my true colors.

He stopped by the car and the smile wore off as he typed a reply.

Age: I'm so heartbroken by your words. Bae I expect this from anyone else but you. I don't even know how to respond to this, tota waitse pain ya go te wa jaana. Just because I'm a man doesn't mean I don't have feelings, why

is it that I can't forget this part of me, why must it come up each time I argue with someone. I told you this in confidence.

He sent the message but it didn't go through and he noticed she blocked him. He sighed and got in his friend's car before driving off.

At Botho's house...

Minutes later he parked the car and stepped out as the curtains moved, she peaked at him as he knocked on the door then she opened the window.

Botho: Please leave, I don't want drama in my life. Please... (tearfully) Please just leave Age

Age turned around looking at her with his hands in the pockets..

Age : You've changed

Botho : Nothing has changed, if I did then you made me like this. I loved you but you took me for granted... You know you don't love me, just go before I call my brother. He already knows your girlfriend harassed me.

Age: Whatever Akeelah said is a lie and-

Botho : Please leave...

She picked her phone and dialed the police, he stood there listening as she talked to the phone..

Age: I love you and I'm sorry that you think I pushed you to talk to me like that.. I really

thought you love me but you don't. Thanks for all the good times, I will never trouble you again. I wish you happiness.

Botho: You're welcome, I wish you the same.

She closed the window and pulled the curtains while he stood there. He shook his head and walked away with his head down...

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At Age's house...

Later that night Age sat on the edge of the bed in darkness and put his hands over his face. It hadn't been easy knowing how he came about and a part of him always thought once he was grown up with a family he would forget, but the more everyone around him said it the more it hurt. Although he couldn't remember much, just thinking about a little baby being thrown in a full pit latrine

toilet, and the amount of hours said to have taken to break down the walls, all these thoughts brought tears to his eyes. He lifted his tshirt collar and wiped his eyes...

Perhaps he was meant to die. Once again he found himself thinking about hanging himself, surely death would stop all the pain. He knew this from collapsing, when you're out you

don't feel anything and this was exactly what he needed...

Where could he find a strong rope? And a good tree too because this ceiling had locked up the rafters...But then maybe having a family of his own would really fill this void, having a sweet woman like Botho and a baby of his own... Surely his childhood wouldn't matter, he doubted it would even hurt him... Would he even

wish to see his mother?

Probably not... Ok, perhaps

Botho was still angry, that was
anger talking, she'd never talk

to him like that. Akeelah

probably angered her to that

level... But then again if Botho

was capable of using this

against him what makes her

different from Akeelah? Surely

this would come up in every

argument they have if she

managed to say it on their first

fight.. Ah! He closed his eyes as if he was shaking his brain..

Time, she needed time... She was forgiven and he'd tell her exactly how it makes him feel once she is calm and smiling..

He got under covers and laid down...

At Botho's house....

Meanwhile Botho flushed the toilet and walked to the bedroom where she got in bed and took out her phone.

Unable to sleep, she looked at her phone which still had Age as the cover. She then removed him and put a picture of an apple, then she clicked on her sister's chat..

Her: Hey, how are you feeling?

Botho : My eyes still hurt but I can see.

Her: I still think we should report this girl. I don't care if she comes from a rich family. She can't get away with this, maybe she even beats Age.

Banyana ba ba makgakga jaana
ba betsa monna yoo
didimetseng jaaka Age

Botho : I'm still very angry with Age and honestly I don't think I will ever take him back, more

so that he was planning to marry this girl and have a family with her. I may not come from riches but I loved and respected him. I thought they said men need respect. Nna Age leha aka ntena gankake ka mo raya nyla kana ka mo roga but he still went ahead and cheated. I follow all the tips we always get about how to take care of your man. I never denied him sex, he is even

addicted to sex, a weird kind of sex but I kind of understand why he likes it. Lenna I was curious and I enjoyed it.

Everything was perfect kante ene he has a whole family with another woman and planning to marry her. Koore nekago bona dinepe hela on Facebook and people would laugh at me gotwe how could I not know.

I'm very angry that he made me a fool...I don't blame that

Akeelah because she thinks I knew about them. I'm done with Age bathong otherwise I'll be these women who ignore all the red flags hoping for a miracle.

Her: With a girlfriend like that I'm not surprised he found comfort in you. She pushed him into your arms and of course he wouldn't just run off, maybe something was holding him back but now that the secret is

out he is done with her and wants you. He is yours, he chose you.

Botho : She attacked me, how do I even believe he is telling the truth about leaving her? I'm done, don't convince me otherwise.

Her: You're angry, take your time..

Botho : Ok, good night.

Her: Good night.

She put her phone down and slept...

Near Tsame's house...

The next morning Teto drove along the road as soft music played, Tsame looked out the window and pointed at a two bedroom peach colored house..

Tsame: That's my mother's house, my uncle won't give it to me

Teto: Why don't you report him? You have every right to get your mother's house

Tsame: He says he raised me, everyone in my family sees me as an ungrateful child for wanting the house, they make it sound like I want to chase them out yet they gave their daughter their yard, she stays

in their house but I'm
homeless.

Teto: You don't even need a
lawyer for this, and who gives a
shit if your family doesn't like
you after? What difference will
it make because now you're
hustling and no one is helping
you.

Tsame : I guess you're right

Teto: I'll help you file a case
against him, you're the rightful
heir of your mother's property,

your uncle or any relative can get her things only if you didn't exist. You just have to believe in yourself gape you're a good speaker and you know how to put words together. You can do this without a lawyer.. I trust you

Tsame: (smiled) Thanks...

After a long drive he parked in front of the one room then he reached in the compartment

and took out an envelope
which he handed Tsame.

Teto: Have a look at that
document and sign it if you
agree.

Tsame: What is it?

Still holding her baby girl she
pulled out the page and read
it..

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SEXUAL CONSENT AGREEMENT

I. THE PARTIES. This Sexual
Consent Form is made

_____,'

20___ between:

Proposer: ___Teto Alpha

___("Proposer")

AND

Consenter:

_____ (“Consenter”).

WHEREAS, the Proposer and the Consenter are sexually attracted to each other and

Would like to manifest that sexual attraction through participation in one or more sexual

Acts;

2. TIME. Therefore, the Consenter and the Proposer

make their bodies available to each other every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from time _____ to _____ for a period of _____ hours, during which period they consent to participate in the following activities.

3. ACTIVITIES.

Kissing

Penetration with fingers

Oral sex

Vaginal sex

Anal sex

Restraint using a necktie

4. CONTRACEPTION.

The consenter is using the following methods of contraception on an ongoing basis: _____

5. SEX WITH OTHER PEOPLE

The consenter shall not indulge in any sexual activities with anyone except the proposer, however the proposer is under no obligation to not to-

She skimmed through the document looking for the payment section.

Tsame: Are you paying me?

Teto: Yeah but I can't put it in there because having sex in exchange for money is illegal, I believe. So if you sign this form I will transfer the whole amount to you.

Tsame: And If I change my mind on the way after spending your money?

Teto: I won't need the court to show you what happens. This is just to make sure I'm safe

against rape allegations once I've done I want to do with you. A lot of women cry rape when things don't go according to plan. I don't want to ruin my career.

Tsame: So I'm not allowed to-

Teto: Yes, you can't have sex with anyone but me

Tsame: And you?

Teto: I'm paying you Tsame, not the other way round. I don't want to share a pussy

with anyone and I'm very serious about this. If I find out you even kissed someone we are done. I'm not going to let you fool me like Gontle.

Tsame : Who is Gontle?

Teto : My ex, do we have an understanding?

Tsame: How much?

Teto: How much do you want?

She looked in his eyes and sighed looking down...

Tsame: Don't pay me anything, I found a job at the school tuckshop and I don't want to have sex with you for money anymore. I was desperate for help but now I'm not. I want you to buy me different things with that money

Teto: Different things like?

Tsame: Anything you think a woman might like, not expensive things.. Chocolate, nice little gifts, anything really and also help me out when I ask for airtime and things like that.

Teto: Sounds good... I can do that.. Why don't you want payment?

Tsame: I don't know either..

He looked in her eyes as she looked back at him then she signed the paper and handed it back, she stepped out of the the car and closed the door then she walked away as he looked at her guilt stricken, this woman kept surprising her with every conversation they had and he found himself smiling admiring her. She unlocked the house and walked in then he drove off...

At Age's House

Minutes later he knocked on the door and walked in as Age put on his suit jacket and picked his laptop bag.

Age: Let's go, I'm late!

Teto: You can have the car, I'll see if I can find something cheap to go by with.

Age: No, I'm just going to the office. You'll pick me after..
Let's go!

Teto followed him out as Age jumped in the passenger seat then he drove out. He glanced at Age as he fixed his suit and tie..

Teto: So what happened?

Age: Well, how do I even explain this..

He handed him Botho's message then Teto read it while driving with one hand..

Teto: Botho would never say something like this

Age: And how long have you known her? 5 hours?

Teto: (laughed) That's not the point, she is not that kind...
What happened? Nna ake dumele gore ke ene, did you ask her?

Age: Yes, I didn't believe it either so I went to her house to confront her but she said if she changed I made her change. I understand I hurt her by cheating but how do I prove I'm sorry and that I love her?

Teto: Give her time

Age: Can you talk to her?

Teto: Uh, no... Not when she is still mad like this. I'm not about to be told about my dumbster again, I think I've had enough insults for a week. At least you can control yourself, if Tsame wasn't there I would have slapped Akeelah with the pace she was going at.

Age: Violence doesn't solve anything. One day she will reflect back and see that I used

to love her until she made it difficult for me that's why I fell in love with Botho.

Teto: I'll talk to her later, give me her number

Age: Alright..

Teto: What time does she knock off?

Age: Half five

Teto: I'll see what to do...
Should I record our

conversation? That's probably
best right?

Age: (laughed) Definitely...

He stopped in the parking lot
then Age stepped out and
closed the door.

Age: Shap

Teto: Sure...

He drove off...

At school...

Later that afternoon Teto waited in the car at the gate listening to music, he turned his head and noticed Botho and another teacher approaching the gate. He started the car and made a turn then he stopped by the side rolling down the window. Knowing she might

say no got him a bit shaky but
he smiled it off and acted cool...

Teto: Hi... Hop in

She had seen the car and
intentionally ignored it but
seeing it was Teto she turned
talking to her colleague then
she got in the car and pulled
the seat belt ..

Teto rolled up the window and
drove off...

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In the car...

Things got a little weird as Teto held the steering wheel with one hand while Botho leaned back looking out the window..

Teto: How was work?

Botho: It was fine...

Teto: (relaxed) My brother loves you, waa itse?

Botho: Tell your brother that I'm done with him.

Teto: Just like that?

Botho: Yes, cheaters scare me off, go malwetse batho

Teto: It was a mistake... He can get tested, I don't understand women why are you so good at dumping us?

Botho: Don't even try to guilt trap me with his childhood, that's a topic I don't like bringing up because I know he is very sensitive about it.

Teto: Yet you chose to mock him about it? Talking about you always thought about faeces each time you had to kiss him, I don't know you that much but really that message doesn't suit that beautiful sweet face of yours, you're like a template of what a guy nee-

Botho: (frowned looking at him) What are you talking about?

Teto: Your message

Botho: What message?

Teto: When you said he makes you puke? Remember that?

Botho: (looking at him confused) What are you talking about?

Teto looked at her then he pulled on the side of the road and took out his phone calling his brother..

Age: Yeah?

Teto: Send me Botho's
screenshot

Age: Why?

Teto: Just do it

Age : (sighed) I'm working late
kana!

Teto: Just send the damn thing,
it won't take a sec

He hung up and leaned back as
Botho looked at him curiously,

he received a message and clicked on it then he gave her his phone. She read the message then her mouth dropped as she put her hand over it..

Botho: Oh my God, that woman must have done it... She sprayed me with pepper spray, ke letse ke lwala, that's why I have these patches, ke pepper spray just that I covered it with

makeup.. Oh my God, this is why he said I've changed..

Teto : This sounds exactly like something Akeelah would say, and I can't believe she sprayed you and you let it go. That's unacceptable, this woman is getting out of control and she has to pay for it.

Botho: I'm fine so there is no use

Teto: The next time she comes near you I want to hear about

it, Age never talks about anything that bothers him so if you don't interrogate him he won't let you in. Tell him what happened because I don't think he knows anything about this

Botho : But why would she say something like this if she loves him?

Teto: He dumped her, she is bitter

Botho : Where is he? I need to go apologise.. (put both hands

over her mouth in shock and spoke softly) oh my God, I can't believe this.. Where is he?

Teto : He is still at the office

Botho: Drop me there please, turn around.. But Age should know I'd never use this against him, oh God! Akeelah o bua bosula jang lona..

Teto: Please talk to Age, he loves you.. Mistakes happen, Age doesn't love Akeelah and what they had can't even be

called a relationship because she is bossy. Give him a chance to correct himself....

Botho: I'm still angry with him but I want to make sure he is fine, I don't want to imagine how he slept last night thinking I said this to him... He probably didn't sleep.

Minutes later he stopped in the parking lot then she stepped

out and closed the door pacing towards the building.

Botho : Bye... You can go...

He sat in the car thoughtfully looking at her, she spoke very softly and the way she wanted to make sure his brother was OK was just beautiful....and amazing. He turned the steering wheel and drove off dialing his brother..

Age : Yeah?

Teto : I'm going to meet that lady from the real estate company ka ntu

Age: Ok, when will you talk to Botho?

Teto: (smiled but kept a serious voice) I tried man but she said its over. Waa gana tota.

Age : Seriously?

Teto: Yeah, I think you should get over her. There is no love there

Age: Thanks for trying.

Teto: Sure

He smiled and hung up laughing...

At the office...

Meanwhile Age slowly hung up the phone and leaned back on his chair as his heart shuttered, he thought she'd understand Teto but this came as a blow, there was a knock on the door then Botho walked in..

He leaped up surprised as Botho walked by the desk and hugged him, still confused he put his hands around her waist and hugged her back..

Botho: Your brother showed me the message sent from my phone, I swear from here ke tsenya password on my phone..

She took out her phone and showed him..

Botho: I didn't know anything.. There is nothing on my side, I just saw it now Teto a

mpontsha! I didn't write that message... Akeelah did.

She put her arms around his neck hugging him, still confused he looked in her eyes, she stretched up and planted a kiss on his sexy parted lips confusing him even more..

Age: So you forgave me or?
Teto said you said it's over

Botho: (smiled) He just dropped me off

Age: (laughed) Mxm, I'm going to cut his balls, kana he said you dumped me ibile waa gana I should give up. Pelo yame ke ga e rotha madi, Teto o tile go swaba... Come here!

He sighed and pulled her closer as he closed his eyes and kissed her forehead then he leaned back looking at her. He

thoughtfully looked at the door and loosened up his tie as he walked to the door and locked then he leaned over and kissed her as she slowly sat her butt on the desk, he swept his things aside and held her waist pushing her then he kissed her sneaking his hand underneath her blouse...

At Teto's House...

After spending the whole afternoon going from furniture shop to furniture shop Teto unlocked the house holding a small plastic bag and walked across the empty living room to the furnished kitchen where he put his drinks in the fridge...

He looked at it again and curved his lips without a complaint, for a fridge that came with the house it wasn't

bad. He looked at the kitchen once more and almost pictured his wife standing by the counter chopping vegetables, his son running in the kitchen and him quickly picking him up before he could disturb mommy from making dinner. Wouldn't it be great? It seemed finding his mother would be difficult than he thought and maybe he needed to try moving on..

He headed to his bedroom and stood by the door looking inside trying to picture where he would put the bed, he needed a bed with poles... Hopefully the contact he got would do it perfectly, sex wasn't just about cumming to him, it was more than that, it was sexual healing..

Talking about sex, what could Tsame be up to with his pussy? You can't trust this gender especially when they look innocent. Gontle's face would fool you but Tsame wasn't going to, actually he'd never fall for a womans lie, he looked at his wrist watch and walked out...

At Tsame's House...

On the same evening Tsame applied vaseline on her daughters nose and fixed her beanie..

Her: Mama Empire ya hela

Tsame: (laughed) You don't even watch it, you just want to play with Debbie

Her: (laughed) Let's go...

Tsame picked her up and locked the door then she use the small gate to the her neighbour's house.

She knocked and put her daughter down as her neighbours daughter opened the door, she and her daughter ran inside the house laughing and giggling as Tsame took off her shoes and joined her neighbour on the couch.

Her: I was about to call you...
Today gaa happena kana (they
both laughed loudly) I have
been waiting all day ke emetse
Kukie

Tsame : Nna mma this woman
inspires me (laughed) But when
it comes to fighting her man ae
no man, koore Kukie o na le
liver a utwa! She is goals

They chatted loudly as the episode started then they folded their feet on the couch and watched while their children played in the other room.

At Tsame's House...

Meanwhile Teto parked the car in front of the house and stepped out, he reached in the car and took out a plastic full of

the baby's school snacks then he knocked on the door several times but there was no response.

He walked to the window and looked through her light curtains and there was no one in, he walked back to the car and put down the plastic then he dialed her..

Tsame: Hello?

Teto : O kae?

Tsame : I'm home, why?

His heart pounded as he took a deep breath and rubbed his beard...

Teto : Tsame?

Tsame: Mmh?

Teto: Ska thola o nkaraba ore mmh, where are you? I'm not going to ask you again

Tsame : I'm home, kante ne rra
ke eng ne wena?

Teto: I still have our agreement,
do you remember that? I'm at
the door, can you open the
door? Because I can't see you,
open the door akere ware omo
lapeng? Mpulele!

Tsame: Oh, I'm at the
neighbours-

Teto : Which neighbours? I'm
coming there!

Tsame : Ke eta, ko ntung e
white ya castle ko left-

Teto: Ngwana o kae? So o isitse
ngwana to your cousin gore o
tsamae masigo?

Tsame: I'm with her-

He hung up and sighed leaning
against the car, within a few
minutes Tsame walked in
through the small gate.

She walked over to him still carrying the baby then he opened the back door..

Teto : (ordered) Put her inside..

She put the baby inside then Teto reached in the plastic taking a small children's drink and pushed the straw inside before gently handing it over to the baby..

Teto : (smiled) Here

Her: Thank you

Teto : You're welcome

He leaned out and closed the door then he turned to Tsame and grabbed her arm as they walked behind the car.

Teto : I thought we had an agreement!

Tsame : I went to watch
Empire.. You're holding my arm
too tight

Teto : Why can't you watch it
here? Why are you lying?

Tsame : I don't have a decoder,
I only have free to air

Teto : And yet you still said you
want chocolates, honestly

Tsame why are you doing this?
Is it so difficult to be faithful?

Koore lona gale bate motho
yoo soft akere? It makes me

look like a fool, I told you kele
reasonable gore you can't be
with anyone else but me...

Tsame : I am not cheating, ke
neigh-

Teto: Should we drop this
whole thing? Because I don't
believe you we went to the
neighbours to watch TV! It
doesn't make sense and if it
doesn't make sense it's not
true. Don't lie to me... O tswa
kae bosigo?

Tsame : Can you stop accusing me, in my world it happens. I don't have the decoder and she has it so we watch together...

Tears filled her eyes then she leaned down rubbing her eye with the tshirt..

Tsame : Nna gake bate motho yoo mpateletsang selo kesa se dira...gake rate go pateletswa {
I don't like being accused of

something I didn't do, I don't know what to tell you}

She rubbed her other eye and then both eyes as she sniffled trying to control her tears while he stood by looking at her then he put his arm behind her waist and pulled her over for a hug..

Teto: (softly) I'm sorry...are you seriously crying? I wasn't even angry...

He leaned back looking at her guilt stricken and rubbed both her eyes with his thumbs then he kissed her lips holding her head both sides then her forehead and hugged her again.

Teto: I'm sorry...

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At Tsame's house...

Leaning against the car and still hugging her, Teto slowly let his arms slide down her arms and held her hands looking in her

eyes. For some reason he now knew she was telling the truth, but then how do you cry because you're being accused of something? He looked in her eyes and smiled then he laughed embarrassing her as she turned away, rubbing her eyes with the sleeves of her sweater..

Teto: O setete (u are a cry baby)

Tsame: I'm not...

Teto: Ole boi jaana wago
ntshabela kae nako e o taabo o
ithaa ore o bothale oka chita? (
I wonder how u will handle my
anger the day u get tempted to
cheat)

Tsame: Why do you think
negatively all the time? If you
do that you'll never be happy
and no one around you will be
happy. There will always be this
conflict between you and the

people around you. No one wants to be accused of things they're not thinking about doing, ga go monate go pateletswa dilonyana.. (It's not nice to be accused of such)

He listened looking in her eyes still holding her hands. Seeing how he listened, she gained more confidence and relaxed.

Tsame: I think you should learn to trust yourself, know that you're capable of being loved... If the women in your life never loved you enough it doesn't mean it will always be like that. One woman will love you and want to be with you all the time, but for her to enjoy your company it has to be a good one. No one gets excited for getting a call knowing they will be accused, but if you know

you'll smile and feel all kinds of things you get reddish from just seeing the call..

She spoke while he gently squeezed her hands, then he ran his hand on her cheek and shut her with a soft kiss.

Teto: I understand... I'll work on it.. (sighed and pinched her chin) Otherwise?

Tsame: (smiled) Not much...

Teto: I bought mopako, you were talking about school fees hela but I thought she might need that. It's not much, a 6 pack of yoghurt, drinks, polony le di snacks.

Tsame: Ware not much, that's a week's worth of mopako..

Thank you, rich people gatwe dilo tse dintsi jalo is nothing much! (U rich people think this is not much)

Teto: (laughed) At what time do you go to work?

Tsame: 8am, why?

Teto: I just wanted to know...

(looked at his watch) I have to go...

He got away from the car still holding her waist as they both leaned over and kissed..

Tsame: Thanks for the surprise visit, I love surprises. I wish I were home

Teto: Don't worry about it...

He kissed her again and opened the door, both of them froze looking at Aisha surrounded by all six yoghurts each half empty. The six drinks had straws inside and were half full..

Tsame: Heeeh!

Teto: (laughed) Wow, did she peel them all open?

He laughed stepping back as Tsame leaned inside shaking all the half full drinks..

Tsame: She didn't even finish them one a tsenya hela!
(slightly slapped her arm) Why did you open all of them? How

are they going into the lunch box if they're open.. Aisha o rileng ne batho!

She burst into tears with yoghurt all over her mouth and hands. Teto opened the door on the other side laughing and picked her up..

Teto: Ska mmetsa the mma ao... (don't beat her please)

Tsame: Batho wee.... Kana o phuntse gothe hela! (She opened everything) What is wrong with this girl?

Teto: (laughed) Maybe she wanted to taste all the flavours.

Tsame: What flavors? She doesn't know anything about flavours.. Mxm! Aisha wa tena kana ha o mmona ale ha.. (Aisha can be annoying)

She picked everything up and walked towards the house then she came back with a kitchen cloth and wiped the car seats..

Tsame: She messed the seats....
I'm sorry.

Teto: It's ok....

She obsessively rubbed the seat with a cloth then he pulled her

back as she turned looking at him...

Teto: It's ok, leave it... The car wash will take care of it, that cloth won't clean it... I don't know much about children but I know they mess up. I used to mess up a lot... Relax.

Tsame: (sighed) Ok...

She noticed Aisha's yoghurt hand on his chest and quickly wiped her hand then she walked behind him and wiped her hand on his back and his tshirt then her mouth..

Teto: (smiled looking at the baby) It must be nice having a kid akere?

Tsame: (laughed) Yes, she is like my best friend... When I'm with her I'm complete. Go na le

satisfaction e nngwe jaana e
tisiwang ke ngwana hela...(
there is a certain kind of
satisfaction u get from a baby)
It's unexplainable. I feel
important and happy,
sometimes just playing with her
while she laughs loudly just
makes me laugh.

Teto: (touched her cheek) Does
she talk a lot?

Tsame: Yes, just that she is not used to you but she talks more than a lot of 2 year olds...

He smiled and tossed her up catching her as she laughed, then he handed her back to Tsame who put her on her side of the waist. Teto leaned over to kiss Tsame on the lips..

Teto : (kissing her) A kiss for
mommy and a kiss for the
baby..

As he turned to Aisha she pout
her lips but Teto kissed her on
the forehead instead..

Teto: (kissed them again)
Mommy on the lips and baby
on the forehead...

He leaned back and looked at Tsame suspiciously..

Teto: So you kiss her on the lips?

Tsame : (embarrassed) No.

Teto: (laughed) Wa fosa, she wouldn't have pouted... I'm not a father but I know kids don't get kissed on the lips, o taa tsenya ngwana di STD waaitse gore o tsamaa o suna difebe mo! (u will give her STDs u

know u go around kissing
adulterous people)

Tsame: True, difebe tse di
saenang di konteraka le
banyana! (true, adulterers who
go around signing sex contracts
with gals)

Teto: (laughed) Wow! OK.....

Tsame : (laughed) I had to get
back at you for accusing me
earlier.

Teto: (laughed) Good night...
Get in the house ke tsamae..

She walked towards the house
then Aisha turned waving at
him with a little smile..

Aisha: Bye bye... Bye bye... Bye
bye

Teto: Bye bye

Tsame walked into the house
while she still waved and

shouted goodbye until Teto
drove off...

She put Aisha down and walked
to the kitchen unit where she
held her waist in disbelief, this
little girl had just opened all the
yoghurts and drinks like she is a
rich child! Well, the next day
she was going with polony and
chips only, serves her right..

Her neighbour rang and she answered...

Tsame: Hello?

Her: Hey, are you good? Ke bonye koloi e tswa.

Tsame: We are good.. (laughed)

Mma kana Aisha abe ele gone guy e mmechetsang ka di yoghurt, while we were talking the girl opened all of them koore gake akanya gore I didn't even have money for mopako.

Her: (laughed) But you said you refused money, this guy spent years abroad and he acts like white people, take advantage of that.

Tsame: Not everything is about money, (laughed) Basadi re taa bolawa ke madi... I don't want to take his money because as long as he hasn't paid me I can change my mind, I don't want to sell my freedom for what I'm not sure of. I want to know him

first because as long as he doesn't have anything to hold against me I can change my mind, but if I take his money and broke as I am I will use it, but then I will never ever be able to change my mind until I've fully paid him. He listed scary things, imagine having to do them because I spent his money, no!

Her : (thoughtfully) Eh, you're wise, if it were me I would have

taken his money ibile nkabe ke rekile ka one.

Tsame: As long as I haven't taken his money he has nothing to hold against me.

Her: But I don't understand, if it's just a sex agreement why does he follow you around? He is acting like he is a boyfriend now.

Tsame: He will be fine, I can see right through him.

Her: Hae, shap mma. I wanted to check if you're OK because you left in a hurry guy e jampile.

Tsame: (laughed) Alright bye.

She hung up and fixed her bed before they both slept....

At Botho's house...

On the same night the couple walked into the house. Botho put down her handbag and Age locked the door and walked in..

Botho: I'm not cooking today, I'm exhausted.

Age: I thought we ate, does that mean you're hungry?

Botho : (laughed) Just thought you might say you're hungry...

She walked into the bedroom and stood by the wardrobe unbuttoning her blouse looking at herself on the mirror. Her hair was a little messed up from that office encounter, she fixed it. Age stood behind her and hugged her with his chin on her neck as they both looked at themselves on the mirror..

Age: I want a baby...

Botho: It's too soon, let's see how far the Akeelah thing will go on, once everything has settled down we can try for a baby..

Age: What do you mean? You're saying it like our happiness is dictated by Akeelah, why should we make decisions based on how she reacts?

Botho: Because you brought her into our lives and we have

to deal with it. I don't want to be sprayed with pepper when I'm pregnant kana ke thulwa ka koloji, that girl is dangerous.

Age: So when will we have a baby?

Botho: I'm not sure, we have to watch how the situation unfolds.

Age: Akeelah will never come near you again, that I promise you..

Botho : It's still too soon.

Age: When is your next appointment for the contraceptives?

Botho: Next month, why?

Age: Just stop taking the pills, please... You know it will take a little while before they can be out of your system... I want a baby, please!

Botho: I won't go to refill.

Age: Sweet, let me get your card and the pills because we won't need them..

He went back to the living room and came back with her bag..

Age: Give me the pills..

Botho: Akere ke lesa next month. (I thought I'm stopping next month)

Age: You won't get pregnant right away so if we want to do this you must stop now...

Botho: (laughed) Ok.

She reached in her handbag and gave him the two set of pills, then she followed him to the toilet where he popped them into the toilet one by one. He flushed before turning around and kissing her, he yanked her up and walked into the bedroom where he laid her down and kissed her...

At Teto's house....

The next morning Age parked in front of the house banging loud music. He switched off everything and got out of the car with a lot of energy almost dropping his keys. He tapped them up with his shoe and caught them, then he knocked on the door...

Age: (banging on the door)

Teto?! Bula the monna (Open man)

Teto opened the door a bit sleepy and he yawned and rubbed his head in shorts. Age walked in and smacked him on the chest to shake the sleepiness off his head. Teto blocked with both arms and stepped back..

Teto: What do you want? I'm still sleeping..

Age: You're dropping me off at work so you can use the car.

Teto: How did it go with Botho?

Age remembered that he had said it's over, then he turned back folding his fist. Teto laughed and staggered to the back of the house blocking..

Teto: (laughed) Age mr ska
mpetsa go phakela ke a sitwa
the rra.. (don't beat me it's too
early in the morning and I'm
cold)

Age put his arm around his
neck putting him on headlock
as Teto struggled to pull him
out...

Teto : (laughed) The rra!

Age: You almost gave me a heart attack.

He released him and Teto smiled looking at him..

Teto: So?

Age shook his head trying to contain his happiness then he looked at him with a smile..

Age: She walked in and put her arms around me then she kissed me. I was confused kere what tha! And the makeup sex was the it! I'm taken, she took me, she has me by the palm...

Teto: I'm happy for you.

Age: And we are trying for a baby, we got rid of the pills.. I can't picture what my baby would look like, le feeling hela ya go nna a father I wonder how it feels like..

Teto laughed looking at him,
this rarely happened with Age...
Him expressing himself like that
smiling from ear to ear, yeah
the brother was in, she got him
good! Wouldn't it be nice to
share what he felt too..

Teto: I'm happy for you.... I
have to tell you something.

Age: What?

Teto: Tsame..

Age looked in his eyes and there it was, he saw it in his eyes he didn't even have to ask. This stole Age's smile as he looked at him with a long face..

Age: You can't...

Teto looked down and away as his brother stared at him..

Age: I've been there, remember what happened in the car! The way I talked to her, the things we did to her, how will you live with it..

Teto: I think I love her because I don't want to lose her. I want to be with her and I'm fine with what happened agona gore ke taa reng, it happened and I understand why she did it, she had to feed her baby.

According to me it's better than throwing away her child. Tsame is smart and she is mature... It hurts me that you've been there, but I can't change it..

He looked at him and swallowed a big lump.

Age: Do you seriously think you can make it work with a girl we both slept with? Both kissed

and undressed, are you sick?
What is wrong with you?

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Teto's eyes got reddish as he
looked at him..

Teto : (angrily) What do you
want me to do? There is
nothing I can do because I love
her already, wena neo hevela
eng le ene because you brought
her for me in the first place!
You got me into this and now

you want me to just forget about her?

Age: You can't be with a woman we both slept with, maybe if it happened at different times individually maybe but you saw me sleeping with her, we touched her body, we did all kinds of things. I know her in a weird way, how the hell do we interact going forth? Tell me!

Teto : She did something out of character because she was desperate, we have all done things we are not proud of once in our lives.

Age: (angrily) You don't get it! It's not about her! She might be good but what we did with her can't just be swept off the carpet, I know what I'm talking about.. You're still confused by your feelings and you don't understand, it will never work!

Trust me I'm your big brother and I wouldn't say this if it wasn't true, you will never trust this girl even if she is faithful. It will never work. You have to find another girlfriend.

Teto: I don't want anyone else, why can't you just support me and see where it ends?

Age: Because you're going to get hurt Tee, it's gonna hurt. The more time you spend with her the more you will love her

and you know what? What happened in the car is going to slowly eat you up... You know this that's why we cut all communication with all the girls we did this with. You can't love her...

Teto: Her daughter's name is Aisha and-

Age: You need to stop, stop... You're embarrassing yourself. Don't say I didn't warn you... Waa itse akere gore I always

warn you then wa nnyatsa o
dira jaaka o bata, don't come to
me with tears concerning her
because I'm telling you to let go
but waa gana. I slept with her
in your presence, I talked to her
in the most humiliating way-

Teto: Exactly, you did that to
her I didn't do anything
awkward, you're the one who
mistreated her with your sex
not me..

Age: And you're fine with a woman who had no problem getting in the car with two strangers and had sex with them?

Teto: She did it to feed her child and I'm not going to judge her based on actions influenced by her needs.. Stop judging her! We have sex with the same woman don't you think that makes us weird too? She is not

perfect but I love her and we will be fine.

Teto: Really? Are you sure?

Look at me and tell me you don't care that I slept with her.

If you tell me that it doesn't bother you one bit that I fucked her vagina and ass, slapped and rough handled her, think back...

If everything that went down in that car doesn't bother you then fine, you'll have my blessing and I'll trust your

judgement... Look at me and tell me you're fine with what happened in the car...

Teto looked at him as his eyes welled up then he huffed as a quick tear ran down his cheek. Age shouldn't have touched her..... He rubbed it then Age hugged him..

Age: That's why you have to stop this, realistically you can't.

Teto stepped back and rubbed his eyes as Age looked at him..

Age: Find a normal girlfriend and move on. Apara re tsamae, I'm late...

Teto walked into the bathroom and washed his face then he got dressed and they left..

At Age's workplace...

Minutes later Age stepped out then Teto got in the driver's seat and rolled down the window.

Age: O shap akere? (Are u okay)

Teto: Yeah, I'm good. Later!

Age: Sure.

He turned the steering wheel and drove off as Tsame tried calling. He looked at her number and picked..

Teto: Hello?

Tsame : Can I pass by your house? There is something I want to tell you.

Teto: Tell me now.

Tsame: I'll tell you when I get there.

Teto: I can't wait that long, o pregnant kana you don't want to be with me?

Tsame: Neither, why do you like being negative?

Teto : Go shap ee.. Don't get lost.

Tsame : I won't, I told the taxi driver you'll pay so wait at the gate.

Teto : Ok

He hung up and drove off..

At Teto's house...

Teto parked the car and took the coins then he walked to the gate and waited there. He stared at the dumpster by the road as the truck connected it and drove off with it. He wasn't even sure how that made him feel but dumpsters always

made him feel somehow, they had a way of spoiling his day..

The taxi approached and he took a deep breath shaking it off. The taxi stopped and he leaned over paying while Tsame got out and closed the door.

Teto : Thanks.

Taxi driver : Sure!

He drove off then they walked into the yard. Teto put his hands in the pockets and walked alongside her, she tangled her arm on his arm and looked up at him..

Tsame: Are you OK?

Teto : Yeah, I didn't get enough sleep but I'm good.. What do you want to talk about?

Tsame : Why are you anxious?

Teto: I just want to know..

They walked into the house
then he closed the door as she
put her handbag down and
looked at him...

Tsame: About our agreement, I
had the whole night to digest
it....I don't think it's a fair deal
especially because it says I

shouldn't be with other people but you can be. If I'm not good enough to be your girlfriend then I don't want to be your sex partner because I will end up getting hurt. I'm never going to have sex in exchange for anything, from now on the only man I'll sleep with is a man that I love and a man who loves me. God blessed me with a job, gase madi a sepe mme nkase rekiwe ke na le tiro. I'm pulling

out of the agreement, the only way we can continue to see each other is if I'm your girlfriend. You didn't pay me anything so it shouldn't be difficult, that's all.

Teto looked in her eyes without a word..

Tsame: I guess that's the end of our story. Thanks for the time we spent together.

She walked to the door and reached for the lock then Teto put his hand on the door above her. She looked up at his hand and turned around looking at him as he looked in her eyes.

Teto: Wait...

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One Night Only

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At Teto's house...

Teto: There is something I want
us to talk about..

Tsame: Ok..

He looked around so they could sit but his living room was still empty..

Teto : Let's go sit on the mattress... The furniture shop is supposed to deliver my things today..

Tsame: Ok..

She folded her arms and followed him to the bedroom

where he had an inflatable mattress with a few blankets and towel. He fixed the “bed” then she sat down. He sat next to her and picked her feet putting them on his lap...

Teto: I was talking to Age this morning about us, I told him I love you.

Tsame : Were you serious?

Teto: I never lie to my brother, anyways he asked me an

interesting question.. He asked me if I'm really sure I want to be with you despite how we met. It frustrates me that I don't know what's going to happen, a part of me is a bit scared of the unknown but I'm curious to know what you think. Would you handle being around my brother without making things awkward? How would we handle this whole situation as a couple?

Tsame: Well...

The boy said couple, he said it...
She tried to keep a straight face
but she blushed and eventually
laughed lying her head on his
shoulder then he laughed
holding her. He wasn't even
sure what she was blushing
about but her laughter was
contagious and she made him
laugh...

Tsame: (stopped laughing and smiled looking at him) Well, that was a funny way of telling me you love me, why can't you just face me and tell me you love me? Are you embarrassed?

She laughed making him laugh as he looked away and back to her again..

Teto: Akere mme waa bona
gore ke bata eng? (But u do see
what I want, right?)

Tsame : I don't, I can't guess
gape you gave me a contract so
how will I know if you love me
or not?

He looked in her eyes blushing
and licked his lower lip..

Teto: I love you..

Tsame: Did you die?

Teto : (laughed) You enjoy tormenting me don't you?

Tsame: (laughed) Yes...

Anyways I know things will always be awkward for you and your brother concerning me but for me? I don't think so, I'm not attracted to Age, I'm attracted to you. Even then I enjoyed what you did to me and when he was doing what he was doing I was just looking

at you, that's why I didn't make any sound with him because there was no connection. With you I was scared at first but the more you kissed me and the more things unfolded I liked you... You were more of a gentleman and Age was just getting value for his money. To me that incident never happened. If there comes a time when he has to be my brother I would be his sister

without a doubt. You don't have to worry about me concerning him because even if he wants me I'd tell you... I want a family just as much as you do.

Teto: Wow, ok, this turned out easier than I thought.

Tsame: Communication

Teto: Yeah, so... There is one more thing I need to know don't you think?

From his tone she knew what he was talking about..

Tsame: Aisha?

Teto: Yeah, how does she fit into all these, who is her father?

Tsame: It was just a guy I used to go to school with, he is late now but he had denied the pregnancy the minute I told

him. He said it wasn't his and he didn't want a baby, he gave me money for abortion but I bought the baby's cloths instead and never contacted him again. Apparently he had a car accident, how do you feel about her in this situation?

Teto: Uh, I don't have a problem with her, I don't know how to be a good father but I can try. I wouldn't mind taking her in in fact one of my dreams

is adopting a child from an orphanage, this is something I always wished for. Age and I wanted to be adopted by a good family but Batswana don't believe in adopting, even if a woman can for for 20 years without a child she can't get a new born baby who is an orphan and have a family. Only white people adopt 2 to 3 children and become a complete family. Mo Africa

their marriages break and they die lonely just because they don't want to walk into an orphanage and give one child a good life. What do you think about it?

Tsame looked in his eyes just loving him emotionally, you know it must have been painful growing up lonely but he actually didn't turn out bad and she couldn't even find the right

words but she felt exactly the same way. Saying it now would sound like she is just saying it because he said it but the idea once crossed her mind..

Tsame: We will definitely adopt
Teto: It's easier when you're a married couple with one of the parents having a stable job so I guess in a couple of years we will qualify..

Tsame: It would be nice to adopt a little one who can't even speak so she or he can start calling us mama and papa

Teto: (laughed) Sounds great...

He took off her shoes and squeezed her feet massaging her then he kissed her lips as they laid on the mattress, he reached underneath her dress and hooked his thumb on her panties then he pulled them

out..he touched her warm
smooth pussy and kissed her
then he lifted himself up pulling
out his dick from his shorts...

Tsame: (moaned) Condoms...

Teto: (low voice) This is a new
house, I don't have a condoms

Tsame: Mathata ke gore we
haven't even tested gape I'm
not on contraceptives. Let's
wait..

Teto: But you'd know if you were positive right? I got tested 2 months back and I haven't had unprotected sex in over 5 years..

Tsame: I got tested when I was pregnant with Aisha but I think it's best we get tested together before we have unprotected sex, it would nice because tabe rele free le nna kele on contraceptives until we have known each other enough goka

lesa those kana when we get married. By the way what's your take ka marriage?

Teto: I'd like to get married, it would be nice if I had uncles and what not so it can be a proper wedding but I don't have all that so I don't know what kind of a wedding that would be mme hela gake nyale ke sa ntsha magadi, I feel like it's the it of the married and I can freely argue saying mosadi

yo wame ke mo ntsheditse
magadi... (they laughed) Eish
utwa gore go strong jang, eseng
girlfriend uh hey... I used to
read setswana novels and they
would describe this magadi
negotiations and staff, I get the
picture... I can see it when the
author describes it... Even on
Facebook when I see that
traditional part, I just get blown
away.

Tsame: (smiled) Waitse wena o stlhanyi..

They laughed as he leaned over and kissed her..

Tsame: Mme le nna ke bata go nyalwa, but I don't just want to be married I want a good husband, one I can be proud kesa hithe sepe because he hurts me and I'm just a walking corpse, I don't want that kind

of marriage. I want a nice one where we have fun, enjoy each others company and spend time with our children koore gole monate hela... If we fight because realistically couples fight I want us to resolve our issues together talking and listening to one another. My worst fear is marrying a violent man, I don't want to be beaten ke boi tota if o ka mpetsa Teto

tabe o nkutusitse bothoko and I doubt I'll forgive violence.

Teto: I'm not violent... (they laughed) Gase gore ke a ipoka or anything but we were raised properly, we had guidance gase gore nere ikgodisa. We had good social workers and we were given counselling every now and then, I could break down. Age ke ene hard core, you'll never see him sad or cry, I think he cries alone but yeah...

I talk about my issues but then I'm human, if I'm faced with such a situation I'll be a man and control my anger. One thing I hate is unfaithfulness or disrespect, for me those are what makes a good marriage, as long as I get that I'm a happy man.. I'd kill for a faithful woman who respects and supports me, a woman who is always saying I'm here babe, (they laughed) Koore even if

you're not helping with anything just patting my back and giving me those motivating words I'd move the mountains by myself, I'd sweat to make my family happy and build my children a legacy..

Tsame: (laughed playing with his beard chin) Mmmhh I already know you need respect, ke ha o jampa kere mmh?

Teto: (laughed) Ne o bata go ntena

Tsame: (laughed) Mme kana ke omany Aisha gaa nkaraba are mmh and answer her kere maa, so I was surprised gore ke go arabile jalo, I even felt bad tota because I wasn't raised like that.. (blushing) Sorry a utwe

Teto: (smiled kissing her) Mm, ntse o ntima dio tsame, so when are we getting tested? I waste no time, I hope I'm not going too fast for you, last time I went too slow the guys

knocked the fool up so the next fool is getting all the love with not hesitation. If I die I die!

They laughed as he kissed her caressing her pussy then she looked at the time on her phone..

Tsame: We can go now..

They're not closed...

Teto: Should we go

Tsame: Ng

He got up then she pulled up her panties. His phone rang as he put on his tshirt..

Tsame : Botho is calling

Teto: Picker o bee on the
loudspeaker

She clicked and stretched her arm for him while he got dressed..

Teto: Hello

Age: Yeah, Botho's brother is having promotion dinner party this evening, he personally invited me, are vae rothe the monna.

Teto: Dinner? As in evening wear kind of thing, come with a partner kind of thing?

Age: Yeah but you don't have to worry about it, you can come alone.

Teto: Alright... Time? Venue? Dress code?

Age: I'll forward you invite ya teng and the invitation number.

Teto: Alright bye..

He hung up and turned around looking at her..

Teto: Can your cousin babysit for us this evening?

Tsame: You're taking me? I can't go, is it a good idea?

Teto: I wasn't asking you, the only thing you should think about is what kind of a dress you want, I don't want you looking any less than those women..

He leaned over and kissed her then he walked out leaving her standing there....

At Age's House....

Later that evening Age stood by the mirror cutting his beard with a machine, Botho walked in with a serious face holding his ringing phone and handing it over..

Botho: Your phone is ringing...
I'm going to get dressed..

She walked out then he
switched off the machine and
answered..

Age: Hello?

Akeelah: So you're avoiding
me? The rra gawa nthala,
you're my boyfriend and I don't

care what you say.. By the way when can we meet? I want to give you a surprise...

Age: Akeelah, I really-

Akeelah: Perfect, I'll be there in an hour. See you, you're going to love this surprise I tell you...

Age: Don't come to my house, I'm with my girlfriend.

Akeelah: Mme kana you're not leaving me if anything we will be both yours, tell her that because you're not leaving me.

And I need sex too tonight, I don't know why I easily get horny nowadays... I need you to tie me up again and punish me but be careful this time ok... (softly) Hurt me babe... Whip me, slap me, choke me and tie me up, that's the only way to punish me for this because I've been a bad bad girl, I've hurt you but only because I couldn't imagine life without you and now I'm scared to lose you..

Teach me some manners
daddy, hurt me.

Botho walked in then he hung
up and cleared his throat
before blocking her and
handing her the phone.

Age: Put that over there

Botho: What did she say?

Age : She sounds drunk or out of it, she says it's not over bla bla

Botho: Ok.. No problem.

She got the phone and walked out...

At the mall...

Teto parked the car and sighed leaning back as Tsame looked at him.

Tsame: Congratulations you're HIV negative

Teto: (laughed) I knew I was negative, I never have unprotected maybe you weren't sure ibile you looked scared

Tsame: (laughed) I wasn't, I've never willingly had unprotected

sex. I always felt its for someone close like a serious relationship or marriage koore ke le sure ka story..

Teto: (laughed) Hei mme ya tshosa rra HIV test, (they laughed) Let's go... I want you to see something..

She got out of the car then he grabbed her hand as they walked into a boutique..

Tsame: (lowered her voice) Am I getting a dress?

Teto: Something like that.. But you're wearing what I want tonight.. I want something with a bit of cleavage but also long and elegant...

Tsame : (laughed) Teto..

The shop assistant walked over to them..

Teto: Hi, I'm looking for evening dresses or dinner dresses, something simple and smart... Something that can hold her waist and show her chest but we need a necklace to hide that from preying eyes..

Shop assistant : I have just the dresses for you.. Come this side...

She smiled looking at him and they followed her...

At the hotel...

Later on Age parked the car and stepped out as Botho fixed her hair on the mirror and stepped out closing the door, it was a quiet chilly evening and the moon was up early.

Age held Botho's hand but before they could take the first step Teto pulled over..

Botho: He got this car?

Age: It's a rental, his is coming tomorrow from Gaborone, don't even ask me why he didn't buy a car in Maun kana go ratiwa bokwete gone ha..

They laughed as Teto stepped out of the car, Age's heart skipped as Tsame got out of the passenger seat, it was as if Botho could see what once happened, his throat dried and his smile disappeared. Teto should have warned him, ok there is no need to panic, surely Tsame would never admit this to anybody. He took a deep breath and bumped shoulders with his brother..

Teto : Babe this is my brother
Age and his girlfriend Botho,
guys this is Tsame, she is my
girlfriend..

Botho: (smiled and hugged her)
Nice to meet you

Tsame: Nice to meet you too

Botho: Thank God I have
someone I'll talk to, Age greets
everyone and is known by
everyone, ha o tsamaya le ene

o tsamaya a dumedisa a eme a
ja dikgang pele

Tsame: (laughed) Batho bao ba
tena, o ta ikgothodisa o ema ka
noka kgantele o thoma ka
sejabana o letetse gore le
tsamae..

They laughed as the brothers
looked at one another, Age
looked in his brother's eyes and
he seemed sure, then he gave

him a fist Teto bumped his on
him and they hugged.

Teto : (whispered) That sex
never happened!

Age : (whispered back) What
are you talking about?

They laughed leaning back and
turned to the ladies,

Age: Ladies, let's go..

They turned around and walked towards the entrance where there was music playing, they walked in the well decorated party as people stood by in groups chatting. One of the guys smiled recognising Age and walked over as they bumped shoulders and introduced their partners, the man introduced his wife and Age introduced his girlfriend as

Botho looked down but eventually faked a smile and hid her embarrassment..

Meanwhile Teto looked at Tsame from across the table and sent her a text..

Teto: Can't wait to go home tonight..

Tsame: 🤪 Gao tswa ha o mpee ko lapeng pele rra

Teto: 😂 wa simolla akere

Akeelah walked in and looked around the room then he spotted Teto and walked over to him..

Akeelah : Hey wena, where is your brother?

Teto : Excuse me? Which brother? Thr last time I checked

I was found alone in a
dumpster

Akeelah: Whatever!

She rolled her eyes and turned
around shrinking her eyes as
she searched the room, there
he was!

She walked across and stood
between him and Botho..

Akeelah : Hi, I'm pregnant,
congratulations... You're going
to be a father...we are going to
be parents.. (to Botho) Are you
happy for us?

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At the party...

Botho : Yes, I'm happy for you...

Congratulations

Age: Akeelah what are you doing here, are you stalking me?

Akeelah: The baby wants to be with you..

Botho folded her arms and turned away dumbfounded, Age's heart pounded as looked at Botho, everyone around begun to notice something was going on as they turned around holding their glasses and looked at them.

Meanwhile Teto turned around and noticed something was going on, knowing this was

Botho's brother's party Akeelah would definitely want to cause a drama... He put the drink down and stood up...

Teto : Man! This girl is like tick!
Babe I'm coming ok?

Tsame : Ok...

He walked away as Tsame stood up and watched from a distance..

Age : (lowered his voice) You need to leave, this is not a good time

Akeelah: If you don't come with me I'm screaming and making a mess here, we need to talk...

Age: Akeelah you're being unreasonable, for once act like an adult and stop embarrassing me or yourself.

Akeelah: So you're going to abandon me with a baby and

run off with this... (looked at her from head to toe and back up again) This kind of a woman..

Age : Stop it,

Botho: (sighed) I am going home...

Botho walked over to her brother and whispered in his ear..

Botho: I have to go home

Him: Why? The party hasn't even started

Botho: Age's ex is here again, I don't want to be embarrassed again and it's my drama, if I go they will leave too. I don't want to embarrass you in front of your colleagues.

Him: That's her?

Botho : Yes, bye... And
congratulations, I'm the world's
proudest sister.. Bye

Him: Bye

Botho walked out as Tsame
followed her out..

Tsame: Friend are you OK?

Botho turned around and looked at her with tears in her eyes then she smiled.

Botho: Yeah, I'm fine.

She walked away and Tsame followed her again...

Tsame : Where are you going?
Its dark out there

Botho: I'll call a cab from the reception, thanks though

Tsame: Are you sure?

Botho: Yes, thanks. Please go back in there and try to control your man. He doesn't seem to have the amount of tolerance his brother has, you wouldn't want him in jail for touching the daughter of Maun's richest family....

She turned around and walked away then Tsame walked back to the party where Botho's brother approached the guys at the same time as her..

Him: Age I need you to take your girlfriend and leave..

Age: She is not my girlfriend, you know that..

Him: Take her and go..

Teto: Age let's go

Age: I'm not leaving because of Akeelah.. Where is Botho?

He turned around scanning the whole room but Teto put his arm around his shoulder and forced him out as Akeelah followed them.

Akeelah : Heta reye koo... You can't impregnate me and leave

me. Big mistake, you made me
stop contraceptives and
promised me marriage

Age: I didn't even tell you I'll
marry you, you asked me to
marry you and I said yes
because I didn't know what to
say

Akeelah : Exactly my point, you
agreed to marry me!

Teto stopped walking and turned back to Akeelah who was walking behind them..

Age : You need to leave us alone

Akeelah : I'm not talking to you dumpster boy!

He turned around with a slap and landed it on her cheek, Akeelah bent down putting her

hands over her face and fell on her knees crying.

Age turned around and pushed Teto against the wall holding him by the collars..

Age: (angrily) What are you doing?

Teto: She will never call me that again even in her wildest dreams!

Age: That's not your place to do that

Teto: I didn't hear you scold her for her for it

Tsame's heart pounded as she looked at the doors at the party, there was quite a distance and no one was coming..

Tsame: Guys stop...

Teto: Age let go of me

Age: Don't ever put your hands on a woman

Teto: This thing is not a woman, you should be with Botho, where is she? Why do you always make this dumb decisions when it involves this bitc-

Tsame : Teto stop it! Can't you just keep quiet! Can you please take me home...

The brothers looked at one another then Age let go of him and helped Akeelah up before turning away, Akeelah made a face sticking her tongue out at Teto, Age caught a sight of that and pushed her against the wall..

Age: (angrily) Waa swaba Akeelah, ke tago clapa... O tsaya gore wa bokiwa akere?

She flinched with her arm protecting her face then he grabbed her arm and dragged her towards the parking.

Age: Where is your car?

Akeelah: It got stuck in the sand behind this hotel I left it there and walked over here.

They walked to the parking lot where she leaned against the car and looked at him as he looked at her.

Age: Akeelah why are you doing this to me? Can't you see I don't want to hit you? I just want to part ways with you peacefully, if it's my child I will support it. I won't be with you because you're pregnant, I'm not a white man... I will walk

away from you. Maybe you expect me to act like guys in movies. I know I want a baby but it won't stop me from moving on with my life and if you go at this pace I will leave you and marry Botho then file for my child's custody.

Akeelah: (laughed) So you think you can just get me pregnant and leave? First of all you begged me for a baby and now it's here you're going? You can

have both of us, I don't mind sharing with Botho, she is nice
Age: You need to leave..

He took out his phone and dialed Botho but she didn't pick up. Meanwhile Teto and Tsame walked by, Teto glanced at them and got in the car then he slammed the door and started the car. He looked on the mirrors and reversed but then someone dashed behind the

car and he stepped on the
breaks..

He turned his head and looked,
it was Botho's brother
approaching Age as he folded
his shirt sleeves...

Him: (to Akeelah) I almost
forgot this..

He bit his lower lip and slapped Akeelah on the face, she fell on the pavement with her knees then he pulled her up by the hair and slapped her again..

Him: This is for pepper spraying my little sister asago dira sepe, o taa nyela nnana autwa?

Akeelah put her hands over her face kneeling on the pavement as the brother stood in front of

her slapping on the side, she could barely hear anything as he slapped her on the sides. She blocked the ears then he slapped her on the face.

Teto watched relaxed in the car while Tsame's heart pounded with hands on her mouth. Age stood by sadly watching but for some reason he stepped over and pushed Botho's brother back..

Age: That's enough, you don't beat a woman like that.. Gao kgathe ope and it doesn't make you any better. One more touch from you wago nthaloganya botoka..

Teto turned the steering wheel and left while Age and Botho's brother confronted one another, he so badly wanted to stand by his brother so they

could intimidate that guy but not when it involves protecting Akeelah, he would miss him on that one.

Tsame: Are you leaving?

Teto: Yes...

He drove out the gate.

Meanwhile Botho's brother took a deep breath looking at Age and pointed at him..

Him: You'll never find a woman like my sister, never! Her type doesn't come easily, your loss..

Age: I'm still with Botho..

The brother walked away then Age dialed Botho again while

Akeelah slowly got up from the pavement crying..

At Tsame's House....

Minutes later he parked the car and sighed...

Teto : I'm sorry about tonight,
I'll make it up to you

Tsame: It's ok, go shower and rest. Goodnight

Teto : Goodnight..

She walked in the house and locked the door then he drove off as his phone rang..

Teto: Hello?

Botho: (low voice) Hi, ke Botho

Teto: Hey, are you OK?

Botho: Are you free?

Teto : Yeah – yeah, are you OK?

Botho: Kopa gore ote kwano
{come here}

Teto : Kae? {where?}

Botho: Room 25 mo Riverside
chalets

Teto: Is everything OK? Age o
kae?

Botho: I don't know, are you
coming?

Teto : Yeah, I'm on my way

Botho: Alone?

Teto: Of course,

Botho: Ok..

He hung up and sped off...

At Room 25..

Minutes later he parked by the door and stepped out then he knocked on the door, Botho opened the door in the same clothes she was wearing at the party then she walked back in

and sat on the bed, she put her hands over her face and begun crying while Teto walked in...

He stepped over and pulled her up for a hug, she burst into tears and he rubbed her back hugging her closely...

Teto : Sorry...

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At Room 25

Teto slowly let go of her and his hands brushed against her soft skin. She slowly sat on the bed rubbing her eyes then he

walked to the table and grabbed a chair with both hands. He placed it in front of her and sat down looking at her as she tried to control her tears.

He never really knew how to stop a woman from crying, and this reminded her of the time Precious cried about being touched. He was just a boy and he wasn't sure what to do, but

then Age confronted the man who had tried to molest her. Quiet as he was he stood up for the weak if he had to, which made it hard to understand why he wasn't standing up to Botho the way he knew his brother would.

He waited until she stopped rubbing her eyes then she looked at him holding the wet tissue..

Botho: The reason I called you here is because I need to make a decision, but I need the truth because I don't want to make a mistake I'll regret. Can you be honest with me? Can you promise me that?

Teto: Yes, what is it?

Botho: Does Age really love me? I'm asking this because each time there is a confrontation he makes sure

Akeelah is fine then sees me after. Age never talks about marriage yet he was planning to marry and have a baby with Akeelah. The baby is on the way, I need to make a decision... Does he love me? I know you know your brother and you know what he wants.

Teto : Well, to tell you the truth... I don't understand Age anymore, I'd be lying if I said I know what's going on. I know

he was planning to marry her but then Akeelah is very dominant. She was demanding it and he gave in, I heard him saying to her "I never asked you to marry me". She said she asked him and he said yes so tota gake itse (I really don't know)... As for the baby, nna personally goka nna thata gore ere ke imisitse motho abe ke togela relationship hela because I believe a child is a

commitment (for me personally it would be difficult to leave a relationship after impregnating someone). Why should you impregnate a woman you're not planning to be with for the rest of your life? If I'm to get someone pregnant I will try my very best to make it work because gape ngwana gase phoso (a child is not a mistake). There is no such thing as a mistake because making a baby

involves having sex, there is plenty of time to think about your actions. Nna ha o bona ke imisa ke a be ke itse gore that woman is my final destination and it is likely to happen right after I've married her. (If u see me impregnating it means I know that woman is my final destination). I will only leave after exploring all the options to solve our problems because I think a lot of men abuse their

right to walk away, and that's why we have a lot of single mothers, others who end up throwing away babies. We don't take responsibility, we just have sex then say a child is not a commitment. That's why I don't just have unprotected sex with anyone. I'm very careful leha reka ratana jang never ke relaxer enough to impregnate someone. As for Age he has always said a child is not a

commitment. He was referring to situations we were seeing around us so I guess you don't have to worry about Akeelah breaking you two apart. Age doesn't believe a child can make him stick around. I think it could have been better talking to him so both of you can try solving this, you need to talk about how you're going to support the baby and all that because one thing for sure he

won't ask her to abort, that's the Age I know but then Age never talks, I'm speculating.

The baby is coming and he will be a part of his/her life, he wants a baby so bad so if you want this to work, support him on this one.

Botho: Support Akeelah?

Teto: Support Age so he can support his baby with Akeelah.

Botho stared at him as tears filled her eyes..

Botho: I don't want to be a step mother in a situation like this, it's better I find a man that already has a child not a imiwa kele teng.(not one who came about when I was there)

Teto: Can you promise me you'll talk to Age? He loves you, and I know it's hard to believe

it now, but he does. He is just not the kind to be rough to women and Akeelah is taking advantage of that.. You have to be a little bit strong and support him.

Botho: What about me? He practically cheated on me, I didn't know he had her so I have to leave. Akeelah is violent, and we will never have peace. She is one of those baby mamas who are always creating

issues, and it's the other woman who always gets hurt. She will make sure she uses the baby to hurt me. I think I should take my love away and go find a man who will share the same sentiments as me. Honestly I want a serious relationship that will go somewhere, I'm not getting any younger and I want to feel loved eseng competition. I want a man who will fight for

our relationship. I'm not looking for perfection I just want a man who wants what I want, unfortunately Age comes with Akeelah. I can't...

Teto: I understand, and you're not wrong to want what you want but please make Age understand this maybe he will make a better decision.

Botho: (sighed) Ok...

There was an awkward moment of silence while they both sat there. Teto got up and sighed putting his hands in the back pocket, Botho got up and hugged him.

Botho: Thank you for talking to me, I feel much better.

Teto slowly slid his hands out of the pockets and put them around her waist, the warm air

from her nose on his neck got his heart beat raising. Her flat tummy was right on his dick and his eyes fell on her round african figure. Guilt struck him like a lightning, this was his big brother's woman and he had specifically told him not to do this. He let her go and stepped back trying to find his voice but it was somehow blocked. He cleared his throat with his fist over his mouth..

Teto: I have to go..

Botho: Are you OK?

Teto : (walking backwards)

Yeah, good night.

He turned around and walked out as Botho looked at the door. She sighed and sat on the bed then she laid down thoughtfully.

At Age's house....

Meanwhile Age walked out of the bathroom with a wet washing rug and threw it on Akeelah's lap.

Age: Wipe that blood..

She wiped her nose and he sat on the other sofa looking at her..

Age: Wa bona gore molomo wa gago ogo wetsa matsadi? (Can u see that your hot mouth is giving u all this pain)

She looked at him then continued wiping her nose..

Age: If you were me and you have someone like you, what

would you do? Maybe I'm being unreasonable.

Akeelah: I wouldn't have cheated in the first place so we wouldn't be here, but if I got disrespected I'd be hurt. If someone used my past against me I'd be hurt... What I did was wrong but I was in pain and I wanted to hurt you the best way I knew how. I'm sorry.

Age put his hands over his face and sighed relaxing his shoulders..

Age: I don't know how to deal with you anymore... It's like you enjoy hurting me and humiliating me.

Akeelah: I don't like being cheated Age, every bad word I said to you in the past was a result of you having sex with someone. Have I ever

disrespected you osa cheater?
Tell me if I've ever talked to you
like that except when you had
cheated. Age you're the only
thing going right in my life, I've
failed in everything and all I
want is a family with you... We
both want this...

Akeelah stood up and walked
over to him then she sat on his
lap and took his hands off his

face. She looked in his eyes as tears filled hers...

Akeelah: I've caught you cheating so many times. I've seen you sleeping with my friends, my sister and my mother....

A tear ran down her cheek and she rubbed it..

Akeelah: I forgave you and never told anyone not even my father... The man who loves you and respects you... I didn't tell him.. I can't take anymore pain from you but the problem is that I love you Age... Why can't you be faithful? I know everything that is happening in your life. I see what happens in your office and in your car... That woman Teto was with, both of you had sex with her in

your car. Why can't you be faithful Age? Is it a childhood trauma or what? I've submitted my body to you, I let you do all kinds of things to me but still gago enough... Don't you think you need help? Why would two men have sex with one woman and then act like nothing happened? Why? I'm sorry that I talk you in a disrespectful manner and I'm sorry for hitting you, but my mistakes

are not bigger than yours just because you're a man. You've destroyed me... (she wiped her mucus) I've been through hell with you that's why I didn't want to have a child with you because I felt like you're not ready to commit to me and me alone... What you did with my mother haunts me, I can't get over it and I will never trust any woman because my own mother betrayed me and now

my own father doesn't like me because he doesn't know the pain I'm carrying in my heart. I'm protecting him and you by keeping this but I'm hurt... The reason I don't like Teto is because he can't even reprimand you le tshwana hela (u guys act the same way)

Age: He doesn't know anything.

Akeelah: I've seen both of you having sex in the car, I have that video. The only reason I

didn't post it is because of the woman you were with. I don't know her reasons for doing that but I didn't want to destroy her.

Age: So you're stalking me, seeing what you shouldn't be seeing?

Akeelah : The point is there is no way he doesn't know you've slept with everyone around me, you're too close...

Age: He doesn't know that, and honestly Akeelah if I'm so bad why can't you just leave me?

Akeelah looked in his eyes and smiled as tears rolled down..

Akeelah: You don't get it, that's OK... You're thinking about Botho that's why o bua le nna jalo.... (that's why you are talking to me like that)

Age: It doesn't matter what I did, gaona maitseo Akeelah (u don't have manners) and that's why I'm leaving you for Botho.

Akeelah: And I'm moving in your house because I don't have a job and my family doesn't like me. I need you to help me with the baby because I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for you.

Age: Gakea ikgolega go tshola ngwana le wena, sia mogo nna

(I didn't put a rope around my neck by having a child with u, get off from me). You should thought about that before you talked to me the way you did. What you did at the party was not necessary and you have to respect Botho.

He pushed her aside and stood up as Akeelah sat on the couch looking at him.

Akeelah: So ke reng? (What should I do) Because I need your help, can you believe mama was with papa ke omanngwa gotwe I'm abusing you, my own mother?

Age: You need to get over it, it was years ago. Get over it!

She picked her collar and wiped her eyes..

Akeelah: Age I love you... Can we please try and fix this, ke a go kopa (I'm begging u). I'm sorry for everything I said to you, I'm sorry for harassing Botho and your brother. I'll just stop and stay home with the baby. I'm really scared because I know nothing about children and I don't have a support system, you're the only person who can help me... I think I'm too toxic for people, I'm bitter

and no one can help me but I need support.

Age: I want us to abort.

Akeelah: I can't do that, I need this baby. It will be the only thing I have. I'm not a teenager mo nka dirang abortion and how can you say that when you have been asking for a baby for years? I'm not aborting my baby if anything I'd be a single mother Botho ago tseye if

that's what it takes, we love each other... You made a mistake cheating with Botho and I overreacted, I'm sorry. Let's just forget her and move on, I promise I'll never mention your mistakes, bo mama or anyone you cheated with, I'll get over it. I will never mention your child no matter how much you hurt me, I will deal with my pain maturely.

Age: I need time to think about it..

There was a knock on the door then he walked over and opened the door, Botho walked in and stopped looking at Akeelah..

Age: Come in, we need to talk...

Botho: I didn't know she is here, we will talk tomorr-

Age: Sit down!

He closed the door, Botho sat on the other sofa then Age sat on the other looking at both of them...

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At Age's house...

Age: Akeelah this is Botho, I've been seeing her for a year now and she didn't know anything about you. Botho this is Akeelah, I've been with her for 7 years but I've ended our relationship. We are too toxic for one another and I think it's time we both find what makes

us happy, (looking at Akeelah)
for me it's Botho. I know and
understand that you're
pregnant, I will support my
child and he/she won't need
anything. Leaving you doesn't
mean I don't love my child, I'm
just choosing what makes me
happy and avoiding a situation
where our child is forcing us to
be together. There's no use re
nna re re re nnetse ngwana (
staying together for the child's

sake) while we fight every day...
You and I fight more than
children do and that's an
environment I don't want for a
child. I am committed to
fathering my child not to make
you happy. That is your
responsibility and until you
decide to be happy you'll be
hurting everyone around you, I
won't be a part of that. If you
make me lose my job just know
that I won't be able to support

my child and it might take years for me to find a good job.

Before you go talk to your father think about the child you're carrying..(sighed) I'm done talking, we are not going to argue, ra go bua sente hela (we will discuss this calmly).. Is there anything you owe Botho?

Akeelah looked at him then she turned to Botho..

Akeelah: (low voice) I'm sorry.

Age : I didn't hear you.

Akeelah : (sighed) I'm sorry for harassing you, I didn't know you don't know about me because the other women knew, but it still doesn't give me the right to harass you.

Botho: It's ok... I understand, if I spent seven years with someone and they cheated I'd lose my mind. I wouldn't beat people but I know I wouldn't be

ok.. With that being said I have to leave, you're probably going to cheat on me too.

She stood up and walked towards the door then Age paced over and stood at the door blocking her...

Age: You can't leave, you don't know what happened between Akeelah and I or why I cheated..

Akeelah: I'll tell you why he cheated... (stood up) He first slept with my sister, he denied it until I caught them together.. I thought he made a mistake and forgave him. I didn't tell anyone because I didn't want anyone hating him. They say when you're having problems with your man don't tell because you'll forgive him. I did exactly that but the following year I caught him with my

mother. They thought I went to Gaborone, my mother came to his house and-

Age: That's it, leave!

Akeelah : (shouted as Age pulled her out) He slept with my mother, good luck catching him with your mother!

Age pushed her out and closed the door. Akeelah shouted standing behind the door..

Akeelah: (shouting) Seven years with you Age and this how you end things with me an hour after I told you I'm carrying a child you been asking for for years?One day I will get over you and I won't fight for you.... I will love myself again and you'll regret all the treatment you gave me.. Botho!? You didn't know lantha right? Now you know... Seven years of my

relationship and you're deciding to be with him? The way you get a man is exactly the way you'll lose him. I'm toxic and you're not, but guess what? An angel will come along and he'll throw you out of the house the way he just did me..

Age turned the music on and sighed pinching the bridge of his nose. Botho stood up and walked to the door where she

noticed he had locked it and removed the keys..

Botho: I want to go, I came here to talk to you but clearly you have a lot in your plate.

Age: I don't, can you stop letting Akeelah ruin our plans?

Botho: OK, let's talk, switch the music off ke a thodiega.. (it's making a lot of noise)

He moved the curtains and looked out the window as Akeelah took off her shoes and walked away barefooted. He switched the music off and grabbed her arm..

Age: Let's go to bed...

She reluctantly looked at him and followed him anyways. Once in the bedroom Age put the keys on the headboard and

sat on the bed, Botho sat next to him and looked in his eyes.

Botho: I honestly didn't know you been with Akeelah for 7 years, I was a total side chick and I didn't know but that's not why I came here. I came here to tell you that I we need time apart, we need a timeout to let emotions down... Not to break up but just time to think about where we are going and what

we want. That way when we get back we can talk calmly without arguing or crying, I want to be able to make a wise decision ke le calm not because there is Akeelah and all that.. You need time to digest what Akeelah just told you. You're going to be a father for the first time and that's a big deal and it's something you been looking forward to all along. If we get back together after this break I

wouldn't want to come between you and your son/daughter, also if we don't get back together and you decide to go back to the mother of your child I wouldn't blame you. I just want us to give ourselves time to let all these settle in then decide if we are getting back together or walking away from one another.

Age: Sounds fair, and for what it's worth I didn't hit on her mother, she wanted me... I avoided her a nteletsa and I wanted a job, I didn't want her to influence her husband not to hire me... The sister also wanted me, I just gave in because I didn't want them to hate me.. It was very stupid but when you're in a situation and not thinking straight you'll be

surprised what decisions you make.

Botho: Trust me I understand what you mean, sometimes we make decisions out of character influenced by our feelings.

That's why I need time alone so I can recollect myself too, I think I'm losing myself. Had you explained this before today I would have judged you but now I understand what you mean. I can't judge you.

Age: Why today? What happened?

She kept quiet for a while trying to think of a better answer but she couldn't find anything convincing.

Botho: Uh nothing specific really, I need to think about my life and what I want. I want a man whom I share dreams with so we can work together

towards that goal and be happy
all the way.

She sighed and stood up..

Botho: Do you mind taking me
half way?

He got the keys and followed
her looking at her behind and
sighed..

Age: Can't we do a mini-goodbye sex?

Botho: No, you need time to think, I do too.

He unlocked the door and drove her home..

At Botho's House...

Minutes later he parked in front of the house, she stepped

out and he opened his door to get out..

Botho: Don't get out... I'm exhausted, from here I'm just going to sleep like this... I won't even bath ke robala hela ka makeup, that's how exhausted I am.

Age: Alright, so how long is this timeout because I'm sure tomorrow tabe ke itse gore ke batang.

Botho: I think a month will do...

Age : A what? I thought we are talking about a couple of days

Botho: A month and during this month you don't call me or come to my house, no communication unless its an emergency. I believe you know what separation is, we are separated and when that time comes we will decide with clean minds what we want, I will see if I want to be a step

mother or not, all those things.
I don't want rushed decisions
because ake bate stress.

Age: Ok, no I understand... I
love you ok?

Botho: We can talk about that
next month.. Right now it
makes no difference to me
because of all that happened.

Age: Understandable..

Goodnight

Botho: Goodnight...

He turned the car and drove off while Botho walked in the car and locked the door. She stood behind the door and sighed in relief, nothing brought a smile to her face than knowing she wasn't pregnant, that was close! She probably would have died at Akeelah's revelation. Thank God it all happened before they could do anything while she wasn't taking

contraceptives, she smiled and put her hands over her mouth...

Botho: Modimo!

She laughed in disbelief, wasn't God awesome? She'd probably be competing with Akeelah and the stress of knowing your man got another person pregnant.. She pressed her home theatre and turned the volume as she headed to the bedroom where

she took off her clothes and walked to the bathroom nude as she hummed. She turned the shower and tested the water as she balanced it then she put the cap on and jumped in..

As she stood under the shower James Blunt's Goodbye my lover played, the lyrics hit her differently. It wasn't just a song and she had realised she never

really listened to the lyrics
besides the chorus..

 Goodbye my lover.

Goodbye my friend.

You have been the one.

You have been the one for me.

I am a dreamer and when I
wake,

You can't break my spirit – it's
my dreams you

Take.

And as you move on,
remember me,

Remember us and all we used
to be

I've seen you cry, I've seen you
smile.

I've watched you sleeping for a
while.

I'd be the father of your child.

I'd spend a lifetime with you.

I know your fears and you know
mine.

We've had our doubts but now
we're fine,

And I love you, I swear that's

true 🎵

She closed the shower and sat
on the tile crying with her head
between her legs, rage came
over her and she screamed so
loud as if it would stop the pain
but it made no difference, she
leaned back with her lips
curved as she cried. A few

minutes after she stood up
rubbing her eyes then she
bathed and wrapped herself
with a towel.

She sat on the bed and thought
of something, something to
stop the pain... It had been a
while since she thought about
her dreams and life goals. What
made her happy and what she
always wanted...come to think
of it, how come she didn't have

a car? Other teachers had a car, could it be that expensive? She didn't even have expenses...

Mxm, a car will do. She got her phone and checked her savings account then she visited car sales pages to estimate the total she needed.

Still nude and the music playing, she rolled on the bed and checked the price. She needed to visit the bank

tomorrow and top up what she had. She couldn't believe she never thought of buying herself a car when she doesn't even have a single loan or big expenses. She didn't even pay rent for christ sake! The thought of driving her own car all the way from Gaborone to Maun... She didn't want to buy in Maun, she needed to go to Gaborone so she can see variety at lower prices and road

trip from Gaborone to Maun would be a bonus. She could just imagine herself enjoying acoustic guitar music driving back home...

She smiled and laid on her back playing with her pussy while she checked out the cars she liked that fit her budget.

Touching her pussy got her thinking, it had just survived a pregnancy from hell, she

blocked her mind from thinking about hurtful things and searched for more cars. Wait, she remembered what Age said about Teto buying a car in Gaborone... Well, maybe he'd tell her where he bought it...no,calling him was a bad idea. Forget it... She continued browsing through...

At Teto's House...

Meanwhile Teto brushed his teeth and cleansed himself then he looked at himself on the mirror, that image came back again and he could almost feel the rubbing of their skin. How slim her waist was yet she had one hell of an ass and hips. Her pussy must be buried further away and he trusted himself to reach down those hidden places and suck that juice out. He could only

imagine that ass shaking as he
pounded her doggy style.. His
dick hardened from just
thinking about it, a phone call
interrupted his wild
imaginations and he walked out
of the bathroom in his boxer
briefs and sat on the bed
picking..

Teto: Hello?

Tsame: Hi, I wanted to say
goodnight

Teto: Oh, hey... (smiled)

Goodnight

Tsame: Thanks for tonight, though it was short I appreciate you taking me out. It was my first time wearing an evening dress like that, thank you.

Teto : Sure, kiss Aisha goodnight for me.

Tsame: Will do. I love you...

Teto: Is she sleeping already?

Tsame: (laughed) Yes

Teto: (smiled) Goodnight ey

Tsame : Goodnight..

He hung up and laid on his back thoughtfully, for a moment he wondered if Botho was OK..

Lying on that unfamiliar bed knowing Age was with another woman must have been hard for her. I'm sure Age wouldn't mind that he checked on her....

Would he?

He dialed her number and it rang, the more it rang the faster his heart pounded and he could hardly breathe then he found himself hoping she doesn't pick up the call, which is crazy because he was calling....

At Botho's House..

Meanwhile Botho's heart pounded as she looked at his

call, she fixed her hair and cleared her voice before picking...

Botho : Hello?

Teto: (softly) Hey..

His “hey” sent shivers down her spine and gave her goosebumps, was he in bed? Fuck, the little brother sounded seductive on the phone but he

was off limits, she would never
come between this
brotherhood! Never..

Teto: Are you there? Botho?

Botho : Rra?

At Teto's House

That soft “rra” just weakened
him and he forgot why he
called or for a moment he

wasn't sure what to say next.
She actually just answered him
like that without even being
told to..

Teto: I'm just checking on you.
Is everything alright?

Botho: Yes, I left that place and
visited your brother but he was
with his girlfriend. We talked,
we are separated but that's not
important... I'm planning to buy

a car this weekend.. Can you tell me where to buy?

Teto: I'm supposed to collect my car this weekend, maybe we can go together. Does anyone know you're going?

Botho: No

Teto: Keep it that way. Alright?

Botho: Ok

Teto: Ok...(smiled) Robala a utwa?

Botho: (smiled biting her lower lip) I'm in bed already, just took a shower

Teto: Thaloganyo yame e leswe, oska nna o mpoella dio tse dingwe.

Botho: (smiled) forgive me..

Teto: (smiled licking his lip) It's alright... Get your beauty sleep, don't let the bed bugs bite...

Botho: (giggled) Goodnight..

Teto: Goodnight...

Botho: Ok, bye

Teto: Sure..

There was a little silence as they each waited for the other to hang up.

Teto: Gao drope?

Botho: Ese nna ke leditseng?

They both laughed, Teto put his foot on the wall as he laid on

the bed while Botho hugged the pillow with a big smile..

Teto: (laughed) Good night

Botho: Goodnight

Teto: Ke a dropa a utwa?

Botho: (laughed) Ee rra..

Teto: (sighed and shook his head) God forgive me, goodnight!

He hung up and put the phone down, what the fuck had he just done...what the hell just happened! He raised his hands up to his face while laying on his back and looked at them, both of them were shaking like a leaf on a windy day...

Teto: (whispered) Fuck!

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One Night Only

#13

At Teto's house...

The next morning Age parked the car and knocked on the door several times, but there was no response..

Age: (knocking) Teto??

He walked to the window and knocked..

Age: T?

Meanwhile inside the house Teto quietly sat on the edge of the bed with his hands over his face. His big brother knocked

on the door several times but he couldn't face him, not after his conversation with Botho. For some weird reason it felt like Age would know what he did the minute he looked in his eyes..

Age: T?

There was a moment of silence and Teto figured he must have been dialing him, he quickly put

his phone on silence and watched it ring until it stopped then he texted.

Teto: Jogging, will call you.

Age: Sure, thought you might need the car today, wanted you to drop me off.

Teto: I'm good.

The car started outside then he stood up and slug moved the

curtains, he watched as he drove off then he sat on the bed and sighed...

At the school tuckshop...

Later that morning Tsame listened to music from small speakers while she wiped the shelves and packed a few things. One of the students stepped on the stoop and bought a pencil, she handed

her the pencil and her change
then she ran off...

Tsame : Hey, tie your shoe laces
you're going to fall...

The little girl tied her shoe laces
and ran to the class then
another student walked over
and bought a pen and pencil.
As soon as she got the pen and
pencil she walked away..

Tsame : You forgot the change..

Student: You can keep it, it's just coins..

Tsame: Thank you.

Student : Ok..

The student walked away, just like that! It was happening for the second time and the change was P6. She still wondered how much pocket

money parents gave their private school children. In her world P6 was enough for the whole week because she'd give her child P1... Yoh! She turned around and put the change in her handbag just as the school breakfast siren wailed...

In class...

In the same school, Botho reached in her handbag for

some money and picked her phone as her assistant supervised the children with their lunch boxes..

Botho: I'm going to the tuck shop..

Teacher assistant : Ok...

She stepped out of the classroom pushing her hair back. For some reason last

night's call had her walking in confidence especially since she had taken her time on the mirror that morning. It had been a while since she felt that way... She just felt good...

She walked to the tuck shop and stepped over while children stood by with their little hands over the counter..

Student: Move back ma'am is buying!

They turned around and looked at the teacher then they moved back creating space for her, she didn't even know them. She smiled at them and locked eyes with Tsame whose face lit up as soon as she saw her.

Tsame : Hi, wow... I didn't know you work here.

Botho: (smiled) I didn't know you're here too... How are you?

Tsame : I'm good, how are you doing?

Botho : I'm great.. Give me a bottle of juice and the Eat Sum Mos.

Tsame walked around the tuck shop collecting them as she spoke..

Tsame: I wanted to ask Teto for your number but I forgot.. (got her phone) ke mang? (What's the number)

Botho flashed a smile as she gave her the number, God, this is going to be so difficult! Why was she being so nice? Please bring the drink and the biscuits, simple....please!

Tsame: I was a little worried about you but I'm glad you're good, you look like the kind of motivation I need. Nna mma when I face a challenge like that I get sick, literally sick mo eleng gore I go to the hospital..

She chatted counting the change and smiled handing it over..

Tsame: I paged you, did you see it?

Botho : I'll save it tsala.

Tsame: Thanks, ska lesa challenges to make you lose sight of the real thing. Love is a beautiful thing... Teto and I are new but mma... (laughed)

Tsamaa re taa bua.. (We will talk, go back to work)

They laughed as she walked away then Tsame helped the students.

At Age's workplace....

Later that morning Age parked the car and leaned back thoughtfully, he looked around the car trying to figure out where the camera could be, then his eyes landed on the

hanging teddy bear Akeelah
bought him months earlier.

He reached and pulled it over.
He could feel something hard
almost immediately and
unzipped it at the back..

Age : (sighed) Hae!

He dropped it on the pavement
and stomped on it then he

threw it in the boot and got his breakfast before heading to the office.

On the way his phone rang. It was one of the employees at the orphanage..

Age: Hello?

Her: Hi, I found your file but you can't take it. I can let you make copies.

Age: Thank you, I'll be there
this afternoon.

Her: Bye.

He hung up and walked into his
office with his food and sat
down then he started typing...

30 DAY RECOVERY PLAN

- * Apologise to Akeelah

- * Send more job applications

- *Trace and contact my mother
- *Coparenting agreement
- *No sex. No watching porn and no flirting
- *Apologise to Tsame
- * Surprise little bro and his girlfriend
- *Practice being open, say what I feel without reservation.
- * Counselling
- *Read relationship tips on how to please a woman.

He tapped print, the paper slid out of the printer then he picked it up and stuck it on the board underneath his table right in front of him so he could see it everytime he sat down or looked down between his legs..

He took out his phone and dialed his brother, he hadn't called him back since morning and it was unlike him..

Teto: Hello?

Age: Are you good?

Teto : Yeah, I'm good.. I was about to call you..

Age: I'm coming with you to Gabs, I need to clear my mind. Botho and I are on a 30 day break and I want to work on myself and be a better version of myself when we do get back together. But right now, I need some air.

Teto: Oh shit, this other dude from work said he was going so I asked for a ride from him.

Age : You went to the interview already?

Teto: No, I just passed there and funny enough, I met a guy I used to go to school with. We talked and ended up agreeing. We will find somewhere to go when I get back, is that good?

Age: Sure. I want to talk to Tsame and I already have her

number, but I wanted your permission to talk to her. I just want to clear the air and let her know that I respect your relationship. I'm trying to avoid making her feel uncomfortable and I also want to ask her not to mention anything to Botho.

Teto : Sure, no problem..

Age : Alright Shap.

He hung up and leaned back...

At Tsame's house...

Later that afternoon Tsame stepped out of the taxi, she picked her daughter up and hung her little back pack over her shoulder then she closed the door.

Tsame: Thank you..

The taxi drove off then she untied her gate. Age's car stopped behind her and she smiled with a little grin as the sun bounced on her face, but it was Age. Her smile dropped and she looked at him with a serious face, he better not or she would tell Teto!

Age: Hi, I had to just show up because you're not picking my calls. Hi Aisha, how are you?

Aisha: I'm fine...

Age: I won't make it long because I can see you're uncomfortable. I just wanted to apologise for what happened that day. Had I known my brother would fall for you I would have never done what I did but I want you to know that for me and Teto gago awkward. He knows I'd never ever go that far with you despite what happened and I'm going to try

my best gore ke ska mo utusa
bothoko because he is the only
family I have. He loves you and
at first I was against this
because I was ashamed to look
you in the eyes but you make
him happy and it makes me
happy. I respect you for
hustling, it's better than getting
rid of that baby. Sometimes we
take people lightly because we
don't know why they're doing
what they're doing. You taught

me not judge, you also taught me to always respect people because I don't know what tomorrow will bring... Thank you for giving Teto a reason to smile... He is a good guy (they both laughed) I'm not just saying that because he is my brother but he is a good guy and he loves family. He smiled when he talked about Aisha, he is the one who told me her name....

Tsame: (smiled) Thank you...

Age: You're welcome, please don't mention this to Botho. She won't be so understanding because we were together when I did that.. I love her and I'm planning to have something serious with her.

Tsame : Don't worry about it, that never happened.

Age: Thank you... Bye

Tsame : Bye

He got back in the car and drove off, Tsame put her daughter down as they walked to the house, her phone rang and she picked..

Tsame : Hello?

Teto: Is my daughter home?

Tsame: (laughed) Yes, we just arrived.

Teto: Tell her daddy is going to get us a car, next week she won't be using taxi I'll be dropping and picking her.

Tsame: (laughed) I'll tell her..
Babe?

Teto: Yeah?

Tsame : Last night ke rila I love you but you didn't respond, should I be worried?

Teto: I didn't hear you or I got distracted, so you kept it the whole day? Babe when I hurt

your feelings tell me right there
and there so I can correct it, I
love you and you don't have to
doubt it... Ok?

Tsame : OK

Teto: I love you, I love you, I
love (she laughed and he joined
in) Seriously I love the woman
in you..

Tsame : I love you too. Bye

Teto: Bye

She hung up and smiled then
she walked in the house...

WEEKDAYS LATER..

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One Night Only

#14

At school...

On a Friday afternoon Botho walked out of the gate thinking about the Gaborone trip that afternoon. Teto hadn't contacted her since their conversation that night and it had been days, she wasn't sure if they were still on. She really needed to feel a bit of excitement, something to fix that little pain and the more

silence she got from Teto the more she thought about what Age did and it hurt. She still wondered if he really loved her, the thing with guys like him is he could change his mind and not even tell her while he is busy with his family.

Meanwhile Tsame approached the gate knocking off and saw Botho walking in front. She held her handbag tighter and

jogged over to her. She looked at Botho and noticed she didn't look as good as the other days, and she was lost in thoughts..

Tsame: Hi!

Botho turned around looking at Tsame, then she smiled hiding her stress although it was visible with eyebags and forced smiles. No matter how much she tried to avoid Tsame she

always found a way to talk to her, this would complicate things for her.... I mean, there she was trying to heal through her man, but then again she liked her and wanted to be close to her. Every smile from Tsame sunk her into depression, she could see the person she was turning into and she wasn't even sure what to do anymore.

Tsame: How are you?

Botho : Good.

Tsame: You seem a bit stressed today.. (handed her P60) You forgot your change and you didn't even hear me trying to call you. Are you sure everything is OK? You can talk to me, I don't have friends so I won't really share your problems with anyone.

Botho looked at her then she continued walking without saying anything.

Botho: I thought if I treat Age right, respecting him and doing everything he wanted he will be faithful to me. I thought we had a mutual understanding. I'm really stressed ka kgang ya gore he got Akeelah pregnant while he was with me.... A part of me doesn't believe he loves

me because if he did he would have impregnated me... Now if I decide to get back with him I'll have to deal with Akeelah, (tearfully) He slept with Akeelah's mother and sister, all these new revelations have totally destroyed the image I had of him. It's like he was one person today, the next day he turned into this cheating dirty man... I love him but I'm angry with him and I want to cheat so

I can feel better... I feel rejected tota to be honest, gakea gana go tsholela Age ngwana (it's not like I refused to get pregnant for him), and I don't know why he would choose to have a baby with Akeelah. Gape the scary part is that he can't even control her, she beats me and he says nothing...

Tears blurred her eyes as they continued walking by the road..

Botho: It's as if since he said sorry I should just get over what happened mme go bothoko (but it's painful)... I wanted to carry that child and if he loved me enough he wouldn't have impregnated her nkabe a batile ngwana mogo nna (he would have wanted that child with me). I'm still wondering what was confusing him because it seems this

happened a couple of months back when we were crazy in love, which makes me believe he loves her. Maybe she is pushing him away with her behaviour but what if she changes? She is desperate now because she is thinking of her child too, where does that leave me? It will be a love triangle ke omana le Akeelah and all that...

Tsame: Do you really think cheating on him will make you happy?

Botho : I want to know how it feels like to cheat maybe him and I can carry on. He cheats and I cheat then we are good because gago fair.

Tsame: Age hurt you and I think this taking a break was too soon gone jaana you're not sure what he is thinking because you two are not

communicating. You want to cheat because you don't know what's going on? What if he is actually working on himself?

Botho : Then I forgive him and we move on?

Tsame: When someone hurts you, you have two options, staying or leaving, there is no in between... If you want Age I suggest you stop this break thing and tell him how you feel so he can lick your wound. He

hurt you let him help you heal.

And if you're leaving then up
and leave so that when you
move on with another man it's
for you and not to hurt Age.

Trust me you will regret
sleeping with that man after,
and there is nothing disgusting
like regretting sex when you've
already done it. Don't cheat, fix
your relationship or move on....

Botho: Amme yone relationship
ya teng e fixable e nang le

ngwana?(Does the relationship even stand a chance with a baby in the picture?)

Tsame: (laughed) Botho you don't have to be scared, ngwana waga Akeelah tabe ale koo le mmagwe ogo ama jang ekare gatwe o belegwa ke wena? (This child will be with her mother, it's not like u will have to care for her) mo girl gola o bulege thaloganyo (wake up and think things through).

Sit down and make a list of
Age's qualities and list his flaws
then weigh the two. Decide if
you're going to woman up and
walk through this or you'd
rather go find a new man, I'm
with you on anything but I just
don't support cheating. It never
ends well for women, I'm
telling you if you dare cheat
now and he finds out he will cry
like a little baby and all the
women will be calling you

names for something you did under the influence of stress, when he did worse like sleep with Akeelah's mother. Even women won't understand, tabe bare I can never do it, she is this and that. The truth is it's easy to understand why a man would but a woman iyoyo... So spare yourself the embarrassment and make a wise decision. Leave or stay but whatever it is make sure it's

what you want because it will be sad to see Age with another woman wena nne o buisiwa ke go tenega ore wa togela (just cos u were too angry when u suggested a break) Think and think very hard but don't cheat... Oka jola after breaking up le wena tabe ole free o sena letswalo (only find someone when u have broken up, it will be easy on your conscience too), but if I were you I'd take

my man back and tell him what I'm going through. Age waa thaloganya how others feel, he would help you heal and before you know it le planer future ya lona. Problem wena o bata go cheata (the problem is u want to cheat), o akantse gone ibile (it's all u are thinking about) I'm sure you have someone in mind. Emisa o ikgalemele(just stop and do the right thing).Motho o taa go dirisa

wena o direla mo stresssing...
(the person will be using u
while u are stressed)

Botho looked at Tsame and
rubbed her eyes as they walked
along the road.

Tsame: Communication speeds
up the healing process, the
more Age tells you he loves
you, spends time with you,
involving you in his daily life,

the faster o holang ka pela (the faster u heal). The problem ke distance, the break was too soon go bata o hodile so you don't cry on another man's shoulder. Ska n-disappointa mma nna ke a go rata (don't disappoint me, I luv u) and I have this dream of us being with our men and our children. These guys love each other a lot and they're family. Having us and their children is a big

deal to them so he won't risk losing you.. Gase gore ke wena omo ratang hela (it's not just u who loves him). As much as we love them they love us, don't cheat...swabisa saatane o mo itshwarele le dire family ya lona (shame the devil and forgive him so u build your family). Ha go pala o taa togela mme hela bofebe ae..(If it doesn't work out u will leave it, but don't be promiscuous)

They both laughed as she rubbed her tears then she turned around and hugged Tsame tightly..

Botho: I love you... You talk too much but I love it...

Tsame : (laughed) Koore ota hela sente ka I love you, You talk too much ke dio mang jaanong. (u were on the right

track with I love u, now what
the hell is u talk too much)

They both laughed..

Botho : (waved) Let's get a taxi
mma uh.

A taxi stopped by and they both
got in..

At Tsame's house...

Age stopped the car then Teto stepped out..

Teto: I won't be long.

Age : You should have called, maybe she isn't home.

Teto: She should be..

He knocked and opened the door to Tsame frying by the

stove while Aisha was sitting on the bed watching TV..

Aisha: Uncle!

Teto smiled and picked her up as she laughed. He tickled her throwing her head back, then he walked over to Tsame and kissed her..

Teto: Hey... I have a crazy idea.

Tsame: (smiled) What?

Teto: How about you spend the weekend with me?

Tsame: Come with you to Gabs?

Teto: No, I mean you waiting for me at my house, I'm gonna be home late.. Just a suggestion.

Tsame: Ok, sounds good..

Teto: Alright..

She dished into a lunch box and packed their clothes. Minutes later they walked out the gate and got in the car..

Tsame : Hi.

Teto: Hello...

Age drove off...

At Teto's house..

Age parked the car, Teto and Tsame stepped out. There wasn't much to talk about yet things weren't awkward, there was just silence..

Age: Should I drop you off at the bus?

Teto: No, I got it. Go and rest.

Age: Sure...

The couple walked into the house while Teto carried her bag. Aisha took off her shoes and walked to the couch..

Teto: Aisha is very clever.

Tsame : Wa lapisa yo (she is tiring)

They laughed and headed to the bedroom where he put her bag in the wardrobe while she

stood by looking at him. He put his arms around her waist and kissed her..

Teto: I'll see you tomorrow morning, make yourself at home.

Tsame: Ok..

He kissed her and picked his back pack. She actually thought he'd need one for the road but

his mind wasn't there and she wasn't the type to ask for sex even if she badly wanted it. She looked at his arms as he zipped his bag. They were veined and she could only imagine them all over her... He hung the strap over his shoulder and kissed her.

Teto: Call me if you need anything..

Tsame : OK, travel safely..

She followed him to the living room and picked Aisha turning her upside down as she laughed spreading her arms..

Aisha: Mama is standing with her head.

Teto: (laughed) Aisha I'm going to buy us a car ok? I'm coming tomorrow.

Aisha: Ok.

He turned her and put her down as she laughed then he kissed Tsame again as she smiled fighting that sexual attraction..

Teto: Bye.

Tsame : Bye.

He opened the door and walked out, then she sighed

closing her eyes and allowing her body to relax..

At Botho's house...

Later that afternoon Teto knocked on the door, Botho opened the door in a gown with dough on her hands..

Teto : Did you forget? Aren't you supposed to be getting ready?

Botho: Um... I'm getting cold feet, I feel like I'm confused.. I'm going through a lot. This doesn't feel right and I'm friends with Tsame... I just

Teto: Please put on your clothes, we will be back tomorrow. Let's go...

She looked in his eyes and
looked down.

Teto: Let's go, you won't regret
it... Besides we planned this,
there is no turning back.

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One Night Only

#15

At Botho's House...

Botho: Gake file comfortable go
tsamaya le wena mme ke le
close le Tsame plus your
brother kaha...

Teto : Where is all these
coming from? Tsame come on...
Its almost time up, bus ya
emella..

Botho: Nna kea tshaba..

Teto: Ga ke na go go dira sepe..

He glanced around and stepped in holding her waist then he closed the door with his foot, she quickly pulled away from his arms and caught her breath..

Botho: Teto... We can't do this..

Teto: Do what? I just want to help you get a car

Botho : I will ask Age to help me

Teto : Botho come on..

Botho: Teto..

Teto: Ke eng?

He stepped over and held her waist as she backed up on the wall, he looked in her eyes standing closer..

Teto: Let's go

Botho: I can't the rra wena thaloganya ke a go kopa...

Teto: I would have gone days back if it wasn't for you kana, I postponed for your sake... I even booked an expensive hotel knowing I'm with you...

The mma ska dira jalo, let's just be spontaneous and do this.

Botho: Ke a tshaba Teto...

Tsame kana anong is close to me and she gave me a serious

talk about relationships. I think I should give Age a second chance.

Teto: Botho, focus...

Gaborone...re bua ka Gaborone.

Botho: Can you tell me something, do you love Tsame?

Teto: I don't want to talk about Tsame or Age, we are talking about us..

Botho: Nna ke a tshaba Teto...
Go alone, I don't want to come
between you and your brother

Teto: Come between me and
him jang? Age is my family, we
will always be together and this
has nothing to do with
anything. If we are serious no
one will know....how would he
know unless o mmolelela

Botho: Nna kea tshaba..

He talked to her pulling the string of her robe then he slid his hands inside touching her lifting her tuck top.. Trapped on the wall she breathed heavily as he caressed her tummy, breast and gently turned her head as their lips met, she closed her eyes as she swept her mouth with his hands in her panties..

Unable to breath with their lips exploring one another she grabbed his hand before it could reached her pussy..

Botho: Teto what if they find out... Nna ke a tshaba

Teto: (spoke in her mouth)

Shhh...

He kissed her softly as his dick got so hard it could bust his

jeans, both them breathing heavily he slid his hand inside her panties and his fingers slipped into her wet slippery juices of lust, this pussy was ready... Even the panties were wetting his outer hand as he put his palm on her pussy... He kissed her harder as he slowly slid his middle finger inside her and wiggled it tapping her gspot as she lost her breath with her back against the wall,

he grabbed her neck and wiggled his hand between her legs as she moaned stuck on the wall...

Botho : (softly) Mhhhhh....
(softly) Teto.... Teto

He let go of her neck and squatted in front of her then he gently pushed down her panties together with her skirt then he got on one knee slid his

tongue between her pussy lips as Botho held his head with both hands and bit her lower lip... His chin moved back and forth as he muffed her...

Botho: Teto000.....

His tongue swept her as she spasmed and shook with his head between her legs, he stood up and pushed down his zipper then he pulled out his

black dick and looked in her eyes as he moved closer, he kissed her and lifted one of her legs then he curved his back slid through her pussy lips as she gasped and flinched, he pulled out and pushed it in as she put her arms around him closing her eyes, he held her waist and thrust through her twice then he pulled out and let her go as she missed a step and turned around desperately

sticking her butt out as her pussy throbbed for that dick but he pulled up his jeans and zipped up looking at her...

Teto: You're scare right? There is more where that came from, you know where to find me if you want me to finish what I started.

He picked his backpack and closed the door on his way out

as she crossed her legs pressing
her throbbing pussy breathing
heavily.

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At the bus rank...

Teto got into the bus and walked towards his booked seat. He placed his bag on Botho's seat and leaned back putting headsets on.

Conductor: Ladies and gentlemen, good evening... May I give you the Wi-Fi password? It is...

Teto pressed the music on his phone and switched off the light above his head then he leaned back sighing, it was going to be a long journey... A whole eight hours doing nothing but thinking, something he hated doing..

As he turned around he noticed one of the passengers was praying, he bowed his head and

the prayer ended as he removed the sets.

Conductor : Thank you uncle, now that we have prayed for our journey and our driver the journey will begin. I'll be switching off the lights so you can sleep. If you need light there is one above your head. Thank you...

The bus rolled out of the bus rank and joined the main road. For a moment he thought about Tsame, she was spending a night in his house for the first time and it would be kind of interesting having them over... He grabbed his bag and stood up supporting himself as the bus moved...

At Botho's house...

Meanwhile Botho stepped out of the tub and wrapped herself with a towel then she walked to the bedroom where she sat on the edge of the bed. She picked her phone and checked if Teto had sent a message, how would she even start a conversation? Even after a warm bath her clits still yearned for his presence, and just thinking back to when his dick first slipped in and the

second time, she closed her eyes and leaned back. With her other hand she pulled her pussy cheek while the her middle finger flicked her clits, there we go... Teto holding her tight and thrusting her hard.... His eyes locked on hers and his lips on hers. Her phone rang and she lost concentration and sighed frustrated.. She looked at her screen and shook her

head. She didn't need a girl talk... At least not now..

Botho: Hello hi, can I call you back? I'm with someone..

Voice: Ok bye.

She hung up and laid on her back trying to pick up where she left off but she found herself wondering about Tsame and Age, then she couldn't get

there for her to cum. She
picked her phone and texted..

Botho: Hey, babe. Can I come
sleep over?

She put the phone down and
burried her face on the pillow
hoping for a good response.

At Akeelah's house...

Meanwhile Age closed the car door and walked towards the house leaving his phone in the car as he knocked.

Akeelah opened the window and looked at him..

Age: Hei, I've been trying to get in contact with you since morning, did you see my messages?

Akeelah: I didn't want to talk to you. I still don't want to talk to you... I think I need time to focus on the pregnancy, I will let you if there is anything you need to know. I'll probably need you in five months when I go for a scan other than that I'm fine.

Age: I need to apologise to you and I want to do it properly. Sorry for coming this late but I figured it would be the right

time to show up because you'll be home.

Akeelah: Apologise in a few months...I will be more calm.

Age : Open the door.

Akeelah: Good night.

He turned to the car and drove off....

At Teto's house...

Later that night Tsame put her daughter to bed and tucked her in then she tidied up the whole house and headed to the bedroom.

She sat on the edge of the bed looking around. She curiously walked to the wardrobe and opened it, then she started searching. She wasn't even sure what she was looking for but she kept looking until she came

across a brief case. She put it on the bed and opened it...

She smiled in disbelief and closed it then she put it back where it was and got in bed. She searched the drawers and found a few files which she read and put back. There was no trace of a woman and somehow this made her night..

She laid on her tummy and begun typing on her phone responding to messages..

Tsame: Hey Botho, I'm doing good. You?

Botho: I'm good. Goodnight. I'm not feeling well today

Tsame : Is everything alright?

Botho: Yeah, I'm fine..

She clicked on Teto's contact and typed a message with a smile on her face..

Tsame: Hey babe, hope you're safe and warm. I just finished doing everything, I'm sleeping. Talk to me, you been quiet.

She sent the message and laid her head down dozing off but the sound of a car got rid of all that as she looked out the

window and noticed Teto getting out of the taxi. She smiled and looked at herself on the mirror before fixing the bedding properly then she put on his robe and walked to the main door

He knocked once then she opened the door, he stepped in and dropped the bag on the floor as he grabbed her neck and kissed her. She paused

awkwardly with her hands on his chest, he smelled feminine and it was familiar....

Tsame: What happened? I thought you left

Teto: The bus had few mechanical problems, they were fixing it abe ke itsapa ke bona gore kete... And I think we should all just go together, make it a family thing, take the

morning bus and just go... what do you think?

Tsame : With Aisha?

Teto: (smiled) Yeah... (kissed her) I need a bath, take thape pele... Give me a minute

She followed him to the bedroom where he put down his phone, and pulled out his tshirt and jeans...

She slowly sat by the bed
observantly looking at him, he
hung a towel over his shoulder
and leaned over kissing her as
that femininity engulfed her
again..

Teto: Are you OK? Thought
you'll be happy to see me

Tsame: I am babe... (smiled) Go
take a shower... I'm waiting

He walked out then she leaned over putting her hands over her face, she now remembered this cologne, it was Botho's...she loved it the first time she smelled it on her.

Teto's phone received a message interrupting her thoughts, she leaned back and looked at the screen, it was Botho and she was only able to see first line of the message.

Botho : I'm so hurt ke lwa le-

Tsame tapped on the message but it required a password, going to the bathroom would seem like she was accusing him so she put it down and burried her face on her hands waiting.

Minutes later he walked in fresh from the shower and leaned over kissing her..

Tsame: You have a message from Botho

From the tone of her voice he knew he was in trouble but he had to relax. He calmly picked it and read it then he carried on like nothing happened.

Tsame: What did she say?

Teto: Nothing serious, it's about Age

Tsame: Teto? Ta kwano, sit down...

He stepped over and sat down looking at her..

Tsame: You slept with Botho didn't you? Be honest with me,

promise me we won't have secrets, no matter what you did.... And it doesn't matter how bad we just tell the truth so we can work on the problem. We been through so much and saw each other doing bad mo eleng gore there is no need for secrets. There is no reason to lie, mpolelela nnete hela. What happened?

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At Teto's House..

Tsame looked in his eyes as he
stared back at her..

Tsame: Be honest

Teto: Are you serious?

Tsame: I know you've been with Botho and you know you've been with her. Let's respect each others intelligence..

Teto: Of course I been with her but to sleep with her? As in having sex with my brothers girlfriend come on!

Tsame: Teto? You had her lipstick on your lips and even now still ya bonala..

He unconsciously rubbed his lips then he licked them and stood up sighing..

Teto: I don't know what you want from me, she gave me food it had beetroots or something..

He walked to the mirror and looked at himself while she sat

there crossing her arms, he actually believed her and rubbed his lips, licked them and checked himself on the mirror..

Tsame: Can you come sit down... I don't want to talk to you while you're standing...

Knowing how lying makes it impossible to relax she wanted him next to her on her face but he sighed standing there and

put on his boxer briefs as he
threw the towel over the chair..

Teto: I'm not sitting down so
you can accuse me of
something I didn't do, who was
crying last time complaining
about accusations, now you're
doing the same to me.

Tsame: Come and sit down
kante why o gana go nna
haatshe?

He got the body lotion and applied it on his arms as he looked at her..

Teto: Nna ke busy, ema pele

Tsame: This is important...

Please sit down the body lotion can wait... Your skin is not cracking, nna re bue

He put on his vest and sat down
looking at her titling his head
trying hard not to look guilty...

Tsame: I know what you did, I
know you Teto...

He smiled biting his lower lip
and swallowed smiling as his
Adam's apple wiggled.

Teto: You're joking right?

He laughed and shook his head but she didn't laugh in fact she got annoyed just looking at his face. He picked that from her eyes shrinking and his smile disappeared...

Teto: Babe so you're going to get angry at me for something I didn't do?

Tsame's eyes filled with tears as she looked at him..

Tsame: I will never talk to you about this again, ke mosadi ke taa bona gore ke dira jang. {I'm a big girl I'll see how to deal with this}

She peeled the blankets and laid down facing the wall.

Tsame: O time lebone.

Goodnight...

He sat there quietly not sure
how to respond..

At Botho's House...

On the same night a knock
interrupted Botho's sleep, she
got up and walked to the door
then she looked out through

the window first, it was Age and she smiled unlocking the door. As soon as he stepped in he kissed her and laid her on the couch

Age : I didn't check my messages, since resa bue ganke ke cheka phone and I couldn't believe it when I saw your message..

Botho : (smiled) I thought
you're angry with me or
something

Age: Angry? You're the one
who has the right to be angry..

He kissed her and pulled out
her panties then he moved up
the couch and pulled her on
top, he squeezed her breast
and tongued her nipple while
holding up his dick then she
#Removed...

At Teto's house..

Unable to sleep Teto got up and switched the lights on then he reached for her putting his hand over the duvet..

Teto: Babe o robatse? Babe? O ngadile?

Tsame: ke ngalla eng hela?
Ntsha letsogo la gago wa
nkimela..

He sadly moved his hand and
sighed rubbing his head..

Teto: Mme kana gakea dira
sepe le Botho, what do you
mean o taa bona gore o dira
jang? Can you not hurt me ka di
suspicions, we have a beautiful

thing and a daughter to raise under a healthy environment. Tsame: Don't even try it, don't go there! Don't mention her because you're selfish and you'll give me a reason to walk out of this relationship because Aisha has never had a father figure and you're here using us... The next thing I'll be nursing my broken heart and my daughters broken heart because you didn't do your

part... (tearfully) I know that I will never really reach a level of a respectful woman because of how we met but the least you can do is try to respect me..

Teto's eyes filled with tears as he looked at her talking with a shaky voice then he stood up and walked on the other side of the bed where he squatted peeling the duvet off her..

Teto: Babe I didn't do anything, I swear to God. I didn't... I understand how this may look to you considering our past but that's not how we do it with family. Botho is practically his wife and you're my wife, Age would never look at you as anything other than his little sister and that's what Botho is to me... I don't want you to doubt my love for you. I wouldn't want to involve Aisha

in our relationship if I wasn't serious about us, I understand why you're saying what you're saying, it looks suspicious... It does... Tsoga, please... Let's talk ke ago kopa

Tsame: I dropped this conversation because I can't stand being lied to. Let's sleep...

Teto: Please get up... Let's talk... I don't want us to sleep rese happy. Couples are not supposed to go to bed angry

with one another. If something happens to another person you regret it the rest of your life.. I heard about this other couple.. They fought a lot and the wife filed for divorce, the man begged her and wanted them to reconcile but she refused. On the day their divorce was finalised her ex husband had a car accident and was in the hospital. She cried to God, her children and family prayed and

cried but he died after being taken off the life support machines.

Tsame: Ke story sa director wa MiNoWa yoghurt, I heard it too.. It was really sad, apparently she ended up living the country to start life again because it was hard to live here without remembering her husband.

Teto: Let's not do this to us...
Communication is the most

important thing in a relationship..

She sat on the edge and put her feet down looking at him while he squatted by...

Teto: I don't want stories like that for us, of course relationships are not easy but we can try. Mistakes do happen gape when another person makes a mistakes it doesn't

mean they don't love their partner, kana koore women connect things that don't connect. Sex has nothing to do with love, men can have sex with someone and not remember that woman's name the next day but his family will always-

Tsame: O bua nonsense jaanong, is that what happened with Botho?

Teto: No, I'm just talking in general

Tsame: Don't talk about general things, bua ka wena le Botho..

With one knee down he moved over to her and dropped the other kneeling between her legs then he put his arms around her hips looking up at her...

Teto: I always knew that our first encounter would haunt us but I didn't expect it to be so soon... You're acting paranoid. Age and Botho are going through a lot, when things are like this my brother and I help each other out, if it's too hard to reach an understanding point I can jump in and talk to Botho... The same way Age would if we go through hell. I feel offended that you'd

actually think I can sleep with Botho.

Tsame: So you went to her house when you were supposed to go to the bus?

Teto: Why are you saying it like it is a secret, was I supposed to tell you that I'm passing by Botho's house? I passed by her house and talked to her, she cried and I hugged her... I'm assuming you're basing your suspicions on her perfume, why

the hell would I hug you
knowing I have been sleeping
with someone, sex ya nkgga,
why would i? Other than her
perfume do you smell anything
on me... I can't believe we are
fighting over this. If you don't
want me visiting Botho or
hugging her just tell me I will
respect that, you're my woman
and whatever you say goes but
don't accuse me babe come on.
If I'm not allowed to hug

women let me know and I will never do it...simple as that.

Tsame sighed looking in his eyes and realised how impossible she was being, he probably wouldn't do that to his brother and Botho didn't seem like that type, maybe she was just being insecure. She reached for his cheek and kissed him..

Tsame: I'm sorry for accusing you..

Teto: Don't apologise for voicing your thoughts.

She looked in his eyes again and his lips as he looked back at her and for some reason her gut just said he did it and it was probably good. If she was going to be realistic Botho wouldn't resist Teto if he showed interest, she wouldn't resist

him...tears filled her eyes and she put her hands over her face crying..

Tsame: Why do I still feel like you did it...

He took her hands off her face and kissed her as she cried, he pushed her on the middle of the bed and kissed her pulling out her panties...

Tsame: You did it didn't you?
Didn't you...

Teto: (whispered caressing her
pussy) I'd never do that, I'd
never cheat on you... Stop
crying... You're making me
sad....I'm sorry for hurting you...
It won't happen again.

Tsame : So you did?

Teto: No, I won't ever hug her
again because I don't want to
see you crying...

He kissed her softly and caressed her smooth wet pussy..

Teto: I can't enjoy anyone but you, why do you think I came for more... You're more than just a pussy, you're my wife, the mother of my children and my life partner, own me.

He softly kissed her as he let his weight on her and touched her pussy, she breathed heavily and relaxed, she wasn't sure what went down in that house but if he was this hard he probably didn't do anything... He kissed her lips and blocked her pussy with his dick, he paused kissing her and looked in her face as he splitted through her warm flesh and #removed...

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At Teto's house...

In his shorts and vest Teto walked in with a tray and slid it on the headboard shelf. Tsame

turned around and looked at him, he looked good in shorts and the vest was sticking to his chest like it was his second skin.. She never realised how sexy his arms were until she watched him mixing food for her..

Teto: Come and eat...

He put the pillow against the head board and tapped for her

to move over. She smiled and moved over leaning against the headboard..

Teto: (laughed) Did you really think you were peeing? How old are you? Go balabala ga ngwana gase bothale akere?

Tsame: Just leave me alone!

Teto: How many exes do you have? I want one of them, ale one hela ke mo haphe ka

mpama. (I want to slap one of them)

She grabbed the pillow and whipped him on the face as he grabbed it. He picked the tray and put it on her lap above the duvet then he handed her the fork..

He laid next to her while she started eating looking at him,

then she gently touched his head looking at him..

Tsame: Thanks for being honest with me about what happened with Botho. You're a good man, I know you know the importance of faithfulness.

Cheating always ends in disaster, either you get diseases you'll live with for the rest of your life or lose the one you love. I've never been lucky in

love but I will never let a man hurt me. See I'm not just living for me, I have a daughter. I'm glad I have a man who understands all these things. Ha ele gore mo sephiring sa pelo ya gago waa itse gore o raelesegile (if u know yougot tempted), you'll make sure I don't contract any STDs from that encounter. A responsible person gaa dirile phoso ya go nna jalo aka leka (when they

have done a mistake like that
they will try and prevent
catching diseases) go preventer
malwetse bogolo. I'm not
saying you're lying I'm just
saying if at all you got tempted
let this be the last time o dira
jalo. O ikgalemele o ipone
phoso o ikage because gao
thoke sepe (Reproach yourself
and reform because u don't
lack anything) Ke
bopelotshetha (it's just

selfishness) and lack of self control, something that will cost you..

He looked down with a guilty face rubbing his beard while listening..

Tsame: Kopa o ntebe gake bua le wena ke itse gore wa nkutwa (Look at me so I know u understand what I am saying)

He lifted his head and looked at her biting his lower lip...

Tsame: If you're a responsible man you'll make sure I don't get STDs, it's now or never.

Teto: (softly) Babe the mma ke utule my love ska nkomanya gape (I heard u please don't shout at me again)

Tsame: Ga ke go omanyane (I'm not shouting at u) I'm just talking to you. We are life partners and I want you to understand that whatever decision you make out there affects me and my health. I don't know what happened...

Teto: Kana the more o bua the more o thuthugala abe hella o nkomanya gape, agotwe ke utule.. (The more u talk is the more u get angry all over again,

let's just say I heard u). I understand what you're saying. I'm sorry, it won't happen again.

Tsame: One o dirisiwa ke eng mme gone? (What really got into u)

Teto: Ke dira eng? (What did I do)

Tsame: O robala Botho (Sleeping with Botho)

Teto: I'm talking about the hug,
this is what I'm talking about...
Can we just stop!

Tsame: Did you use protection
while hugging her?

Teto: (sighed) Oh my God! If I
walk away from this
conversation I'm going to be in
trouble, right? What do you
want me to say? (looked at her
tearfully) I love you! Ok? What
do you want from me?

Tsame : You know what, forget it.

He got up and sat on the edge of the bed with hands over his face... There was no conversation for about five minutes then she looked at him and noticed he was crying. She put the tray down and crawled behind him. She knelt behind him and took his hands off his

face looking at his reddish
eyes..

Tsame : Are you crying?

Teto: (low voice) Just... Don't
touch me.

She put her arms around his
neck hugging him and laying
her head on his back..

Tsame : I will stop talking, I'm sorry.

Now that she was talking about him being responsible for her health he did feel guilty, actually he was scared for her but then knowing Age's status and that he was having unprotected sex with her put him at ease but then that was a while ago and Age rarely talked about himself of recent, he

couldn't really be sure. It was until that moment that he realised how much responsibility he had. If anything happened to Tsame her daughter would suffer the most and that baby loved him. It would be sad if he got in her life only to take away the most important thing in her life. He used to hope for a family when he was young seeing other children with their parents and

surely Aisha saw him as more than just mommy's friend, but there he was fucking around like he had no responsibility of a hopeful child. A tear ran down and he secretly rubbed it off...

Tsame: (leaning over his face)

Teto? Sorry...

She got off the bed and put on her panties then she sat on his

lap with her knees on the bed while he sat on the edge of the bed. She put her arms around his neck and he put his arms around her waist with his forehead on her chest..

Tsame: (little voice) Teto sorry the rra wena (I'm sorry), I was just trying to do the reverse psychology thing. I'm sorry, I believe you now...

Teto: I'm fine... (smiled) Really, I'm fine... Stop apologising, I should be apologising for making you feel insecure. I promise you'll never feel the way you do..

Tsame : I'm done talking about this... Let's just drop it.

She leaned over and kissed him with her hands hanging from his shoulders while he caressed her waist. They French kissed

and sealed it with a baby kiss as they both laughed. He laughed at how she panicked when he almost lost control of his emotions, while she laughed surprised a man could do that, that's something she never saw before and now she felt like a bully..

She got off his lap and put on her bra on, then she picked the

tray and grabbed his wrist with the other hand pulling him..

Tsame : Areye o mpate ko kitchen ko thatswa dilwana..
(Accompany me to the kitchen so I do the dishes)

He got up and followed her as he tickled her waist. She laughed loudly flinching and let go of him as she supported the

tray almost dropping it. They laughed getting in the kitchen..

Teto: O tshega maswe monna o taa tsosa ngwana (Your laugh is funny it will wake the baby)

Tsame: Kante go tewa jang (What does that mean)

Teto: If kepesela was a person it would be you but I love it... (laughed) It makes me laugh.

He stood behind her while she washed the dishes, then he put his arms around her and kissed her neck..

Teto: I will earn your trust again, I'm sorry I made you doubt me. It won't happen again. It's probably not a good time to say this but I really do love you and when I look at you I don't see the person I met in the car that day. All I see is a

woman I want to spend the rest of my life with, and believe it or not Aisha's interests also cross my mind. Somehow I see a little me in her, don't ever think I'm using her to gain you. I already got you and I could say nna gake bate step child and ask you to leave her behind when you visit, but that's not me. Maybe it has everything do with how I grew up, but I am capable of loving a child that's

not mine, plus I love Aisha. Ga o
nkomanyetsa tsa rona re ska
mo tsenya mo teng (When u
are mad at me don't include
her in our issues) because I love
her and I don't want you
thinking like that. She is my
daughter let's just get that one
straight and put it aside when
we argue.

Tsame: (smiled) Ok, deal.

He kissed her and hopped on the counter while she did the dishes...

At Botho's house....

Meanwhile Age walked into the bedroom and switched off the lights lying behind her spooning. He took a deep breath and kissed her neck..

Age: Can I talk to you?

Botho: (facing the wall) Yeah...

Age: (sighed) I'm sorry that I've hurt you, the first time I saw you I just wanted to sex, but once I got close to you I fell in love with you, that's why it took me three months to have sex with you. It was that magical for me

Now at the time I was with Akeelah and things weren't going the way I wanted. She

talks a lot ke motho wa gore ha
tenegile wa nthoga nkabe a
nthogela le batsadi hane bale
teng (she insults me when she
is angry, she wouldn't hesitate
to insult my parents if I had
any),so what she does is she
mocks me about this hurtful
thing. I don't blame her
though... I've hurt her too. I
won't deny that, but I was just
afraid to let go. I regret hurting
you but you're the one I want

and I can't wait to be with you..
(touching her tummy) I can't
wait to hold this little boy in my
arms and have a complete
family.

Botho: (laughed) We just had
sex, gatwe baby ke semen! (it's
not a baby it's just semen)

Age: (laughed) It starts with a
semen.. (they laughed) Don't
worry about Akeelah, I've had
time to think and you're right, I
never protect you. In most

cases ga baby mama e dira
jaana it's because the man
allows it ale too soft on her
(when the baby mama behaves
like this...). I saw that part of
me the day of the party. I felt
like I owed it to my child,
meanwhile I left my girl to fend
for herself in the dark. Forgive
me for always making you feel
like second best, it won't
happen again..

Botho: It's ok, we all make mistakes. I'm not perfect either... Let's just try to make it work. I'll try to stand up for myself too.

She turned around and sat on his tummy then she leaned over and kissed him..

Age: Madam ako o ithute women on top ke ntsha ka thaa yanong! (please learn woman

on top, I just have to say it out loud)

Her mouth dropped as she smiled and laughed embarrassed. He laughed and flipped her down getting on top of her as she blocked her face with a pillow..

Botho: So how bad am I?

Age: On a scale of 1 to 10
you're like 3.

Botho: Nooooo!

He laughed at her pulling the
pillow off her face then he
kissed her..

Age: But we can teach you, I'm
sure it takes a few exercises
and then bang, you'll be a dick
rider!

Botho: (laughed embarrassed)
I'm so embarrassed, I thought
I'm like 7 there, 3 points out
because I tire easily.

Age : (shook his head) Nah, you
suck. Actually I was just afraid
to give you 1 point because I
thought you'll cry!

Botho : (laughed and whipped
him on the face with a pillow)

Ago waa fosa yaanong nkare ke
itaa letheke jaana! (now u are

lying, have u seen me move my waist)

Age: Letheka wena? (U, waist?) Bona kamoso re simolla di exercises (tomorrow we are starting the exercises), the same way I use my waist le wena o dira hela jaalo (u do the same). If you use your whole body you get tired, the waist never gets tired...

Botho: (she laughed and covered his mouth with her

hand) Fine, ke utule wee ke taa baakanya kamoso! (I heard u, il correct tomorrow).

They laughed as he leaned over and kissed her...

At Akeelah's house...

On the same night Akeelah leaned over the table reading on the text book and answering

the questions on the exercise book. She reached for her cup of coffee and realised it was finished..

She sighed and put her pen down then she got the cup and walked out pressing her phone. She checked if her father had read her messages, he hadn't but he was online. She dialled him...

Him: Hello?

Akeelah: Hi papa.

Him: It's late, why are you calling me this late?

Akeelah: I've been trying to call you osa arabe (u haven't been pivking), even called your PA and she said you have meetings back to back.

Him: I'm listening.

Akeelah: I've registered to upgrade my grades so I can

qualify for university sponsorship, but my subjects di 3 and I was thinking of getting tutors because the material wa teng is a lot and I'd understand faster if I had someone explaining it to me. Can you borrow me some money? I'll return it when I finish school and join the company.

Him: I don't have money

Akeelah, good night.

Akeelah : I'm pregnant!

Him: Is that why you're lying about school?

Akeelah: I'm not lying!

Him: I still don't have money, who is the father?

Akeelah: It's Age papa ele gore eka nna mang (who else would it be)

Him: You've been harassing him how would I know it's him because, so what's he saying?

Akeelah: He left me, but I understand and I respect his decision. I think I need time too to think about the person I am to everyone around me.

Him: You chased everyone around you so help yourself. I'm in my home office working so I can't chat. Good night.

He hung up and she sighed. She waited by the coffee machine as she dialed her mother then

she hung up. She refilled her cup and went back to the bedroom where she sat on her study table and sipped coffee while browsing through social media..

She came across Age's picture of Botho then she unfriended him. She searched for his brother and unfriended him too. She leaned back and sipped the coffee then she

opened her laptop and deleted all of Age's pictures and the video of his sex session with his brother and Tsame..

She took a deep breath and sighed feeling a bit relieved, then she reached back putting the laptop on her bed and turned back to her books. Now that she had a reason to study she seemed to understand and when she didn't understand

she googled for more explanations.

At Teto's house...

The next morning Tsame lifted her head off the pillow and yawned getting up. She stretched her back and got up then she put on her tshirt and shorts before putting on his robe as loud music played in the living room. She checked on


Aisha in the other bedroom, but she wasn't there. She figured she must be with him and walked towards the living room, she could hear Chicago's Inspiration from the passage as the ceiling vibrated with the base of the home theater.

Meanwhile in the kitchen, in his sweat pants and vest, Teto sang along turning the french fries in the pan while Aisha stood on

the center piece of the kitchen. She was holding the remote with one hand and slicing a piece of apple with the other.

Teto put the spoon down and picked the carrot using it as a mic to sing for her. She also used the remote to run her mouth as he sang for her..

Teto :

 You're the meaning in my
life

You're the inspiration

You bring feeling to my life

You're the inspiration

Wanna have you near me

I wanna have you hear me
sayin'

No one needs you more than I
need you 

They leaned towards one another singing and leaned back dancing to the loud music, then Teto paused dancing as he caught a sight of Tsame leaning against the entrance. He smiled embarrassed and put the carrot down while Tsame laughed. He walked over to her and pulled her hand over..

Teto: Come take over, Aisha are o bata di “chipisi” (Aisha says

she wants fries) (they laughed)
I didn't even know what to say,
I gave her fried eggs and those
a gana are dichipisi (she
refused and said it's fries she
wants). I hate peeling the
potatoes but she made me do
it, finish I'm quitting..

Tsame: (laughed) Nkabe kesa
tsoga le nna kea phapha, nkabo
ke ingaraladitse hela abe ke
tsoga ha go tsholwa (I'm too
forward I shouldn't have woken

up, I should have pretended to be asleep until after the food is ready)

They laughed as she stood by the centre piece and kissed Aisha who was still mumbling this new song on repeat mode.

Tsame: Ah hey babe..

Teto stood behind her and kissed her and she touched Aisha then headed to the stove. Teto picked Aisha and put her over his shoulder while he walked around the kitchen..

Teto: So... Are you aware that we are leaving for Gabs in an hour? I asked Age to drop us off.

Tsame: An hour? I'll need at least an hour to fix my face and hair!

Teto: You're not going to a beauty contest, you're fine. Hurry up..

Tsame: Ija!

He walked to the living room and reduced the volume then he heard a car door closing outside. He moved the curtains as his brother stepped out..

Teto: He is here!

Tsame: Mme kana gake tsamae
kesa thapa, eseng o letse o dira
jaaka nne o dira (there's no way
il leave without taking a bath,
not after what u did to me last
night)

Teto: (laughed blushing) Ke ira
eng, ska nkgolega.. (what did I
do)

He got Aisha down from his shoulder to his hip as he opened the door and shoulder bumped with his brother. His heart almost dropped when Botho stepped out of the car and approached. How could she agree to come after last night? He had been meaning to call her and warn her about texting him, in fact he wanted to make sure she understood that nothing happened

between them. Knowing Tsame if she got a chance with Botho she'd get her to talk. He almost confessed out of guilt for Christ's sake, this wasn't good, not at all!

Age: You guys are not ready?

Teto: I said 10.

Age: I thought you said 9, hi Aisha? (laughed) O serious o daddy ne monna (so u are seriously a dad)

Teto: (laughed) I overtook you.

Age: (laughed) Does she call you daddy? (took her) Come here

Teto: Not yet... She says uncle mme kana ke Tsame hela wa bo uncle (it's Tsame's fault she calls me uncle)

Age: (laughed) Tsame? Gatwe waa senya ka bo uncle (u are doing it wrong with the uncle title)

Tsame walked out of the kitchen with a spoon and laughed..

Tsame: He should have corrected me..

Botho closed the door and walked in as Tsame looked in her eyes. She looked down and stood by Age touching Aisha's hand..

Tsame : Hey Botho, come help me here.

Teto's heart thudded against his chest but he tried to keep calm. Age sat down and changed the channel still holding Aisha. Teto observed if Botho had her phone, it didn't look like it, then he sat down and sighed putting his hands over his mouth thoughtfully. It

was only a matter of time
before she found out and he'd
lose her and his brother, all for
two strokes!

Meanwhile in the kitchen
Botho stood by as Tsame
dished..

Tsame: Teto told me what
happened last night, akere
waitse gore ha ole mosadi
monna wa gago ase dirile waa

itse? (I guess u know that a woman can always tell when her man has done something)

Botho: I know.

Tsame: Yeah, I knew and he had no choice but to tell me the truth. If you want my forgiveness I want a proper apology.

Botho : What did he say happened?

Tsame: We are not talking about Teto, if there is any

remorse in you apologise hela
sente. I would have gone to
Age but I didn't because Teto
and I talked and we made
promises. I need the same from
you as well.

Botho: I'm sorry

Tsame: Sorry for what?

Apologise properly eseng nkare
wa pateletswa (not like u are
being forced) because you
know you were wrong..

Botho: Gone tota it was wrong and I know that.. I'm sorry.

Tsame: Sorry for what?

Botho : For what happened.

Tsame: What happened? Bua nnete hela (just tell the truth), I already know what happened I want to see if you're an honest person, le gore are you sorry kana jang (and if u are really sorry). It will determine if I'm keeping this or telling Age, and the minute I do those two men

will turn this house upside down killing each other. What happened?

Botho: Well I was cooking then Teto arrived –

Her phone vibrated in the pocket then she took out and clicked as she spoke.

Text : I hugged you last night when you were crying, that's

how I got your perfume on me,
nothing happened. Don't ruin
my relationship or else...

Tsame: Baya phone re bue
woman to woman (put away
the phone so we talk)

She deleted her message and
put the phone back in her
pocket..

Botho: We talked mostly about me and Age, tota I wasn't healing at all. I was suicidal but he hugged me and stopped me from crying, which is wrong. The guys have a code ya gore they don't hug each other's women. I'm sure you know that..

Tsame: Really?

She put down the spoon and suspiciously stood at the door

looking at Teto to see if he was holding his phone texting, but he was innocently holding the remote changing the channel then she walked back inside.

Botho: If Age finds out he will be angry and since we just reconciled... Thanks to Teto a nthaya are I should swallow my anger and pride. He helped us and I know Age would be happy but gaaka utwa ka hug ya go

nna story sesele because he is protective of me. It will never happen again. Please forgive me, let it slide..

Tsame looked in her sincere eyes and sighed guilt stricken then she hugged her..

Botho : I'm sorry

Tsame: It's ok, I understand....
Thank you for telling me the

truth. At least you two are back together.

Botho: Akere.. Let me help you with that..

Tsame : Thanks

They dished and served the guys before joining them and eating while Aisha ate sitting on the carpet.

Aisha picked her glass of milk and walked over to give Teto.

Teto: Uh, thank you baby. O bona mama a ntimile mashi

They all laughed, he pretended to be sipping and handed it back then she went to sit down and ate. Teto looked at Tsame from across the table and winked at her, she rolled her

eyes blushing and continued eating as the guys chatted.

SIX MONTHS LATER.

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At the butchery...

Akeelah turned the page of her text book and continued writing. The baby started kicking and she paused writing putting her hand over her bump. This was the most tickling and satisfying feeling ever and she couldn't wait to see her baby. The kicks were getting stronger by the day. A

customer walked in and stood by the display, she walked over and put on the glove then she smiled as she assisted the customer..

Customer: Eo, e nang le mahuranyana. (That one with a bit of fat)

Akeelah: E? (This one?)

Customer: Yes, ya P15.

She grabbed the fresh red meat and put it on the chopping board estimating, then she put it on the scale, it read P15. 05.

She put it in the plastic bag and placed the price sticker before handing it over.

Akeelah: (smiled) Thank you...

The customer left then she sat down and took out her phone dialing Age..

Age: Hello?

Akeelah: Hi.

Age: Hey, what's up?

Akeelah: I'm still waiting for the baby's money kana I'm due next week but you still haven't given me anything.

Age: I'll send the money.

Akeelah: Kante why o bata ke go salasala morago ne rra gore o sapote ngwana kante gase wena yone o mmata? (Why are u giving me the run around with the child's support, aren't you the one who wanted this baby?)

Age: I said I will send the money you don't have to insult me, I'm really not in the mood for your nonsense.

Akeelah: Nonsense Age? What did I say that's wrong? I haven't even called you in months mme sale o rile o taa mpha made a ngwana (u've long said u will give me the baby's money), yet you're taking Gaborone trips with your girlfriend tota ware nna ngwana ke mo reng ke bereka mo buchareng? (What do u want me to do u know I have a lousy job in a butchery). I have exams in a month, I just

registered kana which means I must work hard because other students had the whole year while I had 6 months to prepare. My parents are not talking to me ke kopa o nthuse ngwana. (Please help with the baby)

Age: I will send it, at the moment I don't have anything. I'll send month end.

Akeelah: Month end ngwana tabe a tshotswe kana (the baby

will be here by then), I need the baby's clothes and blankets go winter and he has to be warm.

Age: Fine, I'll get into a cash loan or something. How do I even know it's mine? The months you're talking about I didn't even spend time with you because I was with Botho.

Akeelah: I can't believe you begged me for a baby and now you're saying this. (tearfully)

You're breaking me right now, I understand that you and me hate each other but can you support your child, this is your first born. Why aren't you excited?

Age: First of all I don't hate you and secondly I'm not refusing to support, I had other commitments and I used all my money but I will give you something. Just stop talking to me with that kind of attitude

I'm not the guy you used to slap around, humble yourself if you need my help.

Akeelah: I don't need your help, your child needs help.

Age: Whatever, I'll send my son's money this evening gape ke bata DNA test before I can start using all my money on him. Gake sure if he is mine because you and I weren't really spending time together.

Akeelah: Heela rra aren't you the one who flashed my pills ore o bata ngwana? Kana I'm due next Wednesday, please send today so I can buy tomorrow. Please I also need to pay my helper because she starts on my due date. My father suggested I move back home so that my mother can help me ka botsetsi but I don't want her to.

Age : Why not? Kante Akeelah why are you prideful? Why can't you let your mother help you? What kind of botsetsi are you going to have without your mother's help?

Akeelah: Prideful? You did this!

Age: Alright, bye, it never ends well with you next thing you'll be calling me a toilet baby.

Akeelah: I've apologised for that and I never said it again. I told you I'll never talk to you

like that again or harass anyone in your life, what should I do to show you I'm sorry? (he kept quiet) Why can't you get over it the same way you want me to get over seeing you and my mother in bed?

Age: (sighed) This is why I don't pick your calls, because you're always shouting at me.

Akeelah: I'm not even shoutin-

Age: Have a good day.

He hung up then clenched her teeth tearfully and rubbed her head thoughtfully. Minutes later the next employee walked in for her shift..

Her: Hey you, the boss says next week you shouldn't come to work. Gatwe gongwe o ithaa ore gao kake wa amogedisiwa (she says maybe u think she won't pay u)

Akeelah : (laughed) She said she will pay me but I just didn't want to go early.

She closed her books and went to wash her hands and freshened up before leaving.

At Teto's office...

Later that afternoon just before lunch hour Teto switched off

the computer and dialed Tsame. He put the phone between his ear and shoulder as he reached for his suit jacket hanging on his chair, then he put it on the other arm and moved the phone to the other side.

Tsame: Hello?

Teto: Hey fat one!

Tsame: (laughed) You know that what you're doing is body

shaming right? And for your information I'm enjoying this body, for the first time in my life I look like an adult.

Teto: (laughed) The appointment is at 2pm right?

Tsame: Yes, babe kana gatwe we might be called for an interview next week for that PR post I applied for. I'm so scared, the principal was so surprised that I actually qualify ke ha are mma nna ntse ke bona tuck

shop lady hela. (she said she only saw a tuckshop lady in me)

Teto: (laughed) Gaba go itse gore o kgona go dira gore motho a comfesser asa dira sepe! (they don't know that u can make people confess for stuff they didn't do!)

Tsame: (laughed) Don't start with me.

His telephone rang..

Teto: (laughed) Hold on...
(picked the telephone) Hello?

Voice: Akeelah is here to see
you.

Teto: Let her in.

He hung up and sighed moving
the cellphone to his ear..

Teto: Akeelah is here to see me, I can't wait to be insulted and told I was found in the bin.

Tsame: (laughed) I don't think she will ever do that, I met her in the shop the other day and she greeted me. I think all that act was because of stress. I can't imagine what she went through after what your brother did. Age o didimaditse bonokwane, yes he is not violent or short tempered but

he didn't make wise decisions.
This is why kere nna hao ntira
jaana (if u did that to me...) I'll
just leave bathong. Pain
changes people and no one will
understand tabe gotwe le ene
nea rata ke eng nne asa thale.
Even when a woman is dead
and it's the man's fault, other
women will always blame her.
Teto: (laughed) Mxm kea
dropa, ithela o rata go
nthreatener motho ke wena o

marama. (I'm hanging up, u like threatening me u chubby cheeks)

He hung up as Akeelah walked in and closed the door. He lifted his eyebrows surprised, her bump was so huge she could barely walk or breathe properly..

Teto : Hey, have a seat..

She sat and took a deep breath to relax..

Akeelah: I need your help with your brother.

Teto : I don't have a brother, remember?

Akeelah : Are you ever going to forgive me?

Teto: (smiled) Forgiveness comes after apologies.

Akeelah: (smiled) I'm sorry for being rude, I thought you knew all his doings and it was all based on that video of you two having sex with Tsame. I'm sorry for the assumptions but even if you knew you still wouldn't tell on your big brother. Brother code thing... There is nothing you can do when he does that tota.

Teto: Fair enough, you're forgiven. How can I help?

Akeelah: I'm due next week but Age hasn't given me any money for the baby.

Teto : What do you mean? Like never before kana just this month?

Akeelah : Never, since ke nna pregnant and he doubts it's his child. I don't know if he is genuinely doubtful or he just doesn't want my son. He doesn't give me anything since ke nna pregnant. Well there

was this other time we sat and talked, he was apologising for what happened but nne gose monate hela because he kept getting calls from Botho, but abe ke tswa hela mogo yone (I let it go). He gave me P200, I was five months pregnant by then so I bought food and nothing for the baby. Irile ke bona gore months are going by and he is not giving me money I found a job in a butchery so

that I could get the baby's clothes. I've got a few things but I need his support. Talk to him for me please.

Teto : No, Age would never do that to his kid, are you sure?

Akeelah : I wouldn't be here if I had the baby's things. Walking is not a joke especially when you're carrying a heavy child like this.

He leaned back and dialed
Age...

Age: Hello?

Teto : Hi, I'm with Akeelah, o
bata dio tsa ngwana, mo
sendele madi ke mo drope ko
mmolong (she wants the baby's
stuff, send her the money so I
drop her off at the mall)

Age: I don't know if that's my
child, koore if at all Akeelah
was like 6 months pregnant

then I would believe it. Why did she wait for so long to tell me? Why not tell me the first month? When I think back to the supposed date of conception nako ya teng I spent with Botho.

Teto: Did you have sex with her though?

Age: If we did it was once or twice, I wasn't with her on that month

Teto: Age can you just support ota emisa after DNA test? (u will stop after DNA test) That thing is not expensive, it's like 3.5 Cardo did it on his daughter. Senda madi the rra (Send the money dude)

Age: The child I was excited about is supposed to be born in 3 months not now. Something is not right

Teto: I'm giving Akeelah some money, wena o tile go ntuela (u

will refund me) and we need to talk about this.

Age: Ok, Shap.

He hung up..

Teto: How much do you need?

Akeelah: What did he say? He says it's not his child isn't it?

Teto: Well... Not exactly, he knows it's his child. How much do you want?

Akeelah: (stood) I can't keep begging for handouts, I'll manage on my own.

Teto: This is my nephew and I want to give him something, don't let your hormones punish him, he needs clothes not you.. I'm sending you 2.5 because that's what I have on me now but I will talk to Age and he will give you more.

Akeelah: Don't force him, I thought when you talk to him

he will understand, but if he is still denying then thanks for trying.

Teto sent her an ewallet and walked her out..

Teto: I'll talk to Age, these things happen. It's every guy's fear to support a child that's not his and sometimes they say such with a strong feeling not knowing they're wrong.

Akeelah : I guess I'm not the first woman to be treated like this, it's ok. I'll manage on my own. I also didn't know exactly when I got pregnant because after stopping the pills I went for a month gosare sepe, from there I just assumed it will happen anytime.

Teto: I'll talk to Age, he is understanding.

Akeelah: Ok, bye.

Teto: Let me drop you off at the mall, I'm picking up Tsame, by the way I'm expecting my second born.

Akeelah: I didn't know you have a baby.

Teto: (laughed) The first born came with her, she is almost three.

Akeelah: (looked at him and smiled admiringly) O mpolaa ore second born,

congratulations daddy... Is it a boy or girl?

Teto: I don't know, we are going to find out today.

Akeelah: (laughed)

Congratulations, you have a complete family, go setse lenyalo hela (u are only left with the wedding now)

Teto: I don't know how to go about that.

Akeelah : When it's like this you go see Tsame's uncle and tell

him who you are and your background, their family will then divide themselves. Some become your family while others become hers. It's very nice I saw it happening with another girl who was from SOS. Her wedding was beautiful and it made me want to get married.

Teto: I'll talk to Tsame about it, ke excited ka ngwanake (about the baby), I wonder how she or

he will look like. I don't even care about the gender as long as it's my blood ke bona ke itiretse I'll go crazy.

Akeelah : Congrats...

They got in the car and drove off....

At the mall...

Minutes later Teto parked the car then Akeelah stepped out and closed the door.

Akeelah: Thanks.

Teto: Sure!

He reversed and drove off as he received a call...

Teto: Hello?

Voice: Hi, I just got home now and my grandmother gave me your number. He says you're looking for your mother.

Teto: Yes, she said she suspects two of her daughters.

Apparently they looked pregnant but she isn't sure.

Voice: Ok, I know where my aunt is, the other aunt ake sure. She is a drifter, she goes wherever a relationship takes her. We haven't seen her in

years. Save my number and talk to me when you're ready to see my aunt.

Teto: Sure, thanks man.

Voice: Sure sure.

He hung up and drove off...

At school....

Meanwhile Tsame stood by the stop with an umbrella as her

big bump stuck out of her maternity dress. Botho drove by and stopped, she walked over and got in.

Tsame: Hey.

Botho : Hey, where are you going?

Tsame: I was waiting for Teto, he is taking forever as always. Drop me at the mall.

Botho: I've been feeling weird since yesterday, I'm going to take a test, can you come with? Ke excited mme gape I'm scared that I'm finally pregnant.

Tsame: I'm constantly sick and it's annoying, I don't like the smell of anything, I don't even put on perfume anymore.

Botho : I feel nauseous... It's a good thing... If it's not that I'm about to get my period. I

sometimes feel nauseous days before my period.

Tsame: It's a baby let's be positive.

Botho's phone rang then she answered..

Botho : Hello?

Age: Did you take the test?

Botho : I'm going to, I'll send you the screenshot.

Age: I'm waiting..

Botho : Will let you know.

Age: I love you.

Botho: I love you too.

He hung up and Tsame's phone rang..

Tsame : Hey, I left with Botho ke bona o diega.(u were taking long) We are going to the pharmacy.

Teto: OK, let me know when you guys are done. I'll be around the mall.

Tsame: Bye.

She hung up and sighed leaning back.

At the toilets...

Minutes later the ladies walked into the toilets, Botho hurried

in one of the toilets while
Tsame stood by.

Tsame: Teto is probably being
impatient, kana o rata go
nkemisa ene gake mo emisa e
nna kgang. (He likes making me
wait but when I do the same he
complains)

Meanwhile in the toilet Botho
peed on the stick and pulled up
her panties..

Botho: (laughed) Age does the same, he can miss my calls but when I miss his it's a big deal..

She picked the stick and walked out holding it. The two of them stepped out of the toilets and walked towards the parking lot while she looked at the stick.

Botho: Yoo, I'm so scared.. My heart is beating.. The mma tshwara o ntebele when it's time. (hold it and look for me when the time elapses)

Tsame held the stick at the handle while Botho opened the car and sat inside. Tsame got in the other side and sat looking at the strick.

Botho : What does it say?

Tsame: (sadly) It's just one line..

Botho got the stick and looked at the line. Tears filled her eyes as she put it down and leaned over the steering wheel.

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At the private clinic...

Botho parked in front of the building and sighed leaning back as Tsame looked at her...

Tsame: You can keep trying or maybe you should see the doctor. The one we are going to see is a gynaecologist so he can

tell if there is a problem then it can be fixed.

Botho: I will see one, thanks.

Tsame: Promise me you'll be fine.

Botho : (flashed a smile of hope) Tsame come on, I'll be fine. It's probably nothing, some babies don't come easily.

Tsame: True.

Botho : Don't even feel guilty to enjoy your pregnancy, Age and I will build our family.

Tsame: You reminded me.

When is his son being born?

Botho: I don't know, is he really his son? I don't know if I trust that Akeelah woman, she is rude and bossy... She talks to Age like he is a little boy. She probably chose him to father her baby because he is soft.

Tsame: Amme? (Really) Nna ke bona nkare motho yo ne a pekisiwa ke Age (I think Age is the one who was driving her crazy), a cheating man will change you into something else so much people will even think you're the problem. He dated her for seven years and throughout those years he cheated le ka wena tota (even with you), so in a way she had every right to get angry and

retaliate. Not that ke a mo
sapota (not that I support her)

Or anything

Botho: But you don't talk to a
man the way she does, she
pushed him away and now we
don't even know if that's his
child.

Tsame: What does Age say?

Botho: When I ask him o nna
confused, it's like he doesn't
know..

Tsame: If I were you I'd ask him to support the baby so he can visit you two le nne family.

Botho : Family with Akeelah's child? Didn't you say that child doesn't concern me o nna koo le mmagwe (he stays with the mom) now you're changing your advice again?

Tsame : By saying that I didn't mean you can't have a relationship with the baby, I just meant the baby won't be

staying with you if you don't want. If I found Teto with a baby he had with an ex I'd accept that baby the same way he accepted my daughter.

Botho: This is different, Akeelah is not someone you can even attempt to do that with.

Botho's phone rang then she picked..

Botho : Hello?

Age: Hey, (smiled) Any news?

Botho: Negative.

Age: We should go to the clinic and find out what's going on, when can we do it?

Botho: Tomorrow is OK but I have an idea, we will talk later..

Age: Ok, Akeelah called me today are o bata dilo tsa ngwana (she said she wants the baby's stuff)

Botho: Omo neetse? (did you give her)

Age: (sighed) Not yet, I wanted to talk to you first.

Botho: It's up to you.

Age: Babe we agreed to communicate and work on this together, I don't want to make a mistake only for you to say I told you so should things turn sour.

Botho: I don't know what to say because I'm not sure that's

your baby. Women make men support children that aren't theirs so until I have the DNA test results I have nothing to say. I will start taking part when I know for sure it's my step child. Ake bate go ithogisa Akeelah ka ngwana gongwe ese wa gago (I don't want to be insulted for nothing and then it turns out the baby isn't yours)

Age: Alright,so... When are we going to hospital?

Botho: I'll let you know.

Age: I love you.

Botho : I love you too.

She hung up and Tsame stared at her..

Tsame: You're going to make him doubt that child if you talk like that, banna ba tsietsega ka bonako kana (men are easily swayed). Ha o bua dilo tsone

ago rata o dumela hela (when he loves u he believes whatever u say), what if it's his child?

Botho : I'm not saying he shouldn't take part kare nna personally I'll have a say after having the DNA results. Am I wrong to want proof?

Tsame : I guess not.

Botho: The problem with you is that your life is perfect, you have a man who loves you and your child. Now you're

pregnant and living in a good house expecting a child and a promotion. You have no challenges and you don't understand. If Teto told you some girl says he impregnated her would you just say support the child ose sure? Put yourself in my shoes, besides I really don't want to deal with Akeelah. I'm already stressed about this issue ya gore I can't get pregnant.

Tsame: Of course I'd have my doubts but given their history, 7 years? I wouldn't doubt that, nka doubtta night stand.

Botho: I'm stressed, I don't think I'm in a good space to be honest.

Tsame : True, please go and rest we will talk this evening.

Botho : Thank you..

Tsame stepped out of the car and closed the door then she walked towards the building as Botho drove off. As soon as she stepped on the front carpet the glass double doors slid open and she walked into the reception. Teto stood up from the couch and put down the magazine he was reading and he smiled at Tsame. He put his hand around her and kissed her

then they walked into the doctor's office...

Once inside Tsame laid on the bed as Teto curiously stared at the monitor while the doctor applied gel on her abdomen..

Doctor: So, do you want a boy or girl?

Teto: Well, anything is fine but I guess a boy would do for now.

Our first born is a girl but I wouldn't mind if it's a girl again, we can always try for a boy the following year.

Tsame: (laughed) So you think it's that easy to make babies?

Doctor: (laughed) All he does is drop them inside and wait to collect, can you blame him?

(they laughed) Alright... Here we go... Here we go... That's the head... Can you see it?

Teto : Yeah, these are the hands right.

Doctor: Yes.

Tsame: Is it a boy or girl?

Doctor: It's a girl..

Teto: (smiled) Now I want her to be born so I can look at my doing... Seeing her on the screen like this makes it hard to wait, I won't survive 3 months.

Tsame : I like girls bathong,
mosimane go bata ntse ele last

born, we will give you a boy in
3 years.

Teto: (laughed) Deal.

Doctor: She is growing perfectly
well...

They all smiled looking at the
screen as the baby moved....

In Botho's car...

Her colleague called her as she approached the roundabout and picked...

Botho: Hello?

Her: Hey, I saw your missed call.

Botho: Ee, eish the mma. I need that woman's number, yoo thusang batho ba ba nang le mathata. (The one who helps people with problems)

Her: The prophet?

Botho: Yes, I need her help.

Her: I'll send her number,
mathata o lebogiwa ka madi a
mantsi (pronlem is u have yo
thank her with a lot of money),
but I hear she is very good.

Botho: Send the number.

Her: Ok, bye.

She hung up and sighed as she
continued driving...

At Botho's House....

Later that evening Age walked in the house and all the way to the bedroom where Botho was sitting on the bed talking to the phone..

Botho: Ee mma... I will call if I get lost. Thank you

Age leaned over and kissed her as she hung up..

Age: Who is it?

Botho: This lady helps people and I think we should go there, she is a prophet. I think she might help us conceive

Age : I don't believe in that kind of thing, why not go to the hospital?

Botho : Please... Let's try this and see how it goes. We won't even take long.

Age: (sighed) OK... Let's go..

Botho: Thank you

She got ready and thy left...

At Teto's House...

On the same evening Teto got out of the bathroom and

walked in the bedroom where Tsame was lying on the bed, he put on his shorts and opened the wardrobe doors..

Teto: What movie are we watching?

There was no response then he turned around to her snoring, he sighed and closed the doors then he shook her shoulder..

Teto: Babe? Oh come on, you promised me this weekend we wil watch a movie together..

Tsoga.

Tsame: (shook him off with eyes closed) Ng ng...

Teto: Babe the mma tsoga

Tsame : (angrily) Ng ng the rra!

He leaned back and sighed, this was yet another boring

weekend for him, being lonely while with her, he pushed the duvet over her then he walked to the living room where Aisha had dozed off on the bed, he picked her up and carried her over his shoulder to the bedroom where he laid her down and took off her shoes. He tucked her in and walked out pressing his phone then he smiled thoughtfully.

He walked back to Aisha's bed and took a picture of her then to his bedroom and took a picture of Tsame, he went to the couch and changed channels waiting for his movie to start..

He laid on his back and hung his foot above as he typed a Facebook post..

“ So my girls are down and out
AGAIN, 😂 batho ba ba
robalang le dikoko kana ba itse
go senyetsa motho Friday”

He got likes and comments
which he laughed replying then
his messenger dinged.

Gontle: 😍 And the world’s
best father award goes to Teto
Alpha 🙌

Teto: 😞 When did you get back on Facebook?

Gontle: It's been weeks. I needed time off social media so I could recollect myself.

Teto: What happened? By the way can I see your baby, maloba ne ke go gopotsa ke ipotsa gore o kae

Gontle: Let's take this to WhatsApp, you're still using the same number right?


Teto : Yeah

Gontle: Areye WhatsApp.

He closed the tab and clicked on his WhatsApp as 6 pictures loaded. He clicked on the first picture showing the little baby with tubes connected to his nose and chest, all the machines around him and Gontle sitting by with a cannula on her hand. He frowned sadly looking at Gontle looking plain

and drained. The last picture showed a white little coffin and flowers on top...

Teto: Gee no, when was this?

Gontle:  Six months ago, I delivered prematurely and he didn't survive. His respiratory system failed.

Teto: I'm so sorry, how are you doing though?

Gontle: It was hard but I'm OK, 🤔 I'm going back to school in January. How are you?


Teto: I'm good

Gontle: 🐒 O bolelele Tsame gore kare ke bata monna wame {Tell Tsame I want my man back}

Teto: 😂😂 wa simolla akere? {Don't even start with me}

Gontle: What are you doing at the moment?

Teto: Watching a movie, Tsame is asleep, she sleeps early.

Gontle:  Tao ntshune {Come kiss me}

Teto: I can't, we are staying together and she is crazy. I bet you when she wakes up she will know I been chatting with someone I'm not supposed to.

Gontle:  Wa gana? {ar u refusing?}

Teto: No

Gontle: Ta kwano ee {Then come here}

Teto: 🤪 Ako ikete pele {Relax ok}

Gontle: Don't you miss us?

Teto: 🤪 WTF are you? Nne ese gore o shy kante?

Gontle: Kare ta kwano monna ke go thwaagaletse {Just come here, I miss you}

Teto: Now is not a good time, it's a big risk. If she wakes up

and finds me gone it will be another story.

Gontle: 😐 Fine, give me directions, I'll come kiss you, I've got P20 wa taxi special

Teto: Are you serious?

Gontle: Yes. I want to kiss your lips. 😘

Tsame's footsteps approached as she walked in the bathroom and peed then he put the

phone down and innocently
watched the movie. She flashed
the toilet and went to bed..

At the Prophet...

On the same night, sitting on
the skin animal carpet on the
floor facing the prophet Age
and Botho quietly watched as
she slowly opened her eyes.....

Prophet: I see a pregnant woman... She is holding your womb in her hand... She got something that belongs to you in your house, that's what she used, the way she did it.

Whoever that will try to fix this dies. She wants inheritance for her child but this is not your child...

Age and Botho looked at one another....

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At the mall...

The next day in the morning just after 10 Akeelah parked the car and leaned back as the baby's kicks got so intense she could see his limbs moving on her sticky dress...

Akeelah: Are you ready to meet mommy?

She rubbed her bump and stepped out. She was still grateful her parents built her a

house and bought her a car, and maybe part of her wanted to go back home. She knew nothing about children and parenthood scared her, she didn't want to make a mistake along the way and lose her child. But then again facing her mother still brought tears to her eyes. She just wasn't ready. She walked into the shop and picked the baby's clothes.. She still couldn't believe she once

hated Teto and he came through for her, hopefully he'd put some sense into his brother so he could support his child.

She walked across the shop and queued to pay. For the first time ever, she missed having a friend, someone to chat to... I guess with Age out of the way she could try get a friend without the fear of him sleeping with her.

Minutes later she walked out of the shop texting Age.

Akeelah: I managed to buy the baby's things. Thanks for your part, thank your brother for me.

He saw the message but never replied, she put her phone in

the handbag and crossed the road.

She unlocked the car as Age parked by her side. She threw the plastic bags in the back and closed the door looking at him. He and Botho stepped out of the car and walked past her without a word.

Akeelah: Age?

Age: What is it?

Akeelah: Gawa bona message wame? (Didn't you get my msg)

He walked back and stood in front of her looking in her eyes..

Age: I was wondering why the sudden change in your behaviour only to find out you

went to witch doctors so I could support your baby, a baby that's not even mine! You think if you delay Botho's pregnancy it will make me desperate enough to support your baby. You'll be surprised if you think I'm that desperate for a baby.

Akeelah: I changed because I wanted to be the best mother I can be, I don't know about you but this pregnancy changed

me. Ke godisitswe thaloganyo
ke ngwana ka gore ke a itse
gore ke nosi mogo ene (I
matured fast cos of the baby)
and I thought I had you to
count on, but it's ok. This is not
your son right? Go away and
delete my number too. I will
delete yours le ene Teto I will
never call him gore a ska go
tsenya dingalo ka gore ene
ekare o rata bana (so that he
doesn't bother u since he likes

kids). I will just put my tail between my legs and get out of your life.

Age: That holy act is not going to trick me.. (smiled) You really thought I'd fall for it ey, (laughed) You thought I'd just fall in love with your kid? I've heard of stories about women doing this to men but I never thought it would be me... Too bad I got you!

He laughed and shook his head while she tearfully looked in his eyes.

Akeelah : God is punishing me for all the names I called you, now I get to watch my child a itatolwa ke rragwe mme nne o nthapela o mmata (now I have to watch u deny your child after begging me for him) (lips trembling) Maybe your father did this and that's why your

mother ended up giving up on the way, but I won't give up even if it means studying while breastfeeding. I'm not going to get rid of your son, I will raise him by myself. If it's a generational curse it stops with Age Junior. Yes, AJ is his name.

She got in the car and reversed passing by Botho as she stood by folding her hands. Age put

his arm behind her back and
they walked away...

At Teto's house....

On the same morning Teto
moved closer to Tsame and put
his arm around her caressing
her breasts while in bed, then
he shoved his dick between her
thighs kissing her neck..

Tsame: The rra ntese ke robale
ke lapile... (let me sleep I'm
tired)

Teto: I miss you... Get up...

Tsame: Ema pele... (wait)

She closed her eyes and dozed
off. Teto stroked his dick and
lifted her butt then he moved
closer. The warmth of her
pussy attracted him as he
pushed in, she flinched and
pushed his hand..

Tsame: The rra wa mpolaa.. (u are hurting me)

Teto: Ke reng because o gana go tsoga? (What should I do since u refuse to get up)

He sat up with a stiff boner and looked at her as she turned facing the wall...

Tsame: Why o rata go ntsenya dingalo ke robetse? (Why do u like to bother me when I'm sleeping) Ako o tswe mogo nna (leave me alone), it's Saturday and I want to rest kesa kubuge (not waking up early)

Teto: You're being unreasonable right now, why are you always sleeping, le gone it's almost 11 in the morning? You're boring me!

Tsame: Leave me alone!

Teto: Do you think you're being fair though? Gase gore waa kgatha onna o claima gore o lapile (u are not being funny claiming to be tired all the time), what about me?

Tsame: Tswa hela mogo nna the rra (just leave me alone)

She closed her eyes then he crawled on the bed and pulled the duvet off her dropping it on the floor.

Teto: The mma ako tsoge
(please get up)

Tsame: Teto gake bate,
ija.(Leave me alone)

She got up and reached for the
blanket then he grabbed it
looking in her eyes...

Tsame: Waa lemoga mme gore
ke rwele ngwana golo ha kana

wena hela ha oka bona
morobalo o siame? (do u
realise I'm carrying a baby or u
just care about sex)

Teto: Why should I beg for sex?
O bata ke go rapele? (Do u
want me to beg)

Tsame: I really don't feel like
having sex right now, I had a
long day yesterday and I'm
exhausted. Ngwana yo o
motona ke nna hela ke lapile
(this baby is big so I'm always

tired). Gake gane kare(I'm not refusing) not now, let me sleep

Teto: Ware now then kgantele
tabe o otsela on the couch

(later on u will be sleepy),

honestly this is boring. We

never even go out. Why should

I be cooped up in this house

when I'm not even getting sex?

Tsame: Ke reng jaanong Teto?

Why do I feel like you're

harassing me because it's your

house?

Teto : Don't even go there nna ke bata sex, ska bata go omanela diodisele. Ntu e tsena kae? Problem ka wena you have a big mouth, if you gave me sex at the rate you talk with I'd be a happy man.

Tsame stared at him and only then did she notice the sleepiness she had disappeared though she was still exhausted. Tears filled her eyes, she was

still exhausted but she could tell he was picking up a fight with a boner pointing right at her. She knew cohabiting meant a lot of sex but this was another level of a sex drive and it didn't matter how much she gave the next day he still wanted more than he got the day before..

Tsame: Ok....

She laid on her back and looked at him...

Tsame: Come have sex then, it doesn't matter how I feel..

She spread her legs then he, stood up and put on his shorts..

Teto: Never mind, I just lost interest! I'm going to bath...

He walked out and slammed the door as she closed her eyes and sighed tearfully.

Now unable to sleep she put on her gown and slipped her feet in her shoes and went to the bathroom. She leaned over and brushed her teeth while he showered. He stepped out and reached for a towel then he wiped himself and put on his

shorts before passing by
without saying anything.

She grabbed the mop and
wiped the floor then she
opened the window and let the
mist evaporate.

She walked into the bedroom
where he was putting on roll
on, then he bent over looking in
his tshirt shelf. He picked a long
sleeve tshirt and put it on then

he put on jeans and sat on the bed putting on his socks..

Tsame : Where are you going?

Teto : I need air.

Tsame: There is a lot of air in this house..

He stood up and put on his watch looking at her, then he turned around and brushed his hair forward looking at himself

on the mirror, before putting on cologne. She then picked the car keys and sat on the edge of the bed..

Tsame: You're not going anywhere, you're not supposed to leave after an argument.

He pulled out a pair of shoes and dropped them on the floor then he pulled the legs of his

pants and forced his foot in one of the shoes looking at Tsame.

Tsame: You're not leaving. I'm not giving you these car keys.

Teto: O gana ke go tshwara akere o bata gore ke thole ke go lebile mo mathong wena o otsela. (U don't want me to touch u u just want me to stare at you the whole day while u sleep)

Tsame : You woke me up already, didn't I say you can take it?

Teto : Gake e bate e omanelwang pele. (I don't want it if we have to argue first)

Tsame: So where are you going?

Teto: I'm going to my brother's house, give me the car keys.

Tsame : You're not going

Teto: O gana ka key ya kolo?
(Are u refusing with the car
keys)

Tsame : Ke a gana (Yes, I am)

Teto: Cool... Ke taa walker ee (il
walk then)

He pulled the drawer and got a
plain cap which he shoved over
his head and boy did he look
good!

Teto: Mosadi wa salon ne are appointment yaga Aisha ke 2, omo ise ke dueletse ruri (The salon lady said Aisha's appointment is at 2, take her there I already paid). Go shap.

She followed him out holding the car keys..

Tsame: Teto why are you doing this? Oya kae? (Where are you going)

He stepped out the house fixing his cap and walked away without a word. She leaned against the window frame looking at him as tears blurred her sight. Every step he took further broke her into pieces. Knowing him he'd probably call his brother to pick him, buy a girl and have sex with her while his brother drove him. She rubbed her tears and walked

back into the house where she sat on the bed and typed the message with one hand and put the other above her bump as the baby kicked.

Tsame: I love you and I trust you. Enjoy your day.

She put the phone down and sighed putting her hands over her face, it was her hormones playing tricks on her. Her man

would never do that, not when she is pregnant, who would cheat on a pregnant woman? Definitely not Teto, she fixed the bed and started cleaning the house...

At the hotel restaurant...

Later that afternoon Gontle approached with a tray and slid over the counter, then she

looked at the time and removed her apron.

She and her colleague headed to the bathroom where they freshened up their faces and reapplied lipstick while chatting..

Gontle: I'm serious I want him back or else ke ago e harasa relationship ele until e nna bosula ngwanyana a ikoba abe

ke tsena (otherwise I'm going to harass the relationship until the girl leaves)

Her: (laughed) Ae mma but you hurt him, lesa moghel o bonetse ngwana wa gagwe step father, ako o thomoge pelo.

(Leave the gal alone she found a stepfather for her child)

Gontle: If she knew better she'd just leave, ke tile go tshuba ngwanyana yo until a tsamaya (I'm going to harass

her until she leaves). How can she move in with someone she dated for six months? I made one mistake which I paid for dearly, and learnt not to ever be stupid again. Now I'm taking my man back reka lapa ke desperate people who are always willing to entangle themselves with men who are going through a rough time.

Her: (laughed) But she is expecting!

Gontle: Exactly, I'm counting on her to help me push this guy over here, and o bona ha nka tshwara Teto mo khoneng ga 1 hela he will never want anyone but me. I just need one night with him ibile gape ke ago iteseletsa ke ima gore ke bakise this woman. I have been preparing myself for the past couple of months. I've watched every video there is and gakena sepe gore mang areng ke tsaya

monna wame hela ka force. I'm yet to study this girl and their relationship the mma, whatever she does wrong ke se dira botoka. Ke tile go gata dikgato le ene, aka ntseela monna kele monnye mogo ene, aje monna wame amo pake ka gore ke buile ke tile gomo rwala ke a tsamaya. Leha nne amo nyetse ne ntse ke tile go thuba lapanyana la teng.

Her: (laughed) Tsena girl!

Borrow me P5 wa taxi mma

Gontle: (laughed and picked P5 amongst a lot of coins) Bye, see you tomorrow..

She walked out dialing Teto's number...

At Age's house...

Meanwhile the brothers stood by the car...

Age: It's hormones, just hold on for another three months then you'll have your girl back.

Teto: (sighed) Setse ke tapegile... I love her but the relationship is just boring.

His phone rang then he looked at the screen before stepping

aside and lowering his voice so his brother wouldn't hear him.

Teto: Yeah?

Gontle: Hey, I'm walking from work. I don't have coins for a taxi ke kopa lift.

Teto: O kae? (Where are you)

Gontle: I'm approaching the roundabout.

Teto: Alright bye.

Gontle: Bye.

He hung up and got in the car
as Age stood by..

Age : Who is that?

Teto: Just some girl

Age: Tsame might miscarry
when she finds out, is that the
risk you're willing to take with
your only child?

Teto: Says a guy who relies on a prophet for DNA, right! Thanks big bro..

He started the car and looked up at him..

Teto: And it's just ride, I still love my girls and nothing is going to change that.

He rolled up the windows and drove off...

At the roundabout

Minutes later he turned the steering wheel and spotted Gontle in her jeans and sneakers with the restaurant's uniform shirt, wow! She actually looked prettier in bum length box braids. Her baby hairs were laid down perfectly

and she smiled blushing as he parked. She walked over and got in waving her head back and closed the door..

Gontle: Hey!

Teto: Hey!

Gontle: (smiled) Akere waa itse gore wa nkolota... (U know u owe me right)

He looked in her eyes and smiled cute as he turned away licking his lower lip..

Gontle: Tisa dilo tsame o ise o tsene mo tseleng...(bring what's mine before you can drive)

He knew it was wrong and his heart was pounding as fuck but fuck it! He leaned over and planted a kiss on her lips which turned into a french one as she

reached for his pants and massaged his dick above the jeans, it expanded right on her palm and hardened.

Oh fuck, God bless all the girls who reach for the dick when getting kissed! This was an awesome feeling he never experienced from a black woman before! He started breathing heavily as he kissed

her, then she pulled off and pushed his chest...

Gontle: Kgweetsa rra o toga o chargiwa golo ha gase parking.. {let's go before you get charged, this isn't a parking spot}

He licked his lips and caught his breath as he turned the steering wheel and joined the road.

Meanwhile in an oncoming car
Tsame put the phone on
loudspeaker and put it on her
lap.

Tsame : I just wanted to get out
of the house, is Age there? I
wanted to check on you ke na
le stressnyana gake thaloganye
Teto. (I'm stressed I don't get
Teto's behaviour)

Botho: You can come, Age left a few minutes ago to cut his hair.

Tsame: Ok, bye.

Teto spotted his car and grabbed Gontle's head quickly pushing it down as he calmly drove past Tsame. He and Tsame locked eyes and his eyes moved on the mirror as he observed if she would take the next turn.

Teto: (not moving his lips) Stay down, Tsame is passing by.

Gontle: (laughed with her head down) Ok..

Gontle turned to his lap and unzipped his jeans while he held the steering wheel with both hands. His heart pounded as the traffic lights turned red just when he was about to speed off, he slowed down as

he observed her making a turning on the mirror.

Teto: Zip my pants and lay low...Tsame is behind us.

She slowed down behind him and opened the door, he looked at the traffic and a lot of cars were still crossing to make matters worse a police car was waiting on the other direction. Every step she took brought

her closer to the car and his heart thudded as he looked at the traffic once again then he stepped on the accelerator and buried himself through the traffic, the police officers frowned and switched their siren on as their tyres turned and got in the middle of the traffic with flashing lights and loud siren.

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One Night Only

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At the park view streetlights...

Tsame walked through the traffic as Teto blew the horn at the car behind him. The police car siren got cars to move aside

then Teto sped off and they followed him.

Tsame walked out of the road and watched as Teto and the police disappeared. He must have had a woman in there for him to run off like that. She knew there was something to that look when they drove past one another.

She got back in the car while cars passed by. She looked at Aisha in her seat and drove...

Aisha: Where did you go?

Tsame: I wanted to see something..

She drove off and dialed Botho...

Botho: Hello?

Tsame: Uh gakena go kgona gota (I won't be able to come), something came up and I think I just need to lie down.

Botho: What happened?

Tsame: I saw Teto but then gare hapaana keha a ntibile hela (he just starred at me). I thought maybe some girl hid when she saw me so I turned around and he ran into the traffic, never mind that the

police were stopping him. He is cheating, just like that.

Botho: You don't know that for sure, he might have just been getting away from you akere you two argued.

Tsame: Teto and I never fight like that, I'm not violent mo aka siang le mapodisi asa ba tshabe (for him to run off like that even with the police nearby).

He is going to get charged and if getting charged was the best

option he had a woman in there. I can feel it, le the way a emeletseng mo lwapeng phakela o emeletse ka maikaelelo (even the way he left in the morning he had left with an intention).

Botho: Can I come over?

Tsame: No, I need time.

Botho : Ok, bye.

She hung up and paused thoughtfully...

On the side of the road..

Meanwhile the police car wailed behind Teto as he pulled over and leaned back.

Gontle: Ke tsoge? (Should I get up) My neck is tired..

Teto: Yeah, get up...

The police car stopped behind and they spoke to him using a speaker..

Voice: Please step out of the vehicle and keep your hands where I can see them...

Teto and Gontle stepped out of the car with their hands on the

air, then the police officers approached them..

Officers: May I have your driver's licence please.

Teto: It's in my wallet in the back pocket.

Officer: E ntshe (take it out)

He reached in his pocket and opened his wallet while the

other two officers leaned in the car looking around.

Officer: (reading his licence) Mr Alpha, is there any reason you're running from us?

Teto: The mother of my children was behind, I didn't want her to see my passenger that's all.

The officer looked at Gontle and thought back, he did see a pregnant woman getting out of the car at the robots, then he laughed defeated.

Officer 2: (laughed) Ao monna, is that what this is about?

Officer: (laughed) But we are still going to charge you because o tseneletse robot (u drove through the robot) you know it's a traffic offense right?

Teto : I know, as long as she didn't see me ke siame. I know I was wrong and I'm sorry, I wouldn't blame you if you charged me.

Officer: Gone mme o pegelang batho ba osa tshwanelang go ba pega, man to man hela especially mmabo ale pregnant? (But why have the kind of passengers u not supposed to especially with the

main lady pregnant?) Is that fair?

Teto: I know it's not fair that's why I didn't want her seeing us.

Officer: (lifted his hand showing him a ring) You see this ring? I been married for nine years and I'll tell you this, when you do this it will come back and hurt you and your family, not this girl you're with. You're just making your girlfriend look stupid to her and you're giving

her a reason to disrespect her both in public and on social media. I was going to let this slide but because you made a pregnant woman cross the road like a mad woman putting her life in danger and everyone around, I am charging you...

He started writing as Teto quietly put his license back in the wallet.

Officer: Here you go.

Teto: Thank you.

Officer: This is why people kill themselves, because they love people like you. Can you imagine if a car had hit her while she was running after you in the traffic like that? I don't think you care about your children and that girl doesn't look like she would help you should the mother of your children die. Gake mo

constitutioneng (constitution
aside), I'm just giving you a
word of advice because you
look my younger brother's age.
Have a good day.

Teto: Thank you.

He got back in the car and
quietly pulled his belt, Gontle
closed the door and looked at
him as he joined the road
without a word...

At Tsame's Uncle's...

Tsame drove through her mother's yard and parked under the tree where her mother used to park. There used to be a swing for her, her mother was a rich girl for a single mother. A car and a two bedroom house was considered rich back then. All the children in the neighbourhood loved coming over, and for someone

who went to school she still didn't understand why her mother didn't have a will.

She stepped out and picked her daughter out of the car. Aisha moved her foot away from her bump..

Aisha: You'll hurt the baby.

Tsame: (laughed putting her down) Waitseeeee...

She put her daughter down and held her hand as they walked towards the door. She knocked, her aunt responded then she walked in...

Both her uncle and aunt were sitting on the sofa, the sofas her mother left behind when she died, but they were now torn and had lost color.. She greeted them and sat with her

daughter standing between her legs...

Uncle : How are you?

Tsame: I'm fine.

Aunt: Toga re baa botsetsi? (Is your due date near) Le jwa bobedi ntse gaona go bua mongajone? (So u still won't say who the father is even with this pregnancy) Kana ke ba monna ale one? (Or is it the same man)

Tsame: I came to tell you that you have until next month on the 31st to leave my mother's house. I have children now and I can't stay in men's houses when my mother built me a house. If I come here on the 31st and find anything that belongs to you I will hire some people to put them at the gate and clean the house so that my mother's grandchildren can use their grandmother's house. You

have your own home which you gave to your children just so you can take what's rightfully mine. I've been reluctant to do this but now I have children to think for. Being a good well behaved child doesn't get me anywhere with you so start packing.

There was silence as they looked at her then she stoop up and held her daughter's hand..

Tsame: Have a good day, I just wanted to pass by and give you an eviction notice because I don't want to be on the bad side should this go to court. Oh and please feel free to go to the customary court or wherever you feel they will listen to you. Nna gake lwe le lona malome (I'm not fighting uncle), ke bata ntu yaga mama hela gore bo ngwanake ba robale mo

Iwapeng le mmabomogolo ale
ba agetseng (I just want my
mother's house so my kids stay
in a home their grandmother
built for them). Go siame..
(Bye)

She walked out and opened the
car door for her daughter, then
she put her in and drove off.

At Gontle's house

Teto stopped at the gate,
unlocked the doors then Gontle
smiled looking at him..

Gontle: Are you OK?

Teto: Yeah, don't ever call me
because you'll never know if
I'm with her or not. I'll call you.

Gontle: Let's go inside, don't
you want to see my house? I

don't have a lot of things but I bought a few things.

Teto: Maybe another time, tswa ke tsamae (get out so I can get going) , I'll call you.

Gontle: Ok.

She stepped out and closed the door then he reversed and drove off.

At Akeelah's house...

Later that afternoon Akeelah stood by the sink washing the dishes. A weird feeling on her abdomen caught her attention then it disappeared. She ignored it and continued washing the dishes, the feeling came again and she frowned confused. It disappeared and she carried on. It came once again then she rubbed her hands with the kitchen cloth

and wiped herself before picking her phone and googling how labor starts.

She frowned surprised to find out it actually start with no pain at all contrary to how movies depict it. She knew the pain would increase but never knew it starts gently.

She finished her dishes and wiped the kitchen then went to

the kitchen where she started packing the baby's things and dialed her helper.

Her: Hello?

Akeelah : Girl, oka nna wa theogela kamoso (U might start work tomorrow). I'm in labour.

Her: Oh good, I'll talk to mama and get ready to come over.

Akeelah: Thanks nana

Her: (in the background) Mama
Akeelah are omo dithabing
(Akeelah says she's in labour)

Mother : Hello?

Akeelah : Hi.

Mother : You sound calm, is it
really labour?

Akeelah : Yes, it comes and
goes.

Mother : Oh ok, well they've
just started so you can wait
until you start feeling pain

that's when you can go to the hospital. Otherwise you'll spend the whole day there.

Akeelah: I'm driving myself so I don't want to go when I'm in pain. Plus this is my first so I'm still ok even if I spend the whole day before delivering.

Mother : That's true, bye.

Akeelah: Bye.

She hung up and put everything in the car then she locked the door and drove to the hospital.

At Teto's house...

Tsame stood in the kitchen cooking while her daughter watched TV in the living room. She still wondered who he was with in the car, clearly he was with someone and it had been almost 30 minutes since the

traffic drama but he hadn't called or sent a message. She decided she wasn't going to call him either.

Meanwhile Teto parked the car and leaned back taking a deep breath. He thought back again and weaved a web of lies to cover his tracks. Knowing Tsame, it wasn't going to be an easy conversation, uh!

He stepped out and closed the door then he walked into the house. He tickled Aisha from behind and picked her up.

Aisha: Uncle look at my hair.

Teto: It's daddy not uncle...

(tickled her) Say it..

Aisha: (laughing) Daddy... (he tickled her even more as she screamed) Dadddyyyy..

Teto: (laughed) Uh-ha... Your hair looks nice, I love it.. You look beautiful.

Aisha: Ok.

He put her down and took a deep breath heading to the kitchen where Tsame was dishing. For some reason he was afraid to give her the usual hug from behind, he stood by and shoved his four fingers on the pockets looking at her.

Teto: Hi.

Tsame: Hi.

He stood by expecting her to say something but she picked the baby's food and went to the living room to give her then she came back. She didn't seem upset or bothered..

Tsame : Are you eating now or should I cover them?

Teto: Ke taa ja kgantele (I'll eat later).

She put them in the microwave and covered her's before cleaning the kitchen and walking out.

She walked into the bedroom where their pile of clothes was.

She pulled the ironing board over and connected the iron then she started ironing, but her feet started swelling..

Teto walked in to the bedroom and sat on the edge of the bed expecting her to start the conversation, but she continued ironing and putting his shirts in the hangers and in the wardrobe without a word. He waited and waited...

Tsame: Pass me those pants..

He moved the clothes closer and she continued ironing while he slowly took off his shoes and waited.

Meanwhile Tsame finished ironing and folded the remaining clothes then put them in the wardrobe.

Teto: Can we talk?

Tsame: (sorting the shelf) Ok.

Teto: Come here... Have a seat

She closed the wardrobe doors and sat down looking at him.

Teto: I'm sorry for driving off like that, I just didn't want to be involved in another argument but I had nothing to hide.

Tsame: Ok.

Teto: What does that mean?

Tsame: What do you mean?

Teto: OK? Ok what?

Tsame: You didn't want to argue so you ran off, it's ok. I hear you.

Teto : Are you angry with me?

Tsame: No.

Teto: Why do I feel like you're holding something back?

Tsame : I'm not holding anything back.

Teto: I'm sorry for that argument in the morning, I was just sexually frustrated and made stupid statements and decisions I'm sorry.

Tsame: Ok.

Teto: Forgive me.

Tsame: I forgive you.

Teto: Thank you.

There was an awkward moment as he looked in her eyes, she looked back in his eyes unbothered.

Tsame: Are we done talking?

Teto: Yes.

Tsame: Ok, would you like to have sex before I go?

His lips slightly parted confused..

Teto: Um, yeah?

She stood up and pulled out her dress together with her jersey exposing her big bump, then she bent over taking out her panties.

Tsame: Take off your pants.

He stood up and unzipped his jeans looking at her trying to read her mind but she was just plain.

Teto: I wasn't with a girl in the car.

Tsame : Ntsha borokgwe (take of the trousers)

He stepped out of his jeans and dropped them on the floor looking at her dumbfounded..

Tsame: Robala mo bolaong..
(Sleep on the bed)

He sat on the bed and slid back then he secretly slid his hands underneath the pillows just to make sure there wasn't any knife or sharp objects.

Tsame got on the bed and sat on his lap looking at his soft dick lying between his thighs..

Tsame: Erection e kae jaanong kana ke dira hela? (Why aren't you erect, or should I just go ahead)

Teto: I'm a little tense, I can't get it up. Give me a minute...

He swallowed looking in her eyes as she stared at him waiting...

Teto : You're scaring me, why are you looking at me like that? I wasn't with anyone in the girl-the car...

Tsame: Teto I have other things to do in the house. You know if I don't do anything nothing gets done. Do you want it or not?

Teto: Fuck! I'm so tense...

He closed his eyes for a sec
relaxing, then he opened his
eyes looking at her as his dick
erected, she crawled over and
#removed..

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At Teto's house...

Teto slowly slid out and stepped on the floor as the condom hung from his dick with a load of his cum. Tsame moved to her side of the bed and faced the wall quietly.

He picked the towel and grabbed the condom then he

rolled down the ring and wiped his dick. Awkward as it was, it was just awesome reaching an orgasm. There was just something about pussy that's healing but now he could think clearly guilt set in.

He wasn't even sure how to handle this but she wasn't okay and that police officer's words were still ringing at the back of his head. He sat next to her

naked and put his hand over her arm..

Teto: Are you okay?

Tsame: Yeah...

He leaned over and kissed her shoulder then her neck. His hand slipped down her bump and gently caressed her...

Teto: How is she holding up?

Tsame: You're annoying me with silly questions, I believe you got sex now give me some space.

Teto: I'm sorry I keep disappointing you, I'm disappointed in myself too.

Tsame: Stop saying that because it won't make any difference. I'm done having pointless conversations that make you think I've got a big mouth.

He pulled the duvet over her and shook her butt a little before leaning back. He put on his shorts and vest leaving the towel on the bed, then he paused at the door..

Teto: Can I ask one thing?

Tsame: What?

Teto: Ra go dirisa condom until when? (Until when are we going to use condoms)

Tsame: Until you start respecting me.

Teto: I respect you.

Tsame: I will know when you do, you wouldn't have to convince me.

Teto: (softly) True.

He switched off the lights and closed the door gently. Tsame stared in the dark, tears filled her eyes and she grabbed the pillow putting it over her face as she cried. She didn't let out any sound just a warm breath of air through her nostrils. She still couldn't understand his reasons for cheating, she was doing the best she could to keep the house clean for him and to make his life easier.

Perhaps the way the met would always make it hard for him to respect her. She had always known it was a possibility, but the suspicion on its own was enough heart break.

Meanwhile in the kitchen Teto warmed his food in the microwave and walked out. He sat on the couch and ate while Aisha laid asleep on the couch. He changed the channel and

took her to bed, then he passed by the bedroom and stuck his head inside..

Teto: Can we watch something together?

She was exhausted especially after that little session and she was sleepy but she sat up and reached for her gown.

Tsame: I'm coming...

Teto: Ok..

He went to the couch and finished eating then he put the plate in the sink and filled the glass with a soft drink, which he left half empty in the sink then he sat down and watched TV.

Minutes later Tsame walked in tying her robe. She sat on the

same couch, he lifted her swollen feet and put them over his lap then he frowned..

Teto : Why are your feet swollen?

Tsame: It happens when I've been standing for long or working too hard..

He got up and warmed water in the kettle then he poured it in a

bath. He placed the bath by the couch and placed her feet inside while she sat on the couch with a cushion over her lap. She increased the Tv volume.

He massaged her feet kneeling while she rested her head on her hand looking at him.

Tsame: Why didn't you wash the plate you were using?

Teto: I'll wash it.

Tsame: It's not just that, have you ever mopped this house since you bought it or just wipe the sinks or bath tubs? How do you think it stays clean like this because we both leave in the morning and come back in the afternoon at the same time? Have you ever cooked for me besides the time we got chased by Akeelah? What do you do mo lwapeng besides having

sex? Who do you think does all the work? Do you think it's healthy for your child? Why are you surprised that all of sudden I can't give you sex everyday? Why are you surprised that I doze off? Can't you see I'm carrying your child? Don't you ever wonder what it's like to be pregnant and have to deal with a man like you? I was willing to compromise with your laziness but accompanied by disrespect

it becomes difficult. Tota ne ke tserere gore (I thought that) I will manage having a relationship, but if it means this much work then I don't know. I don't even wish to be married anymore.

Monna wa berekwa and nkase kgone (a man is a lot of work and I won't manage) because there are kids as well. Home chores never end kooteng it only works for super women or

women with hands on
husbands.

He thought about it and looked
back at her..

Teto: I'm sorry I haven't been
pulling my weight. I just didn't
think about it because the
house is always clean,
everything is perfect and I just
didn't see the need to help, but
I should have. You're pregnant

and you shouldn't work so hard. I'm new to this too babe, I'm learning as we go along... Firstly I've never stayed with a woman before and I've never dealt with pregnancy, I guess I was just too conformable.. I will change... Don't think so negatively about marriage just because I make mistakes, I can correct them.

Tsame : It's ok, I understand. I will be patient with you.. I'm

sure we will learn one another and maybe some day be happy without this drama of running away in cars and stuff. By the way I want to move out this month end, I've given my uncle a notice.

Teto paused massaging her and looked at her...

Teto : Babe no, please tell me you're not serious.

Tsame: I think it's for the best, you need peace so you can move around Maun peacefully without much noise or anyone bumping into you to question you. I also need time to focus on this baby. I was depressed when I had Aisha and I nearly died ke stress, it's not happening again. I planned this baby so I will enjoy the experience regardless of

anything happening around me.

Teto: Why are you moving though, what is your real reason for moving out?

Because ke bakile (I've learnt my lesson), I'll never do what I did today..

He stood up and sighed looking at her..

Teto : I'm sorry, please don't leave...

Tsame : I'm not leaving you, we just won't be staying together because I'm failing to keep up.

Teto: But I'll help you, we literally just talked you have to give me a chance to show you I can change.

Tsame : It's not just that, I just want to go... Everything that's happening is not what I expected.

Teto : Like what?

Tsame : Ke lemogile gore gao motho le nnete Teto (I've realised that u are not a very honest person) and nna tota the truth means everything to me. I'd rather you hurt me with the truth than fool me with lies. I don't want a perfect man because I'm not perfect myself, but transparency hela gore nnyaa ke dirile phoso ha Tsame. I'm sorry but if I can't

get that I can't be happy, there is nothing painful like being made to believe you're crazy. Seeing something motho abo a latola go supa gore motho o akanya gore o seso (and then the person denies shows that they think u are a fool), but that's not why I'm moving out. I'm moving out to give my pregnancy enough attention.

Teto looked at her sadly standing by..

Teto: You can't leave, I didn't even do anything with Gontle... Nothing happened.

Tsame : So you really had a woman in there? You're so predictable!

Teto: I'm sorry.

Tsame : I hope it was worth it. I'm going to bed. Good night...

She got up and passed by her daughter's room checking on her then she got in bed and laid down. Teto walked in and laid behind her holding her..

Teto: I'm sorry..

Tsame : Good night..

She closed her eyes and sighed...

At the hospital...

Later that night just before midnight Akeelah closed her eyes and folded her fists as the labour pains struck. She quietly closed her eyes until the pain subsided. A woman on the next bed grunted and shouted for the nurse...

Woman: (turned looking at her)

Tsaago ga di bothoko ke go

ithetse ha? (Aren't yours

painful? But I found u here)

Akeelah: Di bothoko (they are

painful)

Woman : Ntse o didimetse

(how come u are quiet)

jaanaaaaaaaaaaaaaa..... Ai ai ai ai

ng ng ng ng ng....

Hooooooooooooo!

She sat up and pressed the emergency button as she grunted bending over.

Meanwhile Akeelah's water broke and she breathed in and out trying to bear the pain. A nurse walked in just as she was about to press the button..

Akeelah : My water just broke...

Nurse: Ok love, the midwife will be right with you. I'm pushing you to the delivery room..

Akeelah: Ok.

She pushed her to the delivery room as her room mate grunted and shouted. Minutes later Akeelah moved from the bed and laid on the delivery bed where she placed her leg on each strap spreading her

legs while biting her lower lip in pain...

Akeelah : (grunted)

Mmmmm..... Gare ke pusher! (I feel like pushing)

Midwife: You can push...

The midwife stood by and waited as the baby's head stretched Akeelah's vagina and popped out. She grunted loudly

holding onto the bed bars and started sweating..

Midwife : The head is out...

Akeelah bit her lower lip and screamed as she pushed with every energy in her. Her vagina tore as the baby slid out, he started crying and his voice brought tears to her eyes..

Akeelah : (tearfully) Oh my God!

Midwife : It's a boy, congratulations.

The midwife wiped him and handed him to her and she burst into tears crying.....

Akeelah : (rubbing her tears)
Aj.... I love you... Oh God, it

feels so good to hold him. I'm a mother...

She gave him her breast and he sucked...

At Teto's House..

Meanwhile Teto stared at the dark unable to sleep while Tsame snored by his side. He tried going on Facebook but

everything was boring then he put the phone down and put his hand on her back rubbing her back but she shook off his hands disturbed. He turned away from her and sighed staring in the dark until morning...

A MONTH LATER...

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At Teto's office...

Teto leaned back adjusting his tie talking to his phone...

Teto: The problem with Tsame gaa bate ke interacta with

other people (she doesn't want me to interact), I give Gontle one ride and she is already leaving. What the hell is that? She can go, ke ithobogile ibile (I've given up).

Teto: You got caught cheating, just admit it. You were going to fuck her and if you haven't so far it's only because o tshogile gore (u are scared that) Tsame is moving out. I can bet you're still going to fuck her when the

dust settles because you need to get her out of your system. The question is why do you get caught before actually doing it? That's a sign you need to up your game or don't play at all. You shouldn't have left after an argument, that's just being obvious that you're going to cheat. If you can't cheat in secret just don't cheat because you'll hurt the other person. The whole point of cheating is

to get that excitement for you to keep going, it makes you appreciate the main lady more and give her enough time to rest while digging on the side. I totally understand that Tsame is a lot to deal with and I'm fine with you getting sex elsewhere to give her a rest, but you have to make sure she doesn't know anything or even suspect anything and use protection too. That's cheating, anything

else ke bodipa, with that argument nkabo o ntse hela omo hodisa le tshega (u should have stayed to calm her down). The next day a setse a lebetse babe koo cheka (when she has forgotten u say I'm going to check on..) Cardo or Age then you fuck someone, bath here or at a friend's house, don't use a different soap because wago nkgga (u will smell..) different. Women are sniffer dogs wa

gago ene ke sniffer dog ya FBI
so don't even use a different
body lotion. O thapa ka metsi a
clean hela abo o tswa o ntse
jalo then go home. When you
get there don't sure attitude ya
gore o jele kuku (that u had
sex) , be humble like every day.
Again, a side pussy is not
supposed to call and she should
know where she stands in this.
A itse gore ha go tsena kogo
Tsame wa mo clapa (she should

know that when it comes to
Tsame u slap her), even if you
know you won't beat her but
she should know it's a
possibility. Cheating is not new,
our forefathers did it, we will
do it and our sons will do it. The
only difference hela is make
sure you don't get caught
because ha ele ka gore you'll
have sex with one woman for
twenty years and not get
curious on the way forget, it's

stupid but it's a reality. Tsame is supposed to flourish when you cheat not cry, kana gao ja ngwanyana o sele gale omanele sex (when u are having sex with a different gal it means there are no arguments about sex). The one time she is in the mood you'll feel so good. Nobody wants to force someone to have sex, just sit down and focus on your family. Teto: She is leaving me!

Age: She is moving out, there is a difference.

Teto: It's a way of dumping me.

Age: Look man...Give her time, she will come around. I've a got a lot of things on my mind ke palelwa ke go akanya thata (I can't think clearly) ke ipotsa gore a mme gakea latha ngwanake waitse (I wonder if I haven't abandoned my child). Kgang ya teng ya nja tota (the issue is eating me up)

nowadays. I can't sleep at night I keep thinking about that baby and I want to go see him.

Teto: I tried calling Akeelah and she said I shouldn't call her because she is moving on with her son. She says if I call it gives her false hope. I think you just destroyed your family, Akeelah doesn't look like a cheater but Botho will definitely cheat on you if a guy gets serious a

mmaya mo khoneng (putting pressure on her).

Age: Why would you say that?

Teto : I don't even know where that came from but I'd choose Akeelah over any woman, abe a nthoga abe re lwa mo bedroom ke mo aga (she can insult me, we fight in the bedroom and I mould her into the woman I want). Phakela gake mmitsa tabe are rra asa bue nonsense e ithela ago e raya (the next day

when I call her she answers respectfully not that nonsense she often says to u). Akeelah is fine she just needs a tougher guy to handle that anger of hers.

Age: (laughed) Are you trying to say I'm soft?

Teto: Yeah, way too soft for Akeelah that's why you wanted Botho because you know she is easy. Honestly I see her cheating on you in future. You

know you love Akeelah, you just couldn't handle her attitude, an attitude you contributed to anyways.

Age: (laughed) Mxm fuck you, go shap. O bata go ntsenya stress (u want to stress me)

Teto: Just saying but honestly if Akeelah refuses with your son don't blame her because you have a chance to correct yourself o baya botsetsi sente

but you believe the fake prophets.

Age: (laughed) Go cry for Tsame monna, it's a holiday... Stop working and give your girl a little attention. Go shap.

Teto: (laughed) Shap.

He hung up and leaned back...

At Teto's house...

Tsame walked out of the kitchen with a plate of food. She sat on the chair behind the house sun basking as she ate.

Her phone rang and she stared at the screen for a moment, it was her uncle and she already knew he was calling to make some excuses, probably tell her that she was cursing herself for wanting them out. She cleared

her throat ready to defend herself..

Tsame: Hello?

Uncle: Motogolo? Re kgonne go ntsha dilwana mo ntung (we managed to remove all our stuff from the house), ntse re go harakela ha gore o seka wa togo bereka thata ka mpa e tona (we just finished raking so u don't have to work hard in your condition), jaanong re

bata go emelela jaana tao tsee
di key (we are ready to leave
now, come get the key).

There was silence for a minute
as she put the phone down and
looked at the screen just to
make sure it wasn't wishful
thinking.

Uncle: Hello?

Tsame: Ee rra, ke eta. (I'm coming)

Uncle: Ok.

She hung up confused..

At Botho's house...

On the same morning Botho walked into the bathroom with a pregnancy test and peed on the stick. She placed it on the

floor and waited desperately sitting on the toilet seat.

A few minutes went by and only one line showed. She picked it up and threw it in the bin then she searched for Akeelah's number and called..

Akeelah: (sleepy) Hello?

Botho: Why are you doing this to me? What did I ever do to

you? I didn't even know you existed!

Akeelah: (pinned her elbow) Ke bua le mang? (Who am I talking to?) Botho?

Botho: What am I supposed to do? Do you know the pain of not being able to have a child?

Akeelah: Nna mma gake itse sepe ka boloi, ska bata go tshamekela mogo nna o tsere rragwe ngwanake ke santse ke mo rata (I don't know anything

about witchcraft, stop fucking with me after snatching my baby daddy). Sa gago ke makgakga jaanong (u are just being cheeky now) leave me alone, and whatever happens to you serves you right for believing that nonsense from your traditional doctor. Wantlwaela ngwanyana ke wena tabe ke go loela eng o ntse jaaka o ntse jaana (U are looking down on me, why would

I bewitch someone like u?)Ska
bata go nkgotha ke itidimaletse
gore o tsamae o raa batho ore
kea poka (Stop poking me when
I'm minding my own business,
u want to go around telling
people that I am crazy) . Le
gone o tsaya kae (where do u
get...)the audacity to even call
me and ask me such stupid
questions? Kante ne ese
gore(Didn't hugo to college)
you went to a college? Mxm

eses ska bata go nkgotha the
mma. (Stop poking me please)

Botho hung up and rubbed her
tears then she dialled Tsame.

Tsame: Hello?

Botho: I don't know what I did
to upset God, should I just
leave Age? Akeelah's witchcraft
is wearing me down.

Tsame: Did you go to the hospital?

Botho: We went to the clinic and they found nothing, even Age is fine.

Tsame : Amme? (Really) When did you go? I don't trust you because you believe in spiritual what what, besides your prophet did you honestly go to the hospital? Be honest with me, ware you went to the hospital? Which one?

Botho: That's not the point, I already know what the problem is, I don't understand why Akeelah is doing this to me.

Tsame : I don't even believe that, Age o lathile ngwana waga Akeelah (Age abandoned Akeelah's child) maybe that's the problem

Botho: You don't believe my prophet but you believe we are

getting punished for Akeelah's child? Double standards!

Tsame: I believe in God, I'm not a holy woman but I do believe in God. God won't give Age another child when he can't even handle one, but I could be wrong. You could just be having difficulty getting pregnant not necessarily because Akeelah bewitched you. That girl doesn't look like she knows anything about that. Banyana

ba ba lowang o ba bona hela
jaana gore yo oka ya dingakeng
(u can see gals who practice
witchcraft from afar) , most of
them have low self esteem
because they don't trust
themselves. Akeelah doesn't fit
description ya basadi ba ba
ratang bongaka yoo o ikantse
molomo le di clapa tsa gagwe.
Just go to the doctor, o seka wa
rumula Akeelah toga o ipolaisa

setsenwa se itidimaletse. (Stop poking Akeelah)

Botho: (sighed) OK bye.

She hung up and walked out as Age called...

Botho: Hello?

Age: Hey, kante did you test last night?

Botho : I just did now, its negative.

Age: Have you ever done an abortion?

Botho: Age!! How could you say that? I've never done such a thing, are you trying to blame me?

Age: I'm just trying to figure out what the problem is, we need to see a real doctor. Maybe you and your prophet le ntathisitse ngwanake wa nthala le wa bohelo ka maaka gone ha.

(Made me abandon my one and only child)

Botho: Maaka a eng (what lies) because I don't know her and didn't tell her anything about us, how would she have known? Don't try to blame me.

Age: I'm questioning her prophecy, maybe your friend told her about us.

Botho : I knew you'd protect her and make excuses for her.

Bye

She hung up and sighed....

At Tsame's uncle's...

Tsame stepped out of the car and approached her uncles who were standing in the middle of the yard talking..

Tsame: Dumelang..

Uncle1: Hello, I've been talking to your uncle. When he first told me about this he was a little emotional and I made him understand that you cannot be homeless staying with boyfriends when your mother left such a big house for you. I too feel responsible because I never really intervened the way I should have.

Tsame : (smiled) I understand malome.

Uncle 2: But I now understand you motogolo, bagolo le rona re dira diphoso (we elders make mistakes sometimes).

Elders must apologise to children when they have wronged them, I'm sorry.

Tsame: (smiled embarrassed)
Uh malome you don't have to apologise, now I'm getting embarrassed with elders apologising to me.

Uncle2: Ke go diretse phoso
ngwana wa ga nnaka, hao bona
wago thamalala le nna o bua
jaaka nne o bua go raya gore
one o gateletswe le wena (I
wronged u, that's why you
ended up talking to me the way
u did) I know how much you
respect me, so that made me
wonder. I'm really sorry and I
hope my sister's soul will now
rest in peace.

Tsame: Thank you

Uncle: Now I want the boy responsible for this, you can't refuse with the information like last time, or is it the same person?

Tsame : The first one died, so I see no point in talking about it. This second one ke ene Teto Alpha.

Uncle : Alpha, Alpha... We don't have Alphas in Maun kana gase batho ba Maun... (Or are they not from Maun) Rona gare

bitse bo Alpha mono (We don't know them here).

Tsame: He grew up in a home.

Uncle : Oh, understandable.

Please come to my house so we can do the right thing and this man can take responsibility.

Tsame : I will do that. Thank you malome..

They handed her the keys and got in the car then they drove

off. She turned around and looked at the whole yard emotionally, then she walked into the empty house. She went to every room, she slowly crouched and cried sitting in the middle of her late mother's house. Minutes later she stood up and rubbed her eyes looking around, she needed to repaint the house and fix the bathroom. It didn't look expensive and she had been

saving. The good thing about Teto is that he took care of all the household expenses, and even gave her money for personal use so she had her salary. It was enough to renovate her house she thought. ..

Minutes later she walked out with a smile and typed on Facebook searching for a painter...

At Akeelah's house...

Meanwhile Akeelah laid on her side looking at her son while he sucked her nipple. The helper bent over and handed her motogo which she put aside..

Helper: The tub is ready.

Akeelah : Thank you..

Her phone rang..

Akeelah: Hello?

Age: Hi.

Akeelah: What do you want?

Age: I want to see the baby.

Akeelah: Which baby? I'm confused.

Age: Akeelah I'm not in the mood for that, ke eta koo(I'm coming there)

Akeelah : O lala o robalanye le
Botho o bata go tsenella
ngwanake, thwaagala the rra (U
and Botho are sexually active
and u just want to come and
see my baby? Get serious.)

Kante o tsaya gore ke eng (
What do u take me for)

Age: I haven't had sex with her,
I want to see my son.

Akeelah: Okho! Your son?

Didn't you say he isn't your
son? My son is not a rebound,

you wanted a child with Botho and my guess is she can't give it to you since she has started harassing me, now you want my son to be your second option? Be serious, if you want to see this child you'll have to wait until he is not so young because wena o tsamaya di ngaka tsa setswana le girlfriend ya gago (u and your girlfriend see traditional doctors). I don't

know maybe she gave you something to kill my baby.

Age: Wow Akeelah really?

Akeelah : Bye.

She hung up and put her phone down...

At Teto's house...

Later that afternoon Teto drove through the gate and frowned

as some guys loaded Aisha's bed and other small things Tsame owned.

He parked and stepped out, then he walked into the house where Tsame was putting her clothes in the bags. He sat on the edge of the bed and quietly looked at her..

Teto : Why didn't you tell me you're moving out today?

Tsame: I already told you, you knew about this for a month.

Teto: Ok, I see...

He changed into casual clothes and walked outside where he connected the water hose and started watering the trees. He got the spade and dug for the ones he had bought from the forestry days prior...

A while later the truck drove out then Tsame walked out of the house holding an umbrella. She handed him her set of the keys while he held the hose pipe on the other hand..

Tsame : Here you go..

Teto: So you don't want to have spare keys for my house?

Tsame: No.

Teto : Cool...

Tsame: I'm going to catch a taxi.

Teto: Ok

She opened her umbrella and walked out the gate. He sighed and turned around watering plants by the fence, he wasn't going to let this hurt him, he knew she would walk away from him at some point, his own mother walked away so why would anyone stay.

He took out his phone and checked the time, sure enough a young woman approached walking on the small passage by his fence. She always passed by at the same time in formal wear, holding her heels and handbag while wearing pumps. He once offered her a ride and she refused and he always wondered how far she stayed..

Teto: Hi..

She continued walking with headsets in her ears, then he put his finger on the hose pipe and splashed her with water. She gasped and turned around removing the headsets..

Her: O ntshella eng metsi ne rra? (Why are u splashing me with water)

Teto: Sorry, just wanted to say hi.

Her : Ka go ntshela metsi? (By splashing me with water?)

Teto: Yeah, you look beautiful...

She rubbed her face and dusted her skirt..

Her: I'm wet..

Teto: (laughed) Really? I made you wet?

Her: It's not funny.

Teto : My name is Teto, I think I have to drive you home because you can't walk like that. Don't you think?

Her: Mxm!

She turned and walked away then he splashed her with more water again as she turned blocking with her hand holding the phone as a woman passed by and stopped.

Woman: Tota o dira eng
ngwana? (What are u doing to
her)

Teto lowered the hose pipe and
the girl rubbed her face
catching her breath...

Her: Gake ise ke mo ree sepe
ne ke heta hela abo a ntshela
metsi (I didn't even say

anything to him, I was just passing by and he did this)

Woman: (to Teto) Go rileng motho wa modimo? (What's going on)

Out of respect for the elderly woman he ran out of words, then he closed the tap and walked away taking off his vest. He wiped his hands and closed himself in the house.

The woman looked back at the girl..

Woman : Are you OK?

Girl : Ee mma, thank you.

Woman : Let's go, my turn is over there but I'll walk you home just to make sure you're safe. Why did he do that?

Girl: I don't know, I don't even know him. I didn't say anything to him ke utwa a nkgasa metsi

hela...ke utwa ibile ke tshoga
because I have to pass here
again I'm going to change at
home. Its almost time for the
church service

Woman : Areye, he probably
won't see you when you pass
by again, he is inside. You
should report him waa tsenwa
ele gore, ija!

They both walked away...

Meanwhile in the house Teto sat on the edge of the bed holding a bottle of beer and took out his phone calling Tsame.

Tsame: Hello?

Teto: You used me, for the past six months you never used your salary to do anything because you knew you were saving to move out. I can't believe it took me so long to figure this out.

Tsame: I didn't use you, you played yourself because you thought I couldn't walk away from you. I won't let you disrespect me Teto.

Teto: Bona tsamaela koo, I begged you for a month this is what you long wanted. You were waiting for me to make one mistake so you can go, you're dramatic and maybe I'll finally have peace in the absence of your big mouth.

Tsame: Tanki ke tsamaile
(Thanks, I'm gone)

Teto: O mpuisa makgakga aker?

Tsame: (laughed) Bata ko oka
ntshetsang stress sa gago teng
(Find somewhere to release
your stress)Bye.

She hung up on him then he
picked his vest putting it over
his face rubbing his teary eyes,
he sighed and got another
tshirt which he put on as he

walked out and stood by the main door sipping beer.

The same girl walked by in different clothes holding a bible. He put the bottle down and walked out the gate.

The girl saw him approaching and increased her pace, he ran out the gate stopped in front of her, she tried to walk past him

then he put his hand over her mouth.

Teto: Keep quiet, if you scream I'll hurt you...

Her: I'm going to church, I'm late.. What do you want?

Teto: I'm letting you go and holding your hand but if you scream I'll hurt you, wa bona no one is outside. People are inside their houses, don't misbehave..

He slowly let go of her and held her hand as she walked by his side looking around for anyone so she could scream, but there was no one passing by. He walked into the house holding her hand and closed the door.

He locked the door and put the key in his pocket as the girl stood by tearfully looking at him.

Teto: Wait there... You're not walking away from me.

He walked in the kitchen and opened the fridge looking for his beer, he had forgotten where he put it. He then picked another bottle and walked to the girl...

Teto: Give me your phone

He took her phone and
switched it off then he sipped
looking at her.

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At Teto's house...

He grabbed her arm and dragged her to the couch where he pushed her down.

She looked at the bottle he was holding and swallowed putting her hands on her lap.

Her: I'm late for church, if you let me out I won't tell anyone not even my parents.

Teto: You're not going to church, not now not tomorrow or any other day... I'm keeping you for myself. You're going to be my girlfriend. I got dumped today by my baby mama so I need a girlfriend. I took care of this woman and now she wants to act like I'm the bad guy, I didn't even have sex with the

people she is accusing me of
cheating with but o bona
wena? I'm going to fuck you so
hard...

The hair at the back of her head
stood and her whole skin
crawled as she looked at him...

Her: I have never had sex, I
don't want you to do it when
you're drunk... You can do it in

the morning so you don't hurt me.

Teto: You've never had sex?

Elore o tswa Maun nthathana ehe wena (Where in Maun are you from)? Gape waaka o motona (You are lying, someone as old as you...), what's your name?

Her: Ambrosia or Amber.

Teto: That's actually a nice name, Ambrosia Alpha, Mrs Ambrosia Teto Alpha, or Mrs

Ambrosia Teto which has a ring to it, which one do you like?

Amber: You're really drunk and I think you should stop drinking or else you're going to do something you'll regret. I don't know you but I always see you playing with your daughter outside on my way from work, I'm doing internship. I don't think you're a bad guy, the only reason I refused to get a ride from you the other time is

because I didn't think it was OK to get to know you because you like looking at me. I was afraid of your wife-(noticed he wasn't wearing a ring) Your girlfriend.. Whatever that's going on between you two I'm sure you can work through it but if you rape me or hurt me, I will tell my parents and we will report you. You'll go to jail for that and you'll never see your child again.

Teto: You won't report me because I won't let you out, maybe you didn't understand me. I'm keeping you, you're my girlfriend now. The minute you try to run I kill you because I won't leave any witnesses. I'd rather you're found dead in the bush than go to jail.

Amber: What did I do to you?
What wrong did I do?

Teto : You caught my attention with your beauty and nice

walks, this nice long dress makes me wonder what's under... Your lips make me want to kiss you and your eyes just make me want to cum in your mouth. I want to fuck you... On my bed, go to work and find you waiting for me then I fuck you again and fall asleep next to your naked body. Go whenever I want and come fuck you again and again without any complaints about

period pains or that you're tired or any of that nonsense! I just want to fuck you and go out with you, but not here not in Maun, your parents will know... I want to go far away with you. Have you ever left the country?

Amber: No.

Teto : I'm taking you to South Africa, do you know South Africa?

Amber: No.

Teto: Namibia?

Amber: No.

Teto: Zimbabwe?

Amber: No, are you going to mention all the African countries when I said I've never left the country?

Teto: (pointed at her with his finger holding the bottle) Don't get smart with me, run your mouth like that and I'll fuck you. Ska lebala gore ke go itshwaretse (don't forget I have

forgiven u) and postponed the fucking to the morning. For your own information, I don't believe you're a virgin. Don't get smart with me.

Amber: Sorry.

Teto : Where was I?

Amber : (sighed) You're taking me to SA.

Teto : Oh yeah but then no, that's too close. I'm taking you to China, it's cheaper and you'll do some shopping there

Amber: I don't like fashion.

Teto: I like fashionable women so you're going to dress for me, the way I want.

Amber : Ok.

He stood up and placed the empty bottle by the corner, then he came back with two bottles and put the other on the table. He opened the first one handed it to her, then she shook her head..

Amber : I don't drink.

Teto: Why not?

Amber: We don't drink at home.

Teto: Ok... Strip for me.

Amber: I can't do that, you promised me you'd do those in the morning.

Teto : I just want to see what you have for me, don't piss me

off... Stand up... By the way
aren't you hungry?

Amber: (anything to distract
him from her body) I am.

Teto: Come with me...

Her grabbed her hand and
headed to the kitchen where he
grabbed her waist with both
hands and put her up on the
counter as she turned her head
while he stared at her face. He
looked at her lips and her heart

pounded. She pressed her lips together and looked away.

Teto: But you've kissed someone right? You can't be that pure.

Amber: No.

Teto: (laughed) You're a good liar!

He turned to the microwave and warmed the food for her.

He took out a tray and placed the plate inside then poured a glass of soft drink.

Teto: (got the tray) Let's go..

She slid down and followed him, she sat down then he handed her the tray.. She started eating while he watched her sipping his bear. He took the remote and played some music..

At Tsame's house...

Meanwhile Tsame packed things in her wardrobe, Aisha walked into the bedroom and stood next to her..

Aisha: I want to go home.

Tsame: This is our new home, we sleep on this bed together

and then at month end we will buy more furniture.

Aisha: I mean our real home, I want to sleep on my bed.

Tsame: This our bed.

Aisha: I want to go to our house with daddy.

Tsame: We can't go there, we sleep here. Get on the bed.

Aisha: I want to go home!

Tsame: (angrily) Can you just sleep on the bed! I have a lot to do Aisha you're not a baby..

Aisha curved her lips and tears filled her eyes as she burst into tears crying with her mouth wide open..

Aisha : I want to go home...

Tsame: Keep quiet!

Aisha: I want daddy!

Tsame: He is coming tomorrow,
keep quiet.

Aisha: I want to go home and
sleep.

Tsame : Keep quiet I'm calling
him, keep quiet or else he
won't hear you.

She kept quiet while Tsame
sighed and took out her
phone...

At Teto's house...

Meanwhile Teto stared at Amber eating, then he took the plate from her..

Teto: I think you're full because o kgotha kgotha hela gaoje (u are just picking at the food), have a drink..

She picked the glass and sipped
and his phone rang.

Teto: Hello?

Tsame: Hi, can you talk to Aisha
o mo ree a robale (tell her to
sleep), even if you fool her gore
you're coming or something,
she keeps saying she wants to
come home.

Teto: I'm not lying to her, if she
wants to come home you bring
her over. I never chased her.

Tsame : I'm not coming to your house.

Teto: Then don't call me!

He hung up and sat down, he sighed and shook his head..

Teto: Women surprise me, one day they're innocent and the next they're like poison... I'm sure you won't be this nice for

long as well. Stand up and strip for me.

Amber: I can't, you promised you'd do that in the morning.

Teto: I just want to see what you look like, I'm not touching you.. Stand up, try not to piss me off.

She stood up then he moved the table back and sat on the couch putting his foot on top of

his knee while loud music played.

Teto: Ska apola as if o thapa ko nokeng (don't undress like u are taking a bath at the river), take them off slowly and move your hips for me. I'm sure you watch movies you know how they do it..

She slowly took off her clothes and dropped them on the floor

remaining with her top and
panties..

Teto : Take off that headwear
you look old with that thing.

She unwrapped her head, her
hair fell down to her chest..

Teto: Take off the vest and the
panties...

Amber : I can't, please... If you do anything to me you'll regret it.

Teto : Take them off..

She slowly pulled out her top as her breasts pointed right at him with brown nipples. She bent over and dropped her panties. She stepped out of them and stood by folding her arms with her legs crossed..

Teto: Man, this is so beautiful..
Your pussy has a lot of meat, its
so huge. O rwele borotho
ngwana ke wena... Man! This is
going to be one hell of a night, I
swear I'm going to collapse on
top of you. Put on your panties.

She quickly put on the panties
then he stood up and grabbed
her neck kissing her as she
pulled up her panties. He

cupped both of her breasts and
kissed her..

Amber : Please..

Teto: I'm just kissing you,
relax...

She stood by with her arms
down as he leaned over kissing
her soft lips and squeezing her
nipple...

The door opened then Tsame stepped in holding Aisha's hand. Teto turned around looking at her as Amber quickly put on her top.

Tsame: (smiled) Really? It's not even 24 hours and you brought a woman over?

Aisha walked over and he picked her up putting her over his chest looking at Tsame.

Teto: What do you want?
Shouldn't you like knock or something? (he looked at the door and found a single key)
And how did you even unlock the door because you brought the one you had. This is not your house anymore.

Aisha: It's our house daddy!

Teto: Ok, it's our house... Do you want to jump on our bed?
Jump as many times as you

want ok.. (put her down) Run!
Close the door and jump on the
bed..

She ran off then Amber
reached for her things on the
floor and went for the door.
Tsame quickly pushed her off
and closed the door as she fell
on her behind..

Tsame: Where are you going?
We need to talk.

Amber : He forced me, I didn't want to come in here.

Tsame : He forced you in here?
Oh ok, let me call the police,
that means you have been
kidnapped akere?

She took out her phone and
dialed the police on
loudspeaker...

Teto: Why are you calling the police?

The phone rang as Amber stood by shaking..

Voice : Maun police services, may I help you?

Tsame : Hello, this is-

Amber: He didn't force me, I'm sorry. I panicked, I'm sorry. I

just want to go home. I don't want to get anyone into trouble, I just want to go home. I will never talk to him again.

Tsame hung up and looked at her...

Tsame: How long have you been sleeping with him?

Teto: I don't owe you any explanation

Tsame: I'm not talking to
you(turned to her) How long?

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At Teto's house..

Amber: I didn't have sex with him, he forced me in here... He forced me to eat and to take off my clothes, he even took my phone. I don't know what he would have done had you not walked in and I'm really scared right now because I feel like you're about to beat me for something I didn't do.

(tearfully) The only reason I stopped you from calling is because I'm not sure I have the

strength to carry on with a rape case. I'd have to tell my parents first before they hear about it from the police. There is a brother in church who expressed interest in me, we are in courtship but not the worldly kind of relationship, if he hears this he might not believe me or he might lose interest I don't know. I can't make this big decision on my own, I have to tell my parents

and I just want to go home, ke
kopa le mpulele keye lapeng
(open for me son! go home). I
missed the church service and
now bo mama ba ipotsa ke kae
toga gotwe ke a ratana..(my
parents must be wondering
where I am, I don't want them
thinking I'm seeing boys).

She rubbed her tears and
picked her bible from the floor

as Tsame tearfully looked at her.

Tsame: So he really dragged you in here?

Amber: Yes, I was on my way to church. Please let me out.

Teto: Ok, so you can't leave if that's why you're leaving. I told you I'm not going to jail. I

thought you said if I let you go
you'll forgive me.

Amber: I will let it go only if you
let me go.

Tsame: So he really dragged
you in here?

Amber : Ee mma.

She opened the door for her
then she walked out, as soon as
she stepped out she ran off
holding her long dress high.

Tsame turned around wiping her tear and closed the door looking at him.

Tsame: I can't believe you did that, you were going to rape that girl and one night would have changed the rest of your life for good, do you know that?

Teto: I'm not really in the mood for your lecture Tsame, don't you ever get tired of talking?

Tsame: Do you see what you almost did? Forget me akare nna wa ntalela... That girl was terrified, why is it that women are nothing but sexual objects to you? Don't you wonder how she must have felt being locked in a stranger's house? And she looks way too young for you... I can't imagine Aisha a romilwe then a man grabs her from the road a mo dira jaaka o dirile ngwana wa batho (what u did

to her), o lathegelwa ke thaloganyo ne rra? (Have u lost your mind) Like honestly how does this look in your eyes?

Women are just objects to you.

Teto : Don't even try to twist this? At least she was forced, you knew what you were doing and you were motivated by money.

Tsame: You know what I regret ever meeting you, the world would have been a better place

had those construction workers
let you die in there. You suck!

Teto: Keep talking like that and
see what happens.

Tsame : I'm done with you, I
think I had this baby way too
soon. I don't know you and
every day I learn something
new. I can't even connect with
you emotionally because I feel
like you're just dead in there..

Teto: Do you know why you're
suddenly walking away from

me now? You have a feeling you're going to get that office post. I was just a money bank to you... So you know what? If you move out of my house you and me are done. I'm not gonna dance to your music Tsame you can't control me and use my mistakes to control everything. You're manipulative. We were fine together, I made a mistake and we could have dealt with it but

you want to be on your own, go
be on your own. If you want to
be my girlfriend you move back
in here because you're the one
who wanted to move in the
first place. You said we should
stay together and raise a family
so.... Other than that we are
done, it's your choice. I know I
said I'd always try harder to
work on a relationship that has
my child but I can't tolerate this

from you. Get out of my house if I'm not worth living with..

Tsame : So I should leave?

Teto: If you're not here to stay leave, and don't have spare keys for my house either.

Tsame: Fine, I'll get my daughter...

Teto: I'll drop you off only because you're with her.

Tsame : No thank you, you're too drunk to drive anyone. I'll call the taxi.

Teto: Great call your taxi boyfriend then. Now I understand why your baby daddy denied his child, you talk too much and if I didn't have a conscience I'd do it just to rub you off my life.

Tsame: Your mother walked out on you, ever wonder why?

And why she specifically left you in a bin?

Teto: I fucked Botho that night and she felt so good..

Tsame: (tearfully) I don't care you used your dick, you're the bitch

Teto: Nah, a bitch is a woman who fucks brothers in a moving car and judges other people, now that's a bitch... Getting fucked like that for P150...

Tsame's lips trembled as she looked at him talking...

Teto: Don't ever mention my childhood because I'll beat you so hard you'll be numb, you're lucky you're carrying my child. Don't ever call me a bitch because you snatched that title when you sold yourself for 150.

She slapped him on the cheek and he looked at her then she

tried to slap him again he grabbed both of her hands as they staggered against the wall then he leaned over and kissed her...

Teto: My daughter just saved you again, don't ever put your hands on me. The next time you do that I'll slap the hormones out of you. My baby is in your belly not on your

cheek so believe me when I say I will slap you.

He let her go then she walked to the bedroom. He sat on the couch and laid on his back.

Meanwhile Tsame got into the other bedroom and sat down crying alone for a few minutes, then she picked the phone and called Age.

Age: Hello?

Tsame: Hi, I found Teto trying to rape some girl he grabbed from the side of the road. He is drunk, I tried talking to him but he broke up with me. He says I talk too much, kante should I just keep quiet even when he does things like this? We don't know what will happen maybe tomorrow that girl will decide to report him.

Age : Wait, he tried to rape
who?

Tsame : I forgot her name, I let
her out.

Age: Give him the phone, ware
rape?

Tsame : He chased me out.

Age: Tell him Age o bata go bua
le ene (I want to talk to him)

She got up and walked into the
living room but Teto had fallen

asleep on the couch then she walked back.

Tsame: He is sleeping.

Age: Go raa o shwele tota gao bona a otsela (he must be really drunk), I'll talk to him in the morning.

Tsame: Can you take us home?

Age: Alright, I'm coming.

Tsame: Bye.

She hung up and rubbed the tears in her eyes then she walked to the bedroom and found Aisha sleeping on the bed. She pulled the duvet over her then she got a book from the wardrobe and sat on the couch next to Teto and started writing.

Dear Teto,

I'm very disappointed that things turned out this way, I'm very sorry that I can't stop voicing my opinions. I'm sorry that expressing myself is having a big mouth to you, most of all I'm sorry about all the bad words exchanged at least I'm sorry for my part. I am so angry at you for putting yourself at the risk of getting arrested and I will not have peace until I'm sure that girl won't show up

with the police tomorrow. I'm stressed out because I love you and I don't feel appreciated or respected. You don't know how to love a woman, you've never taken me out on dates, done special things like buy me a gift, but I know you know these things are important. Maybe you feel I'm not worthy of them because of the way we met which brings me to my point. I accept your decision ya gore it's

over because staying with you is a risk to my health, I might get STDs or just go mad from you cheating on me, something I can't risk because I have a daughter. Like I always told you my daughter is my priority. The good thing about you is that I know for sure you'll always be there for your child and Aisha despite how many times we argue and fight. You are many negative things but when it

comes to fatherhood you get the award. For that I will always respect you and I know we will coparent peacefully.

With love,

Tsame

She tore the page out of the book and folded it once then she placed it on the table. She

heard Age parking outside and
stood up...

Age : Hey... Aisha o kae?
(Where is Aisha)

Tsame : I'll get her

Age: I'll carry her for you, she is
heavy, gaana go phadimoga
akere (she won't wake up
right?)

Tsame: No, just shush her when
you pick her up...

She stood by the door while Age slowly picked her up and walked them to the car. They waited for him as he got back into the house.

Age pulled Teto's arm and dragged him to the bedroom, they staggered and bumped on the wall...

Age: Teto? Teto wee...

Teto: Tsame dumped me and I didn't even have sex with Gontle, that's why she left..

Age dropped him on the bed and pulled out his sweatpants, then he pulled a duvet over him and stood by the bed looking at him sadly. Seeing him lose direction of life and coming close to rape cut through his heart. To some extent it felt like

he had no parental figure because someone he looked up to was just wondering aimlessly himself. Of course he wouldn't care about Tsame though she was carrying his child, his big brother did the same to the mother of his child. A sense of guilt came over him, he never realised how much of his life influences his brother's life....What had become of their lives? After all the suffering this

is how they live their lives with the women who took the risks of giving them children? They had forgotten their dreams even stopped searching for their parents. He couldn't even remember the last time he glanced at his recovery plan..

Age squatted by the bed and put his hand over his little brother the way he used to when life got harder. He closed

his eyes as a tear ran down his cheeks.

Age: God please forgive me, I have lost the direction of my life and I'm influencing someone who looks up to me...I asked for a family when I was young and you brought him, I don't want to influence him badly. Help me be a better person, someone my little brother can be proud of (he

paused and rubbed his eyes trying to remember how he used to pray) Stir me in the right direction. I've abandoned my own blood and it eats me up, please soften Akeelah's heart and teach us to put our differences aside for our baby's sake. Help Teto get his life back, above all please heal that girl whoever she is let it not go as far as the police. My brother is changing everyday and I'm

scared, not rape... Not jail... Let that girl forgive him. In Jesus name I pray Amen.

He stood up and rubbed his eyes then he switched off the lights and walked out...

At Tsame's house...

Minutes later he parked the car then he carried Aisha

inside. Tsame walked behind him, she walked to the bedroom and laid her down then they walked out.

Age: I will talk to Teto tomorrow, don't ever try to talk to him when he is drunk it never ends well. It's like arguing with a mad person.

Tsame: Ok, I'm still hurt by the things he said to me, he called me a prostitute.

Age: I'll talk to him, but I know he will already be feeling bad. I'm not saying this because he is my brother, but Teto loves you and you moving out really hurt him. Rne tota oe tserere (he took it...) as rejection and getting rejected always drives him crazy. You two need time apart, a day or two... He feels you talk too much and you don't think he is faithful, both of you are right but you both

don't want to admit this and solve it. I suck in relationships, ke lathile ngwana (I abandoned my child) so I'm in no position to be teaching people what to do. I just want to get my life back in order so that maybe Teto can learn something from me. I haven't exactly been the best brother. Just hold on, you two will be alright..

Tsame: Thank you, good night.

Age: Good night.

She locked the door then he
drove off....

In the bedroom....

Minutes later Tsame walked
into the bedroom and sat on
the edge of the bed
thoughtfully. Knowing she
couldn't change what
happened on that fateful

afternoon in the car brought tears to her eyes. Their whole conversation rang in her head and she put her hands over her face crying, then she frowned as pain struck her abdomen...

She leaned back and the pain intensified as she grunted. Clearly something was wrong, she reached for her phone and dialed Age..

Age: Hello?

Tsame: I need to go to the hospital, I'm in pain. Please hurry.

Age: Ok but... Let me get Botho first so she can hold Aisha.

Tsame: Please hurry, I'm in serious pain.

She hung up and staggered to the wardrobe where she reached for the baby bag and

checked if she had everything. Some of the things were missing because she thought she still had time, but then she got whatever she had then she dressed Aisha while she was asleep. The pain got extreme and she laid on the bed, it was as if someone was pulling her bones apart...

Tsame: (grunting) Uh.... Uh....
(rubbing her bump) Baby

please be safe in there... God
please protect my baby... It's
not time.... Please....

She took her phone and texted
Teto.

Tsame: Hi babe, I'm in pain. I
don't know what's happening
with the baby. I'm scared, I
wish we could be together.

Minutes later Botho and Age hurried in. Age gently picked the baby while Botho helped Tsame walk to the car..

Tsame : (tearfully) I know what you did that night, Teto confirmed it today during an argument. Don't turn these brothers against one another, all they have is each other.....
Aaaaah.... God protect my baby..

She got in the car and sat in the back grunting while Botho sat in the front holding Aisha.

Tsame : Please hurry Age...

He drove out of the gate as she grunted...

At the emergency parking....

Age parked the car and Tsame grunted closing her eyes tightly..

Tsame: I can't breath, ke a hupela...

She stepped out of the car while Age held her arm then her water broke and she started grunting with an urge to push..

Age: Shit! I can't do this, Botho take tshware ngwana.... (Let me hold the child)

Botho gave him Aisha and ran over hanging Tsame's arm over hers..

Botho: Tsame I think you should sit down ke ye go tsaya bolao (so I go get the bed), you

can't walk and the baby might fall...

Age put Aisha in the car and ran inside, minutes later he ran out pushing a bed followed by a nurse. He bent over picking Tsame and laid her on the bed. Botho and the nurse pushed her inside as Age went back to the car.

Once inside the nurse pushed her into the delivery room and she held Botho's hand...

Tsame: I'm scared for my baby.... (tears filled her eyes)
I'm scared....

Botho tearfully held her hand and smiled..

Botho : You're going to be fine,
you're the strongest person I
know...

She turned her head as the
whole room spun then she
closed her eyes.

Botho: (shouted) Nurse!?

Nurse: (ran in) I went to call the
doctor, he was with another
patient...(touched her face)

Tsame? Stay with us darling...
You can't give up on your
baby...

The doctor rushed in putting on
his gloves, he checked her and
turned to the nurse..

Doctor: She is not breathing,
bring the oxygen and take her
to theatre..

Two more nurses rushed in and pushed her bed out while Botho stood by watching in fear...

At the car...

Meanwhile Age walked around carrying Aisha on his chest. She looked around confused, he sighed making a call to Teto who hadn't been picking for a while...

Age: Hi Aisha.

Aisha : I want mama.

Age: Mama is seeing a doctor,
she is going to get the baby..

(smiled) Do you want to see the
baby?

Aisha: (smiled) Yes..

Age: We have to wait..

He put her on the bonnet of the
car and handed him his phone

so she could play, then Botho ran out and approached..

Botho : They took her to theatre, she wasn't breathing or pushing the baby..

Age: Let's go inside and wait.. I still can't get hold of Teto, he must be asleep.

They locked the car and rushed inside where they waited for

like an hour before a nurse
walked out with a sad face..

Nurse: Hi, the doctor would like
to see you. Please follow me..

Age and Botho looked at one
another and followed her. They
sat down and sighed looking at
the doctor.

Doctor: We tried our best to save both of them but unfortunately only one of them survived.

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At the hospital...

Age and Botho walked out of the hospital. Botho carried Aisha who was now laying her head over her shoulder sleeping.

None of them said a word to one another as they got in the car and sat down looking at one another. Age turned and looked

out the window biting his inner lip..

Botho : (softly) What are you going to do?

Age: (sadly) I don't know, Teto is going to die.... This is going to kill him..

Botho : I'm just shocked...it feels like I'm dreaming.

Age: Let's pass by his house so I can try to wake him up and tell him.

Botho: Ok.

He started the car and drove off...

At Teto's house....

Age's car stopped outside, they both stepped out of the car and

walked in. Botho waited in the living room with the baby on her lap while Age walked into the bedroom and sat on the edge of the bed shaking his brother's shoulder..

Age : T? T? Get up

Teto: (faced away snoring) Ng ng!

Age: Teto we need to talk, get up!

Teto: Ng ng the rra! Bula biri e nngwe (open another beer).

Age pinned his elbows on his knees and sighed putting his hands over his face, he wasn't sure what's next or what to do... Clearly he wasn't going to get up after having so many drinks. He heaved a sigh and stood up, then closed the door on his way to the living room...

Age: He can't get up, I'll see him in the morning.

Botho: What about Aisha?

Age: We can take her.

Botho: Let's go get her things so I can change her clothes in the morning. Waitse gore I still can't believe this, it feels like a dream..

Age: I'm worried about Teto, I wish I could spend the night so we can talk as soon as he gets up.

Botho: He will be fine, we will get up early.

Age: Yeah, let's go.

They got in the car and drove off....

At Teto's house....

The next morning Teto got up and sat on the edge of the bed yawning. He rubbed his eyes

with a mild headache, he stretched his back and stood up then he walked into the bathroom and peed. Last night's conversation came back and he could almost see the pain in her teary eyes.

He brushed his teeth as flashes of what he was doing to Amber came back. He leaned over and washed his face, then he walked out to the living room

and picked his phone on the table. He had to make things right with the mother of his children, surely she was stressed all night. A letter caught his attention and he picked it straightening it up...

<Dear Teto,

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voicing my opinions. I'm sorry that expressing myself is having a big mouth, most of all I'm sorry about all the bad words exchanged at least I'm sorry for my part. I am so angry at you for putting yourself at the risk of getting arrested and I will not have peace until I'm sure that girl won't show up with the police tomorrow. I'm stressed out because I love you and I don't feel appreciated or

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from you cheating on me,
something I can't risk because I
have a daughter. I have always
told you my daughter is my
priority. The good thing about
you is that I know for sure
you'll always be there for your
child and Aisha despite how
many times we argue and fight.
You are many negative things
but when it comes to
fatherhood you get the award.
For that I will always respect

you and I know we will
coparent peacefully.

With love,

Tsame. >

He put it down and sighed
regrettably as he pressed his
phone to call her, but he
noticed her message.

Babe: Hi babe, I'm in pain. I don't know what's happening with the baby. I'm scared, I wish we could be together.

His heart skipped then he dialed her as he hurried to the bedroom. He put the phone on loudspeaker and dropped it on the bed while he got dressed. It rang unanswered, he dialed again putting on his shoes then

he grabbed the car keys and
rushed out...

At Akeelah's house...

On the same morning Akeelah
laid on her side looking at her
son thoughtfully. It had been a
month since she gave birth but
none of her parents had come
to see her son, it was painful
although she never expressed it
to anyone. Needing a parent's

love was by far the most painful experience and coming between AJ and Age seemed like something that would only hurt her son.

She picked her phone and dialed Age...

At Age's house...

Meanwhile Age's phone rang on the headboard shelf while he and Botho slept. It wasn't easy sitting up all night with Aisha shushing her and telling her Teto and Tsame would get her in the morning..

Age frowned and picked the phone..

Age : Hello?

Akeelah: Hi.

Age: Wow... Um... (sat up and rubbed his eyes clearing his throat) Good morning.. Is everything alright?

Akeelah: Yeah, yeah.. I was just thinking... About you and AJ, I don't want to be that kind of a mother so if you feel like seeing him you can come over, but I don't want your girlfriend near him at least not now, these witchcraft visits you're doing

don't sit well with me. You never believed in these things and now I'm sure you spray the house with holy water and wear wool around your waist for protection or whatever.

Age: (smiled) Some things never change the banna.

Akeelah: (laughed and rolled her eyes) Whatever, come see him if you want.

Age: Thank you... (he remembered) Shit! Oh my God!

Akeelah: What?

Age: I'll call you back, I have to go see Teto. I'll call you.

Akeelah: Ok, bye.

He hung up and put on his clothes as Botho turned around looking at him...

Botho: Who was it?

Age: Mmagwe AJ.

Botho: AJ ke mang? (Who is AJ)

Age : Oh it's Akeelah, areye
before Teto gets up... I
overslept.

Botho: O mmitsa Mmagwe AJ
nowadays? (U call her Mmagwe
AJ)

Age: It's my son's name.. Age
Junior, that's what she named
him.

Botho: (looked down) It's a nice
name..

He leaned over and kissed her then he sighed pinching her chin..

Age: You will have a baby when the time is right, God's time is always the right time. Not every woman falls pregnant on the first attempt, the more you get worried more difficult it will be... Just ignore it... Get up, I have to deal with Teto..

Botho slowly got up and got dressed...

At Tsame's house...

He parked the car and stepped out, he knocked on the door and stepped back then he knocked again..

Teto: Babe?

He stepped back and dialed her again but there was still no answer. He walked back to the car typing a message.

Teto: Are you at the hospital?
Babe please talk to me, you're scaring me.

Teto: Is the baby OK? I love you and I'm sorry about last night. I don't know why I always doubt but there is always some truth in everything you say. I swear

to God last night was the last night I treat you with such disrespect, please forgive me.

Teto: I'm on my way to the hospital, please pick up. Ga ke lwe (I'm not fighting), I was drunk.

He got in the car and drove off...

At Teto's house...

Minutes later Age drove through the gate and noticed the car wasn't outside, he made a turn and picked the phone calling him...

At the hospital...

Meanwhile Teto picked his phone as he walked through the hospital...

Teto : Hello?

Age: Hey man, where are you?

Teto: I'm at the hospital, Tsame isn't feeling well, she sent me a message last night but I didn't get it on time.

Age: About that, don't get into the hospital... Just wait for me in the parking lot. I'm on my way.

Teto: What do you mean don't get in the hospital?

Age : Wait for me at the parking lot.

Teto : Is she OK? Did you bring her here?

Age: Yes, I need to talk to you first, don't go in there.

Teto: I'm going in, what happened last night?

Age: Just wait for me, ok?

Teto : I'm not waiting for you, if you know something just tell me, is the baby okay?

Age: The baby is fine, everything is fine. Just wait.

Teto: I don't believe you..

He hung up and walked into the hospital. His phone rang as he approached the counter and leaned over..

Teto: Hi, I'm looking for the mother of my child, her name is Tsame Romang, she came here last night..

Nurse: Um.... I think you should talk to the doctor

Teto: Is everything okay?

Nurse: I'll see if the doctor is here, he was just here.

Teto: Ok.

He turned around and sighed looking at the nurse who stopped to talk to another nurse. Both of them spoke in low voices and looked at him then they walked into the office. Everything was just awkward but then he knew nothing about this part of the hospital so...

He took out his phone and texted...

Teto: Hey babe, I'm in the hospital. Which ward are you at? Hope you took a private one because I just want to hug you right now. I love you, and I'm sorry you had to come alone.

A nurse walked over then he put the phone in the pocket and followed her inside. He slowly sat down looking at the

doctor as he went through some papers and finally looked at him.

Doctor: Good morning, I understand you're the father of Miss Tsame's baby.

Teto : Yes, is she okay?

Doctor: Her blood pressure was high and there were complications, only the baby made it. She is in the ventilator...

Teto: What do you mean she didn't make it? I'm confused.

Doctor : We couldn't save her, she passed away in theatre. I'm sorry.

Teto looked at the doctor hoping he'd maybe laugh at him and say "gotcha!" or something, but there was silence as he looked at him.

Teto: How come I don't believe you? I was with her last night....
(tearfully) I was with her...she can't be dead!

Age walked in then Teto stood up looking at him..

Teto: Gatwe Tsame o thokagetse (they are saying Tsame has passed on), do you believe it?

Age: I brought her, she said she couldn't breathe and –

Teto : (tearfully) Why didn't you call me?

Age: I did, you couldn't hear the phone I guess. I even tried to wake you after.

Teto: Age she can't die, I called her names and dumped her and I didn't mean it... She can't leave me with a baby, what am I going to do with a baby? And Aisha, her family is going to

take her but Tsame hated them all and never once gave them her daughter. (furrowed his eyebrows) I've hurt her.... What have I done..

A tear ran down his cheek, Age hugged him and he held Age tightly burying his face on his neck crying. Age also wiped his tears and rubbed his brother's back...

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At the hospital...

Doctor: I will give you guys a moment, but we also need to

talk about the baby in the ventilator because she needs someone to take care of. Her mother died before she could even name her, so a lot of things haven't been done. The nurses have been feeding her but there must be a family member too. I don't know if they managed to find a contact person in her phone because we usually get this information

when a patient arrives, but her's was an emergency.

Age: We will talk amongst ourselves and come back to you, right Teto?

Teto: I want to see my daughter first and fill in her names and things I have a right over.

Doctor: Ok, let's go this way... I have to warn you though, this is a six months premature baby she hasn't fully developed. The ventilator is helping her

breathe because her lungs haven't fully developed, and she feeds through a tube. If you're seeing it for the first time it might be scary but a lot of babies survive, it takes care and dedication..

They stopped at the door that led him to the ventilator, Teto's heart pounded as he approached the pinkish tiny little baby the size of a

butternut. Her skin was wrinkled and he you could see her veins through her translucent pink skin. A tube ran down her forehead to her nose while another ran from her mouth to her cheek, and her little chest contracted and expanded as she breathed lying inside the glass.

Tears filled Teto's eyes as he looked at her, she was so small

expecting her to survive
seemed impossible..

Teto: Is she going to survive?

Doctor: If she is taken care of,
yes.

Teto: Can I take a picture of
her?

Doctor: She is your daughter,
do what you want...

Teto took out his phone and took a picture then he slid his hand in through the glass hole touching her tiny hand. The baby's legs and hands moved in response, then Teto dropped his head and covered his face crying. Age stepped over and pat him on the shoulder...

Nurse : (opened her papers)

What's her name?

Teto: (face in the tshirt) Naya

Nurse: As in N-A-Y-A?

Teto: (sniffled) Yes...

Nurse: We have called Tsame's uncle as the closest relative, they were here minutes ago to identify Tsame in the morgue, but they said we should talk to you about the baby since they are too old to know what to do.

Teto : They're here and they didn't come see the baby?

Nurse: The aunt saw her and also said you should be told so

you can see what to do with your baby. Tota we don't get involved in family issues, the baby needs to be taken care of if no one steps in we will involve the social workers and she may end up in a home or orphanage.

Teto: Don't worry about that, I just need an hour to think. If I can't find anyone I will come get her and move to a private

ke ya gomo thokomela teng (to take care of her there).

Nurse: Ok..

Teto: So her family is viewing her body? Can I talk to them and also see her if they allow?

Doctor: We allow family and if they are okay with it you can go ahead, but you must hurry because they left.

Teto : Thank you...

The guys hurried out and headed to the hospital morgue. On the way they caught up to the elders walking there chatting...

Uncle : You should talk to your son about moving me back to my house.

Aunt: The house now belongs to her daughter.

Uncle : Ee I'll take the daughter and hold the house for her until

she is old enough. What's her name again?

Aunt: Aisha, I don't want to take care of children. I'm already old le ene yoo beilweng mo leboteleng yole ba ree rragwe amo tsee ha ele gore o taa tshela (even the one who is in that ventilator should go to her father's if she makes it)

Uncle2: Uh, o taa tshela ene yole, kana nkare kgatitswe hela o helela mo seateng (will she

even live, she looks like a small lizard that can fit in a hand).

Yole o tile go swa beke yone e,
gaa swa bamo tshube hela mo
spatela gase yo go katweng
waa hithwa ke raa.. (she will die
this week even, when she dies
they shouldn't even bother
with a burial they can just
cremate her)

Teto and Age slowed down
behind them...

Teto: Dumelang, my name is Teto...

Uncle : (quickly smiled) Oh hello son, how are you?

Teto: I'm fine.. I heard only family can see her in the morgue, I was wondering if I could walk in with one of the family members and see her?

Uncle : No problem. Where is our daughter? Meisha

Teto: Aisha... She is at home.

Uncle: Ok, please bring her home after this.

Teto: Ok...

Age squeezed his shoulder supportively as the family talked to the morgue assistant.

Age: Be strong..

Teto: Maybe it's not her and they misnamed her from the operation room, it happens.

Age: Just be ready to accept whatever you see in there. It might not be her but it might be her as well, don't forget that..

Teto: Ok, I just feel like it's not her....patients get switched all the time..

Morgue assistant: Two people may come in.

Teto and another family member walked in. Teto's heart pounded as they walked towards a specific number, the assistant opened... Her feet had her name tag but he stared at the body as the assistant pulled the body tray out of the cold freezer. Teto's eyes fell on

Tsame's face and his heart almost stopped...

Family member: It's her.

Assistant: Wena rra?

Teto: It's her... (walked out) excuse me.

He walked out and past her family..

Teto : Go siame (bye)

Uncle: Le tise Kasha (Bring Kasha)

Aunt: Aisha!

Teto turned and walked along the corridor as Age followed him. He walked a few steps then he frowned tearfully as tears blurred his eyes. He squatted on the corridor and pulled his tshirt over his eyes crying while Age stood by patting his back..

Age: Let's go...

Teto: I can't stop crying...

He wiped his tears and slowly stood up then they walked towards the door. Rhey walked past a couple of women as he rubbed his nose with tears in his eyes, but he didn't care in fact he couldn't see anyone, he struggled with tears as they stepped out the door. He let go

of Age and squatted again crying with his hand over his face. Age stood by wiping his tears waiting for him..

Two women stopped by looking at the brothers then they walked over.

Woman: Is he OK?

Age: (rubbed his eyes) Yeah, he will be OK..

Teto: (crying) Fuck!

He stood up with his tshirt over his face crying as his chest expanded. Both women hugged him and he put his arms around sniffing.

Woman: (tearfully) The rra se lele jalo o nkutusa bothoko

(please don't cry like that u are hurting me too)

Teto: She died with a broken heart, she didn't even know that I love her because I was cheating. I didn't appreciate her and I said she talks too much, now I miss her... I just want to hear her talking to me. I don't know anything about babies but she has a daughter. I don't think her family will let me take

care of her but I don't trust them, they never liked Aisha.

Woman: You'll make it, if you can think about all this you can find a solution.

He stepped back and rubbed his eyes as both women rubbed their tears.

Woman2: You'll be ok... I like that you're not bottling it

inside.. And you have a good friend.

Teto : He is my brother

Woman2: Perfect... You'll be ok...

Both of them hugged him and turned to Age hugging him..

Woman : Be strong guys, bye.

Both : Thanks...

The brothers turned around and walked away as Age put his arm around his brother. They opened the car doors and sat inside...

Teto: What am I going to do with the baby? I need someone who can be in the hospital until she is released... This is the part where people with mothers get assistance, if I had a mother she would be in the hospital.

Age: Let's be positive, let's think of a good woman we know. Akeelah can definitely help us when the baby gets out.

Teto: She has her hands full now, what about Botho?

Age : She doesn't know anything about babies plus she works.

Teto: Precious?

Age: Perfect, she can help us.
We just have to talk to her... I'll talk to her..

Teto: (sighed) I can't believe those people said ngwanake wago swa (that my baby will die)

Age: Forget those people, that's why they told the hospital to call you, they think Naya will die. When I think of the conditions I survived as a baby there is no way she won't

make it in a hospital with machines and everything designed to help her.

Teto: Tsame looked sad in the morgue, she died sad... I'm sure she fought for her life and tried everything in her power... I should have been there, had we not argued maybe she wouldn't have had a baby prematurely.

Age: Stop blaming yourself, it's not helping this situation. Let's go talk to Precious..

He started the car and drove off.....

At Tsame's house....

Later that afternoon Tsame's aunt fixed her bed and put her bedding while her husband

stood on the chair and poked something wrapped in a small plastic between the corrugated iron and the plank. It fell on the floor then he picked it up and opened the wardrobe..

Aunt: Uh uh, ntu yame e mpoetse, bosigo bole 1 hela keha ke babalelwa ke ntu ya bojgwaa ke senka polata.

Uncle: (putting the plastic in a bag) I'm taking this back to that

man, he said I should take it back when I get the house. Did anyone collect that girl from Tsame's boyfriend?

Aunt: No.

Uncle: I will call them and get her.. Ibile ntse re thoka yo reka mo romang.. (we need someone for errands)

Aunt: Ee gone, leha le ene ale monnye (yeah, even though she is still young)

Uncle: Au mosadi yoo kana yoo
di hips a aparang dithaetse, re
tamo ikgodisetsa... Ke ngwaga o
hela o kakwa tabe a gotsa
molelo. Matepe baa rutiwa ke
bo mmabo akere.

Aunt: Ke gone...

He walked out and drove off...

At Teto's house...

Later that afternoon the brothers sat on the couch watching as Precious cross checked everything the baby would need while Botho stood by passing her the clothes...

Aisha walked out of the kitchen with a bottle of milk...

Aisha: Daddy?

Teto: (turned back) Mma?

Aisha: I want mama...

Teto: Come here...

He picked her up and put her on the couch then he leaned over holding her little feet.

Teto: Mama is not feeling well so she has to be in the hospital.

Aisha: (smiled) To buy the baby?

Teto: Yes, the people who are buying babies are so many so she has to wait her turn.

Aisha: (laughed) Ok...

There was a knock on the door, Teto sighed and stood up to open the door. Tsame's uncle and another man walked in..

Uncle: Why aren't you picking my calls?

Teto: Oh my phone is in the charger.

Uncle: I thought maybe you want to run away with my daughter. I'm here to take her, bring her bag..

Teto : Her clothes are at Tsame's house, here is the key.

Uncle : I broke it and put a new lock. (looking at Aisha) Meisha let's go...

Aisha just looked at him sitting on the couch. Teto picked her up and walked towards the uncle where he leaned over trying to give her over. Aisha dropped her bottle and turned away hiding behind Teto's neck as the uncle grabbed her waist pulling her..

Uncle: Ta kogo malome.. (come to uncle)

Aisha burst into tears holding on to Teto's neck trying to kick off..

Aisha: (crying) MAMA!?
MAMA!? MAMA!?

Teto's eyes filled with tears as she cried hysterically while the uncle got her and walked out.

Meanwhile Aisha's eyes blurred with tears as she cried with every step the uncle took away from the house. She screamed even more stretching out her hand to Teto as he stood by the door looking at her.

Aisha: (crying) Daddy!!? Take me... Mama!? Mama weeee?!
Mama?

The uncle got in the back and put her on his lap while the other drove the car.. The uncle shoved both of her legs between his as they both faced forward then he leaned over kissing her cheek while she cried.

Uncle : Didimala nnana wame...
Mmagomogolo o tee..

Aisha cried and fidgeted on his lap, this little movements massaged his dick as he held her with both hands.

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One Night Only

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At Teto's House...

The following week in the afternoon Teto opened the fridge and took out his beer bottles. He opened the shelf and took out his expensive wine which he placed on the counter.

Their friend walked in and picked one bottle and popped the lid before taking a sip..

Teto turned around and they bumped shoulders.

Cardo: Eish laitaka o shapo?

Teto: (forced a laughter) Ke shapo

Cardo: So serious o togetse bojalwa?

Teto: I will never taste alcohol again, its like everything that Tsame used to say is ringing in my head and it hurts because she was right about everything. You know how something annoys you because it's making noise but the it goes and you miss that yet you can't have it back? It's funny because I miss how she would interrogate me.. (smiled) She had a good sixth sense, no matter how

much she tried to believe my lies she'd turn around and still talk about it like she knows what happened. She knew me and I should have known...

(sighed looking down) This house is boring without her..

Cardo: You'll be fine, at least you look better than last week. How is the baby?

Teto: She is growing fast...

(looked at his watch) I'm going to see her from here

Cardo: Alright, let me get this and go. Send me her picture ke mmone the monna

Teto: Sure

Cardo picked the beer bottles and walked out then he paused at the door looking at him..

Cardo: I think if you want to apologise to Tsame so she can rest in peace don't forget her

daughter. Keep supporting her like she is yours and maybe she won't have complete emptiness as a child, she already thinks you're her father.

Teto: They don't let her see me gake ile merapelong because she cries for me.

Cardo: I can't picture her pain and loneliness, I'm a big guy but ha oledy aka thokagala nka lela, keep seeing her

Teto: Thanks, I'll do that..

Cardo : Sure, by the way that girl o ntumetse.. (smiled blushing) I hope it works out ke a mo rata

Teto: (smiled) Told you it will work out.. Shap

Cardo: Sure

He loaded the beer in the car and drove off then Teto walked

back in the house and got dressed in a quiet house..

At the mall...

On the same afternoon Age and Botho walked along the children's clothes while she held the basket as he talked to the phone on loudspeaker..

Age: Ok, I'm seeing a blue romper and a brown one..

Akeelah: Blue is so common, is there gray or peach?

Age: Akeh what the hell is peach? Ke bona pinki, blue, yellow,

Akeelah: (laughed) Heela rra wee batela ngwana gray or let me see the brown

Age: You're so annoying, I'm video calling

Akeelah: (laughed) Shem, tired of being a father already? By the way o dira leng DNA kana nkile wa nthaya ore ke loile girlfriendnyana ya gago-

He quickly hung up before she could say anything stupid, she had no filter in her mouth. He video called her and this time he put the headsets on while Botho stood by quietly holding the basket with the baby's

clothes. Age pointed the camera at the rompers..

Age: That's what I'm seeing....
(laughed) Hee?.... (laughed) Ehe
sorry, maa?.... It doesn't look
like gray to me, thought its
cream white or something..
Mm? Um... Let me check...

He threw the romper in and
moved to the row of shoes still
talking to the phone..

Age:.Yeah, size 2? (laughed)
shouldn't he be on size
1?...who are you calling big foot
o taa swaba kana Akeelah, kana
wena ga osa nthoge wa
babega... (laughed even harder)
it's ok? Ok... (he dropped in the
basket) what else?... Ok.. I'm
going there...

He walked to the woman
section as Botho followed him

with the baby basket. He stopped at the bra's and pointed the phone camera..

Age: Mm?.... Ng ng... (laughed)

Wa ntwaela akere? 36 what?

Uh hey nna gake bone dio

tseo... Wena omo amusetisa eng

o robetse o taa baka, baa golo

mo ka marago moo (they

laughed) oh yes, got it...

(looking at the size of the bra)

What the fuck! Are you sure it's

not too big for you? I swear I used to fit your breast in my palm..... (laughed) don't even try to blame my son!

Botho took out her phone and texted Teto.

Botho: Hi, o ya ko merapelong today?

Teto : No, going straight to the hospital. I'll go in morning keya phithong hela.

Botho: Can't we pass there?

Age is going to see his baby, he usually takes long I'm sure we will finish a ise a hetse then he will pick me.

Teto : I don't like those people

Botho : Don't you want to see Aisha? I'm worried about her, the way she cries when she sees you ekare ngwana asa

tshele sente. Are hete teng, I'll talk to Age

Teto: OK, after the hospital.

Yesterday they said she is not feeling well, she was sleeping.

Botho: I checked her too and they said the same. Thanks

She put her phone back in the pocket and looked around while Age was still laughing on the phone then she smiled at a little dress that would fit Aisha,

she walked over and touched it smiling then picked it and put it in the basket. She walked around the shop checking out children's heels and picking a pair..

Meanwhile Age turned around holding a top and looked around..

Age : I'll call you back..

He hung up and walked around the shop impatiently looking for Botho then he found her standing at the children toys..

Age: I was looking for you, I thought we are doing this together

Botho: I just wanted to look at the toys.

Age: He is not old enough for toys

Botho: I'm buying for Aisha, I feel like she is lonely there.

Tsame never let her play outside but kwa o nna ko morago ga ntu gape ithela a pakogile gake itse gore a wa thapa tota that's why she is sick.

Age: Oh, OK... Come help me here..

She followed him to the
women sleep wear where he
picked two different pairs
sleeper shoes...

Age: Which one do you like
better?

Botho smiled blushing looking
at the two fluffy sleepers..

Botho: This one's... You know I love red

Age: I'm picking them for Akeelah, I saw her walking with socks on the floor... I guess red will do right? (dropped them both inside) uh ta ke tsee gothe

Botho: (stopped smiling) Ok

Age: Alright, I think I'll get this gown too. Let me get the basket, it looks heavy

Botho: I want sleepers le nna, mine are old..

Age: I don't have enough,
unless you pay for yourself. Di
sleepers dia tura unnecessarily,
why osa bate ko machaeneng?
Ke bonye tsa P20 teng.

Botho: I'll pay for myself

Age: Ok..

She picked hers and followed
him to the queue, once on the
queue he took out his phone
and called her, this time Botho

could hear their conversation
standing behind him...

Akeelah: Rragwe AJ

Age: (laughed) Gakea utwa
sente, come again?

Akeelah : (laughed) Ago fosek
selo ke wena neo lathile
ngwana, Mxm!

Age: (softly) Wa go rata go
nthoga masetenwa akere?

Bona... Ke heditse go reka a utwa?

Akeelah: (softly) Mmh

Age: From here I'm getting the diapers then I'm coming over, is there anything else?

Akeelah: Ke kopa oskata kwano osa cutter moriri

Age: (laughed) Yes ma'am

Akeelah: Good boy, bye

He hung up and sighed putting his phone back in the pocket. Their turn came and the cashier scanned Botho's things then she handed her, she entered the pin and the card declined a balance of P200. She smiled embarrassed and remembered she purchased airtime the night before..

Botho : Ntsha di sleepers..

She took out the sleepers leaving the Aisha's dress and toys, the cashier called for password then she paid. Age put the basket over and the cashier scanned all of his sons things and Akeelah's to a total of 3K then he took out his card, he turned back and saw a warm fluffy Jersey that could fit Akeelah then he quickly picked it and brought it over..

Cashier: Its P160? Should i?

Age: Yeah..

He swiped then they walked out as he carried a huge plastic. Botho quietly looked at the big plastic and sighed...

They got in the car and he reversed.

Age: I need to buy my son a car seat...next week ke ba isa check up but gaana seat, plus Akeelah le ene needs to do her hair, she has been indoors all along.

Having a child is very expensive, I don't think I need anymore.

Botho: Kante why are you taking care of her? Isn't it supposed to be about the baby?

Age: Akeelah is unemployed her only job is to take care of

my son which I'm paying her for.

Botho: You're paying her for that? Isn't it her responsibility?

Age: I told her to quit the butchery and take care of him while she is attending her tutorials. I don't want ngwana wa maid, these people abuse children.

Botho: I think you should stop supporting Akeelah o sapote ngwana hela

Age: If I don't support her she will find a job then who loses? Me! Because I want her to take care of my son.

Botho: You couldn't even buy me a pair of sleepers

Age: Wa bereka Botho ska itekanya le ngwana, Akeelah gaa bereke.

Botho: Can you drop me home I want to rest later keya merapelong, I want to see how Aisha is doing. I feel like they're

not taking care of her the right way. I asked Teto to come because I'm ashamed to just show up, at least they know him. If I go there alone it will be awkward

Age: (looked at his time) Aren't you supposed to get your results today?

Botho: Yeah it's today, we are 15 minutes late..

He made a U-turn and drove to the private clinic

At the clinic..

Minutes later they walked in the hospital then his phone rang..

Age : Let me take this, ill be right with you.

Botho: Ok..

She walked in alone and sat down looking at the time..

Doctor: I thought you missed our appointment.

Botho: (smiled) Sorry... I've been busy the whole week

Doctor: (looking at the card)
You have hormonal imbalance that is what makes it difficult for you to fall pregnant.

Hormonal imbalance can cause infertility but...

Botho: I'm infertile?

Doctor: I wouldn't say that but your chances of falling pregnant are a little to none...

The hormone involved in your case-

Botho: (sighed) Ok, I understand. Can I go? I have something to do. Is it ok? I hope I'm not being rude

Doctor: It's ok, you were just getting the results, I'll schedule another appointment.

Botho: Thank you..

She stood up and walked out, tears burned her eyes but she wasn't going to break down.

She approached the car and reached for the door knob but the car was locked and Age was standing over there chatting

and laughing as he kicked
crushed stones by the road..

She clapped her hands
impatiently then he turned and
unlocked the car, she sat inside
as he walked over and hung up.

At Tsame's uncle's...

Later that afternoon Botho
drove through the gate and

parked behind a lot of cars while a group of people sat in front of the house singing slowly whilst the pastor stood by with a Bible.

She picked the plastic and stepped out looking for Aisha in a group of children playing by but she wasn't there. She joined the prayer holding the plastic until they were done then she walked inside through

the crowd and knelt next to the aunt.

Botho: Dumelang, I'm Tsame's friend I don't know if you remember me, I was here days back. Can I see Aisha?

Aunt : She is not feeling well, she is sleeping

Botho : Can't you wake her?

Aunt : Ao you can see her tomorrow

Botho : Please, I just want to see her.

Aunt: She is sleeping, she fell so she can't walk properly. Ke mo gatisitse o thulametse..

Botho: Go siame. These are hers.

Aunt: Nne le mo rekela seshabo kana motakase.

Botho: Ee mma

She stood and walked out, it was just awkward. This was the same story a day before perhaps she was being paranoid to even doubt elders.

She pointed at the car to unlock it but it didn't respond, no lights flashing or that cluck sound from the sensor, she pressed several times and nothing then she unlocked manually and got inside.

She put the key in the ignition and turned it but the engine wouldn't start, she checked the petrol and it was here. Perhaps it was the terminals, she opened her bonnet and looked at the battery. How embarrassing for it to just die on her in front of everyone but everything was fine, it had never done this before and it

was a brand new car for Christ sake..

She went back inside and tried to start again, still nothing. She sighed and leaned over the steering wheel closing her eyes then an image of Tsame crying flashed in front of her, she leaned back and rubbed her eyes. She obviously needed more sleep if she was able to doze off that quick. She started

the car and surprisingly the
engine ran then she drove off...

SIX MONTHS LATER

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One Night Only

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At the mall...

On a Friday morning Akeelah walked out of the pharmacy carrying her baby who was busy sucking his dummy. She stopped and looked at her father's building then she smiled thoughtfully. Age was probably in the office or something, bringing him a cup of coffee would be nice..

She turned to the breakfast stall and bought him a cappuccino with two scones. She then walked towards the building holding the disposable tray and into the reception area.

Receptionist : (smiled) Wow....

Hi... Is that AJ?

Akeelah: (laughed) Yeah, is Age in?

Receptionist : Yes, in the boardroom.

Akeelah: Thanks..

She took a deep breath and walked towards the boardroom. She opened the door with her elbow and dropped her jaws when she locked eyes with Age standing in front of the stuff leading a meeting. Everyone's eyes turned to hers..

Age: (smiled) Hi...

Akeelah: (smiled embarrassed)
I'm sorry, she didn't tell me
there is a meeting.

Age: (laughed) It's ok, we are
about to finish..

He stepped over and got the
baby...

Age : You can wait for me in the office..

Akeelah: Ok.

He closed the door and wrapped up the meeting while carrying his son.

In the office...

Minutes later she approached his office and stopped at the

door. His assistant was typing on the computer and Botho sat on the couch waiting..

Akeelah: Hi.

Assistant: Good morning, are you looking for Mr-

Akeelah: I'll wait in the parking lot, is my father in?

Assistant: No, he hasn't been in for a week.

Akeelah: Thanks... (looked at Botho) Hi...

Botho: Hi...

She turned around and walked away. Minutes later Age walked in carrying AJ and paused looking at Botho on the couch..

Age: Hi.

Botho : (stood up) Hi... Come in...

He pushed the door open and walked in then Botho followed him. He closed the door and sighed sitting on the desk holding the baby...

Age: What's going on?

Botho: Why is Akeelah coming to your office?

Age: I don't know, I haven't seen her maybe she came to

tell me something, what are you doing here?

Botho: I want us to go to that prophet again, she said there are things she can give me so my womb can be fertile.

Age: I'm not doing that witchcraft thing!

Botho : She is a prophet of God.

Age: I'm not doing that, that woman almost made me lose my son. Tsamaya ole nosi (u go

alone), why are you in a hurry to have a baby? We have AJ.

Botho: You have AJ, I want to have my own.

Age: So in other words AJ is not your son?

Botho: AJ doesn't stay with me, I'm getting old I need to have my own too, not that I don't love yours.

Age: Gape ngwana waa tura (children are expensive), I just feel like I need three to four

years for AJ to grow up a little. I paid that woman 4K for her to tell me AJ is not my son, u go alone

Botho: Ok.

Age: If ago neela melemo gore o new ska ntshelela (If she gives u something to drink don't give me any), I don't want any part of that.

Botho: Ok...

She stood up then he also stood up and kissed his son as they walked out. He took out his phone and texted.

Age: Hey, where are you?

Akeelah: Sitting in the car watching videos, come have coffee it's getting cold.

Age: Alright.

They walked down the stairs as
Botho sighed...

Botho: You love Akeelah,
you've always liked her..

Age : Are we doing this again?
Why are you asking such a
question?

Botho: I'm not asking you, I can
see it... You're loving her in
front of me and you can't even
see it. You lost interest in me. I
don't understand why you can't

let me go and be with her. You have been with her for years and obviously you came to me because of the problems you were both experiencing at the time. Now that you have fixed them or whatever, I don't know, gake bothokwa mogo wena.. (I'm not that important to you)

Age : You're important to me, I just don't want to wake up one morning and my son is dead or

I'm left with him alone, what will I tell him? Just because we are not together doesn't mean I have to hate her. You're being insecure and it's not cute, you're going to make this relationship boring if you keep doing this.

Botho: I was just asking

Age: Stop asking...

They walked down the parking lot where she opened the door

and got in while Akeelah waited in the car next to hers. The baby saw her and waved his arms blowing, then Age saw her too as she waved at the baby...

Age: (to the baby) Mama! Say mama!

He turned back to Botho, she started the car and reversed..

Age: I'll call you when I knock off.

Botho: OK, bye.

She reversed the car while Age walked to the other car and got in the passenger seat. Akeelah got the baby then he reached for the coffee and scones..

Age: Thanks for this, that's very thoughtful of you. I never bring a lunchbox to work, the last time I did was when you used to do it for me.

Akeelah: You should ask Botho to feed you right, if she is nice and sweet like you always say she should handle it, it's not like you guys have a child that's keeping her busy.

Age : We don't stay together.

Akeelah: I wasn't staying with you either but I still prepared your lunchbox and left it in the fridge.

Age: Things are different, relationships are different some women say they don't do certain things for a man until they're married.

Akeelah: I wasn't doing it so you can marry me, I was doing it because I know you eat a lot. It could have been nice had you

married me because I love you,
but not every woman that does
nice things is bootlicking for a
wedding ring.

Age: (sipped the coffee) Mmh...
Ok.. So the ones who go crazy
bone?

Akeelah: They go crazy because
they allowed a man to be their
only happiness. I used to be like
that until I met this man right
here.. (touched the baby's

cheek) right AJ? He will always love me.

Age: (smiled) So you don't love me anymore?

Akeelah: (shook her head blushing) No sir I don't.

Age: (Smiled looking in her eyes) Good, because I don't love you either.

Akeelah: (smiled) Sweet...

Age: We should take AJ to Moremi game reserve, what do you think?

Akeelah : Sounds good... Ask your brother to tag along kile a nnamola motho yoo o bothokwa (he once helped me he is very important), how is he dealing with Tsame's death?

Age: He blames himself but at least he is not crying anymore. That was girlish and I'm really glad he passed that stage

because he was making me teary too.

Akeelah: (laughed) Crying is girlish? That's why you like bottling things up heela rra nne o bua o lele (u should speak out and cry) if you want.

Age: (laughed) Ago...

Akeelah: What are you going to tell Botho? Won't she mind?

Age: We are just taking the baby out, I'm sure she won't mind besides Teto will be there

with his baby, what wrong can we do in his presence?

Akeelah: (laughed) Ae rra toga gotwe ke tseela Botho monna (I don't want to be accused of snatching her man), bring her over... Ask her to come, I'm sure she will refuse but at least I won't feel bad about it.

Age : (frowned) Are you sure?

Akeelah: Yeah, obviously she will say no, I just don't want her

to think I'm taking you because I'm not interested in you at all.

Age : Me neither... I don't want you so..

They looked at one another smiling and looked at their baby. He had his father's resemblance which made the whole thing funny and nice at the same time. They could just steal glances and smile in

disbelief that they actually made a baby...

At Aisha's uncles...

Later that afternoon Teto drove through the gate and Aisha ran towards the car in her dusty panties. Tsame hated girls who play around in panties and Teto had never seen her in her panties before, which made it all just so wrong...

He stepped out of the car and picked her up, she rubbed dirt on his formal shirt..

Teto: Where are your pants?
You should never play in your panties... People will see your butt and laugh at you.

Aisha: Mme said I should play.

Teto : Go find your pants, did you go to school?

Aisha: I don't know.

He put her down and walked into the house while the aunt mixed motogo for her..

Teto: Why isn't she in school?

Aunt: I took the school fees you gave us and spent it on important things, she can't even talk properly what is she

learning at school? She will go when she is old enough.

Teto: But I'm paying for school and the school bus, I can even pick her and drop her.

Aunt: Kana ngwana yo gase wa gago mo oka mmeela melao, wa gago ke wa lebotele.. (This child isn't yours so u are not in a position to make demands concerning her, yours is the premature one)

Teto leaned back angrily
looking at her..

Teto: I won't be giving you any
more money then.

Aunt: No problem. Gake
okisiwe ka madi jaaka ntsi (u
can't buy me with your money)

Teto: And Tsame doesn't want
her daughter playing in panties,
she scolded Aisha for that, le
mo apese (dress her properly).

Nowadays bana ba basetsana

gaba safe go tsamaya basa
apara because batho ba
bangwe gaba akanye sente (girl
children don't just play around
naked because some people
are dirty minded)

Aunt: Dilo tse nte le di bue, ke
bona nkare nna le wena garena
go kgonana gase gore o emise
gota ha? (From your tone of
voice, I don't think we will go
along, maybe u should stop
coming here). Don't come to

my house because you think you know too much. I raised children older than you and you want to teach me how to parent?

Teto: If you don't take care of her the way I want I will report you and the social workers will be involved.

Aunt: Leave my house right now, I've tried to tolerate you but I can't anymore. Why can't you focus on your daughter?

What do you want from this one? Is there any hidden agenda, do you want to turn her into your woman since you killed her mother?

Teto angrily stared at her then he stood up and walked out...

Aisha: (shouting from the bedroom) Daddy I'm coming!

Teto increased his pace and got in the car then he drove off before she could see him leave, but she stepped out and saw the car leaving the gate. She burst into tears chasing the car as it disappeared. She stopped at the gate and cried hysterically with her arm over her forehead...

At the nursery...

Teto parked the car and stepped out just as Precious called...

Teto : Hey!

Precious: Hi, I'm organising a baby shower for a friend of mine so I won't be able to babysit this weekend, o Shap akere?

Teto: (laughed) Yeah I'm good, wena o tshola leng? (When are u having yours)

Precious: (laughed) I'm your
sister not friend monna!

Teto: (laughed) Shap

He walked into the school and
walked out carrying Naya with
a dummy on her mouth. He put
her in the car seat and buckled
up then he drove off as Age
called...

Teto: Hello?

Age: Hey man, what do you think about a trip to moremi game reserve? Pass to Kasane and stay in a hotel for a night then come back..

Teto: Sounds great but I'm coming with the baby, I don't have a sitter.

Age: AJ is coming too.

Teto: Sure, there is a road block, I have to hang up..

Age: Sure.

He hung up and slowed down
approaching the road block.

At the prophet's..

Meanwhile Botho faced the old
woman and she opened her
eyes...

Prophet: I see the same woman
walking into the river and

throwing your womb into
Thamalakane River, the
crocodiles are chewing on it....

Botho : What can I do? Can you
help me?

Prophet: For me to take this
womb from the crocodiles I will
need 7000, this is a risky thing
because this woman made sure
whoever tries to fix you dies. I
will need that money to talk to
the ancestors so they can help
me bring back your womb.

Botho suspiciously looked at the prophet. Ok the first time sounded believable but 7000 was just crazy, that's almost her salary.

Botho : Why don't you bring back my womb first then I pay you after I've fallen pregnant?

Prophet: It doesn't work like that, the ancestors need that money to help us..

Botho: Ok, I'll come month end..

Minutes later she walked out and called her colleague...

Her: Hello?

Botho: Mosadi wa lona yo gotweng o thusa batho nna wa mpelaetsa hela (this prophet lady is a bit shady)

Her: Mme kana nna o nthusitse
(but she did help me), my baby
daddy came back and now we
are stronger than ever. He
doesn't even look at other
women o amogela hela jaana
abo a mpha karata (he gives me
his card as soon as he gets paid)

Botho : Maybe he does that
because he loves you and he
knows he hurt you or he is
grown. I don't believe this. It
sounds awkward go na le bo

ancestors mo teng ekare dilo
tσα di movie tσα ma Nigeria
hela, ng ng. Nna ke a chaisa
(I'm giving up) if something I'll
go to a church so they pray for
me. The doctor says it's
hormonal imbalance.

Her: Spiritual things are given
such names, just go pay the
7000 and get your baby. A lot
of people do this

Botho : Ae nna ke a chaisa
yanong, bye.

Her: Bye

She hung up and thoughtfully
shrank her eyes, she didn't
remember telling her the exact
amount... How did she know it
was 7000? Or maybe she told
her, did she? A phone call
interrupted her thoughts..

Botho: Hello?

Teto: Hey, I just spoke to Age about our trip, I was thinking maybe we should bring Aisha...

I'm asking because I know I'll need your help with two kids.

I'll also need you to go borrow her because I kind of fucked up

Botho : (laughed) Fucked up

how? Waitse wena, ok no

problem but Age hasn't told me anything.

Teto : Oh ok, I didn't talk to him for long either maybe he meant

just the two of us but if so then
I'll ask him to bring you along
so you can spend time le Aisha
wa mo rata akere? (U love her,
right?)

Botho: (laughed embarrassed)
I'm just trying to make it up to
Tsame by making sure Aisha is
OK, it's just my guilty conscious.

Teto: Just admit, stop painting
yourself as a bad person...

People make mistakes all the
time.

Botho : Ok I like her... Ke bata go lopela until they allow her to stay with me. (Age's call came through) Age is calling go raya gore he is asking me out.. Bye

Teto : Sure

She hung up and answered blushing....

Botho : Hey

Age: Hi, I'm taking AJ to moremi game reserve, would you like to come? I asked Teto and unfortunately Akeelah has to come too so she can take care of AJ, so I'd understand if you don't want to come, it's ok..

Botho: I'll come, is it OK if I bring Aisha so she can keep me company? She makes me feel like a mother and I think she will like this experience o nna le

basadibagolo sale a bona
dionyana tse Tsame santse a
tshela.

Age: Um.... Welll.... I guess so
but then we will have to get
separate rooms because we
can't sleep with her in our bed.

Botho: (smiled) Don't worry
about it, I'll get a room and
sleep with Aisha, thank you. I
love you!

She hung up and smiled putting her hands over her chest, then she drove to Aisha's uncle and called Teto..

Teto: Hello?

Botho : I need P500, when you give them money they get excited, I'm sure they will agree.

Teto : (laughed) OK, I'll send it.

Botho: (laughed) Wish me luck,
by the way I think I'll need P100
to buy her something nice to
wear and do her hair.

Teto : Sure.

She hung up and drove off
turning up the music...

At Akeelah's house....

Later that afternoon Age knocked, Akeelah opened the door then he leaned in and tried to kiss her, she smiled and put her index finger on his lips..

Akeelah: Good afternoon wena boyfriend yaga Botho, how are you wena coparenting partner, how are you my ex boyfriend?

He smiled looking in her eyes
and shook his head then he
walked in...

Akeelah: So? I take it she said
no? I'm packing.

Age: Actually she said yes.

Akeelah : I'm not going then,
things are going to be
awkward.

Age : They won't, come on...

Here is the catch, she is coming

with Aisha then I said she must get a separate room, she agreed so I won't be with her at night.. Come on let's do this, besides we don't love each other you and me remember? We don't want one another and it's over.

Akeelah rolled her eyes and laughed..

Akeelah : OK...

He smiled and stepped over putting his arms around her waist as they hugged..

Age: Thank you...

They sighed hugging, it had been over a year since she had dick and God knows the father of her child could take her to heaven and back! Soft as he

was he became a beast in bed and she just missed that dick ravishing her flesh to flesh and the warm feeling of his cum filling her pussy up, damn Age! He rubbed her back softly hugging her and he could only imagine the sweetness trapped between her legs. It had been a while since he tapped that pussy and knowing Akeelah, she had shrunk into a tiny little pussy he could just die for..

They slowly leaned back looking at one another and stared in each other's eyes. He licked his lower lip looking at her lips while she tucked her hair behind her ear, then he leaned over and kissed her... He put his hand behind her back and laid her down on the fluffy carpet as he got on top of her unzipping his jeans...

Akeelah: Condom now or testing then you fuck this pussy the way you want tonight on this trip.....

Age : (sighed) Ke bata go tiisa ngwana mokwata..

Akeelah : Chooser!

Age : Man! Fine, testing...

He got off her and zipped his jeans as she laughed looking at him....

Akeelah: Gatwe tiisa ngwana mokwata, la di bua the gale nopetswe. (The things u guys say when u are horny)

He laughed embarrassed and whipped her with a couch cushion and they laughed wrestling on the carpet...

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At Aisha's uncle's...

Botho waited on the couch for the aunt to bring Aisha's dress. Sitting opposite her the uncle winked at Botho just as the aunt was walking over with

Aisha's dress. She bent over and put it over her head. Botho wasn't even sure if that was a wink or his eyes twitched or something, why the hell would he wink at her?

The aunt handed her the shoes then Botho stood up putting Aisha over her waist..

Botho : (smiled) Go siame..
(bye)

Aunt: Go siama uh mme (bye)

Botho: Ee mma.

The aunt hurried to the kitchen to her pot and the old man stuck his tongue out wiggling it between his fingers. Botho looked at him in shock, then she quickly thought about it and smiled back before walking out. Her smile disappeared as soon as she stepped out and put Aisha in the car. She got in

and drove off thoughtfully. This dirty old man seemed like a pedophile of some sort, she glanced at Aisha worriedly and pulled on the side of the road looking at her.

She had never seen Aisha so skinny and dirty, the strap of her dress fell on her boney arm and tears filled her eyes. This was the little girl who used to wear boots with tights that fit

her. She had buns and nice jackets, she looked like kids from the movies and now she looked like an exact picture of a starving child from a war hit country. Tears burned her eyes, her lips trembled then she turned away rubbing her eyes while Aisha looked at her...

How was it possible for God to allow an innocent child to lose her mother and be raised by

people like that? How was she supposed to go on enjoying life knowing this was going on? She spent the whole week with her preschool students who were always happy... Why do children like Aisha have to live this kind of life?

Aisha: Auntie? Are you crying?

She moved over and looked at Botho who quickly wiped her

tears, then she helped her rub them off.

Aisha : Sorry..

Botho: I'm fine... I want to go do your hair and then we can get you something nice to wear.

Aisha : Thank you.

Botho wiped her eyes and took a deep breath before driving off..

At the mall...

Teto waited in the car with his daughter lying on his chest while he played a game on his phone. Age and Akeelah walked out of the shop with plastic bags and loaded them in the back...

Age: Botho is taking forever!

Akeelah: Maybe she changed her mind, do we have to wait for her?

Teto: We have to wait... She went to collect Aisha.

Age: Let me call her.

Teto : Ok...

Age dialed Botho and stepped aside as Teto and Akeelah

remained in the car with the children..

Botho: Hello?

Age: How far are you? Kana we are going to a game reserve, time matters.

Botho: I want to buy Aisha something to wear plus she is dirty, we have to go home ago thapa (so she takes a bath) then take her to the salon.

Age: Didn't you buy her clothes?

Botho: I did but the aunt says she can't find them. I don't think I'll finish on time besides I want to take her to the hospital tomorrow.

Age: What's wrong?

Botho: Nothing, she is losing weight..

Age: So re tsamae? (Should we go)

Botho: Yes, you guys can go on. I'll go next time because I can't take her on a trip looking like a street kid it will make me look bad, besides this is AJ's trip and I don't want Aisha delaying it. I'll wait for you I won't be bored, I'll be with Aisha the whole weekend..

Age: Ok, I'll tell Teto, see you on Sunday.

Botho : (smiled) Enjoy!

Age: Bye.

He hung up and walked back to the car with a smile..

Age: Botho can't come... She says we should just go...

Teto: What happened?

Age : Nothing, she says Aisha is dirty and she wants to take her to the hospital tomorrow.

Teto: If Aisha is not well I can't go..

Age: She says it's nothing serious, are Aisha is losing weight.

Teto: Yeah I think I should stay and find out what's going on ka Aisha... You two can go.

Age: You have to come, if you don't it will look like I took Akeelah out.

Teto: But Botho gave you the permission, just go guys. I don't want to disappoint Tsame wherever she is.

Akeelah : He is right, let him go make sure Aisha is ok, he is technically her father and the only parent she has. If he is not present most of the time she will lose connection le ene and grow up lonely.

Age: I guess you're right... Do we drop you home?

Teto: Don't worry I'll get a taxi home.

Age: Alright..

Age carried his bag while Teto picked the baby then they walked towards the taxi where he left for home.

At Botho's House...

Later on Botho bent over bathing Aisha as she played with the washing rag in the water, she washed her privates and looked in her eyes..

Botho: (pointed at her privates)

Aisha what is this?

Aisha: Soso

Botho : It's your private, its soso but its also your privates and no one is supposed to touch you except me or auntie, is anyone touches you you have to whisper in my ear and I won't tell anyone.

Aisha : Ok

Botho: Has anyone ever touched you here? (she nodded) Never? (she nodded) ok... If anyone touches you what do you do?

Aisha : Whisper to you. Auntie when is mama waking up?

Botho : Dead people don't wake up... She in heaven looking down at us

Aisha: Ok..

She finished bathing her and wrapped her with a towel then she walked to the bedroom where she put her down, still reluctant she spread her legs and looked at her once more time just to be sure but she looked OK. She dressed her up and sat on the edge of the bed pressing her phone while Aisha jumped up and down on the bed then she quickly

remembered getting whipped
and sat down.

Aisha: Sorry for jumping on the
bed

Botho: You can jump on my bed
but don't jump on auntie's bed.

Aisha : Ok..

She continued jumping while
Botho dialed her
gynaecologist..

Voice: Your Number one clinic
hello

Botho : Hi, this is patient
256, may I talk to Dr Katongo
please

Voice: Hold...

Dr Katongo: Hello

Botho : Hi doctor, I'd like to
know if its possible to test if a
child has ever been molested. I
have a 4 year old here and I just

don't trust the old man she is often left with. She is my niece and she is an orphan.

Dr Katongo: It's very possible, that's what I'm here for.

Botho: Thank you, I will bring her in the morning.

Dr Katongo: No, problem. Try asking her as well, children have a sharp memory and they never lie at that age especially about things like that but then some perpetrators do it while

children are asleep, most children are hard sleepers unlike adult who can wake up when the door opens. Children don't hear or feel most things while asleep unless there is pain. Bring her in the morning and we will see

Botho : Thank you...

She hung up and sighed thinking about that wink and the disgusting wiggling tongue,

but then getting Aisha might have not been as hard as she thought if this old man actually thought she would give him a chance. She just had to be smart...

She stood up and yanked aisha from the bed as they both laughed, she walked in the living room and left her there watching TV the way she used

to when her mother was still
alive.

Aisha : Peppa Pig! Can I watch?
Or you want to watch news?

Botho : No, babes it's all yours.
I will watch on my phone and
you watch TV, you can change
too, do you know how to chan-

Aisha pressed 3-0-2 and
changed to boomerang as
Botho frowned surprised..

Botho: Wow, you change?

Aisha : Mama said Tom and
Jerry is three-zero-two

Botho: (laughed) Yes, it is...
Watch

Botho walked in the kitchen
and fixed her something to eat

then she gave her, passed by the door and removed the keys from the door before going for a shower...

On the road...

Later on Age pulled on the side of the road and smiled as they both leaned over and kissed one another.

Age: Your turn..

Akeelah: (laughed) Ok.

They both got out of the car and walked across as Akeelah took the driver's seat then Age got on the passenger side. She pulled her seat belt and drove off while Age picked his phone reading his messages.

Botho : Hi, how is the trip?

Botho: I'm with Aisha, 🥰 she makes me feel like a mother.

Botho: (sent a picture) I just braided her hair, o supegetse Teto a bone hoo. I hope you guys are having fun

Age : Ok

He closed the messages and tapped on the camera then he took a video of her driving, she laughed and slapped him then

he tickled her as she laughed
driving...

At Botho's House...

While sitting on the couch
watching TV Aisha heard a
knock and walked to the door
trying to open but it was locked
then she got behind the
curtains looking outside, her
face lit up as she saw Teto

standing at the doorstep with
the baby..

Aisha: Daddy!

Teto smiled at her and then she
ran to the bedroom where
Botho was putting a pantyhose
on her hair listening to music
on her phone...

Aisha: Daddy! Come!

She grabbed Botho's hand and dragged her to the door as Botho laughed and unlocked the door. Teto handed her the baby and picked Aisha...

Teto : Oh wow, look at you look brand new

Aisha : Auntie did it, she is my best friend and she loves me

Teto: Do you love her

Aisha : (laughed) Yes

Teto put her down and sighed looking at her with the smile from Aisha..

Teto: Hey

Botho: What happened? Didn't you guys leave?

Teto : They did, I had to make sure Aisha is OK.. Besides I don't think I would have

enjoyed it without you. You
made me look forward to it
Botho: I don't know what to
say..

Teto : You look beautiful
without makeup

Botho : (laughed) Ska
ntshwabisa rra, let me take this
one to bed..

Teto: Alright...

She walked in the second bedroom and laid the baby on the mattress then she walked back to the living room where Teto and Aisha were talking. She passed to the kitchen where she warned him some leftovers, Teto walked in and stood behind her as she held the food tray with both hands. He turned her around and kissed her softly then she leaned back...

Botho: I can't, I don't want to disappoint Tsame again. She could have destroyed me and told Age but she didn't. She said I shouldn't come between you two. I don't want to repeat the same mistake again, just help me mother Aisha and I'll be there for Naya too, I love both of your girls but I can't.

Teto: I loved you the very first time I saw you when I didn't

even know who you're,
circumstances didn't allow it
but it's difficult surpressing this
feeling of wanting to be with
you.

Botho: I won't deny what's in
my heart but we can't, it's
wrong... A mistake happens
once then you learn from it. I'm
sorry...

Teto: I understand... (sighed)
Can we watch a movie? I can't
go back to the house. Its boring

Botho : Let's watch a movie on the laptop, I want Aisha to watch TV

Teto: Cool

She picked the tray and headed to the bedroom where he sat on the edge of the bed and pulled the shoes laces then he took off his shoes and dragged himself on the bed. She handed him the food then he begun

eating while she searched for the movie..

Botho: Hills have eyes?

Teto: (laughed) Hell no!

Botho: (laughed) OK, something sweet and short.

He put away the tray and turned back to the phone but the poor network froze while they waited for the movie to

start. The silence made things awkward then he looked at her and pulled her chin over as he kissed her lying her on the bed then he got on top and #removed

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At Botho's house...

The next morning Teto slowly slid his dick out of her pussy and her belly dropped down while he dragged a trail of cum

on the bed. It flowed down her
while he reached for a towel
and wiped himself looking in
her eyes.

He dropped it on her then she
wiped herself, he grabbed her
leg and pulled her over while
she laughed..

Teto: (laughed putting his
finger on his lips) Shhhhh....

(whispered) Let's bath, I'm sweating..

They tip toed to the bathroom and bathed together before leaning against the tub facing one side as they relaxed chatting...

Botho: I want to ask Aisha's aunt if they can allow me to stay with her.

Teto: Please do that, I don't like the life she is living there.

Botho: And I want us to take her to the hospital to check if she hasn't been molested, that old man stuck his tongue at me and winked at me.

Teto : You think he'd do that to a four year old?

Botho: I don't trust him, I was unsettled that time when they said she can't walk. Even the way my car wouldn't start, I felt

like Tsame was talking to me telling me not to leave her behind. I know it's silly but I just feel like she wants me to make sure her daughter is ok.

Teto: (kissed her neck) There is no reason why you shouldn't do it... I'm right here if you need anything..

Botho: Ok.

Teto: So... About us... When are you ending things with Age?

Botho: There is no us and there can never be us, we are coparenting with benefits because I intend to give your brother a chance. He is trying to correct the mistakes I made him do by visiting that witch. He just needs that space to sort himself out with Akeelah. I know she is seducing him but I'm giving him a chance to destroy us then I can move on.

Teto: What about me? I love you, I loved Tsame but she is in my past and I want you in my future. I want you to be the mother of my children.

Botho: What about Age? How will you relate with him when he finds out?

He kept quiet then she stepped out of the tub wrapping herself with a towel..

Teto: Don't hurt me, I'm very fragile.

She looked at him and sighed...

Botho: You're putting me in a corner, I can't just jump from your brother to you. Honestly it may never work out because how are we going to be together with Age around? He won't like this one bit. If you were me what would you do?

Maybe I'm being unreasonable,
tell me what you'd do?

Teto: I'd end the relationship
with Age, he already left you
men never say it's over they
just move on or just marry
another woman while you're in
a relationship. Go ikoba wena
so if osa bate go lesa Age ore o
emetse ene he won't (Men just
wait for u to leave on your own,
so if u are going to wait around
for him to say it's over he

won't). You already tolerate enough of his nonsense, Tsame would never agree to me vacationing with another woman. I'd never even dream of looking her in the eye and asking her if I can do that, she'd leave me before I complete that sentence! That's how genuine our relationship was. We weren't perfect but at least I had to hide my dirty little secrets because if she knew

she'd leave, Age knows you won't do anything. I wish you had the same guts Tsame had, not that I'm comparing you two just that she is the only person whom I know that would leave a person she loves just because she is not treated right. You need to be loved fully or nothing, there is nothing wrong with walking away from Age because he isn't taking you serious.

Botho: I'm fighting for my relationship, I can't just give up... I'm not even sure I can trust you Teto. You cheated on Tsame even though you loved her.

Teto: That's my past, that was before I learnt to take the people in my life serious, that was before I lost the mother of my children to my carelessness, do you think I'd repeat the same mistake twice? Babe this

is more than just about us, it's about you making decisions as a mother not Botho. For once be honest with yourself and also think for your daughters because I don't see any woman who cares about Aisha but you... Your daughter is probably getting molested, we have to think about that, not Age... If indeed she is molested the minute social workers get involved she might be taken to

a safe place. If you're involved we might stand a chance, they always want to place children with relatives if we show maximum interest and come out as good parental figures. Maybe, just maybe we could have her... This is what we must think about not Tsame. She is no more and she is counting on us to do this. Age is busy with his family, trust me you're the last thing on his mind.

Botho: Ok, I need time.. Don't put me under pressure

Teto: Ok, I'm sorry.....

Naya started crying, she walked out and attended to her. He finished bathing and headed to the bedroom. Botho passed to the kitchen where she prepared breakfast.

Teto walked in and got the baby from her..

Teto: Are you OK?

Botho: Yeah, I'm good... I'm just thinking about what you said.

Teto : Don't let it bother you...

He put his arm around her and kissed her..

Teto: Let's go boat riding, we can buy lots of food and get a blanket for the picnic. I'll hire a boat then we go further away from all the noise, find a good spot and lay a blanket down, blow balloons for the kids while listening to music... Let's do something fun, what do you think?

She turned around blushing, it sounded like something she

always wanted plus the sun was out. They just needed to apply sun block and lie there for a while watching the kids have fun..

Botho: The clinic first then picnic, how is that?

Teto: Sounds great...

A car stopped outside then he looked at her..

Teto: Are you expecting someone?

Botho: No, nchekela gore ke mang (check who it is).

He walked to the door carrying Naya and moved the curtains, Age stepped out of the car and his heart almost fell out. He stepped back and hurried to the kitchen..

Teto: It's Age!

Botho : What is he doing here?

Didn't they leave?

Teto: I don't know, take the baby!

Botho got the baby then he dashed to the bedroom while Age wiggled the lock and knocked. She kicked Teto's shoes under the TV stand and

looked at the whole sitting room just to make sure there was nothing of his, then she opened the door holding the baby..

Age: (walking in) What's going on? Why o itoteletse le Teto (why are u locked up with Teto)? O kae? (Where is he)

Botho: He is not here.

Age: His car is outside!

Botho: He borrowed it to me.

Age: What's wrong with yours?

Botho: What are you doing here? I thought you went to the game reserve and Kasane or whatever places you went for fun.

Age: Don't change the topic...

Teto o kae?(where is Teto)

because his car is outside... Le

bata go ntwaela yaanong...

(shouted) Teto?

He walked towards the
bedroom taking out his phone
and dialing Teto, his phone
rang as Age opened the door...

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At Botho's house...

He walked towards the bedroom taking out his phone and dialing Teto, his phone rang as Age opened the door. He stood by the bed holding his phone to his ear as it continued ringing but there was no response...

Botho: What are you looking for?

He hung up and sighed looking at her while he held the baby..

Age: How did his car get here?

Botho: I'm not telling you because you have already concluded that I'm sleeping with your brother, which I find disgusting.

Age: What do you want me to think? So what happened?

He walked to the other bedroom where Aisha was still sleeping..

Botho: Can you stop making rounds in my house, what do you want? Shouldn't you be showing AJ giraffes and gorilla's?

Age: Don't patronise me!

Botho : Are you cheating on me? Because it looks like you're cheating, the minute someone starts accusing another of cheating he is cheating. How was your trip with your family

Age?

Age: Don't use that tone on me, ska bata go thabologela mogo nna.. (don't try and act civilised on me).

He walked into the bathroom and opened the door looking at the empty bathroom, then he went back to the bedroom and opened the doors looking at the sorted clothes on hangers. Botho closed the doors...

Botho: Leave my house and if you find your brother tell him to come get his car.

Age turned around looking at her, then he dialed their friend..

Cardo: Hello?

Age: Hey man, have you seen T? I'm trying to call him and he is not picking.

Cardo: (laughed) We are at the river bank chilling with some people, we brought camp chairs and shit.

Age: (suspiciously) Really? Is he drinking?

Cardo: No, he quit, didn't he tell you?

Age: Oh yeah, of course. Give him the phone.

Cardo: Uh heela the monna ke na le mongwe golo ha, just call him or something. Shap, lona le itse go kgwisa motho bana kana.

Age: (laughed) Alright, I'm coming.

He hung up and sighed looking at her..

Age: I'm sorry...

He sat on the edge of the bed and her eyes fell on the dirty towel and Teto's wrist watch on the other side of the headboard shelf. She had to

lead him out as quickly as possible..

Age: I'm sorry...

She sighed and rolled her eyes turning away with the baby so he could follow her, but he quickly grabbed her hand and closed the door..

Age: Can we talk?

Botho: I don't want to talk to you.. What are you doing here? You still haven't told me what happened to your trip.

Age: Don't talk to me like that, I still want to know how Teto's car got here and how he left, ok? Did he spend the night here?

Botho: No.

Age: Explain the car.

Botho: I'm not explaining anything to you!

Age: Give me that baby...

He got the baby and walked into the other room where Aisha was yawning sitting up..

Age: Watch your sister, don't come out, just play here ok..

He closed the door just as Botho walked out of the bedroom. He grabbed her arm

and dragged her back into the bedroom and closed the door..

Age: He spent the night here, didn't he? Just tell me the truth, if you tell the truth you're out of this and I'll sort him out by myself.

Botho: It's over between us, I thought I could tolerate you but I can't. You've just arrived from God knows where and I don't know what you did with

Akeelah, now you're acting all insecure.. I'm done with you.

Age: Yeah, you definitely did something hao bona ole fast to break up with me... What? Did you sleep with my brother? I will kill you if you let my brother between your legs do you understand me? I will kill you... I felt it kele kwa, I thought about it... Why would Teto just change his mind because you changed your

mind? Ne le bata go sala le jana in my absence (u guys wanted to fuck in my absence) ... I know he has a crush on you, I see it in his eyes when he looks at you, I hear the negativity he has about our relationship and how quick he is to say your name whenever he needs help from a woman. Ok? I know you know it too, and you think you have a right to spread your legs just because I'm being a good

father to my son? Just because you're infertile I should stop doing things for my child? Not once have you ever touched my son.

Botho : And I will never touch him until you stop thinking I'm stupid, what am I supposed to do? You literally do everything with Akeelah, you talk all night while I'm listening to you. Yes, I'm infertile but I'm a mother. Tsame and I were getting close

and I'm taking care of her daughters, at least I get to feel close to how real mothers feel.

Age : From here I want you to stay away from Teto's children, I'm not comfortable with this newly found friendship between you two, I don't like it one bit. I'm going to drop them off with Teto and I want you to end whatever friendship you two have.

Botho: It's over between us,
you can't choose my friends
you're not even my boyfriend.

Age: He slept here, didn't he?
Because you still haven't
explained his car.

Botho: You need to leave!

Age: Did you sleep with my
brother? My little brother, of all
the people in the world you
chose my brother?

Botho: I didn't sleep with your
brother.

Age: Prove it.

Botho: I'm not proving anything..

Age : Really?

He grabbed her neck and slid his hand in her panties then he slid two of his fingers in her pussy..

Age: Can you bet that my fingers will come out smelling

like the you I know or a little different?

Botho: (holding his hand with both hands as he choked her)
You're hurting me...

He slid them out and smelled them as her heart pounded, then he pushed her on the bed pressing her neck down as he unzipped his jeans and pulled out his dick. He pushed her panties aside and slid in as she

frowned trying to push him
off...

Botho: So you're going to rape
me with your niece in the next
room?

Age: Why are you so wet

Botho? Why are you so wet?

Why is it so slippery in here?

I'm not going to stop until you

tell me who you slept with

because if it's not my brother

it's somebody else.

Meanwhile in the wardrobe Teto's heart pounded as he sat behind the clothes listening to the bed movements as Botho begged him. Sweat dripped down his forehead and he counted down to a confrontation...

Meanwhile Botho tearfully relaxed her body and looked in his eyes as he #removed.

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At Botho's house..

Meanwhile Botho tearfully relaxed her body and looked in his eyes as he pushed his dick in her pussy, she wasn't going to make a sound or even be part of it. He kissed her lips and

gently struck her as he swallowed sadly, it was painful that she didn't care much about it and he didn't understand what he had done to deserve such cruelty. He looked at himself thrusting in and out of her then he decided he was going to enjoy it anyways..

He squeezed her breasts and sucked her nipple then he hung her leg over his shoulder and

fucked her as a breath escaped out of her lips when he pushed in, he carried the same rhythm stimulating her pussy as she began to get wet all over again for the other brother.

He turned her face and kissed her..

Age: (whispered in her ear) I'm sorry, I've hurt you and now

you've hurt me, let's stop and love each other...

Botho: You love Akeelah, just fuck me and go like you always do. I love you but you don't see it, i want you to think about me for once

Age: Why do you think I'm here? I make mistakes but at least i correct myself. I'm not losing you and I forgive you for cheating because I'm sure you

felt cheated when I left with her.

He kissed her and increased his pace, he went deeper and her breathing increased then he pulled out and sat on the edge of the bed and pulled her over, she staggered around then he helped her sit on his lap then he pushed her down his dick and granted looking in her eyes as she put her arms around his

neck while he held her waist helping her up and down. He stood up jerking her up and put her back against the wardrobe as he fucked her until he stopped holding her as he filled her up..

Age : Oh fuck!

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space sweating, he took out his phone and clicked on Tsame's pictures as tears blurred his eyes he could barely see her face. He wiped his tears and typed Tsame a message, he still had their WhatsApp conversation and though part of him knew he wouldn't get a response he typed a message.

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conversations and that funny
laughter, you should see Naya,
she looks just like you and
Aisha is no longer a baby, she
lifts her sister. Babe we miss
you, please come back to us,
we are just wondering
hopelessly without you. You
were keeping all of us together.
Aisha is suffering and i don't
know what to do, Botho was
my last hope now i don't know.
I'm lonely and I'll never stop

hating myself for cheating on you because now i want you back but you can't come. Can you at least be a ghost and talk to me. I can't handle the kids alone and I'm trying to move on but things are not going well. I'm sorry for all the pain i made you go through, i know I want to raise the girls but I'm just a man. I need help, big help.

He sent the message and put his hands over his face silently crying as Age and Botho banged against the wardrobe door. Age turned around and laid her on the bed then he leaned back and slowly slid out looking at his dick...

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He picked her top and wiped his dick then he looked at the time.

Age: I have to go somewhere,
I'll be back so we can talk about
this.

He leaned over and kissed her
then he walked out, she wiped
herself and put a pantyliner on
then she hurried out and
watched him driving out the
gate.

Teto stepped out of the wardrobe and sat on the edge of the bed as Botho walked in and stood in front him pulling his head over her tummy.

Botho: Are you OK?

Teto: Yeah, why does it feel like you enjoyed that “rape”

Botho: Don't do that, don't get jealous even when it's not necessary, why didn't you come

out and save me in the first place?

Teto : Because I know Age is into BDSM and you like it, how was I supposed to tell the difference between rape and him dominating you? And I knew if you felt threatened you'd call for me and I'd get out. Who would gets raped while there is help in the wardrobe and she doesn't call for it.

Botho: You're just being too sensitive and unnecessarily jealous, I didn't like it but I gave in because I had no choice. I didn't even enjoy it

Teto: I'm sensitive? You made me listen to you having sex with my brother

Botho: I had no choice! You're talking as if I had a choice!

Teto : Can I go?

He turned around and got dressed while she sat by watching him.

Botho: Honestly if this new sensitive you has something to do with Tsame you need help, you can't be teary for this as if I had control over it.

He stood up and put on his shoes then he reached for his watch and put it on.

Teto: I think you should make up your mind between Age and me, I'm already suffocating...

(sighed) I have to go, he is going to see Cardo to make sure I'm there

Botho: Sorry the rra, I didn't want to do it just that when you've been with someone for long when they do that reporting for rape seems like an overreaction.

Teto : It's ok.. Take tsamae

Botho: I'm sorry you had to hear that... Age is always like that, he likes rough sex and things like that.

Teto : I said it's ok, ke a thaloganya. I'm not hurt le wena gao bona ele treatment e shap go siame. I have to arrive there before him or minutes after..

Botho: I'm taking Aisha to the clinic, I'll talk to you once I'm there.

Teto: Alright

He walked out through the kitchen back door and waited for a taxi at the stop.

Minutes later a taxi stopped by then he jumped in and closed the door sitting next to Gontle.

Teto: Hi

Gontle: Hi.. Have you blocked me?

Teto: Yeah.

Gontle : Why?

Teto: It's personal

Gontle: I've been feeling very low lately,

Teto: It's not you, it's me. I'm just trying to live a good life and I'm busy with the baby.

Gontle: Can I take you out this afternoon? Unblock me, I know you're still mourning, I promise I won't stress you out kana ke go tena.

Teto: Ok, I'll do that. (to the driver) bruh how much would you charge to drop me off at the beach?

Him: P40

Teto: I'll make it P60 if you can hurry, I'm trying to meet someone there

Him: Alright

He dropped other passengers on their destination before speeding off.

At the hotel...

Meanwhile in Kasane Akeelah stood by the window in her white hotel gown holding a glass of wine with a little fruit

inside as she slowly shook it
enjoying the view.

Aj laid on the bed playing with
a toy then she took out her
phone and dialed Age...

Age: Hey you

Akeelah: Hey... When are you
coming back?

Age: I just have to sort out
everything in the office and

rush over, I'm taking a flight over there so I can be there faster.

Akeelah: Ok, I'm just enjoying their food and the WiFi is fast..

Age: Alright, say hi to my boy

Akeelah: Will do...

She hung up and sighed looking out the glass...

At the river banks....

Teto stepped out of the taxi and closed the door then he handed the driver some money.

Him: Thanks

Teto: Sure

He drove off then Teto walked towards the river dialing Cardo, as soon as he picked he spotted

him and hung up, Cardo stood up and they shoulder bumped..

Cardo: First of all I'm not happy with this, I don't know how you got yourself caught up in this shit but I'm not helping you hurt Age. You can have any woman but you pick her then text me from the wardrobe, I'm not happy about this at all.

Teto: Thanks for helping me out..

Cardo noticed he was a little down than usual.

Cardo: Are you ok?

Teto : Yeah man, I'm good. My life is stagnant akere? I'm not growing or having anything new, besides my children I have nothing. There is absolutely nothing interesting about my life..

Cardo: You're just afraid to get out of your comfort zone, that's why you picked Botho to try moving on. You want people you think you know because you're afraid to get hurt, you can't avoid that. I'm totally against this Botho girl because you know how Age feels about her, it has always been Akeelah and Botho. They mean something to him, wrong as it is they're his and off-limits.

Teto: The problem is that I think I love her but ke a go utwa, I'll just hear from her... She will choose, whatever she decides I'm fine. I'm just tired of hurting, I want to start having fun. I been too sad for too long...

Age parked next to Cardo's car and stepped out as Teto cleared his throat and put on his big guy boots, he smiled

“surprised” and shoulder
bumped with his brother..

Teto: What’s going on? I
thought you’re in Kasane

Age: I had to come back for
something at the office and
check on Botho, found your car
there

Teto: I left it at her house last
night after dropping off the
baby, when I drove back to the
road ke ithela Road block and I

didn't have my wallet with me
so I went back and left it there
then took a Taxi.

Cardo: Kante what's with road
blocks...

Age : Ke mathata... Guys I have
to go, my flight is about to
depart... They needed
something at the office..

Teto : Alright, take care

The brothers shoulder bumped looking at one another, guilt struck Age as he looked in his little brothers innocent face and squeezed his shoulder.

Age: See you around,

Teto: Sure

Age got back in the car and drove off then Teto dialed the

boat company then he called
Botho.

Botho: Hey

Teto: Hi, I just booked a boat...

Botho: (laughed) You're
determined to make this work
aren't you?

Teto: You only live once, I don't
want to wake up the next
morning with regrets. Are we
doing this or not? Happiness is

a choice, my life has been nothing but sadness. I want to change that...are you game?

Botho: I'm in, we are at the clinic.

Teto: I'll be there soon

Botho: OK bye

He hung up and found Cardo staring at him..

Teto : Stop judging me

Cardo : I didn't even say anything!

Teto : Your eyes did.

He turned around and walked away...

At the clinic

Later on Botho sat on the plastic chair with Naya on her lap while the doctor leaned in

between Aisha's legs examining her..

Doctor: Give her your phone or something so she can relax..

Botho tapped on her favourite game and handed her the phone, Aisha smiled and begun playing while the doctor lowered the light and checked her..

She sighed pulling a sheet over her and leaned back taking off her gloves as she looked at her.

Doctor: (sighed) I have to take a swab and do more tests because I'm already seeing genital warts on her..

Botho: Doctor what are you saying?

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At the clinic...

Botho looked at how little Aisha was and the thought of an older man on top of her brought tears to her eyes, it probably happened the day they said she hurt her foot and couldn't walk, she rubbed her tears looking at the doctor..

Botho: I can't believe this, what am I going to do

Doctor: Genital warts in children is not always a sign of

sexual abuse because children can get it when people who have warts come in contact with them and not necessarily sexually, for example someone with genital warts can pass them to your child while changing her diaper or bathing her... That simple act..

Botho : So what are you saying?
Has she been molested or not

Doctor: Aisha is still a virgin, she is intact and shows no sign of ever being penetrated..

Botho: (smiled) Really? So she is fine?

Doctor: Yes, that's why I want to do more tests and make sure it's just warts. It's not uncommon for children to contract warts but sometimes it's not through sexual abuse, does anyone have warts at home?

Botho: Well, she stays with her grandparents

Doctor: Maybe one of them has it, probably the one who is taking care of her like bathing her and applying vaseline on her nose, things like that... It's a matter of contact not necessarily sexual penetration.

She sighed in relief and looked at Aisha...

Doctor : It could also mean someone is masturbating on her, some people who abuse children with the fear of getting caught or maybe they feel a child hasn't fully developed they rub themselves against a child's private parts and end up ejaculating on a child giving her STDs.

Botho's face dropped as she looked at the doctor...

Doctor: There are so many possibilities but I can assure Aisha didn't get hers through sexual abuse, she is a talkative child and she is fluent, most kids her age struggle through speech but she speaks like a 6 year old. She is sure and I don't think she was sexually abused. That's just my opinion..

Botho: Yeah, even with me she said no one touched her. She is sure and she is not shy.

Doctor: But I'm happy you took this step, a lot of mothers don't really pay attention to these things and even if they suspect they ask their children and then sit down without really being sure. (sighed) I'm just going to laser cut it because its just one and we caught it just in time...

Botho: Isn't it painful? Will she be able to go to the picnic?

Doctor: Of course, it's not painful... She'll probably forget it as soon as she steps out.

Botho: OK...

The doctor stood up and put on new gloves....

At the hotel...

Age walked in the room while Akeelah stood by the bed changing her son's diaper, he held her waist then she turned around with the diaper, he leaned over and kissed her...

Age : Hey... I missed you

Akeelah : Did you sort out everything at work?

Age: Yeah... But I have something I want to ask you..

Akeelah : what is it?

Age slowly got on one knee and took out a ring, Akeelah's eyes enlarged as she smiled disbelief...

Akeelah : Age...

Age: Will you marry me?

Akeelah: Wow...this is a serious surprise, boy don't you have a girlfriend?

Age: But I don't have a wife

Akeelah : (laughed) If you marry me you can't have a girlfriend anymore

Age: I know that... Will you be my wife?

Akeelah: (laughed and sighed)

On a serious note Age, if we give it a try this time I want your whole heart and commitment. I want you to respect me or else I'll hurt you. I'm getting too old for this back

and forth and I think AJ
deserves better than we are
giving him.

Age: I'm sorry for all the pain
I've put you through,
sometimes I wonder why I did
what I did because I love you... I
think sometimes I go through a
period of confusion but I'm
over that now. The situation
with Botho is... I hurt you and
destroyed you then you
became bitter, I couldn't

handle what I created so I
looked for what I thought I like
but it's just not the same with
her, I can't get you in her.....
Now I'm ready to handle you
and help you heal. This boy
right here just showed me I'm
not getting any younger. Will
you be my wife?

She smiled and gave him her
hand, he stood up and slid the

ring on her finger then he
kissed her.

Age: I love you.. Thank you for
not telling your father about
everything I did to his family,
I've turned you into an
outcast... I will fix it

Akeelah : Please don't think
about confessing to my father,
he will fire you and kill you and
I'm not ready to lose you.

Age: (laughed) OK..

They laughed and hugged then he kissed her and picked his son...

At the clinic...

Later on Teto parked the car and leaned back waiting for the girls, his phone rang then he looked at the unknown number and picked..

Teto : Hello?

Gontle: Hi, its Gontle, I had to borrow a friend's phone because you haven't unblocked me.

Teto: I have a girlfriend.

Gontle : I understand that, I'll respect her.. I just want to talk to you because I need someone to talk to. I'm going through a lot at the moment

Teto: I'm also going through some problems and involving a woman will just mess things up for me. Let's just keep saying hi to another on the street.

Gontle: The rra don't do this, I understand-

Teto: Don't call me again, I'm trying to let you down nicely don't make me a bad person.

Gontle: Ok, ka thaloganya. Bye

He hung up and put down the phone. Botho walked out carrying Naya while Aisha hopped by her side chatting and catching the baby's hat..

Teto leaned back smiling admiring this sight, a guy could dream right....I mean... She looked so perfect with his kids and he could just take the whole package and just run away. He laughed feeling stupid

for even thinking that way but wouldn't it be great to have her his... His brother aside... His subconscious hinted and the thought was actually appealing. He turned to the back as Aisha sat down then he smiled and high fived her..

Teto: Hello... Are you ready for a picnic?

Aisha: What is a picnic?

Teto : (laughed) You'll see...

Botho put them both on their car seats and got in thr front where she closed the door and caught sight of Teto staring at her with a little smile. She frowned and huffed laughing embarrassed..

Botho: What?

He turned away and started the car..

Teto: Nothing, sorry... The way you're smiling she hasn't been molested.

Botho: Thank God no, but she had genital warts

Teto: Isn't that an STD?

Botho: It is but the doctor says she could have gotten that from any other contact

including someone
musturbating on her

Teto: Fuck filter what you tell me, I keep picturing this and it's just traumatising. Do you think he'd do that?

Botho: I'm going to tell them and show them her medical history, then I'll see if he will panic if he panics I'll ask them if it's OK for me to stay with her until she is older. (laughed)

Mxm, I'm trying to find Tsame's

tone.. I want to use her words
aker wa itse she was good with
these things

Teto : (laughed and cleared his
throat imitating Tsame) Gase
gore ke le thuse Aisha, kana
ngwana yo monnye wa lapisa o
taa boela kogo lona ale motona
ale bo 12 a itse go ithapisa, go
eta o taa nna a eta.

Botho lifted her eyebrows
smiling surprised and he

laughed at himself, it actually sounded like something she would say..

Botho: I think I'll say exactly that, mme o bona the aunt? Dhe won't have a problem because she doesn't like Aisha. Their main problem is that they think they should stay with Aisha for them to get the plot so I have to find a way of convincing them that I've put

Aisha in my insurance or that I need to put her in my name to be able to give her my things

Teto: That's brilliant and tell them gao tshole o kopa go ba thusa Aisha ago thuse bodutu..

I hope I don't sound rude

Botho: I've kind of accepted that I'll never have one of my own gape you weren't really saying it to me akere we are planning.

Teto : Ok, this can work. Do your magic but before that we need to get out of Maun and just breath a different air..

Botho: Yeah...

Minutes later Teto parked the car next to the boats and stepped out, Botho picked the baby while he picked Aisha..

Teto : I already have the key

Botho: Don't they drive us?

Teto: I hired..

Botho: Oh

They approached the river banks and walked past several boats, he held her hand while they both carried the girls. Him holding her while they held the kids felt like something she always dreamt off and she found herself smiling walking side by side with him.

He got on the boat and put Aisha on a life jacket before buckling her into a seat then he got the baby from Botho and held her hand as she jumped in the boat and got the baby before sitting down.

Aisha excitedly looked around the river and back at Botho who smiled back at her while Teto reversed the boat and

drove off. Botho's phone received a message then she clicked, it was one of her colleagues and she had sent a screenshot of Akeelah's engagement ring and her picture with Age and their baby.

Colleague : (sent 2 photos) Isn't this your man?

Botho: No, he is my ex. I have a boyfriend too.

Colleague : Uhu, fast like that?
When did you break up?

Botho : I never update anyone
about my private life akere.

Colleague: Gaise ke bone o
tsenwe ke stress mme waitse

Botho : Mme ibile gakena go
tsenwa ke stress, nowadays we
don't cry or chase after them
when they cheat. We just dust
ourselves and give another man
a fair chance.

Colleague : You've just motivated me, since rragwe ngwanake left me I've been having hard time to move on but now I feel like I'm wasting my time.

Botho : I won't waste anymore than I've wasted ke akediwa. If another man is willing to make an effort why should I waste it crying. Ke movile on waitse ke bidiwa yoo ileng ibile ke sena le ha ele letswalo.

She put her phone back on the pocket and glanced at Teto while he drove the boat. She blushed and adjusted her sun hat and sighed holding the baby on her arms..

After driving along the river Teto turned on the other side of the river and slid the boat out the water. He stepped out and walked a short distance

where he spread large sail and put a blanket on top then he walked back got his bag to set up the whole area into a little romantic scene then he went back again and helped them get out of the boat as he carried the baby.

Aisha: I want to see the picnic, can we eat the picnic?

Botho : Batho Aisha, gatwe eat the picnic!

Teto: (laughed) Run my baby,
go eat the picnic..

Aisha ran to the front and
stopped by the blanket then
she took off her shoes and
walked to the food where she
picked a ball of chocolate and
ate turning back..

Aisha: I found it!

Botho smiled as she stood by..

Botho: Oh my God... Its
beautiful...

He got the baby then they all
sat down as Botho opened up
their food and handed them
theirs.

Teto: Let me go get the music...
How can I forget...

He ran back to the boat while Botho took out her phone and took pictures of the children as they ate then she wiped their mouths and gave them balloons..

Teto walked over with a guitar and she laughed wondering if he actually knew how to play it, he sat down and positioned it

then he played instrumentals
for her to guise..

Aisha: (screamed jumping
holding a balloon) You're my
impiration

Botho: Yes Inspiration! Chicago!

Teto: Aisha got it!

Botho: (laughed) You're
cheating, Impiration gase pina

Aisha laughed and hugged her from behind laughing loudly

Aisha : I got it first!

Botho: (laughed) Fine...

Another one...

Teto continued playing different songs while they shouted their names. Naya fell asleep while Aisha sat on the blanket coloring her new book..

Teto gave Botho a hand and pulled her up then they stood a few feet away from the children as Teto stood behind her holding her waist.

Teto : (softly) I'm sorry for what happened this morning... I think I was being unreasonable. I

don't want to hurt your feelings

Botho : Stop apologising, I even forgot what happened. Age and

I are over. He has engaged
Akeelah and for me that's the
last straw, I want to live for me
and I'm now ready to move
on.... With you...

She turned around and faced
him as he looked in her eyes..

Botho: I'm ready to love again
and I hope this time it works. I
think tomorrow we should tell
him that we are happy for him

and Akeelah and that we want to be together. This will avoid fights because we would be discussing it like adults..

Teto looked down and back in her eyes..

Botho: What?

Teto: Babe it's not that easy...

This is my brother

Botho: But I won't be with you in secret Teto, I think we should face him and tell him, if you can't face him about this then we should stop this. I want a serious relationship especially since there are children involved, we are too old to be playing hide and seek, let's just be honest..

Teto: I need time

Botho: Until then there won't be us...

She let go of him and walked away then he sighed sadly looking at her, he jogged behind her and caught up with her then he grabbed her hand and turned her around.

Teto: Alright, I thought about it. We will do it tomorrow as soon as he arrives. This will reduce the drama compared to if he caught us together.

He got her cheek and leaned over softly kissing her..

At Akeelah's father's...

Later that afternoon Akeelah's sister walked in the office and sat down..

Rragwe Akeelah: When did you arrive in Maun?

Her: Last night, I slept at a friend's house.

Rragwe Akeelah : How come you guys don't like coming home, why sleep at friends house when you have a home

Her : It's just awkward, so Age is really marrying Akeelah? I saw their engagement on Facebook

Rragwe Akeelah : (smiled)

Wow... Really? She didn't say anything...

Her: Why do you like Age?

Rragwe Akeelah : (laughed)

Why do you say that?

Her: He slept with mama...

Rragwe Akeelah's Face dropped
as he looked at her..

Her: Didn't you wonder why
she hates mama? We all know
Akeelah talks too much but she
was never disrespectful to her

until she slept with Age. I once saw messages on her phone, she was telling Age that she is his key to success. She was sending him her nude pictures.

Rragwe Akeelah: Minkie you can't play with things like this because I will terminate Age's contract with an immediate effect for such an inappropriate behaviour, do you know what this will do to your mother and I if it's a lie?

She sighed and dialed Akeelah then she put her phone on loudspeaker..

Akeelah: What is it?

Minkie: Did you tell papa that mama slept with Age?

Akeelah: Of course I didn't! and I hope you will keep your mouth shut because you're not innoce-

She hung up and sighed looking
at her father...

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At the hotel..

Later that evening, a few families had their dinner on the deck out in the open not far from the pool. A few people were laying on the pool loungers in their swim wear while others played in the pool...

Botho finished feeding the baby and put her bottle back in the bag, and laid on the lounge

lying Naya's head on her chest.
One of the ladies sitting close
to her smiled admiring the
baby..

Her: I miss them when they're
young like that, ha ba gola ba
nna bosula ka go bua thata
(when they grow up they are
boring cos they talk too much).

Botho: (laughed) O raya gore (u
mean) I should enjoy it while it
lasts?

Her: Heish, enjoy it while it lasts..

The ladies laughed relaxing on the loungers. Teto and Aisha walked towards the pool where two more fathers were swimming with their kids. He got in the pool then he reached out for Aisha as she laughed holding him tight..

Aisha: I can't swim daddy.

Teto: (laughed) I won't let you go...

The white man in the pool turned laughing at Aisha as she grabbed Teto's neck tightly.

Him : (British accent) You're in trouble mate.

Teto : (laughed) Tell me about it.

Another father: It's always better to teach them when they're young, but she is still good.

Teto : Yeah...

Teto pulled Aisha to the front and taught her, she began kicking the water and pushing with her hands. She gained more confidence when she saw more kids swimming and

enjoyed the screaming and talking to her new friends.

A while later Teto noticed she was shivering and her teeth were knocking against one another..

Teto: Alright, time to get out

Aisha: (teeth knocking up and down) No, I... Ssstil... Have to swim..

Teto: Hey waa sitwa kwa.. (u are cold) (shouted) Babe? Tisa towel motho keyo wa sitwa o ganella mo metsing... (bring the towel this person is cold but she doesn't want to leave)

Botho walked over holding a towel with another wrapped around her waist while she carried the baby on the other side. Teto admired her tummy

and breasts on a bikini top as she walked over..

Teto: You're a sexy mother...

Botho: (laughed) Mxm!

She dropped the towel and walked away, Teto wrapped Aisha whose lips curved while she cried. He picked her up, wrapped her in a towel like a

cigarette and he walked to the
loungers.

Teto: We will come tomorrow
when it's hot, now it's cold and
you can't even cry properly
because your teeth are
knocking against one another..
Shh didimala babe a utwa
(shush baby)... Come on don't
cry..

She stopped crying, he removed her swimming cap and sat next to Botho on the lounge.

Botho : Wrap her with this dry one akere?

Teto: Yeah

Teto wrapped her in a warm one and laid her next to Botho then he stole a kiss from

Botho's lips and smiled as she smiled back embarrassed. She was never comfortable getting kisses from him in front of Aisha.

Botho: Ako nne o lesa go ntshuna mo bathong ke a swaba... (don't kiss me in public I get shy)

Teto: (laughed) So you don't want to be kissed in public?

Botho: (laughed) Yes, gaa swabisa (it's embarrassing)

Teto: That white couple was kissing kgantele.

Botho : You're not white.

Teto: (laughed) Rikonde it has nothing to do with color, it's only creepy if it's a french kiss but a baby kiss is ok..

Teto turned around looking at the water, the children were

out of the pool and there was just one couple at the corner of the pool.

Teto: You didn't swim, let's take a few strokes and go home.

Botho: Who will watch the kids? Naya is asleep.

Teto: They'll be fine..

He got Naya and laid her in her car seat which he placed on the table, then he put an extra towel over Aisha who was quietly laying there curled up and dozing off.

Teto grabbed her hand and they stood up as he looked in her eyes removing her towel leaving her in bright lime bum tights. He put his arms around her and leaned over trying to

kiss her, but she shyly tilted her head, I mean there were so many people and most of them white, she felt watched. He pulled her chin over and baby kissed her..

Teto: Come here...

He got in the pool then she sat on the edge and dipped her feet inside. He put his arm around her back and pulled her

inside as they both submerged in the water until only their heads were out..

Botho: I thought it would be cold.

Teto: (Moved over holding her)
Are you hurt about Age?

Botho: Well rona basadi ha monna asa re rate (us women can see when a man doesn't love us) we see it but we try to work on the relationship and

convince ourselves otherwise,
mme hela when we leave we
leave. I'm gone and I'm moving
on, I know he will judge me
even with what he is doing, and
I know that there are people
who will judge me when they
hear this because women
shouldn't do certain things but
I'm fine. I live for me le wena
I'm going to give you a chance
but if you hurt me I will go... Of
course I'll stick around to fight

for the relationship, but ha go
pala (if it fails) I'll just move on.
I can't fight like Akeelah
spraying me with pepper spray,
I can't fight like that I just give
up because it's not my luck.

He stared at her lips as she
spoke and he found himself
smiling and kissed her. She
forgot was she was saying and
looked in his eyes then he
smiled and kissed her again.

Teto: Ke go bolelele sengwe? (Should I tell u something)

Botho: Mh..

Teto: If ever there is cheating between us it will come from you. I will love you until I take my last breath and I will do anything for you because I appreciate what you're doing for me and these children. I know better than to mistreat a woman who does so much for

me because I know that it just takes one night to lose everything. I won't lose twice, if we should worry about someone's heart breaking it should be mine because I've no intention of disrespecting you..

She smiled looking in his eyes then she glanced at the children, they both seemed to be asleep then she looked back at him. She loved the way he

spoke English, so fluent and effortless. Plus he had eyes that seemed like a gateway to his heart, somehow you could feel his truth from his eyes..

Botho: (smiled) Thanks for this... (laughed embarrassed) I've never swam in a hotel before... Crazy, right?

Teto: Not really... We should make this a family tradition....a picnic and swimming, ordering

pizza and watching a movie
before going to bed...

Botho: Sounds good...

He leaned over and french
kissed her as she shyly tilted
her head. He laughed and
splashed her with water as they
laughed and fooled around.

In Kasane...

On the same evening Age stood by the balcony in his hotel gown holding a glass of wine looking out into the dark lost in thoughts. He didn't know what was wrong but he was worried. He tried to think about everything that happened so he could understand why he was feeling the way he felt, but he couldn't really think of anything. Or maybe it was how he accused his little brother

when it was probably the last thing on his mind.. It wasn't that..

Akeelah walked out of their room and put her arms around him standing behind him..

Akeelah: Are you OK?

Age: Yeah... Mowa wame gawa wela sente (I'm unsettled) I

don't know why the sudden worry.

Akeelah: The whole point of this was to close the world out and enjoy ourselves so stop worrying... It's a choice..

He breathed in and out then he turned around and kissed her, his phone rang and they sighed...

Age: Come...

They walked in then he picked his call while she sat on the bed...

Age: Hello?

Rragwe Akeelah : So you slept with my wife?

His heart skipped and his knees got weak then he sat on the

bed as Akeelah looked at his face. She curiously sat on his lap and leaned over listening to her father.

Rragwe Akeelah : I'm talking to you, I want to hear you say it...

Did you sleep with my wife?

And don't insult me with lies..

Age: She blackmailed me and I was desperate for a job. I had been unemployed for a while and my little brother was

leaving the country. He needed money for this and that, your wife knew I was worried about my brother and she kept asking me if I want the job... I know it sounds stupid now but back the-

Rragwe Akeelah: You're fired, don't come to my building.

Whatever you left in the office will be sent to you by courier. If you want to sue me for unfair dismissal you have my blessing,

I can't believe you have broken my daughter so much and I always thought she was the problem. Piece of shit is an understatement for you! Nxtla! You're so lucky you're not in Maun I'd shoot you.

He hung up and they slowly looked at one another.

Age: I lost my job...

Akeelah took the phone from his hand and smiled looking at him.

Akeelah: Papa is not the only person who can hire you, you're intelligent and you did your job better than everyone. If he is willing to lose a good employee then it's his loss.

Age: Akeelah I'm jobless, that means you and AJ will suffer.

Akeelah: I'm not stupid, I will find a way of making money. I will sell things... I'm not embarrassed to do small businesses to bring in money. Don't worry about me, worry about sending your job applications. Besides I'll put a tenant in my house and stay with you or we can rent yours since it's bigger and nicer. Its monthly rent will give us more money than mine.

He looked in her eyes then she hugged him...

Age: Let's go back to Maun..

Botho: Drive all night?

Age: Yeah... I can't sleep after this and I can't have fun either. I need to go and scan my documents ke bone gore ke dira jang (so I see what to do)

Botho: Ok...

They stood up and got dressed....

In Teto's car...

Later that evening Teto approached the traffic lights and slowed down. Botho looked back at the girls asleep on their car seats with a duvet over them, then she looked at

Teto, it was the cute shape of his head and the way he held the steering wheel like he didn't feel like driving yet he did so well. He sighed and scratched his head while she looked down at his jeans and smiled looking out the window. It was a beautiful night and the music made it even more romantic. He touched her thigh then she turned and looked at him but he didn't say anything.

He picked her hand and kissed it then he tangled their hands together and put it over his lap and he drove with one hand...

He drove into a guest house and she frowned..

Botho: Are you checking someone?

Teto: I'm not getting caught again.. I don't want him to see

us together before we can tell him what's going on.

Botho: True, he looks like he'd really cause a scene if he caught us... Le kile la lwa before (havebu ever fought)? Growing up?

Teto: (laughed) What do you mean re lwa? He is my big brother ne a kgona go mpetsa ga ke mo direla bodipa a nkgalemella sengwe koore hela ene gase motho yoo tenegang

ka pela (he used to beat me when I was being stubborn, but he is slow to anger), but when he does shits hits the fan.

Botho : (laughed) Amme ne wena! (Really)

Teto: Nxeha wa tshameka wena, he is going to kill me because he specifically told me you're off limits...

Botho: (sighed) Wa ntshosa jaanong (u are scaring me) but I don't think it will be dramatic

akere he is engaged to be married.

Teto : It's not about you, it's about me disrespecting him, betraying him, lying to him, sneaking around behind his back especially after everything we have been through together. I didn't go through anything difficult because he absorbed all that. To him I'm his baby brother and he did everything to make me happy.

He really loves ìme, ke dirile
dilo tse eseng tsone go rata
wena of all the women,
because despite all this he still
loves you. He does so he is
going to lose a girlfriend and a
brother... I can't imagine what
he will go through when I tell
him this..

Botho : Should we wait?

Teto : No, the sooner the
better..

Botho: Ok...

He parked the car and rushed inside to check in. Minutes later he ran out and drove to the room where they carried the children in and laid them on their bed before relaxing on theirs. Botho watched TV laying her head on his chest while he dialed Age.

Age : Hello?

Teto : What time will you arrive in Maun? There is something I want to tell you...

Age: I'll be there in the morning, I'm on my way.

Teto: Oh ok sure.

Age: Yeah

He hung up and sighed then he put down the phone and kissed her getting on top of her. They kissed softly and had a slow

silent sex just breathing over one another until they both grabbed one another silently cumming. She turned her eyes while he held her tightly breathing out his mouth, he turned his head and looked at the kids who were dead asleep then he kissed her on the forehead and slid out.

At Age's house....

The next morning Teto parked the car next to Age's and knocked on the door. He stepped back and cleared his throat as he anxiously waited. Age opened the door in shorts and rubbed his eyes looking at him..

Age: Come in.

Teto : Akeelah o kae? (Where is Akeelah)

Age: I dropped her at her house and came here, I wanted time alone..

He sat on the couch and put his hands over his face...

Age : Akeelah's father fired me..I don't know what I'm going to do with a baby kesa bereke (when I'm unemployed)and the worst thing ke togedisitse Akeelah

tiro (I asked Akeelah to leave her job)

Teto: Shit... What happened?

Age : Akeelah suspects her sister told him...

Teto: Don't worry about AJ, I'll help you out until you're good.

Age: No, you have a lot on your plate. Anyways, what did you want to tell me?

Teto looked at him, he was completely shuttered though he was putting on a brave face. He had lost his job and taking away his girlfriend and brother on the same day seemed cruel...

Teto: Nothing serious, I want to put Naya in my name, she has Tsame's last name and it's awkward.

Age: It should be easy, you have custody of the child.

Teto: Yeah

Age: Are you sure that's all? It sounded a bit more serious than this, you can talk to me about anything...

Teto looked in his eyes and sighed...

Teto : It's about Botho..

Age: About that, I'm sorry for making such accusations... I can't believe she told you about this... The only reason I said that is because of the car, but after you explained it made sense. I know you'd never do that to me, I'm sorry. I feel bad for saying the things I said too, it was crazy... Are we cool?

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At Age's House...

Age: Are we cool?

Teto sadly looked down
pressing his lips together and
looked back at him, Age looked
at him and frowned smiling, he

actually didn't expect Teto to be bothered that much...

Age: Are you pissed? Come on..

Teto: Just... Can't believe you thought I'd do that to you but I guess we are cool.

Age: Alright, thanks...

He stood up and rubbed his face...

Age: By the way I asked
Akeelah to marry me

Teto: Are you really going to
marry her?

Age: Yeah, if her father allows
it... why?

Teto: What about Botho?

Age: She is will be fine.

Teto: Are you leaving her?

Age: (laughed) No, I can't leave
her

Teto : Will she be OK with you marrying Akeelah?

Age: She will have to be ok,

Teto: So who do you really love between these two because I'm confused

Age: I love them both but I have to marry Akeelah because she can give me children, Botho is incapable of giving me a child so I can't really invest in her but I love her and I'll continue to be with her.

Teto : I don't think any woman would be ok with their boyfriend marrying another woman

Age: You'll be surprised what women are capable of doing to one another, why do you think married men still have girlfriends and even tell those girlfriends not to have boyfriends? You just have to know the right buttons to press.

Teto: Which are?

Age: (laughed) Why are you being so inquisitive?

Teto : (laughed) I'm not, I'm just shocked that you think Botho would agree

Age: Botho o semata she will agree if she doesn't I'll make her, she'll be fine. Don't worry about her....(sighed looking at him) What you need to worry about is getting a maid because I don't want Botho to be in

your house every now and then
or you in her house because
you have to “drop off Aisha or
Naya” ... Let’s just set the
boundaries to avoid
accusations like last night. Gape
tota hela under no
circumstances is my little
brother allowed to visit my
woman at night even if you’re
dropping off your baby... I want
you to hire a maid or nanny.
Teto : What are you saying?

Age looked in his eyes and grabbed his neck from behind as if he was joking but grabbed him a little tighter..

Age: Cut communication with my girlfriend, respect my territory and hire a nanny. The last thing we need is for you to get attached to her because you're vulnerable and mourning. She is going to be

under a lot of stress once I tell her about the engagement and I don't want The bold and the beautiful because this is Botswana. It will end in the spill of blood should such mistakes happen... Right?

He laughed pulling him and letting him off as Teto put his hand behind his neck massaging it looking down then

he joined in laughing nervously
as his heart pounded.

Teto: (laughed) I understand..

Age looked in his eyes with a
serious face and stepped over
then he put both his hands on
his cheeks looking right in his
eyes...

Age: You wouldn't make such a mistake right?

Teto: Of course not, come on

Age: I would kill something very dear to you right in front of your eyes and then kill you...

I'm not accusing you, I know you wouldn't do that but I want you to understand the kind of things I'm trying to avoid by drawing a line between you and Botho. I know she likes spending time with you so she

can play mommy to your kids,
which is not wrong but
considering you're both going
through shit I can't take
chances.

Teto: Cool, I'll find a nanny

Age: Great..

He let go of Teto then he took a
deep breath and sighed as Age
walked to the bathroom...

Age: I thought about what you said.... (turned back looking at him) About me being too soft on women... I've noticed that most of the guys I work with who don't let women walk all over them are happier. When you're soft women think you're stupid and they don't take you serious, they talk back however they want... Kind of like the way Akeelah used to, she doesn't know it yet but she will never

talk to me the way she used to,
le ene Botho gaa itse sepe... I've
just made up my mind that I've
put everyone first for far too
long, it's my turn to be happy
and for things to be done my
way. Botho gaa lala mo lapeng,
I passed by her house on my
way from Akeelah and she
wasn't there... I can't wait for
her to lie to me... Ke eta mme
ke thape...2 minutes



He walked in the bathroom
then Teto sat down and texted
Botho.

Teto : Babe hey, Age knows you
didn't sleep at home. Call
Precious and give her kids then
go home. We will talk later

Botho: I'm not going anywhere,
I told you I dumped him. Why
should I explain myself to an
engaged man. Did you even tell
him?

Teto: I can't, at least not now...
Its bad timing.. He just got fired
and I think he is stressed, he is
talking crazy.

Botho: He better talk crazy far
away from me because if he
comes near me I will tell him
who my boyfriend is.

Teto:   Babe please ema
pele ka kgang eo, Age can
totally lose it. We have to find a
mature and safer way to tell
him or maybe we should lay

low for a couple of months. Let the dust settle, lets give him time to accept its over without making him think you're dumping him for me.

Botho: I dumped him first before coming to you, before I knew about his engagement I told you I was going to give him a chance and that there was no us. I didn't leave him for you.

Teto : That's not the point, can you just do what I'm telling you to do?

Botho: Make Age think he can control me? No

Age walked out of the bathroom wiping his face with towel then Teto slid his phone in the pocket.

Age: So... When last did you get laid?

Teto: (laughed) It's been a while

Age: I thought you were willing to give it a try with Gontle

Teto: Wa phapha nowadays so it turned me off, gake rate banyana ba ba sa iketang.. I want someone I can have a serious conversation with

Age: You need sex, I'm going to find you one..

Teto: Uh no, I'm not doing that anymore. The last time I did that I fell in love and it ended badly.

Age: (laughed) Gone mme wena o tshaba banyana kana jang? I don't remember you approaching any woman on your own.

Teto: (laughed) That's not true

Age: All the girls you had in your life I found them for you

including the virgin you saved
whom the serious guys tapped.

Teto: There is one I approached
on my own, I'll tell you about
her once I'm ready.

Age: Is it a new relationship?

Teto: Yeah but we are still
trying to get to know one
another and find a way to
handle everything around us.

Age: Do I know her?

Teto: No, she is not from around here. Let me see how it goes and update you after.

Age: Alright, let me finish up and go see Botho before I can work on who will be helping me pay magadi.

Teto: Alright, let me get going.. I gave Precious the kids

Age: Alright bye

Teto walked out of the house and drove off while Age got dressed and later left.

At Botho's House...

Later that morning Botho stepped out of the taxi talking to the phone and paid, the driver gave her change then she walked in the yard talking to the phone looking at Age's

car parking in front of the house.

Botho: I am angry with you for making me do this Teto, you're being unreasonable

Teto: Please my love, I understand that things are different on your side... You were dating this guy who not only cheated but asked another woman to marry him. You want to leave him and move on with

someone else, great... But on my side it's a whole new different story, I've slept with my brother's woman and he just got fired. The last thing he needs is the stress of relationships, when I tell him he won't say congratulations he is going to punish me and maybe he won't feel bad when he is doing it because we are not really blood related if that plays some kind of a role, he literally

told me he'd hurt my daughter... Let's take things slow. Please bua le ene sente and if you insist on breaking up we should make sure he doesn't think its because of another man. At least let him think I want his ex, then I can ask him if he is OK if ke go bata... This is after a few months when he has accepted that you two are done.

Botho: I'm angry with you and I'm not going to stop seeing Aisha, I have to follow up this genital warts issue.

Teto: I know babe, you'll keep seeing the kids in secret and we will get Aisha. I love you

Botho : I love you too.

She hung up and sighed as she passed between the cars and walked in the house where Age was standing at the kitchen

door leaning against the
doorframe holding a cup of
coffee..

Age: O letse kae?

Botho: Wena o letse kae?

Age: Oh it's the "I got fucked
last night" attitude, ok

She walked to the bedroom
and sat down taking off her
shoes, Age stepped in and

stood by the door looking at her..

Age: Who is he?

Botho: Congratulations on your engagement

Age: Thanks, so who is he?

Botho: Tell me something, are you OK upstairs? First of all you leave me behind in Maun then vacation with your baby mama and child then come back to my

house and rape me, I break up with you and you leave then I move on with my life, you too move on and ask her to marry you, why are you in my house? And please don't leave with my spare keys when you go because as far as I'm concerned we are done.

Age: We are not over and I hope you didn't lie to whoever it is because we are not over, I love you and I'm marrying

Akeelah because of my son not because I love her. If it wasn't for my son I wouldn't... Do you love me or the idea of being married? Why o rata lenyalo, why is it so important to you? Can't you have better goals than marriage, why can't we just be happy?

Botho: You're sick, I can't believe I used to think you're a real man... Leave my house, I'm

done with you and I'm about to call the police.

Age: (laughed) Your attitude though, one night out and you already think you can control everything?

Botho: I control my life...

Age: Who is he?

Botho: It's your brother, Teto...

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At Botho's house...

Age stared at her for a minute
and shrunk his eyes still staring
at her, trying to figure out if she
was serious...

Age: What did you say?

Botho: I said it's your brother Teto, isn't he the one you said I'm sleeping with yesterday?

Akere ware ke robala le monnao so santse o botsa eng (u already concluded that I'm sleeping with your lil brother so why are u still asking)... I slept with him.

Age: Mind games, ok.

Botho: Can you please leave my house!

Age: Where were you last night?

Botho : I was with your brother.

Age: I'm not playing with you...

And stop involving my brother in this, I already spoke to him about this. If you're going to hold on to my mistakes then I can't help you. I'm sorry for accusing you of sleeping with my brother, are you happy?

Botho sighed and walked away then Age grabbed her arm and threw her on the bed.

Age : I'm still talking to you, don't walk away from me!

Botho sat on the bed looking at him as he angrily looked at her. She thought she'd never let him see her tears, but her eyes

itched with tears. She looked at him and remembered Akeelah's ring and their romantic hotel pictures...

Botho: You chose Akeelah over me, please let me pick up the pieces of my life so I can move on too. I also want to wear a ring like Akeelah, I know I can't give a man children but I'm sure there is one man who doesn't mind that....

Age: He is lying to you.... He probably thinks he can but over time he won't want you. He will cheat and get some girl pregnant then his whole attention will go to that baby. Do you honestly believe there is a man out there who can sacrifice not having children for you? Even if he has children he will want more, unless if you're going to find a 60 year old then maybe you can get that.

Botho: I'd rather get cheated on than be the one whom someone is cheating with. I don't think all men are like that.... Please leave my house, I don't want us to part gole bothoko because you never know what happens in the future.

Age: So ware ke mang? (So who is it). Those funny looking colleagues of yours? You're not going to use me and leave.

Botho: Use you? What have you ever done for me? You don't do anything for me, everything I own I bought with my own salary akere gao beche (u don't give me money)... Go around the house and pick anything you bought for me re bone. Go...

She got off the bed and tried to walk out, Age pulled her back

on the bed by the hair as anger brewed inside her.

Botho: (tearful and angry) Wa mpolaa moriri o bothoko monna! (U are hurting me, pulling hair like that is painful)

Still holding a chunk full of her hair in his hand, he dragged her over and she crawled over and put her hands over her face crying...

Botho: Age you're hurting me...

Let go of my hair

Age: Who is he?

Botho : I slept at Celest's house.

Age : So that's the game you want to play with me? OK....

He opened the door and picked one of her panty hoses. As soon as she noticed it on his hands she jumped over the bed and

reached for the door, but he quickly slammed the door closing her fingers between the door and the frame. She screamed, he opened the door and she fell back on the bed tightly holding her throbbing fingers...

Age: See what you made me do? I was trying to close the door... Are you OK?

She leaned over crying as he picked her hand and inspected it..

Age: I'm sorry...

Botho: I'm going to report you...

He stood by looking at her, then he sighed and got on the bed trying to tie both of her hands, but she kicked him

several times. The other kick fell on his mouth and he fell on the other side of the bed. He angrily slapped her across the face and pulled her up by the hair. He dropped her on the bed and turned her around then sat on her back and tied her hands behind her.

Age: I will find out who he is, one way or another... He will call you... A part of me doesn't

completely doubt your mocking statement about Teto, who knows maybe my little brother is testing my patience after all. We slept with several women together including Tsame, did your late friend tell you how she met Teto? I don't think so, I talked to her friend and she sold Tsame over. I gave her to Teto and he fucked her, we took turns so while you're busy trying to break our relationship

to “help her” just know that we actually slept together she and I. Teto knew about it, he was there too... Where am I going with this? If Teto has shown interest in you it’s nothing new, he’d fuck you just like all the other girls we shared except Akeelah, you know why? That crazy girl is anything but a bitch. I can’t say the same about you, not after tonight, and I know you got fucked on

Saturday too. I don't know who you're cheating with but I'm going to find out then you'll find out why dogs enjoy sleeping by the fireplace..

He turned her around as she tearfully looked at him..

Botho : O mpeletsa gore I'm leaving you mme wena o ratana le Akeelah? (Are u

beating me for leaving when u
are busy with Akeelah?)

Age: I told you I'm with her
because of my son... What
more do you want from me? Ke
reng...

He opened the wardrobe and
got her scarf then he grabbed
her hair and pulled her up as
she staggered with her hands
tied behind her back.

Botho : Please don't pull me by my hair, moriri o bothoko wa mpolaa.. (u are hurting me)

Age: I'm putting you in the car, if you scream I'm shoving it all in your mouth... You know gagging turns me on so don't let me go that far.

They walked to the car where he opened the door for her. She sat inside, he closed the doors and locked her inside

before going back to the house. He took a few of her things and came back while she turned her back against the door trying to unlock. He sat inside and looked at her as she sat properly..

Age: Don't test me...

He reached over and rubbed her tear then he leaned over and kissed her...

Age: I love you... I'm just waiting for your boyfriend to text you or call you.

She looked out the window and he started the car and drove off...

At Age's house....

Later that evening Teto bathed the children and took them one by one to their room. He chose clothes for them and dressed them while he kept glancing at his phone, Botho had not contacted him for hours and he was sure she was still with Age, but what were they doing for so long? She knew they had to drop off Aisha and talk to the uncle about her taking Aisha...

He shined the children with vaseline on their faces and put their sleeper shoes on before taking them to the TV. He put Naya in her walker and changed the channel for them...

He dialed Age and trapped the phone between his shoulder and ear while he washed the tub and mopped the bathroom...

Age: Hello? (Akeelah laughed in the background)

Teto: Hi, did you buy a sparewheel ne maloba? I think I have a slow punch

Age: No, ke take me home hela.

Teto: Alright, I'll talk to Cardo.

He hung up and dialed Botho...

At Akeelah's house..

Meanwhile Akeelah walked into the bedroom with a tray of food while Age laid on the bed with the baby on his chest. He picked Botho's phone and stared at Teto's call. He was probably calling to ask for a sparewheel but then he couldn't answer the phone..

Akeelah: Whose phone is that?

Age: It's Cardo's phone, he forgot it in my car earlier.

Akeelah : Araba ee ao! (Answer it then)

He hung up and tapped on his WhatsApp, there was no history of their chats and this gave him peace...

“Age” : Text I’m in the salon doing my hair, the dryer is making noise.

At Teto's house..

Meanwhile Teto stopped mopping by the bathroom door, then he leaned the mop stick on his chest and typed a message.

Teto: I'm assuming everything went well?

Botho: About?

Teto: Not telling Age about us,
one a reng? (What did he say)

Botho: (took a minute to
remember Botho's vocabulary)

Nothing much, he doesn't
suspect anything.

Teto: Ok, I miss you already, I
don't know how I'm going to
survive without holding you in
my arms or kissing those
beautiful lips of yours, but I
think we should lay low for a
while.

There were blue ticks and no response for a few minutes, she was probably busy with the salon lady so he slid the phone back in his pocket and continued mopping. He then took the children's dirty clothes and put them in the washing machine..

A few minutes went by while he stood in the kitchen making

dinner for the children. He kept checking the recipe online until he was done, then he served and let the food cool while he cleaned the kitchen. A car stopped outside, he smiled and dusted his hands behind his sweatpants and opened. His smile disappeared as Age stepped out of his car, he quickly took out his phone and texted Botho.

Teto: With Age now, don't call.

He slid it back in the pocket and stepped back opening the door wide and Age stepped in...

Teto : O tisitse spare wheel?
(Did u bring the spare wheel)

Age: Do you even need one or you just wanted to make sure I wasn't with Botho before you could call her?

He stopped at the door and looked in Teto's eyes..

Age: (showed him the phone) I got your messages

Teto's heart pounded as he looked at him. The children laughed at the cartoons and he knew he had to step outside for this confrontation, he stepped

over but Age pushed him back inside..

Age: Wa kae ke bua lwena golo ha (where are you going, I'm talking to you)

Teto: Let's talk outside.

Age: Talk about what? You sleeping with Botho?

He angrily punched Teto on the nose and he leaned over

covering his nose, then he
kneaded him up and punched him
as they staggered and fell on
the glass table. It broke into
pieces and some pierced Teto's
back. Aisha and Naya burst into
tears as Age punched him on
the face. Teto punched him
back and lifted his body up
dropping him over his head,
Age charged at him as Aisha
tried to pick Naya from the

walker and they fell over
them...

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One Night Only

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At Teto's house...

The children burst into tears, Teto bit his lower lip and punched him on the face then he pushed him off and jumped-kicked him on the stomach as he fell and slid back. He then turned around picking Naya who could barely breathe through her cries, while Aisha crawled behind the couch dragging her injured leg and buried her head between her legs..

Age walked over to the couch and bent down picking Aisha as Teto angrily walked over...

Teto: Don't touch her, get the fuck out of my house, put her down!

Age: I want to see if she is OK.

Teto: (pushed him out with one hand) Get out of my house, if you cared you wouldn't have

attacked me in the first
place...put her down and get
out...

He put her down then Teto
bent down and picked her up..

Teto: Leave my house..

Age: Did you really sleep with
my girlfriend? After everything
we have been through
together?

Teto: At this point I really don't care about that, you hurt my kids, this is all about sex for you... Just get out!

Age: I'm not done with you, I'm just getting started.

Age looked at his TV then he walked over and kicked it, Teto pushed Aisha's face over his neck so she wouldn't see him then he walked to the bedroom where he closed the door

behind him and put down Aisha while he shushed the little one...

Teto : Are you OK Aisha?

She nodded then he walked over and looked at her foot. As soon as he touched it she screamed out pushing his hand. It looked dislocated, he checked the baby and noticed a

broken piece of hard plastic
from the walker pricked her.

He grabbed his wallet and
picked Aisha then he walked
out, Age had already left. He
got in the car and drove off...

At the clinic....

Almost an hour later Teto walked up and down talking to the phone in the parking lot..

Precious: But why would you do that to Age?

Teto: That's not the point, he injured my children. Can you babysit or not? I really need your help. You know you're the only sister I have, please.

Precious: I'll get a taxi and come to the clinic now, is Aisha's foot ok?

Teto: They fixed it and gave her a crutch for support.

Precious: I'm coming, but what you did was wrong you caused all of this.

Teto: By loving a woman he doesn't love? Yeah... I did and I hope she is OK because he is on strike 2.

Precious : Bye, I'm coming.

She hung up then he walked inside the clinic to finish the payment procedure. Minutes later they slowly walked out of the building with Aisha using a crutch..

Precious approached and smiled as Aisha smiled too. She picked her up and chatted with her for a second before tickling Naya..

Precious: Are you ok?

Teto: Yeah, I'm fine.

Precious : Ke kopa gore o ikobele Age (please humble yourself before Age), it doesn't matter what was happening between him and Botho you're not supposed to find his girlfriend or exes attractive. It's just wrong because he is your brother.

Teto: Kana nna gake gane (I'm not refuting that) , my only problem is him harassing me in front of my children... I'm their hero and I wasn't going to let him make them doubt me. I wasn't even going to fight him.

Precious: Just leave Botho alone for peace's sake.

Teto: That's impossible now.

Precious : Age won't allow you to see her.

Teto: It's not up to him, unfortunately that's not his decision and I'm ready to lose him as a brother for her. He is not the best uncle anyways, I'd never do this to his son.

Precious : I understand that, and you have a point but-

Teto: There is no but... There is no but... Take the car and drop me off at Botho's house, I want to make sure she is fine...

Precious : Okay.

They got in the car and drove off...

At Botho's house...

Minutes later Teto stepped out of the car and closed the door..

Teto : I'll come get you in a few minutes, auntie is going to buy you ice cream ok?

Aisha : Ok.

Precious reversed the car and drove off while Teto walked in through the gate. It was awkward that the lights hadn't been turned on though it was dark, he stepped over the stoop and knocked on the door but there was no response nor was there any sign of her. He took out his phone and dialed Botho..

Age: Hello?

Teto: Where is she?

Age: She is with me, we are solving our differences.

Teto: I'm calling the police.

He hung up and dialed Akeelah..

Akeelah: Hello, hi.

Teto: Hi, can you please let Age know that if he doesn't tell me where Botho is right now I'm calling the police on him?

Akeelah : What?

Teto: He took Botho against her will and now he is answering her calls. Tell him

He hung up and walked back to the house where he checked the surroundings before bending down and digging

several times. He reached a spare key which he used to unlock the door and get her car keys..

At Age's house...

Minutes later Akeelah stopped the car and banged on the door..

Akeelah: Age? Age? Open the door!

She wiggled the lock and banged on the door again then he opened the door. She took off her ring and hit him on the chest with it..

Akeelah: I'm not going through what you made me go through when you slept with my whole family. I forgave you once

about Botho but not this time!
I won't even ask her anything
like I did before cos she doesn't
owe me anything. Good luck, I
don't even hate you.

She walked away then he ran
after her and grabbed her arm..

Age: Babe-

She turned around and landed a slap on his face and punched his chest as he tried to grab her hands. She leaned over and bit his hand. He let go of her and she punched him as he turned around giving her his back..

Akeelah: (angrily) Don't ever!
Ever!

She looked around and picked a brick which she threw into his car and broke down his window as he hugged her from behind holding her hands. Feeling helpless with anger, she burst into tears crying as he leaned over her neck tearfully..

Akeelah: I should have never had a child with you, something is wrong with you... This can't be normal...Let go of me!

Age: I love you, please...

Akeelah: Where is she?

Age: I love you Akeelah, I'm sorry.... It wasn't supposed to go this far...

A police car drove through the gate followed by Teto in Botho's car then he let go of Akeelah.

Akeelah: Don't ever talk to me..

She got in the car and drove off as the police officers got out of the car and approached him.

Teto headed to the house shouting for Botho as the other officer followed him..

Officer : Gase gore ore bileditse gore re go thuse? Why ore

etella pele (Didn't u call us for help, why are u going in first)

Teto: Botho!?

He ran into the house and headed to the bedroom, he found the bed empty then he opened the wardrobe and found her lying down with her hands tied behind her back..

Officer: Please wait! Just wait...
There is a lot of evidence here.

Teto: Release her!

Meanwhile outside Age turned around and put his hands behind him waiting for the officer to cuff him..

Age: Are you cuffing me?

Officer: No, turn around..

Age turned around and looked at him as Botho stepped out crying with Teto holding her hands. They stood by the car hugging as the police officers asked him a few questions.

Teto looked in her eyes and hugged her, then he kissed her..

Teto : Are you OK?

Botho: No, there is something I have to tell you..

Meanwhile Age looked at them and smiled..

Age: I'm coming for you when I get out... I meant every word I said to you, wait and watch....

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One Night Only

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At the police station...

Later that night the police escorted Age to the holding cells while Teto and Botho walked out with the medical report to be filled by the doctor

at the hospital. Teto opened the door for her then she got in, he closed the door and walked around the bonnet as Botho worriedly sighed.

He got in and drove out of the parking then he glanced at her..

Teto: Are you OK? What did you want to tell me earlier?

She reluctantly stared outside the window and sighed, a tear ran down her cheek and she rubbed it.

Teto: Babe?

She put both her hands over her face and cried, Teto pulled over and turned around hugging her..

Teto: What's going on?

Botho: I don't want to see you two at each others throats because of me. I feel like I brought nothing but pain and destruction in your lives.

Teto: What are you saying?

Botho: Maybe we should just coparent, I'd like to help you with the children but I think if I'm out of your lives maybe Age will forgive you and you guys can be a family again.

Teto: I don't need his forgiveness, it would be nice to have him in my life but if it means losing you then I'd rather lose him.

Botho: I feel guilty for what happened...

Teto: It's not your fault and I don't want you blaming yourself for it.. Ok?

He rubbed her tears and kissed her as he leaned back..

Teto: Ok?

She nodded then he started the car and drove off...

At the holding cells...

Meanwhile Age leaned against the wall while a few illegal immigrants laid on the floor, the smell of sweaty armpits got

the whole room smelling awful as he sighed and slid down leaning over his knees. They continued chatting in their native language while he closed his eyes trying to detouch himself from this place...

Now that he was thinking about it, Akeelah had the right to be angry, she specifically asked him and he promised and she was willing to stay with him

despite that he lost his job. This was a good deal but his jealousy got the best of him. And then Botho with her big hips taking advantage of his brother so she could fill that void in her, how convenient for her to fall in love with him just after learning she can't have children of her own but then he wasn't surprised she was leaving, she left her boyfriend

for him too and it didn't take much convincing either.

Another recovery plan? And he found himself wondering happened to his first plan, either way he'd find his way up. He'd never had anyone help him stand each time he fell, he always had to learn from his mistakes on his own and get himself up. The good thing about this is knowing it was

assault charges and not rape or murder, there was a chance to recover and whatever sentence awaited him he was ready...

Yeah he was now ready. He sighed relaxing and leaned his head against the wall with his eyes closed.

At Akeelah's House...

On the same night Akeelah switched off the lights and laid

down next to her son who was peacefully sleeping. Unable to sleep for a while she picked her phone and got on Facebook, she replied a few comments on her pictures with Age and their son then she stared at Age's picture. She still didn't understand what she was doing wrong, she never wanted to have children with different men and she wasn't even sure she wanted any man because

he had always been the one for her. A part of her wanted to delete all his pictures from her account but she deactivated her account, the good thing about this whole thing was him being taken by the police and knowing he was going to jail at some point gave her peace of mind. He deserved to rot in jail...

At Teto's House...

Later that night just before midnight Teto parked in front of the house, Botho stepped out of the car and picked Naya while he picked Aisha, they quietly walked in the house and closed the door before heading to their room where they laid them down and went to their room.

Botho sat on the edge of the bed and sighed, Teto squatted in front of her holding both of her hands looking up in her eyes..

Teto: Promise me you won't leave me... Otherwise all these would be for nothing, Age will be fine...

Botho: I really don't know now

Teto : Babe you have to know, we both knew this wasn't going

to be easy for Age besides you're the one who failed to honour your part of the agreement, you shouldn't have made him think we are together in the first place. This wasn't supposed to come out so soon.

Botho: (sighed) Ok, you're right... I'm sorry..i guess I just panicked, I'm fine now.

He got up and kissed her as he pulled her on the middle of the bed and made love to her...

At Akeelah's House...

The next morning Akeelah turned on the side thoughtfully, now she missed him and maybe his reaction was understandable, I mean he was dating her right... Teto had no

right to do that with her. She got her phone and called Teto..

Teto: Hello?

Akeelah: Hi, when will Age be released?

Teto: I don't know

Akeelah: Where is Botho?

Teto : Don't, don't test me

Akeelah: I didn't even say anything

Teto: Don't blame her for this
and stay away from her.

He hung up then she sighed
thoughtfully..

At school....

Later that morning Botho stood
before the glass holding a ruler
as she pointed at the letters
while her students shouted

them. Akeelah appeared at the door with her baby on her waist, she didn't say anything but she looked humbled and a bit stressed out. She didn't look like she even took a bath...

Botho put down the ruler and walked over to the door..

Akeelah: Good morning..

Botho: Hi, can I help you?

She kept quiet looking down holding her baby and as soon as she tried to open her mouth tears blurred her eyes and she swallowed.

Akeelah: Ke kopa gore o mo itshwarele, Age never loses his temper like that I'm sure he was just angry. Once he has time to think about it he will feel bad. Ke kopa gore le mo

itshwarele, I know Teto is still angry and I understand because the children got affected but I know you have the power to change the direction of this.

Botho: He said he is coming for us

Akeelah: He didn't mean it, Age is not that violent...I'm not defending him I'm just saying drop the case and I will talk to him ke mmotsha gore gaa dira sente and he will come

apologise to the two of you.

Age got fired from work

Botho: Why?

Akeelah: Just some misunderstandings, he is jobless and if he comes with a record it might make it difficult for him to find a job. I promise you if you drop this he will never talk to you. I know I've mistreated you in the past and I'm sorry but I need you... We can work together to bring

these guys together, nna Teto
ke a mo rata because ke a mo
thaloganya jaanong, le wena I
understand that you never
asked to be part of this, tota
Age is the wrong one here but
let's not crucify him as if he has
never done good. (tearfully)
Age o ntiretse diphoso in the
past, him and I have fought but
I won't stand here and talk bad
about him because he has done
good as much as he has bad. Le

ene Teto aka lebala now
because he is angry but Age has
done good for him, wena gake
bue sepe because I don't know
how you two related but I think
if you want to be happy le Teto
don't let him do this because
one day he will need him.
Family fights but we don't write
each other off and cut one
another off. Please let him
out...katswa osa thole o mmata
nna ke na le mathata ka gore I

love him and he is the father of
my child, please for my child
sake forgive him..

She rubbed her tears and
sniffled...

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One Night Only

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At the police station..

Later during lunchtime Akeelah and Botho walked out of the office with one of the officers..

Akeelah: So, when will he be out?

Officer: It will just depend, kana its not like you just walk in and

say I'm dropping then we open and let him out.

Botho: But you can't hold him for more than 24 hours without charging him right?

Officer: That's correct, expect him home anytime

Akeelah: Thank you

Officer: And Botho you'll be contacted.

Akeelah: Bye

Both ladies walked out of the police station quietly, there wasn't much to talk about and walking together was awkward enough.

Akeelah: Thank you for this

Botho: You're welcome, just make sure he doesn't hurt me because if he does then Teto will be angry with me because I haven't told him I'm doing this.

I'm going to tell him over dinner this evening.

Akeelah: Don't worry about that. Thank you..

Botho: Bye

Botho got in her car while Akeelah in hers then they went in different directions.

At Teto's office...

Later that afternoon Teto leaned back closing his laptop then he picked his phone and dialed a number..

Voice: Yeah?

Teto: Can we meet and talk about that aunt of yours?

Voice: (blurted) Oh you're the dumpster guy?

Teto: (laughed) Well..

Voice : Shit, was that offensive?
What's your name again?

Teto : (laughed) Nah man it's
fine, I'm Teto

Voice: Alright, I'm home... I'm
not working so I'm just home.
Come anytime. Bring me a
cigarette

Teto: (laughed) Alright, bye

He hung up and dialed Botho..

Botho: Hello?

Teto: Hey babe...

Botho: Hey..

Teto: Just checking on you...how are you doing? I hope you're not bruised or anything. Are you good?

Botho: (smiled) I'm good... So.. I was thinking.. Last night I was angry and now I'm calm... What do you think about dropping the charges against your broth-

Teto: NO! You heard him. He is coming for us so let him pay for this because he got away with hurting the children.

Botho: Babe-

Teto: Babe no!

Botho: (sighed) OK... I was just saying... Sorry

He sighed regrettably as he stood up loosening his tie and releasing the last button then

he leaned over the window
folds spreading them apart
with two fingers looking
outside..

Teto: (softly) I'm sorry, I didn't
mean to snap at you..

Botho: It's ok, I understand..
Forget it.

Teto: No, I'm sorry. I don't want
to be rude to you but let's just
do this. Age needs to
understand that the way he is

thinking is not right... I don't know how far he is willing to go but he is paying for this.

Botho: Ok, babe I hear you..

Anyways Aisha is doing good in school

Teto: (smiled) I was about to ask about her

Botho: (laughed) She is fitting in besides that she isn't wearing a uniform but kids don't know anything so she is good.. I tried calling her aunt

but her number isn't available and I passed by their house, they're not there. The neighbour said they went to the cattle post so I guess that means she'll be with us until they come back.

Teto: Ba itshokodisa, ako bare neele ngwana ba ye masimo in peace

Botho: (laughed) I'm taking it slow, don't worry

Teto : Did I tell you that I love you?

Botho: (laughed) No... So have you ever had a threesome with your brother?

Teto: (coughed and laughed)
Wow... Kgm....where do you get that?

Botho : Answer the question

Teto : Once..

Botho: Once or twice?

Teto : twice

Botho : Really? Isn't it three times?

Teto: (laughed) Botho ae babe the mma, the past is meant to be in the past.. I'm a new creation now.. We did that just for fun.

Botho: (laughed) It's a weird past but I'm no angel and I can't judge. Bye

Teto: (laughed) Bye

He hung up and sat down then he clicked on Tsame's number and sent the message..

Teto: Hey babe, so today I want to go see that family with an auntie who is wonderer? I'm a little scared because a big part of me believes she might be the one.. I wish you were here so we could go together.

This time the message was delivered and he noticed the display picture was different. A picture of flowers, he quickly deleted the message but whoever that was was typing.

Tsame's Number : Hi, you had a beautiful family.

Teto: Who is this?

Tsame's Number: I bought this sim card, I guess Tsame is the previous owner. I got on

Facebook with it, reset the password and saw a lot of your pics. After realising it was someone I deactivated the account.

Teto: This is weird, ok

Tsame's number: (sent a photo)

That's me, can I video call?

Teto: Sure, don't mind my silence, I'm just shocked.

She called then he picked and looked in her eyes..

Her: Hi... How are you coping?

Teto: I'm good..

Her: If you need someone to talk to I'm here for you.

Teto: My girlfriend is supper supportive and I talk to her most of the time.

Her: Oh... I didn't know you have a girlfriend. Bye

Teto: Sure

He hung up and sighed leaning back...

At Akeelah's House..

Later that afternoon Akeelah stepped out with her sons washed vest and paused looking at Age as he walked in through the gate, she smiled

and stood by as he approached
then she put her arms around
him hugging him..

Age: I stink, don't hug me... I
just want to brush my teeth
and bath...

He smelt sweatie and looked
hungry but she smiled and
hugged him even tighter then
he held her and sighed..

Age: Can we talk?

Akeelah : Sure..

She followed him back in the house and sat on the couch...

Age: Thank you for always loving me when I'm not so lovable, I'm sorry for everything that happened. I promise you I'm now thinking about my

family. I'm done with Teto, I know Botho is taking advantage of him and I feel sorry for him for what he is going through ka bana but I think he is better out of my life.

Akeelah: You can't say that... He still needs you, why let a woman come between you two?

Age: It's not about Botho, I don't even love her that much that's why I never asked her to

marry me. It's about Teto respecting me, if this boy doesn't respect me then je can jump off a cliff.

Akeelah: You don't mean that.

Age: I mean it, I'm done ka Teto, he is out of my life for good. He doesn't feel me as his brother. I need a bath...

He stood up and walked in the bathroom then Akeelah picked her phone and texted Botho.

Akeelah: Thank you, he is out but now gatwe Teto is dead to him.

Botho: Teto doesn't know I released him and he gets angry at the suggestion. I'm scared, ke kotame ka lerago le le 1.

Akeelah: I have a plan... Give me a minute.

Botho: Ok, bye

She put down her phone
thoughtfully...

At Teto's Office..

Later that afternoon Teto
locked his office and walked
away putting on his suit jacket
as his phone rang...

Teto: Hey babe...

Botho: (panicking) Oh God....

Babe I almost hit a tree just after the bridge in front of the park, I have a flat tyre

Teto : Are you OK?

Botho : I have a headache, the kids look fine. Aisha was crying and Naya is packing...

Teto : I'm coming over...

He hung up and drove off..

At Age's House...

Meanwhile Age sat on the bed and opened his laptop then he leaned back and went through his CV then his phone rang...

Age: Hello?

Akeelah: I almost crushed into another car and almost hit a tree trying to avoid this... Now I have a flat tyre

Age: I taught you how to
change a tyre

Akeelah: Babe I'm shaken, kare
I almost hit another car gape
it's three tyres

Age: Ok, I'm coming.. And I'm
using a taxi akere you were
Rambo breaking my window.
The car is getting fixed with my
last money.

Akeelah : You mean our last
money?

Age: (sighed) Wa tena wena,
goriana ana nkabe ke siana ke
go rekela dithaere.... Are you
both OK though?

Akeelah: I think so...

He hung up then he quickly got
off the bed and slid his tshirt on
then he hurried...

At the accident scene....

Minutes later Teto pulled off the main road and drove towards the tree where three cars were parking, as he got closer he recognised Akeelah and Cardo's cars. He stopped the car and stepped out walking over to them.

A taxi stopped by, Age stepped out holding a jerk and closed the door then the taxi drove off. He slowly walked over

recognising everyone's car then he stopped looking at Teto..

Teto turned around and looked at Botho..

Teto: What do you think you're doing?

Age shook his head and turned around walking away but Cardo

grabbed his hand and dragged him back..

Cardo: Can we talk about this today and end it here? Please...
Ladies you can go...

Age looked in Teto's eyes as tears filled his eyes then he shook his head..

Age: I've got nothing to say to him except that I'm happy he found love but our brotherhood ends here. Sorry about the children seeing violence, they will never see it again. At least not from me.

Teto: Thank you, and I'm sorry for how things turned out.. This doesn't mean I love you any less, you'll always be my big brother, the only crime I

committed is loving her, I'm
sorry.

Age: Good luck.

He turned around and put the
jerk in her car..

Age : Let's go

Cardo: You can't end things like
this the banna

Age: We just did.. Thanks for
everything, thanks Botho for

letting me out. You won't regret it. Good luck both of you. Babe let's go...

Akeelah got in the car then he drove off, Teto looked at Botho and sighed then he got in his car and drove off, Botho got in hers and followed him while Cardo drove off...

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ONE YEAR LATER ...

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Our winner with no likes on her comment is Namzah Molly Majafi, she commented under one of pictures in the post, please WhatsApp 71794239 to claim your mask. The winner is of the highest likes is yet to be found amongst 10K comments. She/he will be announced tomorrow morning.

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At Age's house...

Age parked the little Honda fit car at the gate and his son banged toys together strapped

in his seat. He got out and picked his son then he walked through the gate. The builders were about to complete the renovation and he couldn't wait to see the final product. A little excitement came over him when he walked around the building. It was beginning to look like a real bed and breakfast, but once again he found himself questioning if anyone would even want to

sleep in it.. Would he get customers or was selling both their cars and renting out his house the whole year be all for nothing....

He stepped inside and put his boy down, he slowly walked by while Age inspected the progress of the house...

Age: Guys when do you think you'll be done?

Painter: (laughed) Tomorrow we will be done, the exact date we gave you is the same date we will be completing our job. From here we have to clean up the property, don't worry..

Age: (laughed) Ok..I was just passing by to see the progress

He picked his son and walked towards the gate as he dialed Akeelah.

Akeelah: Babe

Age: Hey, just passed by the BnB, they're about to finish. I really hope this works waitse.

Akeelah: Can you please stop worrying about this... Why wouldn't it work? Everyone needs accommodation, our landscape is perfect and those builders are doing good, they followed the plan and did good.. The only thing left is for us to put in furniture. We

already have the beds, and bought bedding from China. It will take a few days but very soon we will be set, believe in us..

Age: (sighed) True... So wa reng ka house warming?

Akeelah: (laughed) I don't like parties but I'll agree because knowing how much of a people's person you are, I'm hoping they give you a serious

present like a piece of furniture or something.

Age: (laughed) Cardo is very persuasive ebile.

Akeelah: (laughed) Di party le tstone!

Age: What's your problem with parties, the thing is this party will be like a grand opening.

People will be able to take pictures and say oh I was at AA Bed and Breakfast. They will tag

our page and maybe we will get more clients that way.

Akeelah: Oh yeah, let me not be stubborn then.. Let's make it a grand opening then..

Age: Thank you receptionist and assistant manager!

Akeelah: (laughed) Stop mocking me, I love my job... We should print a uniform so I can wear it le wena you should wear one sir manager.

Age: (laughed) I'll see what to do.

Akeelah: By the way my father was in my office minutes ago.

Age: What did he say?

Akeelah: He wanted me to go work at his company, maybe he is ashamed that I begged his friend to hire me so he is probably embarrassed that people know I beg for jobs when he is rich.

Age: What did you say?

Akeelah: I told him as long as he feels you're not welcome in his company I can't go back because if we argue he will fire me.

Age: Babe just go, we need him.

Akeelah : We don't need him.

Age: Babe why did you want me to make up with Teto when you don't want to talk to your dad? At least you can have a civil conversation with your

sister, why can't you make up
with your parents?

Akeelah: This is different

Age: How?

Akeelah: It's just different
honey please.

Age: (sighed) I love you.

Akeelah: I love you too...

He hung up and got in the car
before driving off..

At school...

Later that morning Botho sat in class while parents walked in one by one with their children to collect their reports. One handsome father walked in carrying his son and sat down, he was a doctor and a widow.. He had big eyes and he smelled really good, the whole class was covered in his cologne as he sat down.

Him : Hi Botho...

Botho: (laughed) Hi.

He always made sure to address her by her first name though teachers are usually addressed by last name. She clumsily searched for his son's report and sighed putting it on top...

Botho: Reid is doing good.

Him: I would do good if I had a teacher like you

She laughed blushing and turned the paper to him so he could have a look at his son's marks.

Him: Can you be my surrogate if I can't have you? Waitse you're so beautiful my sister

gake bate go go aketsa (I don't want to lie to u), every time I have to come here I get a little excited that I'll be seeing your face.

Botho: (laughed) Those are his marks.

Him: Stop ignoring me, I'm not going to give up... You refused to give me your number so I'm just going to shoot my shot right here in front of your student.

Botho: (laughed) I wish I could help you but I can't have children of my own, I have hormonal imbalance, I'm infertile.

Him : Who the hell told you people with hormonal imbalance can't have children? It's difficult to but it's not impossible.

Botho: I'll tell my boyfriend.

Him : Gone mme o serious ka hormonal imbalance? (Are u

serious about the hormonal imbalance)

Botho : Yeah, I'm serious.

Him: (seriously) I'm sorry, I shouldn't have said that.

Botho: It's ok, you didn't know.

Him: But I'm serious you can get pregnant, you just need medication and monitoring of those hormones, it could be that you don't even ovulate. If further tests are done we can find the solution. Can you visit

my office this afternoon? I promise I won't charge you. I just want to have a look and give you my opinion... No charges or anything, It's the least I can do for being insensitive.

Botho: (laughed) Ok, I'll pass by.

Him : Great!

They talked about the report then he left. She sighed and

leaned back thoughtfully.
Wouldn't it be great to have
her own baby? Experience
what it's like to carry a baby
and give birth then
breastfeed... This to her had
always been what being a real
woman is, and it would be nice
to experience it.

At Teto's office...

Meanwhile Teto shook hands with a client who then walked out. He then sat down and pulled his chair, his telephone rang then he picked leaning back..

Teto: Hello?

Her: I was just checking if you're in the office, can I come over kana do you have a client?

Teto: I'm alone, what's going on?

Her: Bye.

He hung up and brushed it off and continued working.

Minutes later she knocked and walked in with a gift box which she put on the desk.

Her: Happy birthday...

Teto: (laughed) Oh yeah, it's my birthday... You got me a present?

Her: Yeah.

He smiled and opened the gift, he paused looking at his favourite cologne and looked back at her..

Teto : How did you know I love this?

Her: (laughed) Well, it's kind of like how you smell..

Teto: (laughed) Of course but...
Gladys this is expensive, thank
you.

Her: You're welcome... Can I tell
you something?

Teto: Sure, what?

Her: I like you... Like.... I love
you..

Teto's skin crawled, fuck!

Women always flirted with him
but no one had ever dropped it

like that and he was temporarily mute..

Teto : Um... Thank you, but... I have a girlfriend... Don't you know Botho?

Gladys : I know her..

Teto: Yeah, I'm with her..

Gladys: Ok, let me get back to work.

Teto: Wait... I'm sorry...

Gladys: (laughed embarrassed)
Don't worry about it, it's not a big deal.. I hope you won't tell anyone I was interested in you.

Teto: I promise I won't.

Gladys : Have a good day.

Teto: Sure.

He sat down and sighed feeling bad then took out his phone and replied a few birthday wishes on Facebook. He

checked if Age was online, he was. He closed the tab and continued working but for some reason he couldn't concentrate then he dialed Botho.

Botho: Hello?

Teto: Hey babe, that guy called, apparently her crazy aunt arrived in Maun yesterday, so I have to go meet her and talk to her.

Botho: The same woman you were supposed to meet last year?

Teto : Well, I never really met her. She was gone when I got there. She is always moving around so I really have to go there and see her before she disappears again. Can you come with me?

Botho: I can't, it's report collection so go busynyana mo skolong, can't you go alone?

Teto: Alright, no problem.

(laughed) Mme kana you said you're taking me out for lunch as my birthday present, does that mean I'll get a special dinner with a G string?

Botho: (laughed) Don't spoil my surprise.

Teto : My mouth is zipped then.

They laughed as they hung up..

At the clinic...

Later on during lunch time
Botho stepped out of the car
and dialed the gynaecologist.

Him: Hello?

Botho: Hi, it's Botho... I'm
outside..

Him: Come on in, it's lunch time
there's no one in the reception.

Botho: Bye.

She hung up and walked in as the doctor stepped out of his office and met her in the reception area, they hugged and headed to his office.

Him: Did you have anything for lunch?

Botho: Not yet, I wanted to do this first. Are you sure I can have a baby of my own?

Him: I have to check what the main issue is, hormonal imbalance is a broad term. Did you bring your medical cards?

Botho: Yes.

Him: Alright, I'll check what they said the problem is then I'll do my own test just to be sure, then we take it from there.

Botho: Ok

They both sat down and sighed as the doctor went through her medical records.

Doctor: Polycystic ovary syndrome.... Ok..

Botho: That's what they said is wrong with me.

Doctor: Yeah, it basically means you're not ovulating, if you're not ovulating you can't get pregnant. The most important thing about this is to lose

weight, as much as these hips are so good to look at, I'm afraid you have to lose a lot of weight... You have to be on a tight diet and take medication, but before I can do all that I want to be sure about what I'm working with. Can you lie on the bed? I want to do a pelvic exam...

Botho laid on the bed and pulled down her panties, the

doctor put on his gloves and stood by looking at her pussy. He parted her pussy lips and inserted his fingers as she frowned..

Him: Relax... I'll be done in a minute, you have a nice pussy... Shaved and clean..

Botho: Thanks..

Him: (laughed) I sounded like a pervert, I'm sorry. I don't know why I'd say that...

Botho : (laughed) It's ok..

He gently pulled out and she pulled up her panties then he removed the gloves while she sat on the edge of the bed.

Botho:Am I ok?

Him: Let me use ultrasound...

He put on the other gloves and had a look at her...

Him : It's definitely Polycystic ovary... The good thing about it is that there is a solution, but the most important thing now is diet. You need to lose this weight and if you're depressed you're going to make it impossible as well. Try not to worry about everything.. Relax and give yourself attention. Do not have sex for the next 30 days because I'm trying to track

your ovulation period, I want you to focus on losing weight.. Is that ok?

Botho: 30 days? Eish I have a boyfriend

Ed: He is going to have to wait, I'm prescribing you a few medications and I need you to be serious about it.

Botho: Ok...

He looked in her eyes and
smiled...

Ed: And I still want you... I'm
hoping in 30 days you'll be
ready to choose between him
and I, if it's him I'll understand
and at least by then I'd have
helped you. I don't want you
thinking I'm using my
profession, ke raa gore mme
hago lwelwa mosadi mongwe le
mongwe o lwa ka se a nang le

sone... Obviously I'm hoping you'd see what I mean when I say I love you, but if you are not interested I won't regret this...

Botho: OK..

Ed: May I kiss you? I promise I'll never ask for more...

Botho: (looked down) Ok...

He stepped over and pulled her chin up as he leaned over kissing her...

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At the clinic...

Ed and Botho both walked out
of the clinic chatting...

Botho: Do you ever miss her?

Ed: Sometimes, I've learnt to live with the pain of losing her. It wasn't easy but I guess you could say I've made peace with it. I'm just grateful I have my boy with me. What about you?

Botho: What can I say... I just want to be a mother, it will make me happy. It's all I think about when I wake up and the last thing I think about before I

sleep. The sad part is no one can relate to my problems because everyone around me has a child so they don't understand.

Ed: I understand, before I had my son I had a serious baby fever and I actually thought I was infertile, majita ba dira bana ka sala ha (the guys were busy having kids except me).. And it was sad. Tota o itse potso ya gore amme waa tshola

tota? (Do u know how difficult it is to wonder whether u are fertile) (they both laughed) eish!

Botho: (laughed) Gase gore ke a tshega (it's not that it's funny) but that's the story of my life...

Ed: (laughed) Akere mme at least o step mother?

Botho : Yeah but it's not the same, I love his children but I also want to feel the pain of

pushing a baby and the feeling of breastfeeding you know.

Ed: (laughed) I understand, let's grab something to eat before you leave. I owe you because I made you miss lunch...

Botho: OK..

Ed: Let's use my car..

They walked towards the car, he took off his coat and tie then he folded the sleeves of his

shirt. He opened the door for her then she got in. He hung his coat in the back and got in the driver's seat, relaxed music played as he reversed the car and switched the air con on.

She stole glimpses of him while he looked at the mirrors navigating through the traffic with his Jeep. He picked his phone and dialed the restaurant..

Voice: Lagoon eatery, may I help you?

Ed: Hi, may I make a table booking..

Voice : for two or-

Ed: Yes for two and I'd like the top area by the river view.

Voice: Done, meals?

Ed: Hold on...

He turned to her and got her order then he placed it.

Ed: How long does it take?

Voice: 15 to 30 minutes sir.

Ed: Great, I'm on my way.

Voice: Thank you, your table is number 12.

Ed: Thanks

He hung up and sighed driving...

In Teto's car...

Teto parked at the gate as his heart pounded. The gate was closed and he stepped out and opened it while everyone was sitting under the tree chatting loudly..

He drove through the gate and parked then he stepped out. Everyone stopped talking as the guy he had been talking to

stood up and gave him a chair..
He first greeted the woman
sitting on the blanket and sat
down. Tsame wasn't there to
his rescue and he wasn't about
to panic though his heart was
pounding. He always got that
fright when he faced people he
didn't know, but he took a deep
breath without being noticed
and sighed...

Teto : (to him) Wareng laitaka?
(How are u)

Him: Shap, cigarette e kae?

He laughed and took out a pack
as the guy took it and
immediately lit..

Him: He is looking for Ma
Kennedy, it's the guy grandma
was telling you about.

Aunt: Oh the one who is searching for his mother?

Boy: Ma Kennedy went to the drinking spot.

Him: Where?

Boy: This side, at Ma K's place.

Cousin : (laughed) Everyone has been laughing at auntie calling her mental case when she said she has a son called Kennedy, what if this is Kennedy?

Everyone burst into laughter..

Old lady : (laughed) Motho yoo
o ipuela hela yoo, a tsa a kae
ngwana... (she is lying, where
would she get a baby)

Teto: She said she has a son?
Where is he?

Old lady : Don't mind these
ones, we just call her ma
Kennedy because when she is
drunk she tells everyone she
has a son but she doesn't. This

is misleading, this poor man could be looking for his mother.

Him : No, we didn't say anything about the name... He was searching around this area and found great granny then left a number, that's how I met him, (to Teto) Let's go...

Teto stood up and bid everyone goodbye before getting in the car and driving off.

At Ma K's place..

Teto drove through the torn gate and chose to park under another tree while a group of people sat under the other one drinking traditional beer, with a radio on the table.

Him: That's Ma Kennedy.

Teto: What's the story with Kennedy? I'm confused.

Him: Well one day she just told us she has a child called Kennedy, she never went into details and she was drunk... She only talks about Kennedy when she is drunk so everyone called her Ma Kennedy. Wait here..

Teto leaned against the car and the young man walked over and grabbed his auntie's wrist standing aside with her. They talked for about a minute then

she turned around looking back at Teto. She put down the glass of beer and followed her nephew fixing her doek..

Well, it turned out she wasn't even as old as she looked from a distance. Teto stared at her trying to figure out if he would feel any kind of connection with her, but all he could feel was fear and a whole lot of

other emotions he didn't understand.

The woman stood in front of him looking in his eyes, tears filled her eyes as she covered her mouth with her hand and dropped a tear...

Her: You look like your father, he looked just like you.. Oh God, may his soul rest in peace. Ohhhh God please forgive me...

I still don't know why I did what I did. I lost your father a week before you were born and I was just a teenager. He said he would take care of me but his parents told him he would go to jail for defilement so he planned to run away with me. We found a house in Toteng and we were going to leave. We bought you clothes and everything then we drove there and dropped off everything,

but on the night we were to leave he was found dead. I couldn't even mourn him because my grandmother would kill me, I was just a girl, a student... I had kept my pregnancy a secret because I was afraid he would go to jail too... The whole of that week was terrible for me, I was scared and I didn't know what to do. The morning after your father's burial I was in labour

and I couldn't wake anyone. I gave birth to you in the morning and took you to the dumpster. I waited there and saw men in overalls picking you up then I knew you were safe...

Teto shook his head as tears filled his eyes...

Teto: You tied the plastic, ok? You were trying to kill me... If you wanted me to live you

wouldn't have tied it.. I read my report. I was tied in a plastic bag.

Her: I wasn't in my right mind, I don't remember tying the plastic bag but I'm sorry and I thank God because you have always been on my mind. I have done everything in my power to forget you but it always comes back to me at night... I'm sorry Kennedy, that's what your father called you when he took

me to the scan. You were loved even though you were a secret child... I lost my mind on the last week and to tell you the truth, I didn't start wondering about you until after a year.

That's when the veil or whatever it is that affected me wore off and I began longing for my son.. I'm sorry Ken

Teto: My name is Teto Alpha.

Her: Teto...

Teto: I forgive you because I went to school and maybe you suffered depression or something I don't know, because I love my daughters. I would never throw them away and I can't see any good reason why you would do that to me except that you weren't thinking straight. I'm sorry you lost your boyfriend..

Her: (trembling with tears) I have to go and bath, you can't see me like this...

Teto: It's ok... You look beautiful.

She hugged him and burst into tears...

Her: Oh God, if only your father could see you. He loved you so much he brought me my

cravings at night through the window when my parents were sleeping. He bought a lot of things for you. I lost everything the night he died, I even lost my mind. Please forgive me.

Teto: I forgive you...

At Lagoon..

Meanwhile Age and another guy walked towards the pool

area and admired the chalets surrounding the whole building. This was something Akeelah suggested, it wouldn't be expensive to build yet lots of people would pay to spend a night during their stay in Maun. She was right, they looked very beautiful and he felt a bit dumb for thinking it would be old fashioned. These thatched chalets looked beautiful..

Age: This is nice...

Assistant: (laughed) We told you they're nice, whites pay a lot of dollars and pounds just to sleep in places like this.

Age : True.. Let's get a drink and leave, nnyaa mme ho gonte..

They turned and walked towards the restaurant where they ordered drinks and waited by the counter sitting on the

stools by the counter. Age caught a glimpse of Botho smiling and blushing with a man. He stared at her and observed her gestures as she laughed pretty and pushed her hair back and pinned her elbows on the table leaning in on the straw and sipping her drinks. It was Teto's birthday for christ's sake!

He stood up and walked over to them then he pulled a chair from the closest table and sat down looking at him...

Age: Hi, I'm Teto's brother...
Her boyfriend... He must have forgotten to tell me about you.

Ed: I don't know him.

Age: (turned to her) So you're cheating on Teto on his birthday?

Botho: I'm not cheating, this is my cousin and this is none of your business.

Age: You're cheating on Teto it's my business.

He stood up and intentionally tipped a glass of drink over Ed's pants as he quickly stood up and dusted his pants.

Age: Oh sorry did I spill it on you?

He picked another drink and splashed it over his face as he gasped and rubbed his face.

Age: Next time ha ke go tshwara le Botho wa nyela cheeseboy a utwa?

He turned to Botho whose heart was pounding...

Age: I'm going to give you a chance to correct yourself without telling him about this filth. Go home and love my brother, if you don't want him dump him. Don't hurt him.
Heta o tsamae!

She quickly walked out and paced out. Age looked in Ed's

eyes waiting for him to say
anything but he kept quiet then
he turned around and walked
away..

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At Ma Kennedy's home...

Teto parked the car and everyone got out..

Ma Kennedy: Wait, I have something for you before you leave.

She walked inside the house as Teto's phone rang..

Teto: Hello?

Botho: Hey babe

Teto: Hey, what's up?

Botho: I'm just thinking about you... I want you to know that I love you and I just want us to be happy. How did your mom thing go?

Teto: I'm with her, well she went inside and I don't know how I feel... A part of me is excited but part of me is kind of sad to finally put a face to the

person who rejected me years ago.

Botho: I understand, we will talk later at home.

Teto : Ok, how are the kids?

Botho: They're good. I scolded Aisha today koore ene ga utwa a nthwaagaletse o tswa mo clasing wa ntatela nkare sekolo ke sa rona.

Teto: (laughed) I can imagine knowing mommy is next door

Botho: (laughed) Kare go back to the class are I want you to teach me. I want to be in your class

Teto: (laughed) Tsena sbae, the mma teach my daughter... Give her some love

Botho: (laughed) Aisha o rata attention, kana keha thomola pelo kere a boele classing, I got angry kere go! Ke ha gotwe wena mama you're not my friend

Teto: (laughed) Koore tabe a
ngadile kgantele

Botho: (they laughed) Ae rra,
waitse ke mo mathateng koore
ene are sekolo se ke same ija.

Teto: (laughed) Alright by

Botho: Bye

He hung up and sighed as his
mother approached holding an
old photo album. She slid out 3
pictures..

Ma Kennedy : This is your father.. Turn it around, those are his names. He wrote this years ago.

Teto stared at the picture and almost immediately he could see his ears and complexion on this man. She showed him a picture of them sitting on the bed while she lifted her school shirt together with a school tie

showing her bump. She was so young and pretty and he couldn't take his eyes off her.

Ma Kennedy: (pointed on the bump) This is you.

Teto got the picture from her hand and stared at it as tears blurred his eyes but he wasn't going to break down.

Teto: Can I keep it?

Ma Kennedy : Yes, I have the film with me so each time I want them I can wash them.

Teto: Thank you.

Ma Kennedy: Can I have your number?

Teto: Ok, (he saved his number on her phone) where is his home? My father.... I'd like to go there and just greet his brothers if he has any.

Ma Kennedy: Their main home is next to the kgotla, on the left or just go next to the kgotla and ask anyone for that surname they will direct you. I don't know them that much but your father spoke good about them. They don't know anything about you or that you exist, your father never had children. You were the only one and don't be shocked if they get shocked.

Teto: I understand. Thank you.

Ma Kennedy : You're welcome..

She looked at him again and
laughed in disbelief...

Ma Kennedy: How could he do
this to me, you don't look like
me at all as if I didn't carry you.
He shouldn't have died and see
his copy.

Teto: (laughed) Thank you.. Bye

Ma Kennedy: Bye

He closed the door and drove off...

At Akeelah's House...

Later that evening Akeelah bent over handing Age a tray of food while their boy walked over dragging Akeelah's G string...

Akeelah : Hei wena, nxla!

She snatched it from him and put it in her pocket..

Akeelah: Are you OK? You seem a bit distracted

Age: Botho is cheating on Teto, can you imagine the audacity of this girl... The kind of false hope she is giving him and his

children, kooore they should suffer Tsame being gone then suffer her running off with her boyfriend.

Akeelah: What happened?

Age: I saw her having lunch with another man

Akeelah: (laughed) Tlerere...

Age : It's not funny, why are you laughing?

Akeelah: Be glad you dodged a bullet nkabe a nyesa wena jana o lela.

Age: She is hurting my brother

Akeelah: Teto will be fine, he is a big boy. Let him get burned so he can listen to big bro next time..

Age: Botho is using him, he doesn't understand how manipulative women can be.

Akeelah : Are you going to tell him?

Age: No, I don't think Botho would do it again. O bakile, I guess they will be fine.

Akeelah: Ok... Please eat your food.. (laughed) Tlerere, banyana! Botho has this innocent face I guess it's the "innocent" ones who do the worst.

He looked at her and started eating....

At Teto's House...

Later that evening Teto walked out of the kitchen with plates and placed them down while the children sat on the carpet watching TV..

Teto: Finish your food..

Aisha: Daddy I was singing perfect in class

Teto: Good girl

Aisha: Everyone thinks auntie is
mama and I call her mama
(laughed) Is that OK?

Teto: (laughed) Yes, she is your
second mama because the first
mama is in heaven looking at us

Aisha: OK

Yana: OK

They both turned looking at her
then she laughed embarrassed
as Teto picked her and tickled

her. Botho knocked and walked in as the children ran towards her, she picked them up and played with them for a while then she picked her plastic and leaned over behind kissing him, she walked in the bedroom and set up the room quickly..

Botho: (shouted) Babe? Come!

He stepped in and smiled looking at the beautiful set up

of balloons and a bottle of wine with goodies on a wrapped towel.

Botho: Happy birthday..

Teto: Thanks, looks like I'm going to have a good day. I have so much to tell you...

He placed his phone on the bed and sat on the edge of the bed opening the gift then Age's call

came through, her heart skipped and she knew he was about to tell him...

Botho: I had lunch with an old friend of mine and Age saw us, he threw a fit and spilled wine on him thinking I'm cheating.

Teto: Were you?

Botho: No, of course not

Teto: (stood up) Let me get this call...Hello?

Age: Hey man, just wanted to say happy birthday

Teto : (smiled) Thanks.

Age: Sure, Shap

He hung up and sat down looking at her..

Teto: So you lied to me about report collection and dined with another man? Where was it?

He picked her phone and tapped on her messages, a Doctor caught his sight and he clicked on their conversation, she jumped and tried to grab the phone but he pushed her back and read her messages. Teto's face dropped as he handed her the phone..

Teto: You kissed him?

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At Teto's house...

Botho got the phone and reread the messages as if she hadn't read them before.

Doctor: Thanks for the kiss, I can't stop thinking about it.

Botho: Sorry about that drama at the restaurant.

Doctor: Don't worry about it.
See you tomorrow

She put the phone down and looked at Teto..

Teto: What happened?

Botho: He kissed me and it meant nothing, it was just a kiss.

Teto: I want to know everything, I want to have a picture of how all this happened? Who is this guy, tell me everything..

Botho: I had a flat tyre and he stopped to help me, that's when we recognised one another from way back. We talked and decided to get a meal together because I was going to buy food anyways. He kissed me out of nowhere but then I didn't want to be rude or anything so I just brushed it off. Age saw us and just threw a fit spilling the drink over him accusing me of cheating.

Teto: So he is a doctor?

Botho: No, his name is Doctor. He is actually a truck driver. He is always moving that's way it had been long since I saw him. I admit that I was wrong...

Teto: It looks like you skipped lunch with me to be with this guy, you told me you weren't going for lunch because it was report collection and you were dealing with parents yet you

had time to be having lunch and kissing truck drivers.

Botho: I got way too hungry and decided to rush to the mall..

Teto: I can't believe you'd do this to me... I thought we are going to be happy..

Botho: We are happy... And I went to the gynaecologist today. They gave me a prescription, I'm supposed to lose weight...

She reached in her bag and showed him the medication mumbling...

Botho: This is supposed to help level my hormones so I can ovulate... I'm supposed to stay 30 days without having sex while taking this medication.

Teto stared at her sadly as she spoke, it wasn't even about the 30 days, he was willing to wait if it made them happy but the kiss....just like that!

Botho: Teto?

He slowly sat on the edge of the bed and sighed putting his face on his palms. She sat next to him and put her arm around his neck..

Botho: I'm sorry.. It meant nothing.

Teto: He said see you tomorrow

Botho: I'm not going to see him, I just didn't want to be rude. I can call him right now and tell him off.

He kept quiet and shook his head as she dialed him and put him on loudspeaker..

Doctor: Hey beautiful!

Botho: Doctor please delete my number, I didn't want to sound rude earlier. I wasn't comfortable with that kiss and I have a boyfriend I love and we have children. Delete my number.

Doctor: I didn't know you weren't comfortable, I'm sorry I'll delete it.

She hung up and deleted his number while Teto looked at her..

Botho: I'm sorry...

Teto: I need to bath...

He grabbed a towel and walked into the bathroom. She took out her phone and called Tsame's aunt..

Her : Hello?

Botho: Dumelang, I missed your call.

Her: I just wanted to ask how Aisha is doing, it's been months since we heard from her.

Botho: She is fine, should I bring her over the weekend?

Her: No, I'm going to the cattle post, I was just checking if you blocked her swiping card, I wanted to buy food but it said there is no money.

Botho : She doesn't need that card, I don't even know how these cards look like because I use my own money on her.

Maybe the money is late this month.

Her : If you say so, I guess I will wait for the money and go after buying food.

Botho : Oh ok, so should I bring her?

Her : No, no I'll be busy with other things.

Botho: Ok, bye.

She hung up and took off her clothes then she joined Teto in the bathroom.

At Akeelah's house...

The next morning Akeelah picked her handbag and leaned over kissing Age while he laid on the bed..

Akeelah: We are going.

Age: Have a productive day bread winner.

Akeelah: (laughed) Thanks!

She walked out and picked her son on her way out. Age slept for a couple of hours and woke up, then he went through job posts to see if there was anything new. He sent several applications and had his breakfast before putting on an overall and heading to the BnB to work on their landscape...

At Teto's office...

On the same morning Teto leaned back on his office chair and stared at the scanned pictures Ma Kennedy had given him the previous day. He put up one of them as his profile picture and put his phone down while working for a few minutes. Notifications dinged over and over again, he picked his phone and clicked..

Comment: 😂 😂 Haircut ya gago rra, but you look good.

Replied: 😂 Is it him?. Replied : It's him, he probably attended the vintage parties : Replied : 😐 They look identical but the background on the photo and the dress code looks like it's from way back. I think it's his father when he was Teto's age because here they look the same age.

Comment: Who is this? He looks like you.

Comment: Is this your father?

Comment: If this isn't you it's your father.

Orphanage roommate: Check your inbox bro.

He replied a few comments and a call came through..

Teto: Hey you!

Roommate : How did you find your father? Can you help me find my parents?

Teto: I got my file and read about the case then started asking questions around the place I was found.

Roommate : I was found in the bin at the mall so it's hard to even imagine where I might have come from.

Teto: I know, a mall is too big of a place but try asking people

who stay near the mall because she wouldn't have walked a long distance after giving birth. My late girlfriend told me that giving birth is no joke. Your mother probably came from around the mall.

Roommate: Alright, thanks.

Teto: Sure!

He hung up and his phone rang again..

Teto: Hello?

Cardo: (laughed excitedly) Ae the monna marete a gago, why didn't you tell me you found your parents?

Teto: (laughed) Does he really look like me?

Cardo: What makes it worse is that this picture was probably taken when he was your age, laa tshwana mr!

Teto: (sighed) He is late.. Funny enough I feel very sad though I don't know him. I feel like we would have clicked from the get go.

Cardo: Oledi ene? (What about your mother)

Teto: She is alive.

Cardo: At least one is alive.

Congratulations!

Teto: Sure

He hung up and dialed Age..

Age: Hello?

Teto: I sent you some pictures,
did you see them?

The door opened and Age
walked in hanging up. Teto
hung up looking at him as he
stepped over and pulled him up
for a hug.

Age: I didn't want to respond over the phone.

Congratulations...

He let go of Teto and smiled looking in his eyes, he didn't look as happy as he thought he'd be..

Age: What's wrong?

Teto: They loved me... My father was willing to run away

with my mother so they could love me in peace but he died before he could hold me. What makes this sad is that I now know my father loved me and God took that away from me.

Age: At least the mother is there..

Teto: I know and I'm happy about it...

Age: How is she?

Teto: She drinks a lot, I don't know if she does it to get over

the pain of losing a child and a man she loved but she is beautiful.. (they laughed) My father chose a good one...

They bumped shoulders and laughed...

Teto: I'm planning to see his family today.

Age: I'm coming with you

Teto: (looked at the time) We can go now..

He grabbed his phone and they walked out as Teto glanced at him..

Teto: Thanks for interrupting Botho and that guy.

Age: I know you'd do the same for me, so she confessed? How did you find out?

Teto: She told me, she probably thought you'd tell me. She says it was just a mistake and it won't happen again...

Age: Do you believe her?

Teto : I don't know, I'm just trying to be happy... I have been looking for my mother my whole life, she is finally here and I want to be happy without Botho's shenanigans.

Age: I doubt she'll do it again, don't let it spoil your mood.

Teto: Yeah... (laughed) Gatwe ke nna Kennedy. Named after my father

Age: (laughed) Sure Ken

Teto: (laughed) We are going to look for the Bonga family.

Age: Ok

They got in Teto's car and drove off..

At school...

Meanwhile Botho gave her students some work and got her phone standing at the door....

Botho: I'm going to the toilet, if I hear anyone speaking I'm going to whip your little butts. No one should speak, do you hear me?

Students: (all together like a choir) Yes ma'am!

She stood behind the classroom
and dialed Ed..

Ed: Hello?

Botho: Hi, sorry about last
night.

Ed: Stop apologising, are you
OK? I was worried all night
wondering if you're getting
slapped.

Botho: He didn't beat me, I'm fine.

Ed: Ok, we should plan a weekend getaway or something, Maun is obviously not safe..

Botho: True, I'm not worried about Teto, I know he will never beat me because he loves me but the brother is the problem because he even hates me.

Ed: We will be careful, you're not having sex with him right?

Botho: Of course not, I want to have a baby of my own.

Ed: Alright, let me send you some money for your nails or something.

Botho: Thank you, bye.

Ed: Delete this call as soon as you hang up, then delete the money message after getting it.

Botho: Ok, bye.

She hung up and walked back to the class as she received a notification of a 7K deposit into her account, her mouth dropped and she read the message again then she walked out of the class and dialled him.

Ed: Hello?

Botho: Heela o sendile bontsi gongwe ne ore ware 700 abo o dira 7000.

Ed: I didn't make a mistake, I know hair is expensive.

Botho: Ed!

Ed: Delete this calls and that message. Get back to work.

He hung up and she smiled covering her mouth while she walked back in class. Who just gives away 7K... Wow! She sat down and stared at her phone in shock....

At the Bonga home..

A passer-by pointed the brothers towards the screen wall with two large white castle houses..

Teto: Are you sure that's it?

Passer-by : Yes, ke gone ko go Rra Bonga.

Age: Thanks

The man walked away and the brothers drove towards the black painted gate. They waited at the gate as two big bull dogs barked through the gate...

Teto : Do you believe that guy?

Age: I don't know, let's just ask

Teto: We can't get in, there are dogs

Age: Take out your hand and press that button..

Teto pressed the button and leaned back, minutes later a young woman walked over and got the dogs. She put them on the leashes by the trees and pulled the gate open. Teto drove in halfway across the gate and looked at the woman.

Teto: Hi, is this the Bonga family home?

Her: Yes, they're sitting in the backyard. I'm just a maid.

Teto: Thank you, so should I just go behind that house?

Her: Yes, they're having a meeting you can just go there.

Teto: Maybe I'll come later.

Her: They're done ka meeting, they're just chatting... The old man just had his operation and

most of them haven't seen him in a while that's why they are sticking around. Just go behind this house, they're sitting under the tree...

Teto : Thanks..

They drove through the gate and parked next to the other cars, most of them big engines and the other with a cattle trailer.

Teto: They're probably going to think I'm lying, let's go back. Ba be lebega ba heta bare ke a va ipatela

Age: Let's just go.

Teto: I hate rich people, they're going to give me an attitude, look at their cars!

Age : Your father is dead, who cares...let's just go in and say hi, if they don't believe you good. Give me those pictures.

Age got the pictures and stepped out, Teto got out and followed him as they walked on the green grass heading behind the big house.

As soon as they passed the house they could see a group of elders sitting under the trees while another old man laid on the stretcher....

Age and Teto approached the tree as everyone turned and looked at them. The chatting died and there was silence they stared at Teto from a distance, it wasn't possible but the closer he got the clearer it got. They looked at one another in disbelief, they buried him and it wasn't possible. Each of them wondered if they were the only

ones seeing him as they looked at one another..

Aunt: Jesus!

Uncle: Kennedy??

Aunt : It can't be Kenny!

Teto approached the tree, the closest uncle stood up and staggered back as he tripped by the chair and got up picking his knobkerrie. More of them

stood up moving back as the old man lying on the stretcher pinned his elbow looking at Teto in disbelief. The old woman looked at Teto once and melted down falling off the chair as everyone caught her and laid her down fanning her and calling her name...

Woman: Ma Kennedy?? Batho!
Re thuseng the o todile pelo!

{She might be having a heart attack}

Man: (shouted) Ta ka metsi...{bring the water!}

Teto grabbed a jar on the ground and fetched water on the tap then he brought it over. They looked at him reluctantly and snatched the jar then they poured her with water, she gasped and breathed heavily

then she saw Teto again and
collapsed...

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At the Bonga family home...

Teto and Age stood by as the old lady finally gained consciousness and looked at him, everyone waited to see if she would collapse again but she sighed and sat up properly. Teto finally had a chance to greet them..

Teto: Dumelang...

He sounded just like his father, the old lady shook her head,

she hadn't heard this voice in so many years and it warmed her heart.

Teto: My name is Teto, I grew up in an orphanage because I was found in a dumpster and no one was found in connection. Last year I started looking for my parents, yesterday I met my mother for the first time and she gave me these pictures telling me its my

father. She said his name I
Kennedy Bonga and he died a
week before I was born. I just
wanted to see his family and
know where I come from....

The old woman burst into tears
and looked at the old man who
was not so shocked...

Old man : Kennedy told me he
impregnated an underage girl,
she was fifteen at the time I

think and he was almost 30, he would have gone to jail for defilement and so I told him to support that baby in secret. We didn't go into details because I wasn't sure how far along this girl was...He even took my car and found a house in Toteng, you were to live there with your parents. On the week he was supposed to move this girl he died and I didn't even know the girl's name but I knew her

parents were the type to report. I thought after his death we would get a letter announcing he had damaged someone's daughter but nothing came. Overtime I wondered if indeed she was pregnant or maybe it was someone's child and she chose Kennedy looking at his family background.

Old lady: You knew he got someone pregnant out there and never told anyone?

Old man: I was trying to protect Kennedy but after he died I had no way of knowing and the fact that nobody said anything made me doubt it because Kennedy and I never talked deep about it. I didn't even know this little girl he was sleeping with because he knew I would have told him to stay

away from her . I was sure this girl would now talk because Kennedy was no more and if indeed she was his girlfriend she'd know we would support the child.

Teto : (sighed) I understand, and I'm not here to point fingers at anyone... I'm now a grown man and I just wanted to know where I come from so I can tell my children about it.

Old man : You're the only child we have, Kennedy was an only child..this is a blessing. I just got out of the hospital and I think God saved me so that I can meet you...now I understand why I have been sick. God was punishing me for throwing away my only grandson and I'm healed because you found your way home, you're a true Bonga.

Uncle2: But we need to talk in private before you can

conclude he is a Bonga or even Kennedy's son,

Uncle: This is Kennedy's son, I almost had a heart attack thinking we buried the wrong person... Ha ele gore gase ngwana waga Kennedy neo digwa kii o ikokotela ka molamu ha... Ke raa sene sego diga ne elii

Uncle3: I've no doubt, This is our son

Uncle 2: Nowadays people are tricky... You're sick and everything you own is at the risk of scammers who know you don't have children. We are saying this for your own good

Uncle3: We? You and who?

Old man : This boy is my son...

Ibile ke bata a gorosiwe mo

lwapeng semmuso ise ke swe...

Ke ene key yame ko

legodimong. When I meet

Kennedy I will have something positive to say..

Uncle 2: I'm not disputing that but this boy could be looking like Kennedy for many reasons, why are you refusing to see things from a different perspective? How do you welcome a stranger without any proof. Are we supposed to throw a party and celebrate a stranger?

Teto: (stood up) I will go home and give you time to talk as a family. And if there is need for a DNA test I wouldn't mind giving my sample.

Old man: I will not insult my son with such tests when I can see myself in you. Have a sit, sit down now!

Uncle2: Ago dirwe di tests tsa makgoa re nne le bosupi kana batho ba bata maswa a batho ka tsela esele..

Ma Kennedy: We are not testing him.

Uncle: Tota go apola ngwana re mo tester ke ga eng, moshwane yo ke Kennedy go hetsa! Le go bua mo ekare motho wa teng waa koka ke Kennedy nxhing!

Old man: Bagaetsho I think I need to rest now, thanks for the visit... (looking at uncle 2)
May I rest? You'll visit again another time

Uncle 2 looked at Teto with an evil eye and Teto looked down as the old man picked his knobkerrie. The other uncles stood up bid everyone goodbye before leaving the Kennedy's parents.

There was an awkward moment as they stared at him, the grandmother's eyes filled with tears as she rubbed her

eyes with the corner of her
doek.

Her: I always hear about
miracles, I never thought I'll
witness one... We have lived
with so much pain for years
who would have known you
would just come...

Him: Thank you for coming
over

Teto: This is Age, we grew up
together at the orphanage he is

like a brother to me. He has always been there throughout my life struggles.

Age: (shook their hands)

Dumelang

Old man : (laughed) Sorry my boy, we even forgot he came with someone, how insensitive of us

Age: (laughed) Ne go setse go omanwa le rona abe re tshoga re didimala

Old lady : (laughed) Don't mind that one, o rata maswa a batho, goriana jaana abe a bata monnamogolo wame aswe nte ba ntwantshetse boswa. Kennedy haa tsile jaana abe aba tshositse le go lowa ngwanangwanake.

They laughed as the old man slowly got out up and supported himself with the crutches..

Her: Please be careful... Mo
thuse hoo Kennedy hare ke
gone a tswa spatela... Ke pelo
hela..

Teto supported him as they
walked towards the house...

Him: I want to show you
something... (pointed at the
other castle) This was your

father's house, we renovated it. He was a little trouble maker, he threw parties every chance he got... Whenever we left for the farm it was parties all night and we fought about this parties until he died.. (they laughed) but he was a hard worker, he helped me save and do things modern. What did you study?

Teto: Engineering

Him: I was a soldier and he was an accountant, he was good at his job too. He had a bright future... Come here.... Your picture should join this pictures here.

The old man walked him around the house showing him pictures of his father and telling him long stories of how those pics came about. Meanwhile

the old lady talked to Age
about their childhood..

At Botho's house...

Later on Botho arrived from
work and changed her clothes
then her phone rang..

Botho: Hello?

Ed: Hey, a friend of mine is
dropping off something in the

delta, want to tag along? It's a return aircraft

Botho: (smiled) What time will we return?

Ed: I think 6pm...before it gets dark we will be here

Botho: OK, let me change. Will you pick me up?

Ed: Sure, I'll be there in 10 minutes

Botho : I'll send the directions.

Ed: Bye

She hung up and typed directions then she received a message from Teto, she'd reply him after so she continued typing and sent message then she put her phone down and got dressed.

Minutes later Ed parked outside then she locked the door and ran towards the gate in her high waist jeans, she

opened the door and hopped in
then he leaned over and kissed
her before driving off.

Botho: Don't I need a passport
to fly?

Ed: (laughed) No, you're good.
It's just a local trip... (laughed at
her) You're so cute when
you're dumb

She laughed and punched him
as he laughed apologising...

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At the Bonga's family house...

Later that evening the guys sat on the couch relaxing as the old man chatted with them. Teto looked at the time and it was late, Botho wasn't responding to his messages and he wasn't sure if his children were ok but then of course they were OK with her...maybe she was just watching TV and left her phone on the charger.

He'd never stayed out that late ever since he had a baby and each time he talked about leaving they said it was too early and this kind of felt good, he also enjoyed this company and now the grandmother was cooking for him, she actually told the maid to sit down while she cooked. It was a great feeling and the old man was more than fun. He had only been there for a couple of

hours but his stories made him feel like he known them for a while...

Old man: One time Kennedy stole the car and went to a girl's house, her father saw my car, a man who knew me. He thought I was sleeping with his daughter and knocked on that door demanding to see him.. (they laughed) Kennedy was a character!

Teto: (laughed) I would have loved to meet him...

Age: Kennedy Jr is also a troublemaker, this guy has put me through a lot and I'm glad he found his parents, now I can start living my life

Old man: (laughed) I think he is stuck with you forever!

Teto: (laughed) And I'm not a troublemaker... I made one big mistake and he calls me a troublemaker.

Old man : So how are my grandchildren?

Teto : They're fine...we are still trying to get over their mother's death. She was the best thing to ever come into my life, she was supportive and she would be teary to witness all these. She was a sweetheart... (sadly) It has been difficult living without her and I haven't had time to breath since she

died. I had to raise the baby
from day 1

The grandmother stepped out
with food in a tray and gave
everyone...

Her: I will help you with the
children, I've never heard of a
man raising kids by himself tota
botshelo bo sotide
ngwanangwanake..

Teto's phone rang then he picked chewing...

Teto: Hello?

Precious: Hi, why would you leave the children with my neighbour without calling to find out how far I am? What kind of carelessness is that?

Teto: What are you talking about?

Precious: My neighbour called me a nkomanya gore I've disturbed her appointments with children. I didn't know you gave her the children.

Teto : I don't know anything about Botho taking the children there... I'll come get them.

Precious: I'm about to finish my presentation at the team meeting then I'll be on my way there.

Teto : No, it's ok... I'll get them.
I thought they're with Botho.

Precious: Bye

He hung up and put the fork
down...

Teto: I have to go, apparently
the person I left them with
dropped them off with the
neighbours.

Grandmother: Your life sounds complicated son

Grandfather: Can't you collect them and come here with them? Go bata re itisa mmogo

Grandmother: (laughed) Ao it's late, let him go put his children to sleep... He will come when he knocks off and tomorrow is Friday we will have the whole weekend to see him

Grandfather: You must come back Kennedy, this is where you belong!

Teto : (laughed) I'll be back

Grandfather: I'm going to be lonely without you

Grandmother 😞(they laughed)
he already can't live without you

Grandfather: I'm serious, I can't even tell the difference between you and Kennedy. It

feels like he just got up from the dead, I'm blessed...

The old man supported himself with all his energy and walked the guys to the car, Age walked in the front to give them enough space to talk..

Him: You should come see me tomorrow so we can talk about serious things now. I'm also going to call a family meeting

ke rolela bagolo mahoko, we will take it from there and find a proper way to introduce you into the family and welcome you the way you deserve but you need to know who the Bonga's are because as much as this is glorious day for some it's also a challenge on your side to be very careful. You showing up is not good news for everyone and most of the Bonga's won't like you but they won't show

you. You can't eat anything from the relatives, we are a unique family, you can't drink anything from the relatives until you've known them enough to understand them. Love and respect your new family but don't be quick to eat anything offered. Word will be spreading about your arrival and I want you to be careful, I don't want to lose you twice.

Teto looked at him confused...

Him: (sighed) Please come back tomorrow

Teto: I will do that.

Him: (to Age) Goodnight son..

Age : Goodnight..

Age leaned against the car looking at the old man as he touched Teto's shoulder asking him to come again tomorrow. It

still seemed like a dream, they grew up with nothing and now he had parents who didn't want to let him go, but their fear was him dying before they could spend enough time with him hence the early warnings. He looked at Teto who didn't even seem to understand who he was now, his calm smile and relaxed gesture showed he had no clue how powerful he was unless he just didn't want to be

too excited but he was so dear to his grandparents they couldn't hide it.

He and his granddad parted then he walked over taking out keys as Age looked at him..

Teto: What?

Age: (laughed) Nothing.... You look like this people and its so weird. The crazy part is you

grew up in Maun and we should have met one person who should have said this boy looks like the Bonga's but then again I guess God has plans for everything. I'm really happy for you, do you realise who you have just become? You're like a Prince

Teto: (laughed getting in the car and driving) Oh come on, it's their riches not mine besides I'm not interested in

that.. Just wanted to see my father's family..and I don't think they're rich, two castles and two big cars isn't rich... I'm sure the farm has 50 cattle

Age: You know what people always found weird? That I didn't know anything about farming, almost every family in Maun has a farm and I know this side of the country has a lot of cattle but I don't know shit about that kind of lifestyle

and people always laughed at me like which part of Maun do you come from? You don't know how to ride a horse? Never milked a cow? Never bathed in a river and you're afraid to kill a goat..

Teto: (laughed) I remember o palelwa ke go bolaya podi nako ya party and I found it funny too though I don't know anything about cattle.

Age: It hurt me when everyone laughed because I kind of blamed it on not having a father or family. I felt like had I been around those I'd be comfortable around them but anyways I'm happy for you. You've motivated me to do something about my life too... I'm going to look for my parents...

Teto: You should do that... Finding your mother is the

most satisfying feeling ever.
She is not perfect but I love her
and I don't even know her but
dude... I can't wait to restore
her because it feels like losing
my father the last straw that
broke the camels back. Things
went down hill from there and
she never stopped drinking, she
doesn't even know how the
love of her life died nor did she
get a chance to attend his
burial, she dropped out of

school and worse lost the child she dropped out for. I would drink too and now everyone treats her like she is crazy..I'll restore my mother's dignity and everyone will respect her.

Age: I'm just happy for you, you found true love... Your mother loves you and your grandparents love you way more than you can tell. Kana ne basa bate o tsamaya.. (laughed)
O swear they will ask you to

move in (they both laughed)
They didn't want you to leave
Teto: (laughed) And it felt nice
ke apeetswe..

They looked at one another and
fist bumped...

At Precious's neighbour...

Later on Teto parked the car
then a young woman walked

out with the children tickling Naya. She opened the back door and put the children while the guys sat in the car..

Teto: Hi, I'm sorry we delayed you

Her: Its ok.. Just that Naya was hungry so everything was irritating her and she was crying.

Teto : Thank you...

She closed the door then he drove off trying to call Botho but her number wasn't available.

At Teto's House...

Hours later just before midnight Teto tossed and turned unable to fall asleep, a part of him wanted to go check

on her just to see if she was back from wherever she was but then the children.... He sighed and grabbed the car keys then he peaked in the children's room before speeding off to her house.

Once there he knocked several times and used the spare keys, he walked in the bedroom and found her gone then he drove back in a hurry and checked on

the girls before getting in bed and texting her.

Teto : I don't know if you're ok or not, I'm really worried because gake itse if I should be angry or worried. I hope you're not cheating on me.

Teto: Please call me

Teto: I love you

Teto : Can't wait to tell you about my grandparents, I still

haven't told you much about my mother too. Hope we get enough time to talk.

He sighed worriedly, clearly she was with this guy... What was he doing questioning himself... She kissed him! He sighed staring in the dark, this should have been the happiest night of his life but she managed to steal that joy from his heart.. He put the phone down then

he closed his eyes thoughtfully
and dozed off before he knew
it...

At the delta....

Meanwhile Botho paced up and
down in a safari lodge gown
pressing her phone with a no
signal sign.

Botho: You should have made sure we were returning and worse there is no network.

What am I going to tell Teto tomorrow? And the worst thing I dropped off the children thinking I'll be back in an hour or two..

Ed: I didn't know things would change, I also have appointments with patients remember? Come to bed... Its late, there is no use worrying

about something you can't change.

Botho: This is bad, ke letse nageng..

Ed: And if he is giving you trouble I'm here, does he even see the value in you? How much does he give you per month? Does he ever show interest in your problems or everything is about him. You deserve better than you're being given... Nna tota ke fila

hela gore this guy wago nyatsa
and now you're here worried
about him instead of enjoying
this, (softly) look around you...

She sighed and sat down, Ed
put his hand over her thigh and
looked in her eyes then he
kissed her laying her down and
getting between her legs..

Botho: (whispered) No sex
remember?

Ed: Yeah but you have more days ahead, a gotwe you'll start the 30 days after this... (baby kissed her) please...

He leaned over and kissed her then he unzipped his jeans and reached in the drawers, he rolled the loose condom over his dick and held it against his dick as he smacked her pussy and #removed...

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He leaned over and kissed her, then he unzipped his jeans and reached in the drawers. He rolled the loose condom over his dick and held it against his dick as he smacked her pussy and slid in kissing her softly...

He gently thrust her back and forth while she ran her hands around his back. He slid out and pulled her up, then he made her bend over touching the edge of the bed. He stood behind her and splitted her butt as he slid in between her pussy lips...

Ed: (grunting) Oh Gooooood...

Now she felt him with this position and she closed her eyes enjoying every gentle stroke from behind. He then increased his pace holding her hips tight. She stuck her butt out and started thrusting back as their bodies clapped against one another while they breathed heavily....

Botho: (softly) Mmhhh...

He snuck his hand to the front and grabbed her neck pulling her up, then she stood and turned around. He held her neck kissing her while he held the condom against his dick so it wouldn't fall off, then he sat her on the edge and spread her legs... He put a pillow behind her butt lifting her up to his level and slid back in her pussy as he hung both of her legs on one shoulder. He grabbed both

her hips and lowered himself
fucking her from the low level
going for that gspot as she
started moaning while her
pussy muscles tightened...

Ed: (grunted) Oh.....

For some reason their contact
got more intense, she felt so
good he just thrust back and
fourth. Botho moaned a little
louder and God knows it felt

unbelievably good as she spasmed over his dick greasing him. He held her tightly as he filled her pussy with sweat dripping down his back. He caught his breath and let go of her while she laid on her back then he slid out as his dick dripped cum. She lifted her head and looked at his uncircumcised dick...

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Botho: Condom e kae?

Ed: Shit, go raya gore e saletse mo teng..

Botho : (panicked) What?! Did it break?

Ed: No, condoms sometimes do that during sex

Botho: Not with me! I've never heard of it, how am I going to get it out!?

She squatted and pushed but only his cum dropped on the floor then she sat on the bed..

Ed: lay down, I'll pull it out...

She laid on her back then he inserted two fingers and tried to pull it out..

Ed: It's too slippery but If you sleep in the morning it will be

easy to reach for it because most of the cum would have leaked.

Botho: I can't sleep with a condom inside me! We have to take it out!

Ed: OK, let me try again. Don't worry, it will come out..

He inserted his fingers again and bit his lower lip trying to grab the slippery condom.

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One Night Only

#48

At the Safari Lodge..

The next morning around 6 in the morning Botho walked out of the bathroom fixing her hair while Ed laid on the bed. She sat on the edge and shook him..

Botho: Ed? What time are we going back?

Ed got up and put on his tshirt..

Ed: Let me shower and check on him.

Botho: Ok

He got in the bathroom and walked out a few minutes later, Botho sat uncomfortably on the bed. He walked over to her putting on his tshirt and kissed her pulling her up and putting his hands around her waist.

Ed: I'm really sorry for getting you stuck here, it makes me look tricky and makes it seem like I'm trying to destroy your relationship, but I want a fair competition. This won't ever happen again, I'm really sorry.

Botho: It's ok, just go check on the pilot so we can go..

Ed: Let's go together o tseye walk o bone around..

She put on her shoes and walked out as he held her hand. He turned around fixing her hair and they continued walking.

Ed: So I'm thinking for your birthday we should go to Gaborone so you can do some shopping and other things.. My budget is 10k, that's all I can afford. Business isn't doing good at the moment...

Botho: (laughed) 10K is a lot to me, my salary doesn't go that far..

Ed: Alright..

Botho: About the condom thing... I want us to get tested

Ed: Alright, I'm not worried because I know my status and I know yours.. But you need peace of mind so..

Botho: Yeah, won't I get pregnant?

Ed: No, you took medication for like 2 days, that's way too early for it to effect.

Botho:. Ok.

They knocked on the pilot's door but there was no answer, then he went to the reception..

Ed: Hi, Stevavo o kae?

Receptionist : One of the guests from UK got bit by a snake early

this morning ka bo 4am so he rushed her to the hospital in Maun.

Ed: What?!

Botho : Jaanong why didn't he wake us!

Ed: When is he coming back?

Receptionist : I don't know but obviously he won't let you spend a day here, besides the boss also has to go back to Maun so maybe in the afternoon you'll be leaving.

Botho sighed and turned around frustrated..

At the Bonga family house..

Just before seven in the morning two uncles and their wives parked outside and walked into the house. The garden boy was busy watering the lawn. The maid bent over

putting down a tray of tea and excused herself as the Bonga's sat by the lounge area. They made small talk while having tea, Bonga told them more about their one and only grandson...

Bonga: We want that boy to be brought home properly... He should be given his rightful names Kennedy Teto Bonga, a cow must be slaughtered and

we should celebrate his welcome. He should also be taken to the farm, be introduced to his elders and where they stay. Every Bonga should be here for this family reunion..

Uncle: (nodded) When do you want to do this?

Bonga: As soon as possible, I don't want to waste anymore time. Hehe! Kane this boy is just like his father, gaa

modumo le eseng ibile o
bonolo go heta Kennedy.

Uncle3: I will tell Kevin and his
cousin to work on this, we can
also have our meetings to deal
with our part of this welcome.

Ma Bonga: We should buy him
a present Ra Kenny, boys love
cars.

Bonga: (laughed) We don't
know what this one likes.

Uncle : (laughed) All the boys
love cars, the question is

whether he likes a big engine or a sports car.. His brother Age can help you there..

Bonga: Bo Kevin must chip in my old woman and I are too old for this, but he does deserve a good present. I'm yet to know him better, but he looks like a hard worker gake hola ha ke mo isa sakeng ke a gomo kgwisa mashi.

They laughed and continued chatting..

At Teto's house..

Later that morning Teto prepared the girls for school and put them in the car then he sat inside and dialed Botho, but her number was still not available. He dialed her friend..

Her: Hello?

Teto: Hi, where is Botho?

Her: We are not that close anymore since are I don't understand her situation ka hormones. I don't know

Teto : Ok, thanks..

He hung up and drove off to school. Once there he dropped off the children at their classes and passed by her class to ask

the students where she was but it seemed she hadn't come to work either.

On his way from school he thoughtfully leaned back, for a moment he felt bad for thinking she was cheating when she might be in danger.

He took out his phone and dialed Age...

Age: Hello?

Teto: Kana Botho o letse naging and she didn't go to work, I was angry but now I'm worried because she didn't go to work and I know she never misses work for no reason.

Would I be overreacting if I reported to the police or should I call her family?

Age: Call her family, her brother.

Teto: I don't have his number.

Age: I'll send it to you, don't you think she is with the guy I saw her with the other time?

Teto: I doubt aka ratana bodipa hela jalo, if she was with him she would have lied or at least came home early not to miss work.

Age : A good dick is crippling so I have heard, she probably thought a day wouldn't hurt especially since she never

misses work.. But go ahead and call, I might be wrong..

Teto: (sighed) Alright, Shap...
Let me call the brother.

He hung and continued driving for a while so he could find a good spot as he approached the airport. He then pulled over in front of a restaurant where a few white people were sitting under the gazebos having their breakfast.

He leaned back and copied the brother's number and pasted it, before he could call Botho and Ed walked in front of his car heading to a parked car. He hung up and stepped out then he walked behind them as they held hands..

Botho: Babe rra nkabe osa mo omanyana, I don't think he meant to do that. It was an emergency

plus he is just a worker who gets told what to do.

Ed: But he will be fine. Guys don't hold grudges...

Teto: Hi..

They turned around and looked at him, Teto looked in her eyes and she quickly let go of Ed's hand. Ed unlocked the car and got in then Teto opened the

door and grabbed his arm
taking him out.

Teto : Ele gore o bata kae gape
o sia babe ya gago.... Where are
you going? We need to talk,
tisa key...

He got his car keys and sighed
looking at Botho.

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One Night Only

#49

Near the airport..

Teto: Wa kae mistah? (Where are you going)

Ed: I just thought you two might need privacy.

Teto: Privacy ya eng, ke mosadi wa rona rothe akere? (What privacy, we share her right?)
(Ed kept quiet) No, bua le nna laitaka (talk to me), you two were chatting freely so I know for sure you're not deaf or mute.

Ed: I'm not deaf, I was just trying to respect your space.

Teto: (chuckled) Respect me?
Dude... (laughed and licked his lower lip) You were warned the

first time and the second time
you made sure o ja sengwe...
Look me in the eye and tell me
you paid a hotel room, paid for
expensive meals just to get a
hug... Tell me.

Ed: We didn't do anything, she
is not supposed to have sex for
30 days so I couldn't get
anything.

Teto: (laughed) It's one thing go
jela motho mosadi and it's
another to try and make them

look dumb, do I look that dumb to you? Koore the two of you had sex and now you want me to believe nothing happened? (laughed) Seriously?

Botho: We didn't d-

He turned around and almost slapped her as she leaned back blocking with her hands..

Teto: Ke taa go betsa Botho a
utwa? (I will beat u,u hear me?)
Ke tago kopanya le mthaka
yoo...(I will beat the both of u)
Nxla!

He handed her the car keys..

Teto: Go to the car!

She got the keys and hurried to the car then Teto turned back to Ed.

Ed: Alright I'm sorry for this, nna tota gase gore ke lwa le wena (I'm not trying to fight with u) ... The thing is Botho and I are just friends, I'm helping her balance her hormonal levels so she can conceive. For now I think she enjoys my company because

I'm the only person who understands and has hope she will be fine. Otherwise she loves you and she is trying to have a child with you.

Teto: Are you a doctor?

Ed: I'm a gynaecologist.

Teto: I saw your messages the other day thanking her for a kiss and I'm sure you got something last night, I know I wouldn't waste time... I mean that's the whole point of taking

her out of her comfort zone so
bona... I'm going to ride her
one last time tonight and you
can have her after that. I'll
definitely avoid your hole
because I know you didn't use
rubber... If you're a doctor then
you know her status and you
fucked her without protection.
I'm just going to cum down her
throat so you can think about
my cum the next time you kiss

her. As for me, I'm done with her... You have my blessings..

He took out his keys and smacked them on his chest pressing his hand on him. Ed got the keys then Teto moved his hand off his chest and stepped back as they stared at one another.

Teto: Tomorrow she'll be all yours, congratulations.

He turned and walked away and Ed got in his car and drove off. Meanwhile Botho's heart pounded while she sat in the car looking at Teto approaching on the rear mirror.

He walked into the restaurant and walked out drinking bottled water talking to the phone.

Age: Don't hurt her, she is not worth it.

Teto: She cheated on me!

Age: I know, she cheated on me too and I spent a night in jail, it's not a nice place. I don't want you experiencing that.

She got us good, let it go... Rago tsenngwa sele rothe ke ngwananyana o kana ka Botho? (we can't all go to jail because of a lil gal like Botho) Leave her alone...

Teto: No, I'm not letting her get away with it... Tabe ke mo senya (il be spoiling her)

Age: Teto wee... You have just been accepted into a new family, a family that loves you. Those people think you're a good boy and the best thing to happen to their old lives. Don't destroy your image..

Teto: So ke mo lese a hela a cheater? (So I should just leave her to cheat)

Age: Ee akere ne ore ke mo lese wena o palelwa ke eng? (Yes, that's what u advised me to do, so why is it difficult for u)

Bulela golo moo banyana ba bantsi mo Maun le gone next yime o bata ngwana yoo go lekanyeng monna o lese bo

Botho ba lekanye rona ba batona (Open for her there are so many gals in Maun, and next time look for a gal your age and leave the Bothos to us big boys)

Teto : Kante wena yoogo reiling
are ke ngwana ke mang? (Who
told you I'm a small boy)

Age: Ska horwa ke bokete jwa
bene o monnye, bata bankane
ba gago.. (Don't be fooled by
the size of your dick u are still
young, just look for someone
your age). Someone five years
younger than you leha o ka
bata le 18, ba batona ba rata
madi. Botho o horwa ke tittle
ya bo Dr.

Teto: I'll call you back.

Age: Teto don't destroy your life because of her, don't let the Bonga's think you're a troublemaker.

Teto: Shap

He hung and got in the driver's seat then got the keys from her and drove off.

At Teto's house...

Teto parked the car and stepped out but Botho remained seated...

Teto: Let's go..

Botho: Nna ke a go tshaba (I'm scared of u)

Teto : Heta re tsamae, hane o ntshaba nkabe osa jole..(let's go, if u were u wouldn't be cheating on me) Heta o tswe

mo koloing yame. (Get out of my car)

She stepped out and closed the door, then she followed him inside. He closed the door and led her to the bedroom where he sat on the bed and sighed waiting for her. She sat on the bed and rubbed her eyes sniffing..

Teto: Let me tell you something... Tsame's death broke my heart and I still blame myself for it, because of that I swore to never hurt a woman again..

Botho: And you'll never love anyone like you love her.

Teto: What does that mean?

Botho: I'm just living under her shadow, maybe you were lusting over me and wondered

what it's like to be with me, but after that you just lost interest.

Teto: I love you and you won't see it because you're in a new relationship. It's unfortunate that you seem to have your own history, we all have our story but I won't be with a woman that dumps my children just to get dick. What you did yesterday was wrong.

Botho: OK ga gona bothata le nna ntse ke planner go go

togela. (No problem, I've been planning to leave u)

Teto: Really?

Botho: Yes, I was planning to end this relationship anyways. I feel used. The only reason you want me is because you want someone to babysit your children, you don't give me enough money... You give me 1.5 for hair, moriri wa tura... Other girls are given bo 7K and they're taken on shopping

sprees ka bo 10k wena you can't do that... Not that I blame you, you have children and whatnot but.. I'm too young to settle for less. I know what I want in life.

Teto: So ne o tile go bua masepa oneya leng? (When were u going to tell me this shit)

Botho: Ska nthaa masepa (don't say shit to me), you dumped me and I agreed with

you. It wasn't going to work anyways, I told you I want to be married and I want a family..

How would you even marry me, wago ntsha magadi jang? (how would u pay magadi) By yourself? Your things are too complicated for me. Tota nna ke bona ole drawback mo botshelong jwame (u are just a drawback in my life)

Teto looked at her as she stood up packing her clothes..

Teto: So this guy promised you heaven on earth?

Botho: No, you dumped me..

Teto: Sit down

Botho: I want to go..

Teto: Kare nna re bue (I said sit down so we talk)

Botho: Nna gakesa bo bata (I'm not interested anymore), you can't afford me Teto..

He grabbed a pillow and whipped her on the face as she fell down, then he put the pillow over her face while kneeling on her arms.. She kicked and farted struggling to breathe while he angrily pressed the pillow over her. She kicked until she stopped

moving, but he still pressed the pillow over her face until she couldn't move.

The door burst open as Age ran inside and pushed him off. He shook her and tried to resuscitate her but there was no sign of life.

Age: She is not moving! What did I say?

He checked her pulse and felt nothing, Teto crawled over and checked her too and he also couldn't feel her pulse.

Age: She is not breathing!

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One Night Only

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At Teto's House...

Teto's heart pounded as he paced up and down while Age leaned over and blew inside her mouth to mouth then he pressed her chest a couple of times without any luck...

Teto: Oh fuck, I didn't mean to kill her, I just wanted her to shut up

Age: (angrily) Shut up! Just keep quiet

He paced up and down and put his hands over his face as his shoes walked back and forth.

Age continued with the resuscitation for a couple of minutes and sighed giving up looking at what seemed like a

lifeless body then she gasped for air and coughed. Age sighed in relief and stepped as Teto shook his head and stared at her..

Teto: You should have left her ass to die...

Botho slowly stood up and got her phone then she texted..

Teto: What are you doing?

Calling the police?

Botho: You're not worth my attention, go na le batho ba ka ripotiwa..

She packed her things and zipped her bag then she went to the bathroom where she got her panties and toothbrush, she shoved them in the bag as Teto stood by looking at her, it was beginning to set in that she

was actually leaving and it hurt more than he imagined...

Teto: So you're going to walk away like we don't even have children?

Botho: I don't have children, if I had any you wouldn't want to orphan them.

Age: Teto let's go out and give her time to pack up.. This isn't worth it

Teto: I'm not going anywhere..
(laughed in disbelief) I swear
this isn't Botho... So you don't
have children? After getting
Aisha to call you mama? After
getting her family to hand her
over to us...

Botho: It's unfortunate but the
truth is I'm not her mother, I
want to have a child of my own
and you're not even helping me
fix my problems so I can be a

mother because you're already a father.

Age: Teto just don't respond back, this is her fucked face.

When she is like this you can't control her,

Botho: (turned to him) This is none of your business, Stay out of it. You failed our relationship

Age: If you weren't such a bitch we wouldn't be here in the first place..

She paused and looked at both of them then she laughed as her brother parked outside. She hung the strap of her bag over her shoulder..

Botho: I'm not a bitch, I'm a woman who knows what I want... You didn't give it to me so I searched for it in your brother, he doesn't have it so I'm moving on. I fucked both of you because le dimata, I didn't

owe any of you anything. I'm sure I won't remember you when I'm 50 or maybe you'll be a funny memory of how I dated brothers who both loved me and tried to kill each other for me. You would be in jail Age but I'm nice and wena Teto you just survived jail too because I choose to be the intelligent one. I may not be a mother but for your children's sake I forgive you.

Teto: (laughed) So you're going to brag about this? You had sex with brothers!

Botho: You both have different fantasies what if I enjoyed having both of you? Have you ever thought of that? What if I have a fantasy ya go lwelwa ke di brothers. (laughed) Go monate go lwelwa ke basimane it's even top if they're related.. Knowing that I shook that bond you had... Mmh...

They both stared at her without a word as she smiled confidently knowing her big brother was waiting outside.

Botho: You both love me and you know it... I know it too... I'm beautiful and my pussy is good because I don't fuck around. I only fucked the two of you back and forth.. And you know what...I enjoyed both of you so

don't think less of me just because I happen to have made decisions you think only men should make. I'm not a bitch and I'm not as easy as you both might think, it seemed easy because I wanted both of you.

She walked out as Teto followed her, Age followed them and the brothers stood at the door watching her as she put her bag in the car and got

in, she sat inside talking to her brother for a few minutes then she stepped out.

They stepped back as she walked in and closed the door.

Botho: While we are on the topic of fantasies.. Age you talked about having a threesome... And I haven't stopped wondering how it feels like. I told my brother to wait

for me in the car because I'm looking for other things.. He is on social media so he can wait.. I want to feel

Teto: Waa tsenwa, get the fuck out of my house!

Age: She has a point... I mean... If we are going to part ways why not do in style. Why black people hate each other after a breakup..

Teto: I am not doing that!

Botho: Ok, I just wanted to try it. Bye

She turned and walked away then Age grabbed her hand and closed the door, he turned to Teto and frowned..

Age : (whispered) What are you doing?

Teto: (whispered back) This is not Botho speaking, she is

probably on drugs or something...

Age: She is not, why can't a woman wonder about sex

Teto: I am not having sex with you and her

Age: Yes we are,! You owe it to me and yourself because once the stress is off you'll regret not taking this offer.

Botho: (sighed impatiently as they whispered) Move away from the door...

Meanwhile Age lowered his voice again..

Age: Let's just do this, he got her and she won't change her mind. At least take what you can.

Teto: Age no, women don't just suggest a threesome especially Botho. She is up to something.

Age: Women have fantasies too, like she said. She didn't know anything until I told her so she got curious..

Teto: And I can't share her

Age: She wasn't even yours to begin with.

Teto: She has to consent on the phone then, I don't want her thinking she can cry rape tomorrow.. I literally killed her, why would she thank me with

sex? It's too good to be true,
I'm not falling for it.

Age: Stop being paranoid. She
is not doing it for you.. And
you're literally killing the mood.
She is feeling young and wild,
she feels hot and shit... Are we
doing this or not?

He took a deep breath and
sighed..

Teto: Alright fuck it, let's do it...

They both turned back and walked towards her taking out their tshirts, Teto leaned over kissing her while Age stood behind her touching her breasts.

Teto turned her around and squeezed her butt while Age leaned over and kissed her, Akeelah's loyalty flashed

through his mind as he kissed
Botho then he paused and
rubbed his lips...

Age : I can't...I'm so tense...I
can't cheat on Akeelah again...

Teto stepped back and opened
the door for her..

Teto: I wasn't feeling this
either, I think you should just

go because I don't make you happy. I don't think you love me and I hate the woman you've become in just one day. You're a completely different person from what I fell in love with. I don't know what's gotten into you but I hope this guy doesn't hurt you...I hope you're not on drugs either because what you have just done talking about a threesome worries me. By the way I love

you, I've long accepted Tsame's death and you were my future but its ok... Go ahead and give the doctor a chance. I'll raise my children and maybe I will fall in love again but if you ever need help from me don't hesitate to call me. I'm sorry for the pillow thing, I was scared when you didn't get up and I'm glad you're OK. Bye..

Botho quietly walked by...

Botho: Your ancestors are working overtime.

Teto: What's that supposed to mean?

Botho: Next time you try killing a woman know that she can get back at you in the most painful way, you'd spend your youth in prison and learn to respect other people. You can't afford me and you should expect it

and get someone of your level.
You're both so lucky...

She stepped out then he closed
the door and sighed..

A MONTH LATER...

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Don't forget to Like the inserts.

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Due to the lockdown in greater Gaborone, its not clear when we will be able to send your Tshirts, masks and books as the printing company was still working on them when lockdown was announced. We will keep communicating. We apologise for the delay. For any enquiries contact Pearl 76627079.

One Night Only

#51

At the Bonga family home....

The following morning on Sunday after the biggest party ever hosted there, Ma Kennedy walked into the other bedroom where Aisha and Naya were sleeping. She pulled the duvet over them and walked into the kitchen where she cooked

motogo for them before they
could wake up.

The old man walked in
adjusting his hat..

Him: I'm going to see my uncle
so we can talk about bringing
the girls home.

Her: What about Aisha?

Him: We will tell them our son
thinks she is his because they

were both with Tsame at the time she fell pregnant, apparently she never gave them a name so they don't know anything about the father.

Her: He told me that as well, they seem to have been giving him trouble.

Him: That was when he didn't have parents...and they're dealing with us now..

Her: (laughed) Don't be too rough on them...

Him: I'll try not to..

The old man leaned over and kissed her on the cheek then he walked out. He unlocked the car from a distance as the maid bent down with yellow gloves picking up the litter from last night's big party.

Old man: Good morning.

Maid: Good morning.

He turned the engine on and left it running and he looked at Teto's car..

Old man: Is Kenn around?

Maid: I think he slept in that house, maybe he was too drunk to drive.

Old man: OK.. Let me see him.

The old man knocked on the door but there was no response, he tried the lock and it opened. He walked into the empty living room and headed to the bedroom, he slightly knocked and opened the door expecting him to be sleeping alone but two girls were lying on each side of his. He could see the breast of the girl lying on his left while the other girl's

foot was out of the sheets with such smooth beautiful toes. Clearly they were all naked, with a white sheet covering them waist down.

He quietly shook his shoulder, Teto opened his eyes and looked at him..

Old man: (whispered) Come here..

He got out of bed without waking the girls as his dick hung between his legs. He reached for the shorts and put them on then picked his vest and followed him outside yawning. Only after stepping outside did he notice it was actually morning and he wasn't sure how to explain having two girls in bed...

Teto: I wasn't having sex with them, they didn't have a ride after the party and i-

Old man: I'm not that old and I know these things. I once was your age ok? (Teto looked down) Anyways I'm going to see your uncle so that we can bring the girls home, ba ntshetswe magadi ba boele mo lwapeng (They need to be paid for so they can officially be ours).

Teto: (smiled) Wow... Ok..

Thank you by the way Age long wanted to marry but we-he doesn't have parents-

Old man: Who said he doesn't have parents? He should have just talked to me.

Teto: He long wanted to marry his baby's mother but the traditional part stopped them. He hasn't specifically talked to me about this though but I know he wants to marry her.

Old man : I'll talk to him, he shouldn't be afraid of me...
(sighed) magadi a bana is all I wanted to talk to you about, gake itse ha o thathetse bana ba batho ka ntu (I didn't know u had company), are they even of age?

Teto : (looked down) Ee rra.

Old man: Look at me and tell me, the last thing you need is a defilement case... Remember how you came about.

Teto: The other is 21 and the other 27.

Old man: I know you're probably just having fun, but use protection. Nowadays girls are born with viruses, fresh as they are you don't know what you'll catch...There is nothing wrong with having fun as long as you protect yourself.

Teto looked down uncomfortably, this was a

conversation that seemed way too sensitive to be having with a parent. He didn't even know how he overslept, the intention was to drop off the girls early in the morning and now here he was listening to an old man talking to him about sex getting embarrassed.

Teto: I use protection, not that I slept with them ke raya whenever I...you know.

Old man: O thabiwa ke dithoo go bua ka morobalo? (Are u shy to talk about sex) Wa o itse tota kana o ithabisa dithong mo banyaneng? (Do u know your stuff or u are just embarrassing yourself with the gals)

Teto: (laughed) Ke itse ha go tsenngwang teng (I know where to put it in)

Old man: (laughed) Owaii! Oska wa tshameka ka nnenyane monna (don't play with that

thing) (pointed) You see... I have no regrets at my age because I ate when I had a chance. If you don't have enough sex when you're young you're going to be a stressful old person, and your children won't stand you. Have sex and do whatever you want to do because once you give your heart to one woman it will be wrong to have visitors like this... I want you to grow up too

and have one woman because
womanisers don't succeed. Go
becha go bata o bechetsa
mosadi ale 1(it's nice when u
are spoiling one woman), gape
when a woman knows that
what's yours is hers she will
protect you and your things
unlike the ones who are there
to suck money and run... Wa
nkutwa? (Do u understand me)
Teto: Ee rra.

Old man: Tsamaa ko basading
ba gago, mme ne ke go
nyaditse o mpeile haatshe ka
marago... (Go back to your
women, I underestimated u).

The old man walked away and
Teto walked back into the
house. He grabbed two breath
mints and put them in his
mouth as he walked into the
bedroom where the girls were
lying. He leaned over and

kissed the dark skinned girl, she slowly got up and sucked the sweet then he moved to the light skinned girl and pushed her hair off her face, kissing her little lips.

Teto: (softly) Hey..

The light skinned girl sat up yawning as Teto reached between her legs rubbing her shaved pussy. He turned to the

dark one and sucked her nipple, then he laid them next to one another..

He got off the bed and picked his jeans, he had the last box of condoms and turned around rolling one down his dick while the girls both looked at him. He stood by the edge of the bed and pulled each of them on the edge, then he spread their pussy lips looking at their pink

fleshes and his dick got even harder..

Teto: Come here..

He grabbed the skinny one and put her on top of the fat one, both their pussies were close and one on top of the other as he grabbed his dick and smacked the top pussy, then the bottom fat one. He wasn't sure which one to start with

but the skinny one seemed tense and a bit afraid to take his dick, he'd fuck her first just for control... He grabbed her breast with the other hand while holding his dick with the other then he...

Meanwhile outside the old man drove out the gate and rolled down the window as their maid's daughter walked towards the gate...

Old man: Hello Sandra!

Sandra: Dumelang... I'm just bringing mama her pain killers.

Old man: She didn't mention she wasn't feeling well.

Sandra: I asked her to take a day off and she refused.

Old man: She shouldn't overwork herself.. Have a good day.

Sandra: Ee rra...

She walked in and saw her mother cleaning up, the whole yard was a mess, bottles of beer and cans too. She was only left with one year to complete her tertiary and her mother would never work this much.

Sandra: You forgot to take your pills in the morning, how is your head?

Maid: I think it will be OK.

Sandra: Let me help you, have a seat..

Maid: Aren't you going to school?

Sandra: It's Sunday today

Maid: Oh hei... Ma Kenny cooked motogo, let me go eat then drink pills. Clean this then go clean that castle, there is someone inside so knock before you enter.

Sandra: Who? Teto?

Maid: Yes, do you know him?

Sandra: Not personally,
everyone was talking about him
and going to his party at school.

Maid: Ok, ee ke ene...he was
given that house because his
grandparents will be staying
with his children so he has to
be closer to the children. I have
to make sure it's clean before
he moves in this afternoon.

Sandra: Ok.

Her mother walked into the house while she carried on cleaning. Almost thirty minutes passed while she cleaned the lawn then she took all the black plastic bags to the dumpster and got the broom before heading to the other castle.

Meanwhile inside the house Teto tied his shoe laces while the girls fixed their hair..

Teto: Let's go.. Ake bate mosadimogolo ale bona (I don't want the old woman to see u) so you have check before you get in the car.

Girls: Ok..

He led the way and opened the door to a young girl holding the broom..

Teto: And then? Why are you standing at my door?

Sandra: I was about to knock before you opened the door...

Teto: Who are you?

Sandra: My name is Sandra.

Teto: I'll clean my room.

Sandra: I have to clean it!

Teto: Kare ke ta iclinela nna (I will clean it myself)

Sandra: Ke toga ke omanngwa gotwe gakea dira (I will get

scolded if I don't clean it). My mother sent me and I don't want her to get in trouble with your parents.

He looked at her for a minute, then he stepped out as the girls followed him and jumped in the car. He checked out if his grandmother was outside, but there was no one so he drove out the gate.

Meanwhile Sandra stood at the door looking at such a huge lounge room, she'd never been inside these two castles though her mother worked here for years. She walked from room to room holding the broom until she ended up in his bedroom. It was a mess, sheets on the floor and boxes of condoms under the bed...

She couldn't stand a an unhygienic man, the least he could have done was tell his girlfriends to clean up the room or just take out the boxes of condoms. She understood that he knew there was a maid but this actually showed her just how much she didn't like this type of men. She wasn't even sure what the girls at school were making noise about, there has to be more than just a face

and money for a man to have her attention. He was probably selfish, insensitive and full of himself! Her standards have always been the same and she was patiently waiting for such a man, a white man with a good heart, educated, smart, tall and with blue big eyes, (looking at his machesa) a man who dresses smart and wears high class formal shoes. (looking at the bottle of beer) a man who

doesn't drink. She always hated black men for always having baby mamas who somehow always can't move on and always curse. She was saving herself for a white sweet man who would marry her and take her to England.

She cleaned up the whole house including his filthy room and packing his clothes, funny enough his dirty clothes

smelled good... She smelled his vest again then she threw it in the basket and continued cleaning until the whole house was spotless.

At School...

Later that afternoon Botho and another teacher walked out of the gate approaching the taxi stop. A car passed them as a cloud of concrete dust engulfed

them. They stepped away from the road fanning their faces and coughing..

Teacher: Mxm, koore batho ba di koloi ba lebala gore nkile abe ba walker! (People with cars always forget they were once pedestrians)

Botho: Ibile gaba dira yaana stress same seya top (when they do this I get so streded), imagine walking all the way just

to get a scheme book... Kana bae long said he will send me money for the mechanic but he still hasn't and the painful thing is it died with a full tank. Nna kana I can't ask a man for money, I want him to just give me but now he is quiet. Sale ke isiwa shopping in Gabs for 10K.. Abe e nna moyondho! (He once took me for shopping in Gabs, he hasn't done anything for me

since). Go month end, I thought he will give me 7K for my hair.

The other teacher stopped walking and looked at her shocked..

Her: 7K for hair? Why would a man give you 7k for hair? Don't you think that's too much? No man can do that!

Botho : He is a doctor, 7K is nothing, last month he gave me 7K for my hair then he took me shopping, that's 17k per month so if gole bad must a mphe 10k which will be enough to cover my expenses.

Her: Ijoo... He is a serious guy akere? A man like this one doesn't get cheated gape o mo neela kuku gore emo tetene (u give him pussy until he doesn't want it), when he gets up blow

job, go to his office and blow him, give him all the sex he wants, if he is into BDSM give him your ass too aeje aka a bata... Koore le kuku ae je gore abe ae bee letsogo. (He must have it until he just looks at it).
Her: (laughed) I do give him...
And it's good because he is not a sex addict.. The other good thing is that he has a little dick unlike Teto ogo bolaisang di period pains ibile o kgona go go

tsenya mo perioding ga nna rough. Ed mma is sweet and gentle, plus he can go for a week without wanting sex.

Her: A dick is a bonus, the most important thing in a man is money and his behaviour... Nna ke tshaba go jewa tota so monna wa nnetanenyana o shap. Plus guys with small dicks are masters of foreplay so you end up enjoying sex because honestly guys with big dicks

give painful sex, it might get nice with time but at the beginning it hurts and you can't even do women on top mo bone..

Botho: Yeah the mma, Ed is the best and he makes me cum..
How I don't know..

Her: Ware this guy ke gynaecologist next to Tele enterprise?

Botho: Yeah

Her: Se segolo ke go cummer le
madi mma, I think I know him,
what's his name again? Let me
see his picture.

Botho took out her phone and
clicked on Ed's profile picture,
the colleague glanced at the
Facebook name and leaned
back.

Her: Gase ene, he is cute, I'm so
happy for you..

Botho: Thanks, I'm going to take a pregnancy test today. I been feeling sick and I think this time around I'm pregnant.

Her: Congratulations in advance...

Botho: Thanks..

They met another teacher waiting by the taxi stop as her colleague logged onto Facebook and sent Ed a friend request...

Him: Why are you working on Sunday, le rata bolope the!

Her: (laughed) Fotshek monna aggg!

Him : Botho why didn't you invite me to Teto's party?

Botho: What party?

Him: His welcome home party at the Bonga family, don't you know anything about it?

Her: Teto is a Bonga? Thee Bonga family? Ba di range rover?

Him: Yeah, my cousins were talking about it this morning, apparently it was the best, he got a car as a present.. Some people are living large...

Her: Hee... What kind of a car?

Him: Not sure if ke Benz or Range Rover, my cousins were still drinking, gatwe be pakile dibiri from the party..

Botho: The Bonga family next to the kgotla?

Him : Yes, aren't you dating this guy kante?

Botho: Not really..

A Range Rover pulled by with spinning meg wheels and the window rolled down..

Teto: Hi guys, let's go..

The other teachers jumped in and closed the door. Botho swallowed wondering if she should sit in the front or back then she sat in the front..

Botho: Hi...

Teto: Hi...

He joined the road closing the window..

Notification: Please put on your seat belt!

She quickly put on her seat belt and sat there uncomfortably, there was silence for a while until he dropped them off. They all closed the doors and stepped back. Botho opened her mouth to say something but his phone rang then he drove off.

Teto: Hello?

Sandra: Gatwe ke go reye o reke potatoes, butter nuts and spices.

Teto: Who is this?

Sandra: It's Sandra.

Teto: I don't know spices

Sandra: They're in the shop.

Teto: I'm not dumb, I know where they are I just don't know good flavours. Come meet me ko shopong.

Sandra: Ke palame taxi for spices?

Teto: Tell me when you're here, I'll be around the mall.

Sandra: I'm not coming!

Teto: You're fired!

Sandra: I'm not your maid !

Teto: Didn't you clean my house this morning?

Sandra: I was helping my mother.

Teto: Then she is fired if you don't come here and buy spices.

Sandra: She has been working here for years, your parents like her they won't fire her.

Teto : That's true....

(thoughtfully) Ok, then you stole my necklace in the morning, it just disappeared and you took it... Are you coming on not?

Sandra: I'm not coming. Bye!

She hung up then made a turn back home..

At the Bonga family..

Minutes later Teto pulled over and walked in the house while Sandra cleaned the back yard grass and watered the flowers. The elders sat under the tree.

He walked over and bent down greeting everyone then he stepped back..

Teto: Did anyone get in my room? I can't find my necklace

Sandra paused watering and looked at him, the old lady turned and looked at her suspiciously then she quickly walked over...

Sandra : It's in the wardrobe,
did you check the wardrobe?

Teto: I didn't check, it was on
the headboard shelf.

Sandra: I polished the furniture
and put it in the wardrobe.

Teto: Oh ok, can we go buy the
spices? I don't know the right
flavours.

Sandra: Ok

She closed the tap and followed him angrily looking at him, he turned around and smiled opening the door for her..

Teto: (laughed) You should have seen your face!

Sandra: It's not funny, I'll never come here again.

Teto: If you don't come back again something in my house will disappear and I don't think your mother will be too happy

to hear that her daughter is a thief.. I never had this power growing up so I think I'm just going to toy with you until I'm tired. It's nice knowing I control you. Having rich parents is nice, you should be me for a minute... you'll never want to go back to your miserable life.

Sandra: (laughed) Mxm, O hemile!

Teto: And I didn't sleep with those girls phakela.

Sandra: You don't owe me an explanation and you're not my type.

Teto: (laughed) What's your type?

Sandra: A white man, black men don't appreciate women.

Teto: (laughed) I don't think you choose who you love or even know why you love them. It just happens. I loved this other girl whom I never thought I'd love her.

Sandra: Unfortunately women choose who they love, I'm going to marry a white man. Next year I'm applying so that I can study abroad.

Teto : (laughed) Good luck!

Sandra: Thank you.

Teto: By the way I have a few white friends from back in school and work, should I hook you up?

Sandra: No, I want the real thing... Where we genuinely

meet and do dinners and stuff.
I don't want a man who doesn't
treat me special because I
watch a lot of TV and I know
how things should be.

Teto: (laughed) I agree with
you, too much TV...

He drove off...

At Ed's house...

Later on Botho knocked on the door several times and stepped back then Ed opened the door and stuck his head out..

Ed: Hey.

Botho: Hi, you weren't answering your phone so I just came...(smiled) I have a surprise for you... Guess what?

She stepped over but Ed stepped out in shorts and closed the door.

Botho : What?

Ed: There is something I have to tell you... Ntse kesa itse gore ke reng..(I didn't know how to say it)

Botho : What is it?

She looked in his eyes as he
glanced back at the house and
looked in her eyes..

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At Ed's house....

Botho: What is it?

Ed: Well... Things are a bit complicated now..

Botho: What do you mean things are complicated? I'm pregnant... I tested positive...

She handed him the stick but he didn't get it, instead he put

his hands over his mouth
tense..

Ed: That was so quick... How is
it possible for you to be
pregnant after just a month of
the medication? Kana it usually
takes two or more months...

Botho: What are you saying?
That it's not your child?

Ed: No, no I'm not saying it's
not mine but I'm not ready for
a child gone jaana because my

fiancé decided to leave her job in China and come home, I think people told her I'm up to no good or something.

Botho: What fiancé? You said your wife is dead..

Ed: And I met someone but things weren't working, tota I was planning to move on with you because she was working in China and we would meet like once in a lifetime. I honestly thought it wouldn't work out,

but then she just said ene she wants to come home so we can get married and have kids.

Botho: Ed I left my relationship for you and you have a fiancé!

Ed: I wasn't even planning on you leaving Teto so soon, you did that on your own... I wanted to help you have a child because at the time I wasn't sure what I wanted because the long distance was stressing me. Things are going to be hard, she

keeps the cards, we budget and stuff so if I give you anything more than P500 she will ask questions.

Botho: (shaky voice) Ed I left my relationship for you! You can't say that!

The door opened then a young woman stepped out carrying his son on her side waist. The son gasped recognising her..

Him: Teacher!

Botho: Hi.

Woman: Hi ma'am...

She stepped over and shook Botho's hand with a smile before standing next to Ed, then Botho noticed an engagement ring on her finger.

Woman: Hi, I'm Cindy.. His step mother.

Botho: Hi, I'm his teacher.

Cindy: (to Ed) Babe nchekele
pitsa hale... {can you check the
pot for me}

Ed walked back into the house
then she closed the door and
turned back to Botho..

Cindy: I heard about you ke le
ko China gore there is some pre
school teacher being seen with

my husband and son. Thanks for reminding us how much we love each other, thanks to you I quit my job and opened a shop here and funny enough I'm making more money. He just surprised me with a shopping spree in Dubai, that's where my wedding dress will be coming from. Thank you for providing him with kuku but his wife is back. You can go serve another woman's man again akere rona

re aga malwapa wena o bereka
go a tiisa! (We are building
families and u are busy
strengthening them). Gongwe
hane ese ka wena nkabe kesa
isiwe Dubai ibile nkabe ke
iketile dingwaga diya family
yame e fila abandoned (maybe
if it weren't for u I wouldn't be
going to Dubai and it would be
years before I felt the need to
come back home while my
family felt abandoned)

Botho: I'm pregnant with his baby, sorry to burst your bubble.

She smiled and held her other hip then she burst into laughter and put her hand over her mouth.

Cindy: Unlike most women I won't run away or stop my wedding just because another woman says she is pregnant,

I'm marrying my husband and we are going to have children. Your child will be the other child, the one who always gets the basics. Nna I'm not the type that brings up bastards, I don't want your trash in my yard. You will have to explain to your child why her daddy is rich but she can't touch any of his property. I'm marrying this man and once I'm his wife tabe thako go Ila same a utwa? (il

be calling the shots) Tshola
ngwana nana, ke tago ruta
lesson le bothoko jwa go tshola
ngwana le monna yoo nyetseng
(just have that baby so I teach u
a lesson about getting pregnant
for a married man).Nna gake
yoo rayang monna are sapota,
tabe ole wi mo ngwaneng wa
teng, ibile if Ed doesn't
remember you ke di bonwa ke
wena (Im not one to remind a
man to support, u will be that

child's sole provider and if Ed doesn't remember u guys then it's your problem). Ke tsile go gata di step le wena darling.. (I'm going to teach u a lesson)..O tsile go lela. (U will cry real tears).Sale ke ikana kere if ke nna le baby mama in my life wago jela mo lesweng, ke bidiwa Cindy a utwa kgarabe? (laughed) Gao bone asago neela thebe this month ke ganne ka madi a gagwe clarr.

Botho: Do you even know that I didn't know about you?

Cindy: So you thought a doctor was just single waiting for you?

She put her son down and opened the door for him.

Cindy : (to him) Ke eta papa ukwe... (Ed walked over) Give us a few minutes please..

She closed them inside and folded her arms looking at her..

Cindy : I don't like stupid women, so you thought a whole doctor was single? Even construction workers and fuel attendants are not single ele gore Ed tabe nne arileng? Ke tago clapela bohema kana (I will slap u gor that stupidity)

Botho: There is no need for you to attack me mma, I heard you.

Cindy: Then why are you still breathing my air here?

Botho: You're unbelievable. It won't last with that attitude.

Cindy: (laughed) Bye sex kitten!

Botho: Sex kitten for what?

Dicklet?

Cindy stepped over and slapped her across the face, Botho stared at her as she held her waist..

Cindy: Say it again?

Botho sighed tearfully looking at her and walked away...

At the mall...

Meanwhile Teto and Sandra walked out of the shop while Teto held the small plastic, a white man walked in and past

by as Teto looked at her and smiled, Sandra looked back at him annoyed but the smirk on his face embarrassed her and she laughed punching him..

Teto: (laughed) What did I do?

Sandra: I know what you're thinking

Teto: (laughed) Akere kare potential husband ke yeo... Di type tsa gago...

Sandra: I shouldn't have told you this, mxm

They approached the car and both got in then he reversed...

Teto: But I totally understand you because le nna I gave up on women just that I don't say black women are bitches, I don't generalise like you, I don't think it's the whole race I think I'm not lucky with relationships so I

only have sex with women and give them money because I know that's what they want from me. I didn't always have these things and ever since I came into this family I'm popular even with people I don't know, they look at me and talk about how I was lost and how I came home. People from my previous life are now closer to me because they want connections, my grandparents

are powerful and they have businesses so people want to use me to propel their lives, women throw themselves at me because they expect money in return. When you're in a situation like this you don't always make the right decision. I got cheated on by a girl I loved, I tried the second time and lost her, my heart is very weak and the third time I didn't even cry for her. I was too

broken to cry...She left me for a doctor.

Sandra: Interesting, I always saw you as a fuck boy

Teto: I am a fuck boy gone jaana, ta ke ska go aketsa. I fuck around because I'm not lucky with relationships. (saw a man selling fish by the road) Do you want it?

Sandra: Sure..

He pulled over and handed the guy some money, he put the fish in the plastic and handed it to them.

Man: Wait for your change

Teto: It's ok..

He handed them to Sandra and continued driving..

Teto: So... Tell me about your ex, or whoever made you think black men are trash

Sandra: Well, it was my father... He is not a good father and he doesn't have emotions, gaana sepe ka bana hela... He never cared about us and he could beat my mother in front of us, he was also useless. My mother had to find jobs while he did nothing but he ate more than everyone....he could even eat

our food when we had leftovers. I get angry when I think about my childhood because I feel like I didn't live a normal life... When I started dating I was doing form 5, it was with this other guy in University, he never gave me anything not even P50 so I can't plait my hair ka nnale at the salon but I could see my age mates ba neelwa dilonyana. Even basimane ba ma form 5

ba kgona go neela di girlfriends
ma P20 but this guy allowance
e tsena asa mphe not even
nzamela. I asked him why he
never takes me out for ice-
cream he said because we are
not having sex ene gaa kake a
mphe sepe resa heve. I decided
to end the relationship, dated
another guy ke dira second
year in university, this one
lasted and he was nice, he even
took me to restaurants and I

was happy then he got some crazy girl pregnant. She would come to my house to get him... I decided its best I just leave him. I dumped him and it was hard because he is a soldier, he'd beat me up and when I go to report him the police wouldn't take me serious, I don't know what the deal is with soldiers but it seems they have special treatment until a friend of mine told me to

report him to his supervisors.
He was called the next day, he
a tshoga gore. He apologised
and I never heard from him
again. Since then I lost interest
hela because I feel like black
men don't give the love I'm
looking for... Nna batho ke rata
dio tsa skgoanyana..

They both laughed as he looked
at her..

Teto: Poor people ba rata go lora the!

Sandra: (laughed) I'm serious

Teto : (laughed) Skgoanyana like what?

Sandra: (laughed) Like getting small gifts, getting kisses on the forehead, watching the sunset and watching the stars, boating, seeing places and just being called nice names go le monate hela... If its family gole sweet with a man who loves his

children not this walking dead
men who don't even notice
when their children are sad. I
want a man who will soft talk
his child until they laugh.

She looked at him and they
laughed again..

Sandra: Black men can't do that
right?

Teto: Kana most of us didn't grow up seeing that, either we don't have fathers or they were shit... I grew up in an orphanage and honestly I didn't know anything about spoiling a woman until I went to school abroad learnt to be selfless. I just think women are hard on us, it doesn't hurt to suggest a picnic or a trip, we will pay for it and maybe next time reta ikakanyetsa on our way. Don't

expect a perfect person waiting to fulfil you, you might not find him... For example, you're only telling me this because you don't want me but if I was your boyfriend you wouldn't tell me
Sandra: True..

Teto: But I want you to find that white guy so you can see that humans are the same, the white people you see in movies are directed to act like that..

There is reality. In movies they

kiss first thing in the morning,
reality is we brush our teeth
first.. In movies couples are
perfect and have money, reality
is we have to plan and save for
trips. I respect your standards
but I want you to be realistic,
don't lower them but be
realistic, what if you don't find
a white man with blue eyes?

Sandra : (laughed) I'll pray and
fast gape ke bata ngwana wa le
coloured....I feel like light

skinned children are beautiful. I want a light skinned baby so tota hela I'll never give a black man a chance to waste my time. Black men's hearts are just as dark as their skins, they're not soft hearted and all they think about is having babies with everyone and failing to support them. Show me a black man aged over 35 who doesn't have children with different women. Almost every

black wife has a step child...
Hae no, thanks. Step children
from a late partner are
understandable but having
babies all over is just a turn off.
I will never date a black men if I
can't get an English man I'll find
a Chinese or Indian, not black.

Teto: White women love black
men because they don't expect
us to be perfect they tell us
what we should do, I dated a
girl when I was in school and I

think I learnt romance from her. She did nice things for me and I started doing the same until I couldn't stop..

Sandra: Still, I'll never date a black man, ba maaka and have no future.

He bit his lower lip a little disappointed and nodded..

Teto: Ok, go shapo gare
standard sa gago ee. I get your
point....

Sandra: What?

Teto : Nothing, what?

Sandra: I didn't mean to offend
you..

Teto: You already did,
something is going to go
missing in house...

Sandra: (laughed) Kana gao
ake, I thought you were joking
earlier and you did it...

They both laughed as his phone
rang...

Teto: Hello?

Botho: (crying) Hello?

Teto: (slowed down) Are you
OK?

Botho: I'm sitting by the bridge,
under the tree.. I lost my purse.
I don't have coins for a taxi ke
kopa ride..

Teto: Which side of the bridge?

Botho: From the park

Teto: I'm already on my way
there.

Botho: Thanks.

He hung up and sped off.

Sandra: Ke mang?

Teto: My ex,

Sandra: Wa doctor?

Teto: Yeah,

Sandra: The one you can't afford? You're going to pick her up because?

Teto: I don't know, she asked for my help I can't refuse. I'll feel bad if I refuse

Minutes later he parked the car by the tree and stepped out leaving the door open.

She stood from the log she was sitting on and hugged him crying as he held her.

Sandra: (sighed) 🙄 Teto can we go already? Gatwe re diega..

He let go of her and looked at her...

Teto: What happened?

Botho: (tearfully) I'm sorry for hurting yo-

Sandra: Teto we are late!

Botho turned her head and looked at her annoyed then she

looked right back at her with a dare.

Sandra: Motho yoo o romilwe yoo.. {that person has been sent to buy something by the elders}

Botho: Mxm, gatweng ne

Sandra: Akere ne omo thadile, motho yoo ke monna wame yoo ibile oska lelela mogo ene.

Teto: Sandra...

Sandra: Heta re tsamae o lese
di hug nyana ha.. (he tried to
hug her again and she shouted)
Hei! Heela... Heta re tsamae... O
romilwe

He leaned back and turned
around then he got in the car,
Botho got in the back and
closed the door.

Sandra: (sighed) You're so easy,
legale ke tago omanyanya sente
rele 2

Teto: (laughed and poked her
head) Wa ntwaela wena
waitse?

Sandra: O easy... Koore wa
dampywa dampywa wa
selwaselwa

Teto: (laughed) Sandra wee o
toga o swaba kana

Sandra: Fine, I'm quiet...

She folded her arms and leaned back, Teto looked at her smiling and laughed..

Teto: (laughed and whispered pinching her cheek) Wa go swaba hare tswa ha waitse?

Sandra: (laughed and pushed his hand) Mxm, just drive the car..

Botho looked at this woman on the mirror and shook her head. Sandra looked back at her and continued chatting with Teto like she didn't see her staring, she even adjusted the seat and took out her phone playing color matching games....

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Next insert at 11pm tonight, don't forget to like.

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At Botho's house...

Minutes later Teto parked the car, Botho got out and closed the door looking at Teto as he lowered the window...

Botho: Thanks for the ride.

Teto: Sure, o shapo?

Botho: Yeah, I'm fine. Thanks...

She sighed and walked towards the house then she noticed she also lost her key with the purse, she walked behind the house for a spare key then he drove off.

On the way Teto glanced at Sandra and huffed looking away. He wasn't even sure what it was with her but she was interesting, he couldn't believe he actually thought she was a quiet helpless maid's child...

Sandra: What?

Teto: Nothing..

Sandra: So, how is your mom?

Teto: I haven't seen her in a month

Sandra: Why wasn't she invited to the party? Shouldn't the Bonga have paid her magadi to welcome you.

Teto: They feel like magadi is for parents who actually raised the child, I was in an orphanage. Besides they seem to be angry at her for throwing the baby away when she could have thrown him at their

house. It's just one of those unspoken topics.

Sandra: That's not fair, I know rich people like choosing partners for their children and they're probably ashamed their son had a child with her and that's fine but you're her son and only child. You should share what you have with her, she lost a lover and a child...

Teto drove thoughtfully...

Sandra: Maybe it's because I'm a girl child but I understand your mother's side of the story..

Teto: I do too, maybe I have been enjoying being spoiled I forgot her.

Sandra: I'm sure she misses you.. Nako nngwe omo cheke omo reketse seshabo le sukuri.
{one day just surprise her with

a visit and buy meat for her
too}

Teto: Gase gore ke dire now?
{maybe wr should do it now}

Sandra: (laughed) You're late,
you been asked to bring the
spices a while ago.

Teto: But I feel bad now that
you mentioned it.. Let's just
buy from that butchery and go.

Sandra: Ok

They pulled over into a butchery and bought her meat then he drove off..

At Ma Teto's House...

Later on Teto's mother got her jar and sprinkled water with her hands around the clay soil floor to reduce the dust as Teto pulled over in a nice car she didn't even know its name, he stepped out with a young

woman and smiled at his companion. She smiled and put her jar down then she wiped her hands and got out with plastic chairs..

She put them down and looked at Ken with a smile, her baby looked so much like his father it brought tears to her eyes. She frowned fighting the itch in her eyes as tears blurred her eyes..

She hugged his tall body and smiled rubbing her tears...

Her: I don't know why you look like your father like this, it breaks my heart because it's like looking at him on the mirror and not being able to talk to him. He would have loved to see you... Knowing you're alive and now back home where you belong I feel like I'm ready to die and be

with my Kennedy. Maybe then I will have peace..

Teto: You have grandchildren, you can't die just yet and I want to build you a house... (looking at her house) This isn't a good house. I want to buy you a plot and build you a nice house.

Her: I'm fine here, don't spend on me... As long as you're happy I'm happy.. I heard the Bonga's officially welcomed you and I'm happy. I know they

don't think I was worthy of
Kenny's love but I'm grateful
they love my son. I'm at peace..

Teto: Here is the meat... Um...
This is Sandra, she is my friend

Sandra got up and shook her
hand then Ma Teto gave her
the meat..

Her: Put it inside... How are
you?

Sandra: I'm fine..

Her: You're beautiful

Sandra: Thank you

She walked in the house and
put it inside..

Her: Itsholele bogobe jwa
legala mo selwaneng sa komoki
seo oje le tsala ya gago. {dish
for yourself and your friend}

Sandra dished into one plate and sat next to Teto as they ate while his mother looked at him admiringly.

The two of them ate and chatted laughing and giggling with low voices then Sandra got the plate and washed it by the stand pipe.

Ma Teto: She is beautiful..

Teto: (laughed) Thank you

Ma Teto: Why are you laughing?

Teto: We are not together like that

Ma Teto: But you look at her different, you smile wider and your eyes drop straight into her eyes when you talk to her. You remind me of someone.

Teto: There is nothing between us, I'm not into women... (she frowned) Not that I'm gay, I'm

scared to be vulnerable like that. I always get my heart broken so I even if feel somehow I'll never go that far.

Ma Teto: You must never delay love, life is meaningless if you don't have anyone to love or love you. Don't be afraid to take a chance, it could be your last chance. Love and respect women the way your father loved me, its unfortunate that we came from different

backgrounds but our love was strong. He made me feel special and never used my poverty against me.. I want you to be like that, don't let money and power change you. Be nice to everyone especially the poor, above all respect the Bonga's. They're better parents than me so please respect them and listen to them.

Teto: You'll always be a good parent...

Sandra walked in the house and put the plate down before sitting next to Teto.

At the Bonga family home...

Meanwhile the maid served everyone with food and went back to the kitchen while the grannies watched TV..

Him: Kenn has been out with this girl for too long...

Her: What happened to Ma Twink's daughter? I thought she would be invited to the party

Him: She was still in Gaborone, apparently she arrives this evening.. I asked them to come over so we can introduce them. She is very beautiful, educated and comes from a good family background.

Her: But to avoid the drama I'll talk to Sandra's mother, I'll tell her not to bring her here because she will tempt him.

You know how these poor girls are good at luring unsuspecting boys.

Him: Talk to her about it..

The maid walked back in the living room and put the drinks on the table..

Her: Ma Sandy you should talk to Sandra about her coming here..

Nne a nna hela ko lapeng. Our grandson is now staying here and we wouldn't want any drama... Look now they have been gone for hours gotwe go rekwa spices. The last thing we need is any funny interactions between them, Teto already has someone he is supposed to be introduced to from a good

background... Not that Sandra's is not good. Its good but...

Ma Sandra: I will talk to her..

(the car stopped outside) Ibile baa tsena, I'll tell her to go back home..

Her: We are not chasing her.

Ma Sandra: I know, I'm the one chasing her.

Teto walked in and handed the maid spices then he picked up

his daughter's and talked to them for a while.

The maid walked out and towards Teto's car where she was leaning against the car pressing her phone.

Ma Sandra: (angrily) Koore jaanong ne le komeditswe ke di spice? You have been gone for hours and this people are

already complaining that you want to seduce their grandson.

Sandra: Mama you know I'd never do that

Ma Sandra: They don't know that! And they think it's best you don't come here because apparently you'll distract him.

He is supposed to be introduced to their family friend or whatever rich people to, please don't bring me any conflicts... Stop talking to this

boy, I don't want drama and I need this job. Of they fire me I won't afford anything. This people are nice but if you don't do as they want you'll not be happy. Please go home and don't talk to him again.

Sanda: Ok, I'm sorry mama. I just wanted to help you like I sometimes help you on weekends and when you're not feeling well. I didn't think him being here would be a problem

but I'll never come back here again. I would never seduce a man mama, nna Teto nere tsaana jaaka ditsala, I even told him I want to marry a white man. I wouldn't change my dreams for anything..

Ma Sandra : (sighed) I know my daughter... I don't mean to scream at you but just stay away from him and go home. Respect my word and job.

Sandra: OK..

She turned around and walked away then her mother walked back in the house passing by the living room...

Him: Her father is a family friend and we thought if we introduced you two you might be friends. Her father and mother like you

Teto: Why should I be her friend?

Her: Because you'll never know where it could lead... She is a beautiful girl.

Teto looked down reluctantly..

Teto: Ok, when?

Him: She arrives with the 8pm bus, she might need to go home so it will be around 9 if not 10,they're just coming to

check on us re itisa hela go
nowa tee.

Teto: Ok.. (stood up) I'll be
here...

He walked out and headed to
the car but Sandra wasn't
there, he tried calling her but
his calls couldn't go through. He
went back to the kitchen and
lowered his voice by Sandra's
mother.

Teto : Where is Sandra?

Ma Sandra: I told her to go home, your grandparents don't want her here because she will distract you. For my job's sake ngwanaka ke kopa gore le wena o tswe ha morago gagwe. I know I'm just a maid but I'm still an elder respect my wishes and stay away from my daughter.

Teto stared at her speechless..

Ma Sandra: Don't talk to my daughter, I know I don't have anything but please stay away from her.

Teto: I'll do that...

He walked out of the house and passed by the living room with a straight face as his grandparents looked at him.

He dialed his brother heading to the other castle..

Age: Prince Kenn

Teto: You won't believe this, they want to hook me up with a girl from their family friend or something like that.

Age: Who? What girl?

Teto: This is so awkward you won't believe this, gate tsala ya mdala ota le ngwana wa bone

or something and they said
maybe we could be friends but
I know they mean hooking up...
You know how the elders talk,
they keep saying friend but
they mean I should date her.

Age: (laughed) You've got nice
life problems, what's wrong
with it? You're single.. Maybe
you'll like her

Teto: I already don't like her
kesa mo itse, why would she let
her parents control her

Age: The same reason you're, you do realise that if you don't listen to them the Range Rovers might just stop... (laughed) Just saying but you can refuse

Teto: (sighed) Arrr.. There is this other girl, her name is Sandra. We were getting along just fine then ke a kobiwa just like that, her mother is the maid.

Age: Sgogo seo se sente blind if she has a daughter she must be

hot... I have a crush on your
crush's mother. If I wasn't
getting married I'd fuck
Sandra's mother, phona tsa
bagolo di monate kana.

Teto : (laughed) How do you
even turn her around during
sex "Ale kgoname?" wena
monna!

Age: "Bitch turn like this" ose
tshwere ka molala nna garena
sepe rago ja hela ntse o na le
bana ba ba re hetang.. Ke raya

before I got saved legale.

{holding her neck tightly, we don't care if you have kids our age we just fuck you... But of course this was befor I got saved}

Teto: (laughed) I'll call you bye...

He hung up and walked in his house where he sat there for hours...

At Ma Sandra's house..

Later that night Sandra switched off the TV as she and her mother walked towards their bedrooms tying their heads..

Ma Sandra: Goodnight

Sandra : Goodnight...

Sandra walked in her room and switched off the lights then she got in bed and pressed her phone enjoying social media. She shared a few memes and laughed watching funny videos..

About an hour passed and she begun dozing off, she put her phone down then she heard a faint thud on the window by her bed, she lifted her head and

her heart skipped as she stared
at the shadow of a man
reflected by the moon..

She moved the curtains and
dropped her mouth looking at
Teto then she carefully
unhooked her window and
opened it without waking her
mother.

Sandra: (whispered) what do
you want?

Teto: (whispered) It's a full moon and there are stars... I've put a mattress in the car and I thought maybe we could drive somewhere quiet like a camp site and watch the stars.. I bought lots of grilled chicken and braai meat... Let's go...

Sandra : I can't, if we get caught I'll be in trouble.

Teto: We won't get caught.. Besides we are just friends and I want to see the stars you're

talking about. (stretched out his hand) Take my hand...

She stood on the bed and put her hand on his then she let out her head through the window, she got her whole body out through the window and put her arms around his neck as he gently closed the window and stepped back, still carrying her he walked behind the house and towards the fence...

Sandra: You jumped the fence?

Teto: Yeah, neighbourhood dogs were barking that side..

Sandra: Ok..

He put her on the other side of the fence and jumped over while she stood on her toes on the grass then he piggybacked her to the car..

Sandra : You parked too far..

Teto: Didn't want to take chances..

He approached the car and bent backwards putting her down then he turned around facing her as his chest rubbed on hers, he pierced her with her eyes and licked his lower lip looking at hers then she looked down.

Teto : Get in..

She got in the car then he got in and drove off as his phone rang, it was his grandparents again but he put the phone on silence and played music before reaching for the paper bag and putting it on her lap.

Sandra : (laughed) Thank you.. I love food

Teto: I can tell..

Botho called him but he glanced at the call and turned looking at Sandra as she took a bite of the meat. He laughed at her and she laughed embarrassed rubbing the oil off lips...

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In the bush...

The next morning was misty,
the cloud hung low over distant
trees like a soft grey blanket
and the sunshine was breaking
through one ray at a time: the

mist lending substance to the sunbeams. The leaves and the grass had dew that slowly dropped as the hippo that owned that owned this part of Thamalakane grazed towards Teto's van...

Teto and Sandra laid asleep in the back of the van under the warmth of the duvet with his arm around her, he opened his eyes and found himself with his

arm over her breast and her head lying on his arm. This was a great feeling and if it wasn't morning he wouldn't wake her but she had to go home before her mother woke up.

He slowly slid his head from underneath her head then she continued with her peaceful sleep, Teto sat up and put on his sweater then his sneakers. He jumped out of the truck and

the hippo ran towards the river..

Teto: (shook her shoulder)
Sandy?! Tsoga o bone...
(laughed) tsoga monna...

She got up yawning and her eyes enlarged as she looked at a huge hippo running towards the river and submerging itself splashing the water.

Sandra: (panicked) Oh God!

Teto: (laughed) O tshogile?

Come on, let's go...

She stood up in her light night dress and he caught a glimpse of her breasts as the sun shined on her dress, she folded her arms as the cold breeze waved by then he took off his sweater and gave it to her..

Teto: Put it on... Don't get out,
the grass has dew, you'll get
rush on your feet ke tata ke go
isa ko pele

Sandra: Ok

He went to the front and
turned the engine on while she
was getting dressed and
putting trash in the plastic, she
couldn't believe they ate all
that food by themselves, he

walked to the side of the car and stretched up his hands to get her as she put her barefoot over the edge and put her arms over his neck, he grabbed her and walked to the passenger side where he opened the door and put her inside.

Sandra: Thanks.

Teto: Sure..

He went to the back where he got the duvet and covered her thighs to give her more warmth then he closed her door and got in the driver seat, he leaned back looking at her and they each smiled..

Teto: (softly) Wa reng?

Sandra: (smiled blushing) Ng ng...

He sighed and tapped the wipers which cleared the mist on the windscreen back and fourth...

Sandra: Mama kana wa kubuga ha theogela, she might pass by my room a ntaela.

Teto: I'll hurry...

He turned the steering wheel and drove out as he turned the music on.

Teto: What time are you going to school?

Sandra: Ka 9

Teto: Alright..

He reached in the back of his jean pockets while holding the steering wheel with the other

then he dropped his wallet on her lap and continued driving..

Teto: Tsaya made a taxi le di snack at school..

Sandra opened the wallet and stared at a couple of P200 notes, she was actually looking for P20 or P50 but it wasn't there neither was there P100. Taking P200 seemed like a lot for just taxi and snacks..

Teto noticed she was just staring at the wallet and grabbed her hand to see inside his wallet..

Teto: Take bone.... Ke eng?

Gagona sepe mo teng?

Sandra: Gagona a chenjilweng

Teto: Tsaya gone moo

She got P200 and looked at him just to make sure he was OK with it, for some reason she felt like a gold digger. This was probably what his parents were trying to avoid..

Teto got the wallet and slid out P400 then he gave it to her and slid his wallet back in the pocket.

Teto: I chased it out for you last night because I thought we will meet before dishopo di tswalwa.

Sandra: Thank you..

Teto: Sure..

Minutes later he parked behind another yard then he got out of the car and looked around, a few people were passing by including students who were running on their way to school.

Sandra: (laughed) You can't carry me now, people are awake.. Maybe even mama is up

Teto: (laughed) Ok, take my shoes ill drive barefooted.

He took off his shoes and put them down then she put her feet inside as a large space remained behind her heels..

Sandra: Jeso, di repha gore!

He hugged her tightly as they stood by the car then he slowly let go looking in her eyes, they both looked at one another holding hands then he leaned over and kissed her on the cheek.

Teto: (softly) Thanks for
spending a night with me

Sandra: (smiled) Ok..

He looked at her again just
admiring her beauty, he cupped
her face with both hands and
sighed then he stepped back
and kissed her hand.

Teto: Bye

Sandra: Bye

She turned around and walked away dragging his big shoes, he laughed and waited there watching her until she bent over fence and disappeared on the other side of the house. He got back in the car and drove off.

At the Bonga family..

Minutes later he parked at the gate and leaned back looking at his missed calls, his grandfather had called several times and so did Botho, only one phone call was from Age which he returned..

Age: Hello?

Teto: Hi, just got my phone.
What's up?

Age: The old man called me asking where you're le gore

kana batho ba eme ba wena,
they were supposed to see you
and that you're not acting like
you're part of this family. He
sounded really disappointed,
why didn't you show up?

Teto: I went out with Sandra
and I put my phone on silence.
We chatted all night and
watched a movie on the laptop
until we dozed...

Age: You should have
communicated kana it seems

the whole family came to see you, and he says they're still introducing you to more of their people because you're still new and you don't know most people.

Teto: Kana mme last night wasn't the introductions they keep doing for me, they want me to meet a girl of their choice. What kind of behaviour is that?

Age: But you should communicate eseng go sia le ngwanyana gape ene Sandra wa teng you'll get her in trouble. Just be grateful for having a family and act right, lesa Sandra because doing this is going to affect her mother too. Crush yame yoo ntshiwa mo tirong and Sandra is just a student, she can't support her mother.

Teto: Uh mr kante we reng tota

Age: How long have you wanted a family, now you have one and one that loves then you act like a spoilt rich kid disappearing with a girl when you're supposed to be with them. What was wrong with you showing up and meeting this girl abe o supegetsa this girl gore you're not interested in her, she will get the hint and stay away from you. Life goes on

Teto: (sighed) OK... I'll talk to them.

Age: Kopa gore o itshware sente, I thought I was done patenting you now you want to mess up the good life you're living. Just behave yourself gape this people treat me like I'm their child, they're willing to help me marry Akeelah, don't mess this up for me... It won't just affect Sandra and her mother, le nna if ba loser

interest in you nna tabe ke nna
stranger to them. Itshware hela
ka maitseo mr o lese go actor
like that, wena kana once you
fall for a girl you lose all senses.

Teto: Ke go utule go shap

Age: O bue le nna after talking
to the old man

Teto: Ok

He pressed the remote and
waited for the gate to open

then he drove through as the bull dogs followed the car until he parked under the green net besides the castle.

He stepped out and the dogs jumped on them, he scratched their fur and talked to them before unlocking the house and walking in. He took off his clothes and laid down..

At Sandra's mother..

Meanwhile stood on the side of the house looking at open door, she had been standing there for a while afraid to get in and face her mother.

Her mother stepped out of the house with her bag and she dacked behind the house as her mother caught her shadow...

Her: Sandra?! Sandra!?

Sandra: (behind the house)

Maa?

Her: Tswela kwano...

Her mother went back inside the house then she took off Teto's shoes and left them behind the house before innocently walking in with a perfect excuse.

Her mother looked at Teto's jersey and sighed...

Ma Sandra: Ngwana lehuma la rona le le kana ga o le bone? Ke eng o bata go ntshenyetsa tiro? {Can't you see we are struggling? Why are you trying to get me fired me?} Can't you see that if I don't work I won't eat? You're finishing school and there won't be student allowance anymore who will be

supporting while you're looking for a job? Do you think this boy loves you? Even if he does do you think it will work? Why do you want to embarrass yourself? Do you know that to those people I'm just a maid and you'll always be the maid's child? They will never allow him to be with you that's why he sees you in dark... What happened to my strong daughter who had goals? Wabe

o ipiletsa stress ka bana ba
bahumi kamoso o tsoga o
ikaletsa di koloï tsa lenyalo di
heta... Tota o akantshiwa ke
eng gore Kenn wa go rata
ngwanaka? And he is not a
good man, I've seen him wake
up with two girls because I
clean early in the morning. Tota
abe o bitswa ke stress ke stress
hela akere?

Sandra looked down quietly and her mother stared at her as tears filled her eyes, a tear ran down her cheek and she rubbed her tears with the corner of her doek.

Ma Sandra: Ke go kope ngwanaka ka hake kgalema ga o utwe? If there is any respect in you please let this be the last time I talk to you about this. From here if you decide to see

him I'm just going to let you out of my house so you can find yourself a house to rent and sleep around with him. Maybe you don't know their family history, his father dated someone like you and they wanted him to be with another girl they liked. Since Teto's mother was from the shacks he dated her in secret until she fell pregnant, he told his father about the pregnancy but

instead they scared him ka defilement though they very well know rich people are never held accountable, her family would have never dared to take the Bonga to court, his father died and his mother was left with a pregnancy, they didn't even let her say goodbye to her beloved man. They buried him and she went crazy with a pregnancy, all the baby's things were at a house he was to take

her so she had nothing for the baby. She lost her mind and started talking to herself and when she delivered the baby she dumped him in the dumpster. That's where you're heading, I don't know what changed your mind about a white man, why don't you believe in yourself?

She continued looking down as her mother talked to her for a

while until she got her bag and stood up.

Her: I will never forgive you if you bring rich people into our lives, I thought you're going there to help me kante wena o etse banna..

Sandra burst into tears with her hands over her face..

Sandra: I went there to help
you not him

Ma Sandra: (angrily) O ne o
etse banna Sandra, o rata
banna

Ke eng sese go thagisang di
festere masigo.. Go riana ogo
robotse akere? Ga o itote
ngwanaka. Nna nekere o motho
kante o selo hela... {you went
there to search for men, you
like men.. It's the very reason
you're jumping fences at night.

You don't respect yourself, I
thought you respected yourself
but I was wrong}

Sandra cried as her lips
trembled...

Ma Sandra: He is going to use
you and when he is done they
will be bringing him a wife, rich
people live easy lives and you
think you can just come in and
be happy. If you want money

work for it, I know I don't give you anything but a man is not a source of money

Sandra: (crying) Mama I don't want his money

Ma Sandra: O bata madi! Kana o bata go nna ngwetsi ya bahumi? They will never respect you... You better be serious about going overseas to work and find a good man. I want you to leave my house if you're going to continue seeing

him, if you know you won't respect me please pack your bags and leave my yard because I will not stay with a woman... If you're a woman and no longer my child take your bags and go.

Sandra leaned over pulling the sweater over her face crying as her mother walked out.

Ma Sandra: Nxla, motho o
batela eng go ntena maphekela
a kana..

She walked out and closed the
door..

At school...

On the same morning Botho
closed her marker and looked

at her time, the breakfast siren wailed and she sat down..

Botho: Breakfast time... Go wash your hands then take out your snack boxes.

She took out her phone and checked if Teto had responded but he hadn't, she got a phone call and leaned back..

Botho: Hello?

Voice: I'm at the school gate.

Botho: Come in and passed to the reception classes, I'll stand at the door.

Voice: Thank you.

She hung up and dialed Ed..

Ed: Hello?

Botho: I just bought abortion pills, I want to send you a

picture so you can confirm if it's the right one. Please respond fast because this person is in school and I don't want anyone getting suspicious.

Ed: Pills are not safe, you're going to bleed and be sick. If you come to the clinic I can do it surgically. If I do surgical you won't feel no pain and no one will ever know, you won't even miss work... You'll walk out of the clinic by yourself and even

do shopping if you want. Pills are the best way to let everyone know you had an abortion because you'll be in pain and bleeding. You'll even have to be cleaned but with surgical I clean you up right there..

Botho: Are you going to charge me?

Ed: No, I won't charge you.
Come after lunch

Botho: Ok

She hung up and dialed the previous caller..

Voice : Hello?

Botho: Hi, please don't come in. I will call you this evening. My boss just came in.

Voice: Oh, ok. Thank you

Botho: Bye..

She hung up and sighed..

At the castle....

Later that morning Teto walked out of the bedroom buttoning his shirt while talking to the phone..

Voice: You're supposed to do a presentation and the meeting starts in 15 minutes.

Teto: I'll be there soon..

He opened the door for his grandfather and walked back to the bedroom talking to the phone as the old man followed him.

Teto: Is Mr Garve there?

Voice: Yes sir, he even asked if you already left the office and I explained that your notice ends next week.

Teto: I'll be there, prepare my presentation.

Voice: Yes sir

He hung up and dropped his phone on the bed as he tucked in and put on his tie.

Old man: I don't know why you couldn't just quit this job and go work at Bonga logistics,

Teto: I've served them with a notice besides I'm yet to attend a 2 week workshop before I can join Bonga Logistics, thr board decided on it and if I come out ok, I can start immediately.

Old man: It seems to be taking forever to me... What happened last night?

Teto : I visited a friend and forgot my phone in the car, sorry.

Old man: It's ok... By the way I want you to stay away from Sandra.. I can't explain the obvious. I know you grew up around challenging factors but things are different now and you should be able to accept this changes. You're not just Teto, you're Teto Kennedy Bonga. The heir of all this and so you must act right and do things properly because the future of his family lies on your

hands. Like I said before it's ok to fun and sex, having sex with whoever you want whenever you want comes with being a Bonga but you must have class, you're no longer who you used to be... You don't eat from the dustbins anymore, you eat on a silver platter or platters. There are women who are not worth kissing your lips. Learn to differentiate between these women.. Ok?

Teto: (fixing his tie) OK...

Old man: (sighed) I asked this young woman to pass by in the morning before you go to work, she is in the house with us, please pass by and say hello then drop her home.

Teto: OK..

The old man walked out then Teto stood in front of the

mirror looking at himself
thoughtfully, his face dropped
and he sighed..

Minutes later he knocked and
walked in where the girl was
sitting on the couch holding the
remote, he walked over and
she stood up in her formal wear
and high heels.

She smiled as they shook
hands.

Teto: Hi

Her: Hi.

There was an awkward moment as the old woman walked in..

Old woman: Oh good morning
Kenn

Teto: Good morning

Old woman: Please drop her at work, she is late and she has been waiting for a while.

Teto: Ok... Let's go..

They quietly walked out where he opened the door for her and closed then he got in and drove off without a word.

Teto: Where are you going?

Her: Mirrors

Teto: Ok..

At the taxi stop...

Teto drove by and caught a sight of Sandra waiting for a taxi with her backpack then he stepped on the breaks and looked at the mirror before reversing into a taxi parking...

Teto: Do you mind taking the back seat?

Her: Oh... Um.. Ok

She stepped out and got in the back then Teto rolled down the window looking at Sandra.

Teto: Hey, let's go. I'll drop you off

Sandra: No, I'm fine. Thanks..

Teto; You're almost late, let's go..

Sandra: I can't.

He stepped out of the car as his assistant called then he looked in her eyes holding her hand.

Teto: Sandra I'm late for a meeting but I don't want to leave you here. Can you please get in the car.

Sandra: (pulled her hand off) I can't, tsamaya

Teto: You're hurting my feelings... Please...

Sandra: Please go, people are even looking at us.

Teto: Should I kneel down?

Sandra: No.

She stopped a taxi and ran over, Teto watched her as she closed the door then the taxi

joined the road. He sighed and got in the car then he drove off while the young woman sat in the back quietly.

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At Mirrors...

Teto parked the car, the young woman stepped out and closed the door then he reversed and drove off without a word. She took out her phone and called her sister as she walked into the building..

Sister : Hey, how did it go?

Her: He didn't even ask for my name, this is so embarrassing. I knew I should have just said no...

Sister : It was worth a try, I don't think the problem is you maybe he already has a girlfriend or maybe he is feeling awkward about it too. I felt awkward hearing about it... I understand that bo mama feel like you need to have someone and get married, but honestly

you work too much and you never go out. I meet my boyfriends mo di chaching mo, you never go out...

Her: I'm so disappointed, I looked him up on Facebook and liked him, I thought I'm beautiful kooteng ke maswe thata...(maybe I'm too ugly for him).

Tears itched as she stopped walking towards the door and stood behind the building.

Her: (shaky voice) I missed the meeting for him and he didn't even ask for my name. I feel stupid for even having a crush on him, the fact that his grandparents liked me got me excited. Waitse ke thabilwe ke dithong (I'm so embarrassed),

I'll never pass where he passed.

I wonder what he thinks of me.

Sister: You'll be fine... Tonight

I'm taking you, just you and

me...

Her: Thanks, but I think I'll just

sleep in.

Sister : Not going out is the

reason you don't have a

boyfriend abe o helela o

batelwa boyfriend ke bo mama

(that's why our parents end up

looking for someone for u). You

should go out... Tonight I'm taking you out... Just do it even if you don't feel like it.

Her: OK, I'll try... Mme hela ne ke mo ratile Teto wa teng (I actually liked him)... I love him, I have a serious crush on him ke ipotsa if I should give him time to adjust or I'm being desperate.

Sister : You're being desperate... Desperado, have pride... Lesa motho yoo gago

file, banna ba easy (leave him alone he is not into u) he would have even pretended just to taste and pass but if he is not interested you can't force him.

Mo lese, I know it's difficult, I saw his pictures too he is kind of attractive.. Nice smile and whatever but leave him.

Monna gare e nne ene ago batang...(It's nice when a man does the chasing)

Her: True.. (smiled and shook her) Thanks for talking to me, I was so hurt I wanted to cry.

Rejection ya monna e bothoko (being rejected by a man is painful).

Sister : (laughed) That's what I'm here for boo.

Her: (laughed) Bye!

She hung up and confidently walked into the building..

At Teto's workplace....

Later that afternoon Teto walked past Gladys's office pressing his phone..

Gladys: Hi Teto!

He stopped and slid his phone in the back pocket, he stuck his head in the office and smiled,

he had such a luring smile and his eyes were always kinda sleepy in a sexy way. She opened her shelf and handed him a gift box..

Gladys: Here, I know you're leaving the company and I thought of buying something nice to say goodbye.

He let go of the door and opened the box. He picked a

silver watch and smiled looking at it..

Teto: This is so beautiful... It looks expensive...How much is this?

Gladys: It's a gift.. You shouldn't know the price.. I wish you good luck and happiness. I'm really happy that you found where you belong, I always thought about you at night, your difficult childhood

and how strong you came out.
I'm happy that you're happy.

Teto: Thank you.

He stepped over and hugged her then she caught her breath stepping back, he sighed and closed the gift box.

Teto: Thanks.

Gladys: Sure

He closed the door and walked away then she sat down and sighed tearfully. She was determined to fight these feelings and learn how not to love him, and maybe him leaving was God coming to her rescue because his face was one of the reasons she looked forward to coming to work.

At the Bonga family...

Later that afternoon Age and Akeelah stepped out of the car and walked towards the house, two bulldogs smelled and jumped on Age..

Akeelah: Crap I hate dogs!
These things eat people when they're not fed properly.

Age: (laughed) But it's security, no one can jump over the screen wall.

Akeelah: Ng ng...

They knocked and walked in,
the old man was sitting on the
couch with the company COO
going through some
paperwork.

Bonga: Oh hello...

Age: Good afternoon..

Bonga: This is Age, he is Kenn's
brother...

COO : Nice to meet you.

Age: Likewise

Bonga: (looking at Akeelah)

How are you daughter in law?

Akeelah: I'm fine..

Bonga: Bring those documents

Age...

Age handed the COO his CV

then he slid them out and read

them while the old man signed

some papers..

Bonga: I can't wait for the day when Teto will be doing this, I can't even see anymore.. Him and his father should be doing this.

COO: He doesn't look too keen on running the company, I actually thought he'd be in his office by now because it was finished last week but he hasn't even come by to see it. He has the qualifications for it but gaa

lebege a bata go runner
company ya family.

Age: I think he wants to serve
his notice first, Teto doesn't like
burning bridges. He always
wants to leave things in peace
and in a professional manner.

Bonga: Which is good, I applaud
him for that..

COO: I just can't wait to work
with someone younger
(laughed) Having to explain

some things to Mr Bonga was a strain.

They laughed and continued chatting...

Akeelah: Babe let me go pick AJ, I didn't notice it was time up.

Age : Alright, bye.

He handed her the keys then she bid everyone goodbye and left. The COO also did his part and left them behind as they discussed magadi processes and the expenses...

At the school...

Minutes later Akeelah stepped out of the class carrying her son and his bag, Botho walked towards the parking lot.

Akeelah looked at her twice before she could recognise her. She had lost so much weight and had no makeup on like she used to.

Akeelah continued walking like she didn't see her, then Botho recognised her and smiled greeting her.

Botho: Hi...

Akeelah: Hi... How are you?

Botho: I'm good... Where is Teto? I have been trying to call him but he isn't picking.

Akeelah: Well he is-

Botho: Nna mma ke bonye dilo, you know I can't have children right? So I met this doctor and he told me he could help me have children. Being a desperate person I just did everything I could to make sure he helps le ene mma a mpha

madi and I honestly got tempted..

They arrived at the car and Akeelah stood by listening to her as she went on and on about her life problems. This woman wasn't her friend, in fact they once hated each other but it was like the stress she was in was blinding her and she just wanted to vent to someone. She wasn't even sure

how to respond because she even interrupted her, so she stood by and listened to her carrying her son. At first it was funny, I mean at some point she had to raise her son by herself because of her but the more she talked about this the more Akeelah felt the pain and loneliness in her...

Botho: And now he says he is engaged.. The woman even

slapped me. Nna kana basadi
ba nna ba mpetsa
hela...(Women always beat
me). I didn't even know what to
do but even Teto won't give me
a chance. He doesn't take my
calls. I want to abort, this guy
told me to come over and do it,
I'm just in between... I want a
baby so bad but I'm afraid to
have a child by myself. I
wonder if I'll manage ngwana
yoo senang rragwe.

Akeelah: But you're a teacher and you have a stable job. Nna kana I had my baby when I was working in a butchery ka salary ya P900 per month. You're a teacher you get thousands and if you budget hela sente your baby will have the best life ever. What I've learnt in life is that children are for us women, men are just a bonus in a child's life because they can walk away anytime.. Banna ba

latha bana but you can't kill
your child because of a man.
There was a point when I lived
for a man but my pregnancy
taught me to love myself. Also
don't be a victim, nna tota neke
eta ke ipona diphoso gore uh
Age le ene neke mo clapa thata,
you cheated.. Accept it and
move on. Help will find you on
the way..

Botho: True..

Akeelah: If you were just a normal person I'd understand but it could be years before you get pregnant again so you better respect this baby and be grateful. I was a single mother and slayed with my baby, Age o ithetse ke le lekgarebe ke nonne. Don't ever o bopamela monna.. Kill this baby and you'll be so lonely, this child ke mopati and a friend. Do you even know the feeling of

holding your baby for the first time? Tears just roll.. Tears of joy... A new born is a miracle of God and something happens inside you. My baby changed me... Le go rapela ke itse go rapela.(I even know how to pray).That's Motherhood for you..

She smiled almost imagining that moment, a veil of depression weighed off her

shoulders as she smiled now wondering if it's a boy or girl, then she realised she might have said too much, actually this was the last person to be talking to about her issues.

Botho: Bye

Akeelah: Bye

She quickly walked away then Akeelah got in the car and

sighed surprised at herself. Did she just talk to her like that? This was the woman who gave her sleepless nights. She sighed and drove out of the school... Hopefully she'd get help and not harm her unborn baby.

At school...

Later that afternoon Sandra walked out of the school gate and walked along the road

putting on her headsets to listen to music. Teto pulled over in front of her then she stopped looking at him.

Teto: Get in...

Sandra: I told you i-

Teto: For once just do what I'm telling you to do, just once!

Can you do that?

She slowly took down her bag and got in, then she closed the door. He joined the road and drove with a straight face..

Voice: Please put on your seat belt.

She pulled her seat belt and clicked it before leaning back. She looked at him and sighed..

Sandra: Where are we going?

Teto: You'll see....

Sandra: OK...

He drove into a filling station
and parked then he popped the
lid..

Teto: Full tank

Fuel attendant : Sure

He handed Sandra his phone..

Teto: I've just loaded this memory stick with new music and I've booked a night for us in that hotel, it's in Gaborone.... Let's get away from everyone and go relax. I know you don't have your handbag with you, whatever is in there we will buy it ko pele, your makeup and all that. I want to get away from all this and listen to my heart because I've got something to

tell my parents tomorrow, but before that I need time with you. Come with me, don't worry about your mom or my parents... I will personally explain everything when we get back...

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At Ma Sandra's house...

Later that evening Ma Sandra stepped out of the taxi and closed the door then she walked in. It was a few minutes to seven and surprisingly the lights were not on. Sandra would usually be home watching TV on a high volume, and the sweet aroma of her

stew would be all over, but it was OK that she didn't cook. She had brought her food. She hadn't enjoyed her day after their talk in the morning, she knew she was rude to her but she needed to just get her point across..

She walked into the house and switched the lights on before sitting on the couch and switching the TV on, then she

took out her phone and dialed her daughter.

Sandra: (noisy background)

Hello?

Ma Sandra : Hi, o kae?

Sandra: (laughed) Do you miss me?

Ma Sandra : (laughed) I'm not used to not finding you home.

Sandra: Gake nyalwa o taa dira jang? (What are going to do when I get married)

Ma Sandra: (laughed) Ke taa utwa bothoko mme gape ke bata o nyalwa ngwanaka, ota mpha ngwana wa gago akere? (I will be sad, but I do want u to get married. Promise u will give me your child)

Sandra: (laughed) Ng ng, I want to stay with my children and hubby. Wena o nna ole wi

akere you decided to have one child only (u will stay alone since u decided...).That's what you get for denying me siblings.

Ma Sandra: (laughed) Ae go ganne popelo monna ako o tswe mogo nna..(It's my womb that refused, get off my case)

Sandra : (laughed) I'm plating Sharon's mother, o dira masai braids so this means I'll be doing her even at night. I don't

have lessons tomorrow so I'm lucky.

Ma Sandra: Masai kana a tsaya ngwaga othe (That style takes long to plait)

Sandra: It's also expensive, I'm going to be rich tomorrow (they laughed) I don't know what time I'll be home tomorrow.

Sandra: No, problem. I thought you'll be home so we can talk.. I felt very bad the whole day

about the way I talked to you in the morning, it was rude.

Sandra: It's ok mama, I know I hurt you too. Don't worry about it, I know you were just hurt.

Ma Sandra: Thank you, ago loga mma toga ke go dia (Go back to plaiting, let me not delay u).

Sandra: Shap, good night

Ma Sandra: Good night.

She hung up and leaned back relaxing as she changed the channel...

At Botho's house...

On the same evening Botho laid on the couch watching the Korean love stories and tears filled her eyes. She rubbed her eyes and the episode ended. Her phone rang then she reduced the volume...

Botho: Hello?

Ed: Hi, what happened?

Botho: I can't do it, I changed my mind.

Ed: I don't want it, I'm not ready.

Botho: I want it.

Ed: You can't force me to have a child with you, I'm getting married and I can't support that child.

Botho: Then you shouldn't have had unprotected sex with me, I didn't rape you remember?

Ed: Then it's your child, don't involve me. What makes you think you can force me to have a baby with you?

Botho: I'll delete your number.

He hung up then she sighed thoughtfully looking at the ceiling. It was still hard to understand how she could have

been sucked into this and destroyed her family so fast. For the first time she wondered how Aisha and Naya were doing. She had worked so hard to put her family together and then got tricked easily, couldn't it have been better had she just cheated and used protection then fall pregnant with Teto's baby...

She sighed and continued watching TV...

At Akeelah's house...

Meanwhile Age and Aj sat on the floor with their legs spread as they drove the battery toy cars and crushed on one another, Aj burst into laughter..

Akeelah walked into the living room in shorts and a vest, and she made bantu knots on her hair..

Akeelah: Ke kopanye le mogatso gake picker AJ (I ran into your woman while picking AJ), she looked so depressed she just started spilling the beans saying all her dirty little secrets.. She wanted to abort but I told her not to.. Ne a

buabua hela nkare sepoko (She went on and on like a mad person)

Age: Mogatse mang? Motho yoo ke mogatse Teto (Whose woman? That person is Teto's woman)

Akeelah: You shared her.

Age: (laughed) Can you just leave me alone.

Akeelah: Tell Teto to talk to her, she made a mistake. He must forgive her.

Age: He is not taking her back, after cheating? No ways

Akeelah: Didn't I take you back?

Age: I didn't come with another woman's child, imagine fathering another man's child..

A step child you found with a woman is ok but hell o tsholelwa ngwana? Nah.

Akeelah: You're such a hypocrite, I actually feel for her but I think she will be fine.

Going crazy is part of the healing process.. She is in denial..

Age: (laughed) This is truly awkward, I don't want to talk about Botho.

Akeelah : Ija...

Age: By the way tomorrow your parents might have visitors.

Akeelah: Babe kante why not look for your real parents?

Age: I don't want to.

Akeelah: (surprised) Why not? You were so motivated when Teto found his, why not?

Age: Just, I don't want to talk about it.

Akeelah: Babe we are getting married, there shouldn't be secrets and you promised me you would talk about your feelings.

Age: I'm not ready to talk about it, I just want to be excited about us getting married. Plus

not every orphan will be welcomed with open arms. It doesn't always end with riches like in Teto's case.

Akeelah: Have you found your parents?

Age : No, can we not talk about this?

Akeelah : (sighed) I'll never understand you...

She went back to the bathroom
and continued doing her hair...

In Gaborone

Teto walked into the other side
of the casino holding Sandra's
hand, they passed through the
crowd with colorful lights
flashing here and there..

Teto: Are you lucky?

Sandra: (laughed) I don't know...

He stood behind her holding her waist as she put the coins in the slot then she pulled and waited for the wheels to run. She smiled curiously as the first section dropped, the second one dropped identical to the first one and Teto kissed her neck..

Sandra : Oh God, I'm going to win.!

The last part dropped and it wasn't the same, she sighed smiling and he turned her around and kissed her.

Teto : Next time... Ok, let me play one last time then we go, gao o tsele akere? (u are not sleepy, right?) Let me know if you're tired.

Sandra: I'm not, let's go...

Teto joined the game while Sandra stood behind him putting her arms over his shoulders. Teto felt insecure as men passed by, then he pulled a chair next to him.

Teto: Come sit where I can see you.. I don't want to punch anyone for groping you.

She laughed and sat down and the guys continued playing, she really didn't know much about casino games or what was going on but it seemed like bae had everything under control. They were all silent and thoughtful, Teto sipped from the wine glass and put it down playing. The game went on for a while until he dropped his killer card. The other player

sighed and stood up then she stood up suspecting he won yet not sure because Teto stood up and shook hands with the guys.

Sandra: What? Did you win or what?

Game assistant:

Congratulations Mr Bonga, I'll be right back.

Teto finished his drink and leaned over kissing her while she hugged him..

Teto: We won...

Sandra: Let's play again and win more.

Teto: (laughed) No, if you win in a casino you go home because you're going to lose. See all these tables? The casino won't let you win because they need money too.

Sandra: But you're so goo+

Teto : (shut her with a kiss)

Come on let's go, it's late and I don't want you to catch a cold... I won that money for you, it's yours...

The assistant called them over and he walked over with his hand behind her back..

Minutes later they walked out of the building as she smiled from ear to ear, he took off his jacket and put it around her shoulders.

Sandra: Wow, I think when I start working I'm going to gamble, it's such easy money.

Teto: It's not.. Don't ever talk about gambling..

He opened the door for her and they got in before he drove out of the hotel.

Minutes later they walked into their hotel room with takeaways, he sat on the bed and took off his shoes while she stood by changing the channels. He grabbed her from behind and dropped her on the bed, they laughed playing on the bed. She blushed looking

up in his eyes as he looked
down in her eyes..

Teto: Thanks for coming over..

Sandra: You're welcome...

Teto: Would you mind being
my girlfriend if I lost all these
things, if say my family
disowned me?

Sandra: I wouldn't mind...

Teto: Great because tomorrow
I'm losing it all for you..

He got off her and unzipped his jeans as she sat looking at him.

Sandra: What do you mean?

Teto: There is a girl they introduced me to but I don't like her, she is fine but I'm interested in you.

Sandra stared at him as he took off his jeans and threw them on

the chair before walking into the shower. She sat there until he came out and leaned over stealing a quick baby kiss on her lips.

Teto: Close your mouth you'll eat bugs!

Sandra: Teto you can't tell your parents about us, my mother will kill me in fact she will have a heart attack. You can't..

Promise me you won't..

Teto: I'll think about it.

Sandra : No, you can't think about it.. Promise me you won't tell them, besides we hardly know each other. Let's see where this is going and then talk about parents later.

Teto: Ok... Ok...I promise...

She sighed and took off her clothes then she walked into the shower with a towel. Teto quickly jumped off the bed and

reached for the plastic bags under the bed and set up everything then he waited sitting on the bed. Minutes later Sandra stepped out of the shower with a towel above her chest and stopped lifting her eyebrows in shock. The whole room looked different, the flower paddles and candles..

Teto got up in his shorts and got on one knee...

Teto: I know we haven't been together for long and I don't even know if you have a pussy or not (she laughed) but I know how you want to be loved and you know what I want, please be my wife... I'm not about to lose a good woman wasting time with insignificant things. Will you marry me?

Sandra: Teto.. We...We didn't even have sex!

Teto: I know and trust me I've wanted to fuck you for a while now but I think I'll control myself.

Sandra: I can't believe this... It can't be that easy.. What if-

Teto: Will you marry me?

Sandra: Yes... I'll marry you

He stood up and slid the ring on her finger then he leaned over and kissed her.

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At Bonga logistics...

The next morning Age parked
Teto's old car and leaned back

looking at the big building with a huge logo of the Bonga Logistics company. He took out his phone and dialed Teto...

Teto: Hello?

Age: You're supposed to be at work.

Teto: Yeah, I'm on my way. I'll probably not make it today because I'll arrive in the afternoon.

Age: I really hope you're telling the truth because you're on your way. Why don't you take your job seriously? Why o tsaya dilo lightly, why don't you appreciate everything you have and everyone around you? It's like you want to be begged to run logistics.

Teto: Ke misitse tiro ga 1 the rra (I only missed one day), what's the fuss about?

Age: It's not just that, you haven't even come to see your office. It's like you want everyone to beg you to act right, why osa gole thaloganyo.(why are u acting immature)

Teto: Why are you so strict on me? Not everything is about my job or family, I have a life too and I have my reasons for dragging my feet into that

company. I don't just jump because gatwe jump...

Age: Who is saying jump? The old man says he can't even see and he needs you to take over and you're running around with little girls..

Teto: The last time I checked you told me to go for girls old enough for me, I'm doing just that. As for the old man I'll deal with him when I'm ready which will be today. I needed time to

think about all this. I was looking for my family just to know where I come from not to come and complete their puzzles when they're not even willing to respect me as an adult. Why do you see wrong in me and not them? Maybe you should look for your own family and understand how family members can be stressful. Honestly I've reached a point where I regret finding these

people because they don't respect other people... They don't even respect my mother, but you can't see that because you just want me to be rich so you can feel like your little brother is happy. These riches don't make me happy... Ask me what I want...

Age: You've just decided to be difficult and act like a rich kid when you grew up with nothing, you make careless

decisions and you're disappointing me. You were supposed to take that girl out ka weekend so that she doesn't miss school and you don't miss work. You weren't answering your grandfather and he called me. People have flaws Teto and if you don't communicate nothing will work out for you... You can change these people's perceptions because they love you and you're the only child.

Communicate! Just
communicate..

He took down the phone as
pain rushed to his throat and
choked him. He licked his lips
and blinked his tears away..

Age: Not every child that grew
up in an orphanage will have a
happy ending like you... (tears
blurred his sight) Appreciate
the people who value you ..

Appreciate the blessings in your life.. (a tear ran down and he rubbed it) You're blessed to have all this, your mother has no money but she loves you. Do something for her, change her life... These old people love you and they're making all these decisions out of love. They see you waking up with different girls and they just want a nice girl for you. I heard a little about the girl they were

talking about and she is not bad, but I understand your stand gore gao bate ngwanyana yoo mmatetsweng. The most mature thing would have been to talk to them about this issue.. If indeed you love Sandra you wouldn't want her missing lessons, this will bring conflicts between her and her mother which then will get her mother fired. Do you think Sandra's mother will ever love

you if you make decisions that put her in such a position? She won't, in the end the pressure from everyone will come between you and Sandra.

You're making things difficult, please be mature and see how much everyone around you loves you. I'm saying this not to annoy you I'm saying it because I love you and I don't want you to destroy your future because you're going to be a powerful

man and you don't even know it. Stop acting like a little boy and make sound decisions.

Whenever someone says or does something you don't like talk about it, skare ee I'll meet the girl and run away.. You're hurting other people le ene that girl has feelings. She came because she had hope.. And what you said gore I should look for my family and maybe then I will understand hurt me,

not everyone will be welcomed
with open hands and walk into
love.

On the road...

Meanwhile Teto stopped the
car and stepped out, he closed
the door and walked a few feet
away from the car...

Teto: I hear you and you're right, I have been overwhelmed by all this and I won't always make the right decisions, but I'm happy I have you and you always talk to me even when I'm stubborn. I get the feeling that I have been so busy with my life we hardly talk about you... Last time you were motivated to find your family, how did that go?

In the car

Tears filled his eyes and he leaned over the steering wheel as they dropped on his lap, then he rubbed his eyes...

Age: I don't want to talk about it..

Teto: I talk to you about everything, why don't you trust me?

Age: It's not worth talking about.

Teto: Ok, did you find her?

Age: Yes... I went to her house and tried to talk to her but it didn't go the way I had hoped for throughout my childhood. I always thought.. (stopped and swallowed) I always thought she made a mistake but it wasn't a mistake. I wasn't supposed to live and I carry the face of a well known rapist. I

wish I never dug that deep,
sometimes what you don't
know won't hurt you.

Teto: What are you saying? I'm
confused..

Age: Just appreciate the people
around you.... She told me not
to ever talk to her again or tell
people she is my mother. She is
married and she has children,
one of her sons arrived and she
said I was just looking for
directions before telling me to

leave.. (tearfully) My own mother, someone I always dreamt of meeting.. She looked at me with hate and said that I look exactly like the man who raped her on her way from school.

On the road...

Teto's eyes filled with tears as he slowly squatted..

Teto: (caught his breath) Fuck, why didn't you tell me all this?

Age: I didn't want to spoil your moment, I went there with high hopes and she didn't even spend 5 minutes with me. It was short and brief but it broke me down... I've never been so hurt. I talked to my father in prison... He is on death row, 5 years ago he killed one of the women he raped and was

sentenced to death this year.
He can't even remember who
my mother is even when I try to
explain because he just raped
her and moved on raping more
girls and women. I'm disgusted
with myself because I think
that's what I am. I enjoy rough
sex, I enjoy hearing that no
during sex, I need a woman to
resist a little for me to enjoy...
Maybe it's in my blood.

Teto: That's bullshit, a lot of people enjoy rough sex. It has nothing to do with that.

Age: The point is I have no one, the only family I'll ever have is Akeelah and AJ, I want to marry her right... Ke bata go ntsha magadi and really love this woman because she is the only person who has ever loved me even when I wronged and hurt her. I need your family to help me build my own family... I

want to build a legacy for my son, when I see a smile on his face I'm complete. I get sad when I see you taking all your blessings for granted. Those people need you to tell them what you want and don't want then they will understand. Drive safely..

He hung up and rubbed his eyes then he took a deep

breath and walked into the building...

On the road

Teto walked towards the car and got in then he put the phone on the holder and faced her.

Teto: Babe there is been a few changes. I didn't consider a lot of factors.

Sandra: What?

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On the road

Teto walked towards the car and got in then he put the phone on the holder and faced her.

Teto: Babe there's been a few changes, I didn't consider a lot of factors.

Sandra: What?

Teto: I was planning to just introduce you because it was the easiest way, but now I don't think that's a good idea. We have to talk to your mother about this so that she doesn't hate me or you, we have to humbly explain our plans. I think both of us have to sit down and explain...I don't know if we should bring them together and tell them at once

or we talk to your mother first
then my parents.

Sandra: I don't want us to tell
them anything. I want us to
date a little and maybe they
will get used to us seeing each
other.

After they've gotten used to us
then you can talk about
marriage. Aren't you afraid that
this is too soon?

Teto: I've learnt one thing, it's
never too early to get married,

we can date for ten years and if I'm not ready to be married I'll still not be ready.. Marriage is not complicated, at least I don't think it is.. I just don't want to delay love and live to regret it. I loved mmagwe Aisha and the night she died changed my perception about life. It's never too early to love someone but it can be too late. Let's not follow what people do... But of course if you're not ready to be

a wife I'll wait, I'm not forcing you I'm just showing you that I'm ready to be a husband and have a serious relationship.

Sandra: (smiled) Ok... Can you give me a week to think about it?

Teto: (smiled) Can I have my ring in the meantime?

Sandra: (smiled and hid her hand between her thighs) No!

Teto: Still, how do we go about this?

Sandra: I think it's best we both face our own monsters. I can handle my mother but yours ke a ba tshaba.

He laughed and leaned over stealing a kiss then he drove off..

At Sandra's mother's...

Later that afternoon Teto approached the Sandra's home, she knelt between the seats reaching for her things on the back seat...

Teto: (laughed) You bought too much le ha gotwe masai a tura eseng plastic ya clicks e tetse, shoes and clothes. Wa go thalosa botoka.. (U bought a lot of stuff for the money one would get from plating masai, u

better come up with a convincing explanation).

Sandra: (laughed) The rra I'm a big girl, mama knows students get 1.6K per month.

Teto: Didn't you say you helped her buy grocery? She will wonder why your allowance this month is refusing to finish.

Sandra: (laughed) The rra wena stop wa ntshosa, I'll find a plan... This is why I'm too old to be staying home.

Teto: Let's move out and move in together, ibile it will give us a chance to get to know one another.

Sandra: Mama toga are ke inyadisitse (my mom will say I'm marrying myself off), I could never dream of staying with a man who hasn't married me. She will never approve or bless such.

Teto: I understand... It's nice having parents who love you, right?

Sandra: (laughed) At my age it's disturbing... If I want to spend a night out I have to give a good reason and I can't come home late and knock on my mother's window so she can open the door for me, it would be disrespectful..

Teto : True...

He parked at the gate then she stepped out with plastic bags and closed the door with her butt. He rolled down the window looking at her..

Teto: Come this side and kiss me..

She blushed smiling and shyly walked to the driver's side where she stood by looking at him.

Teto: Kiss me.

Sandra: (laughed) Uh Teto bathong.. (she looked around the neighbourhood and waited for the old man passing by)

Ema pele monnamogolo yole a hete (let the old man pass first).

The old man passed then she leaned over and kissed him on the lips. He reached out the car and french kissed her before

dropping down his hand to her butt and groped her.

Teto: Talk to me after o sena go bua le mama. {after talking to mama}

Sandra: Ok..

She walked in through the gate and turned around smiling walking backwards as he sat in the car smiling at her. He'd

seen all kinds of bodies but you see, this one was different...

And he wasn't going to waste time either.. He wasn't about to repeat the same mistake twice, he was going to fuck her soon, very soon.

He started the car and drove off...

Sandra walked into the house and sat on the bed, then she

smiled looking at her shopping bags. She stood by the mirror and fitted her clothes and heels with a big smile. Her phone rang then she paused and picked.

Sandra: Hello?

Voice: Hey girl, I heard bo Mercy saying you're dating Teto, is that true?

Sandra : Why are you asking?

Voice: It was just a rumour in class I was wondering after seeing your pictures ole mo shopping ko Gabs.

Sandra: I don't like discussing my private life, o boletsa class yothe jaana? {Are you asking for the whole class?}

Voice: No, I was just wondering. Akere this guy last time we talked about him when his family was throwing him a party. Anele says she even

spent a night in his castle with her friend, gatwe he asked them to spend a night with them.

Sandra: Ke mathata, bye!

Voice: So le a jola? {are you two going out?}

Sandra: Ke rile I don't like discussing my private life..

Voice: But a part of his Range rover e dule on the picture and you hid the number plate...

Sandra: You know what I'm dating him yes, le boletsa eng? {why are you asking?}

Voice: Anele feels like o mo tseela motho because she asked her friend to accompany her only because he asked for two girls. She feels like Teto likes him... What you're doing is not fair.

Sandra: Mxm le ntwaela gore, lona nele ijesetsang motho asare wa le bata? Delete my

number, la mo rata the Teto ke
eng lesa mo leke hela akere le
itse ko ga bone le plate number
ya koloi ya gagwe. Leave me
alone, gake reetse magatwe
nna ha ele gore ne lere le a
senya.

She hung up and continued
fitting her clothes..

At the Bonga family...

Later on after taking his shower Teto walked into the main house as Sandra's mother walked out knocking off, he greeted her avoiding her eyes and walked in the house as the girls ran towards him as he picked them up laughing. He handed them each a plastic bag..

Teto: That's yours...

Aisha: Thank you daddy...
Granny took us to buy ice
cream and Naya ate too much...
(laughed throwing her head
back) She had brain freeze and
cried.

Naya: (pouted) Stop it

Teto : (laughed) Uh so your
brain froze?

Aisha: Look daddy... She was
like..

She imitated Naya and laughed as Naya pushed her, their grandmother walked out laughing holding a plate..

Her: Aisha batho, she tells everyone Naya o tenega gore..

Teto laughed and picked Naya..

Granny: Have a seat and eat...

Teto: (sat down) Where is the old man? I want to talk to him.

Granny : He is on a call.

Teto: Ok

Teto started eating and Naya got off his lap and opened her surprise. The girls showed one another their presents as the old man walked out talking to the phone and hung up.

Old man: Oh you're here, gaa
laelwa the Kenn.

Teto: I forgot... Sorry..

Old lady : (walking away) He
says he wants to talk to you..

Teto: You too..

Old lady : Oh..

She walked back and sat down
then Teto took a deep breath...

Teto: When I first looked for you I just wanted to see my father's family and see where I come from, but now I feel like you both want to control my life. I don't want to be told which girl I can date and which I can't because I can choose who my heart wants. I think this is what killed my father, he didn't just have a heart attack he was living a sad life. I don't want to be him... I want to be happy... I

have dreams of my own. I want to run Bonga Logistics but I don't want to do it with the fear of getting fired should I make certain personal decisions you don't like. In fact I don't want you involved in my private life period. I think your duty is to accept whoever I want, and that's Sandra. I don't like this attitude of looking down on people just because they're not privileged. It's

wrong and it must stop or I'll just leave because it means our values are different. If you love me allow me to live my life and make my own mistakes so I can learn and have wisdom. I'm not going to Bonga logistics until I have shares in my name or have some kind of assurance that you won't fire me when I marry a girl you think is too poor.

He sighed looking at them as they stared at him..

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At the Bonga family..

The old man leaned back and put his foot over his knee, then he rested his chin over his fist intently looking at Teto. The boldness and pride coming out of his mouth got him feeling challenged, but this was something he wished Kennedy had. With this pride he'd probably lead the company exactly the way he wants.

Teto: I just want to enjoy my life and enjoy having you in my life as well, I shouldn't be made to choose between the two.

Old man : Don't let that pride grow bigger than your head.. I hear you but when you talk to me you better watch your tone young man, do you understand me?

Teto looked down regretfully..

Teto: (low voice) Ee rra.

Old man: Don't talk to me like you're talking to one of your little girlfriends. I understand your frustration and things wouldn't have come this far had you just told me you don't need introductions. I met your grandmother through our parents, my mother saw her at one of their weddings... She was serving the elders, working hard and humming alone, very

beautiful and full of smiles. She asked her mother if she had a boyfriend because she felt like she was a perfect match for me. They said no, and she told my father who was amazed when he saw her... My father personally told me that there is a beautiful girl he thought I won't resist.. I had several girls I was sleeping with just like you, but on that fateful day my father took me to their

wedding. Her cousin was getting married and my girl looked so beautiful... One a rwele diraba tse di tshweu ka leteisi le le blue le vest e tshweu, mabele a gagwe a eme sente a ntibile, smile sa gagwe ha a thusa batho jaana... I fell in love with her ke mo lebile ke bapile le papa amo ntshupegetsa a eme ha gare ga bo ntsalae a nthaya are that's your girlfriend.

My father talked to her aunt and they asked her to serve me a drink, back then we drank ginger in weddings. Ke ha e goroga ele mo tereing.. I took that drink and held her hand ke bua le ene for the first time. She was scared because she knew who I was.. (turned to her smiling) You knew right?

Her: (smiled blushing) I knew, my aunties and my mother had

told me the previous day and when you arrived with your father they showed me the car. I saw you from a distance and I was scared... I liked you but I was scared because I heard that people from the Bonga family are prideful and controlling.. But I was excited and scared at the same time..

Him: That cup of ginger resulted in your father and him making you... So I had no bad

intentions when I introduced you to that girl. Her father is my friend and we saw her growing up. She is very shy, she hardly talks and keeps to herself, unlike her sisters who make sure everyone knows they're rich she befriends the nobodies. She knows nothing about riches and standards and she always helps the maid. I've always seen her growing and thought if I had a grandson I'd

like her for him... This is what we used to do back in the days. Back then it wasn't wrong for a parent to tell their son that this girl looks good enough to be a wife what's your thoughts? It's just a suggestion not an order. Motsadi o kgona go go ratela motho abe e nna gone but I know times have changed. The very least you could have done was to tell me you don't like her, did you even talk to her?

Teto: I didn't even get a good look at her, I didn't get her name either. (laughed feeling dumb) I wouldn't recognise her if I met her again. I was just wrapped up in my own world.

Old man: (laughed) Don't worry about it, her parents said she was disappointed but she is fine. (sighed) About Sandra... I really never thought of her as someone you could fall for, but knowing she is beautiful I knew

it could be tempting, I just didn't want you getting entangled in a situation you won't be able to get yourself out of, but if you're sure... It's OK.. You can date her but we are going to have to let her mother go.

Old lady : For her own dignity and for Sandra's dignity, imagine sleeping with her daughter and still making her do your laundry and pack your

clothes. Kana tabe rele ko bogwegadi. I know your peanut brain will think we are firing her for Sandra, but she can't be working for you when you're supposed to be axing wood and fixing her fence. It wouldn't be fair to have her as a maid.

Teto: I understand.

Old man: About the shares...

Old lady : (stood) My pot!

The old day went to the kitchen while Teto leaned back and put his foot over his knee, he wasn't even aware he did that but the old man noticed and smiled.

Him: That company is yours, I don't know how to explain this to you... I don't even need money. If you were interested in knowing about your family you'd know that I have enough

money to last me a lifetime because I'm old. Ha sediba same se nosa dikgomo ibile 2.7 yame e na le petelore badisa ba duetswe ke heditse. Those people are stealing money from your company, the company your father started.. I am a farmer.. Kennedy started that company, it's not mine. I just oversaw it... My riches came from the cattle and the general dealers I owned. If I trusted

your maturity I'd give you all the shares but because you're still sleeping around I will give you 40%. If I'm impressed in the next couple of years you can fully have what belongs to you. It's your inheritance nna gake utswele ngwana boswa mme hela I won't let you spend on girls and kill the company my son worked so hard to start. Until you're married with a family, I won't think about it.

Teto: About that... I asked Sandra to marry me.

Old man : You've known her for what? 2 days?

Teto: Well, I kind of like her.

Old man: I'm not going to play such games. Ke eng ke kuku e bothitho thata?

Teto: (laughed embarrassed) I didn't sleep with her.

Old man: So how do you know she is a girl and not a boy?

Teto: (laughed) I know, I touched her.

Old man: There is more to marriage than touching her.

Marriage means if you find out after 6 months that you don't really share the same dream and divorce, she takes half of everything.. Marriage is something that comes when you've seen your partner angry, happy, sad, depressed, embarrassed even when they

have cheated on you. You can't marry a woman you're not sure about, you need to know what she would do if you faced certain challenges, but that's just me. I'm old school so I will ask you this... Do me a favour and date her for six months... Throughout this time, make sure you see her and spend lots of time with her enough to see all kinds of emotions and attitudes from her, then come

talk to me after six months, I'll officially bring your wife home. How is that?

Teto: (smiled) I guess it sounds fair... I'll do that...

Old man : If after six months you're still sure I'll be the one paying magadi.

Teto smiled looking at him and laughed..

Teto: Seriously?

Old man: Yeah, you're my only child, why shouldn't I?

Teto: Thanks... You've got style..

He smiled naughtily glancing at the kitchen to make sure his granny couldn't hear, then he rubbed his nose.

Teto: So what happened after the tent meeting?

Old man : (laughed) Well, we didn't have cellphones then.. So I borrowed my father's car, ene e bidiwa 2F... Ele tshweu ka mmala.. (they laughed) I drove to the farm with her, ke ha ele nako ya moretologa.. We walked into the bush so I could find her one, she liked the red ones not the common orange ones... Once there I took off my

jacket and laid it down for her, she sat and I brought them for her. We sat there and talked for a while as she ate.. One thing led to another and I was on top of her. I was taught never to waste time with a woman because there is always 2 more guys eyeing her. She walked into that bush a girl and came out a woman..

Teto : (laughed) The bush?
You're so not romantic.

Old man: (laughed) It was back then give me a break, besides I got more romantic with time, cellphones arrived and she was one of the first women to get Motorola. It was as big as my hand..

They laughed loudly and continued chatting.

At Sandra's mother's...

On the same evening Sandra walked in the living room and sat on the sofa with her mother while she watched TV. She wasn't sure how to start this conversation..

Sandra: Mama what would you do if Teto said he wants to marry me?

Her mother turned and looked at her..

Her: He wouldn't say that.

Sandra: What if he said it?

She slowly took out her hand and showed her..

Sandra : He asked me to marry him but we haven't had sex or anything. He had chances to

sleep with me but he didn't.. I think he is what I'm looking for.

Her: You want to marry into the Bonga family? The people I worked for years ba nthuile ke le maid wa bone ware e nne bo matsalago? What makes you think they will even respect you?

Sandra: Teto respects me, that's all I need.

Her: While thinking about yourself and this fling that

won't last long have you
thought about my job? Those
people are going to fire me.. I
know them very well. They said
you should never go there
because you'll tempt their son
and you did just that. You're
going to make it seem like I
want money from him. Since
when does marriage come this
easy? You watch a lot of TV and
you're naïve... Men are going to
grind your heart until you can't

breath if you're going to rush into relationships with such high hopes. What happened to the white man hunt?

Sandra: He is exactly that except he is not white, it was never about colour but my perception about black men based on my father's past. I want to try with Teto...I love him and he loves me..

She stared at Sandra in disbelief and turned to the TV...

Sandra: Mama?

She kept quiet and continued watching TV while Sandra sat by waiting for her to say something in response.

At Age's House...

Later on Age laid AJ down and tucked him in then he walked out and switched the lights off heading to the bedroom where Akeelah was lying in her lingerie. He sat on the bed then she touched his shoulders kissing his earlobes and whispering in his ears..

Akeelah: If you tell me what was bothering you I will suck you until you cum in my house

then I'm going to ride you until you cum in my pussy.

Age: (smiled) There is nothing bothering me... Oh wait... Its just this little problem..

He got up and took out his employment contract then he handed it to her. She grabbed the letter and gasped then she jumped on him as they both laughed.

Akeelah: How dare you keep this from me, wow! Babe I'm so proud of you. I hope Bonga Logistics know how much of a hard worker you're... I heard employees are stealing from my dad, ke dule hela mo yone. They want to see me tomorrow, I have a feeling the Bonga's talked to them.

Age: Ok, finally... Progress..

Akeelah: (kissed him) I'm so proud of you... I love you

Age : (laughed) I love you too...

His phone rang then he answered laying on his back while Akeelah sat on his stomach..

Age: Hello?

Teto : Bro I love you

Age : That's gay

Teto: (they laughed) I love you big time, everything is in order..

You were right. They're not as bad as I thought.. Everything they do they do out of love, even their mistakes are out of love. Anyways I'm getting 40% shares and the rest when they're sure they can trust me. And this company was started by my father... Can you believe it? I can't wait to get started..

Age: Uh there we go, someone just woke from the dead.

Teto : (laughed) Yeah, so gone yaana I'm on my way to that girl's house... Gatwe her name is Darling

Age: (laughed) I thought it was a joke so it's a serious name?

Teto: (laughed) I don't know, I'm just passing by to apologise for being rude so we can part in peace. Now that I think about it I was unnecessarily rude to her. I should have let her down easy without crushing her.

Age: (Akeelah kissed him) Ok...
Shap

He hung up and received
Akeelah's French kiss as she
unzipped his pants..

At Darling's House...

Minutes later Teto parked
between two cars parking in
front of the garage and stepped

out of the car hoping there were no dogs, he leaned in and reached for a bouquet and a long box of chocolates. He closed the car and walked to the door where he knocked.

The house was noisy and everyone was chatting loudly, eventually they heard the knock and a young woman opened the door. This one was thick, he was sure it wasn't

Darling.. Probably the little sister,yeah it was the little one from the naughty smile she gave like she already knew why he was there.

Her: Dumelang

Teto : Hi, is Darling home? I'm Teto

Her: She is in her room, wait a minute.

She closed the door and screamed, seems she wasn't aware he could actually hear everything..

Her: Teto is here with the flowers...chos! Le tlhanya sTV the

. Dee!? Yoo siana, di chocolate

Sister2: Di chocolate!

Sister 3: Di kae?

Sister2: Gatwe guy ya hookup e konte

Sister 3: Ga se gore bo mama le rona bare some... Hei relationships are nyising us

They laughed and the mother walked in...

Mother: Gatwe modumo ke wa eng?

Sister2: (giggled) Boyfriend ya
ga Darling!

Mother: (laughed)Dilo tsaga
rralona, koore o bolelela ruri o
batetse ngwanake boyfriend,
waitse ha mosimane yo aka
utusa Dee bothoko.

Darling walked out of her room
in her sleep shirt and walked
into the noisy living room..

Darling: Gatweng?

Sister: Your classmate is looking for you

Darling : Classmate?

Orapeleng?

Sister: No, Maria

Everyone giggled as she looked at them wondering what they were giggling about, being an introvert this was just

annoying. She turned to the door and opened to Teto's face.

Her heart skipped and she looked back at them smiling now realising what the joke was about. She turned back to Teto and smiled trying not to show that fright..

Teto looked in her eyes for the first time and smiled then he

handed her the flowers and the chocolate.

Teto: Hey

Darling: Hi..

She stepped on the stoop and closed the door..

Darling: Thank you for the flowers, they smell nice... I love chocolate.

Teto: Sure.. I just wanted to-

The front curtains moved and all three sisters peaked out then their mother joined in, he wasn't sure if they knew he could see them. Darling turned looking at them but for some reason they didn't get the hint, even her father peaked on the other side of the window. She looked down embarrassed and Teto laughed..

Teto: A mme baa itse gore ha gole bosigo o okomela motho yoo konte wago bona?

Darling: Sorry, I'll talk to them.

Teto: (laughed) It's ok... Ba lese.. Let's just stand here and see how long they will stand there..

A few minutes passed while they stood there and the family

still stood on their positions watching to see what they would do. Darling looked back embarrassed and Teto laughed, for some reason all this seemed funny. I mean even the parents were peaking.

Teto: Can we go for a drive? I doubt I'll even remember what I came to say with everyone staring.

Darling: OK..

He took her hand and led her to the car where he opened the door for her, she got in and pulled the seat belt. Teto got in and reversed the car then he drove out and sighed looking at her as she sat uncomfortably.

Teto: What kind of music do you like?

Darling: Anything, classic, RnB, dance hall, it just depends on my mood..

Teto: I see..

He gently turned up the music and looked at her as a soft love song started, his eyes got her shy and she laughed looking away. He laughed and forwarded to Enrique's album then he slid open the roof cover letting in the moon light.

After a short drive away from the noise and town lights he parked on the middle of a community football field then he sighed leaning back. She took a little bite from the chocolate and chewed modestly as he looked at her then he realised how inappropriate his words would be. She probably thought he was coming with good news.

What the hell had he done, by the way she actually looked beautiful and much more sweeter than he pictured girls from rich families.

Darling: Thanks for the flowers... And for taking me out..

He looked in her eyes as she ate the chocolate then he reached for her cheek and

leaned over softly kissing her
and getting the chocolate from
her then he gave her a soft
quiet baby kiss.

He held her little soft hand
looking in her eyes...

Teto: Darling I have
someone...kind of like a
girlfriend, her name is Sandra. I
met her a couple of days ago
but I'm not sure if I'm exactly

what she wants because she isn't too keen to commit and for some reason now that I'm looking in your eyes I can't decide between the two of you. Ke le bata lothe.... I want to date both of you for two months or less. I think by then I'd know which relationship is worth pursuing.. Would you mind?

Darling: (low voice) Uh, nna
gake itse. Dira se ose batang. {I
don't know, do what you want}

He pulled her chin up and
French kissed her.

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In Teto's car...

He pulled her chin up and french kissed her then his hand caressed her thigh, he went up her navel and cupped her breast.

Teto: (whispered) Let's go to the back...

He adjusted the seat and went to the back then he held her hand as she stepped over. He placed his hands over her waist and made her sit on his lap. The warmth of her pussy got his dick so hard Darling felt it expanding. She sat there uncomfortably not knowing how to act as she supported herself with her hands on his chest. He put his hands on her

thighs and pulled out her slip dropping it on the carpet. The moon lit her body and he reached for her breasts with both hands and leaped up tonguing her nipple before kissing her lips.

Darling breathed heavily through as Teto touched her, she wasn't sure what his intentions were but it looked like he wanted to fuck and the

thought terrified her, but of course she wouldn't say anything to him. He unzipped his jeans and took out his dick looking in her eyes..

Teto: Touch it...

She slowly brought her hand over his dick gripping it as it filled her hand, it was hard and warm. He put his hand over hers and rubbed it up and

down then he left her to do it. She did it so softly he held her hand putting more pressure, but she continued doing it gently.

She probably needed to be fucked, how soft can one be... He watched her doing it slowly and almost got impatient, then he put his hand behind her neck and kissed her pulling her close to his chest as his other

hand snuck behind her butt pulling her panties aside. He then guided his hard dick over her pussy as her heart pounded over him. He could almost feel how scared she was. She flinched at the touch of his dick head and got tense...

Teto: O tshogile (u are scared)... Can you relax, it won't hurt.. Look at me...

Darling: Re ta dira kamoso go na le condom (we will do it tomorrow with a condom), I don't want to be pregnant.

Teto: I won't cum inside you, I just want to feel your insides..

Darling: O ska mpolaa (don't hurt me).

Teto : I won't relax..

He kissed her and reached behind her again pulling the

bridge of her panties aside
exposing her wet soft pussy,
then he brought his dick closer
and split her pussy lips right
into her little opening. He
stretched her open squeezing
himself between her pink
flesh..

Teto: (closed his eyes) Uh
fuck....

The moon penetrated through showing him her sexy body as he caressed and drilled her gently, then he opened the door and stepped out. He picked her up and carried her to the bonnet of the car where he laid her on her back. She put her hands over her face as he pushed her thighs apart and fucked her....

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He pulled out and rubbed himself over her, a shot of his cum landed on her breast and chin as the rest filled her bellybutton. He shook it and rubbed it on her thigh then he smacked it on her pussy and fucked her...

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He put her down with one foot and hung the other on the bonnet together with her chest

and face down on the bonnet,
then he polished his dick and
slid in and out playing with that
pussy.

Teto: I can't stop wanting you...
Fuck... You're so good!

Darling: (shaking as he fucked
her back and forth) I'm-tired...
O taa dira kamoso gape (u will
do it again tomorrow)

Teto: No, wait...(groaning)
Uhhhhhhhh fuck!

Unable to take this dick anymore she slowly slid her foot down and looked at the door. She took baby steps as he fucked her from behind with his arm covering her waist over him..

Darling: Ago dira Sandra the rra ke a go kopa nna ke lapile... (go do it with Sandra please I'm tired)

She reached for the door handle while Teto was plugged behind her drilling through that wet pussy. As soon as she opened the door he turned her around and closed the door with his foot, then he fucked her while they stood.

Darling: (tearfully) I want to go home...

He pulled her back over his chest and shoved it all inside almost pushing her stomach contents out, and she bent over and threw up. He held her by the elbows and fucked her back and forth while she spat on the ground. He froze inside her...

Darling: You're getting me pregnant!

He gave her the last stroke and pulled out letting go. She put her hand on her abdomen and wiped her mouth with the other catching her breath looking at his dick, it was hard to believe it was inside her.

She went to the car and picked her dress then she stood behind the car as Teto walked over. She stepped back behind the car and folded her arms.

Darling: I want to go home.. It's late.

He got his pants and put them on then he parked his dick to the side looking at her. She had such a nice pussy he wanted her again, but it would be too much for her so he opened the door for her. She walked over but he noticed she wasn't walking properly, almost as if

something was wrong down there. She sat down with one butt and he stood by looking at her.

Teto: Are you OK?

Darling: Yes.

Teto: Gao tsamae sente (u are not walking properly)

Darling: E bothoko (it hurts), when I'm sitting it's much better but when I stand it's like

it's falling and pulling away from my body... I think it's swollen.

Teto: Why did you throw up?

Darling: (embarrassed) I don't know...

Teto: Are you OK?

Darling : I'm fine bathong Teto.

He stood by and sighed then he closed her door and reached for his tshirt and put it on. He

got in the front seat and put on his shoes while Darling sat there looking at him. She couldn't believe he fucked her like that, if being with him meant this she wasn't sure anymore. She knew men loved sex but this one was unbelievable...he leaned over and kissed her then he started the car..

Teto: Are you OK?

Darling: (sighed) Yes..

He drove out of the football field and closed the roof as he turned up the music..

Teto : What time do you knock off? Kante are you working or schooling?

Darling: Doing internship in the family company.

Teto: Great.. I'll pick you up around 10 for breakfast.

Darling: I'll talk to my supervisor and get her permission just in case I don't get back on time.

Teto: OK.

Darling: We won't have sex again, right?

He looked in her eyes reluctantly...

Darling: I can't have sex again
gape I don't know your status.

Teto: I'm negative, we can get
tested.

Darling: We should have tested
first, tabe ke tshogile until we
have tested kamoso.

Teto : I know I'm sorry, this
wasn't planned le nna nekesa
itse gore I'll end up in a position
like this. I've never had so much
good sex in my life...

Darling: Sandra le dirisa
condom? (Are u condomising
with Sandra)

Teto: We haven't had sex yet.

Darling: Why?

Teto: (kissed her) Let's not
discuss her, this is our time..

Darling: Ok

He sighed and drove her
home...

At Sandra's house...

Minutes later he parked a short distance from her gate and dimmed the lights, then he looked around the car to make sure Darling didn't leave anything behind, surely Sandra would kill him. He still remembered her big mouth when he was picking Botho.

He dialed her number and
looked at himself on the mirror.

Sandra: (softly) Hello?

Teto: Hey, did I wake you?

Sandra: No, I can't sleep.

Teto: I'm at the gate.

Sandra: Ok, I'm coming.

He hung up and reached for a
hand lotion and applied it all
over his arms, face and neck in

case he had traces of sweat
from Darling.

Minutes later Sandra walked
out of the gate he looked at
her and a cloud of guilt washed
over him, his face dropped as
she got in and closed the door.

Sandra: Hey!

He leaned over and kissed her..

Teto: Hey.. How did it go?

Sandra: (sighed) She wasn't happy about it, she is worried about her job and she hasn't said much since. What about you?

Teto: They're okay with everything, I told them about you and they explained that your mother cannot continue working for us when I'm dating you. For the sake of her dignity

and your pride they're going to let her go because she shouldn't be taking care of me when I'm sleeping with you. I understood their point, what do you think?

Sandra: I understand and it makes sense, but she won't understand cos she needs that job.

Teto: I will find a way to assist her, it's my responsibility. Don't

worry about it.. Otherwise how are you?

He reached between her thighs and leaned over french kissing her.

Teto: I want to take you out tomorrow in the evening.. Will you be free?

Sandra: Yeah, I'll be free...where?

Teto: I haven't decided yet.

Sandra: OK...

Teto: (yawned and sighed leaning back) I'm feeling sleepy.. I just want to lie down.

Sandra: (smiled) Alright, good night.

Teto : (kissed her) Good night..

She stepped out of the car and he waited for her to get in the house before driving off. On his

way he tried to budget for his girls and divide his time, but he was just too tired to even think about anything.

Once he got home, he locked the door and fell dead asleep on the bed with his shoes, what a pussy he had!

At Darling's house...

The next morning her sister walked into the house and went through her wardrobe quietly, she picked an outfit and snuck out.

Everyone in the house got ready for work and school, the students left with their mother..

Father : Darling o kae? (to one of the girls) Go call her wa ntia (she is delaying me)

Her: I stole her clothes, she can't see me now o toga a nkapodisa (she will want me to take them off).

The father sighed and walked back into the house as everyone drove off. He knocked on her door, she eventually

responded then he walked in and found her in bed..

Him: Hi, you're late... What's going on?

Darling: I have a headache... I'm not feeling well today.

Him: You never get sick is everything OK?

Darling: Yes.

Him: Teto a reng? I was asleep when you got back.

Darling: We just talked about things and us.

Him: Is he as nice as his grandparents say?

Darling: I don't understand him but maybe it's because I haven't spent time with him.

Him: If he does something off it's ok to let him go, I wasn't asking you to date him. His grandparents are good people and they liked you for him. I didn't want him to be a

distracted because we don't know who your husband will be. I know these boys can be rough and you don't deserve that. I'm yet to observe him..

Darling : He seems nice..

Him: OK.. (sighed and stood) I have a meeting, I'll ask my PA to bring you painkillers.

Darling: Thanks papa.

He walked out and closed the door, then she turned to the side as her thigh muscles hurt with cramps. She reached for her phone and clicked on his Facebook account. She smiled staring at his pictures one by one. She bit her lip scrolling through then she landed on his daughter's pic. She stared at Aisha and laughed at her silly smile and funny childish poses. She scrolled to Naya and smiled

again. He made beautiful babies and they seemed to be joyful. Her smile dissolved as she wondered if they would really like her and have a relationship she was hoping for.

At Sandra's mother's..

On the same morning Sandra prepared her mother's breakfast and cleaned the

house way better than usual
before knocking on her door.

Sandra: Mama ke a tsamaya
(I'm leaving)

Her: OK.

Sandra : (standing at the door)
Mama ke taa togela Teto (I will
leave Teto)

Her: Come inside... (she walked
in) Sit here..

She sat on the edge as her mother looked at her..

Her: I thought about it and I don't want to come between you and your happiness. If Teto is the one then I should accept it God will give me another job if they fire me. I don't want to be one of those parents who choose for their children, my job is to help you build your relationships and build a proper

family. I've raised girls who have families and I want that for you as well. So you have my blessings, love Teto and be faithful to him. Respect him and love him for him not what he has because life is like a wheel, it has ups and downs. You should be able to stand by him even when things are hard.

Sandra: Thank you.

She smiled then her mother
smiled back..

Her: Go, you're late... By the
way don't be in a hurry to have
a baby, the worst thing that can
happen to a woman is to have a
baby too soon. It changes the
direction of your life, leba Teto
pele o bone gore a mme ke
motho yo oka ikanngwang.
Men change their minds easily
and you don't want to be

caught up in his confusion with a baby. Above all be his peace and he will always come to you. You won't follow him gota itisa ene.

Sandra: Ee mma.

She got and smiled as she walked out...

At Teto's house...

On the same morning Teto stepped out of the house in his formal wear and dialed Sandra.

Sandra : Hey..

Teto: Good morning..

Sandra: Morning

Teto: How did my girl sleep?

Sandra : Good, my mother just made my day.. She blessed us wholeheartedly.

Teto: I like the sound of that,
anyways I just wanted to hear
your voice. I'm sending you
ewallet for breakfast.

Sandra: Thank you.

He hung up and sent her P100
then he dialed Darling.

Darling: Hello

Teto : Hey... (frowned) Are you
in bed?

Darling: (laughed) Yeah, I'm exhausted...

Teto: I just wanted to hear your voice. Gao lwale mme akere?
(U are not sick, right?)

Darling: Ae ke letsapa hela, ke itsapa go tsoga gare ke robala but I'm getting up now, I'm going to work.

Teto: Alright, I'm sending you ewallet so you can buy something to eat on the way.

Darling: Thank you..

Teto: See you later.

He hung up and sent her P100 then he drove off..

At the Bonga family house...

Later that morning Sandra's mother walked in as usual, but this time she found the old man and his wife waiting for her on the couch. Her heart skipped as

she closed the door and walked
in greeting them.

Ma Sandra: Dumelang..

Both : Dumelang..

Old man : Please have a seat,
there is something we need to
discuss.

She sat down and sighed..

Old lady: Yesterday Teto talked to us and told us about his relationship with Sandra. This relationship brings a lot of awkwardness and conflict of interest because you're not just our house help now so my husband and I thought it would be best if you worked at the company, not where Teto is working. We asked a family friend to hire you and they agreed. Your

salary will be up by P200 so it's not bad, is it?

Ma Sandra : Thank you, that's very thoughtful of you.

Old man: You're welcome, here is their number. Your job offer is here. You'll receive a full salary for this month though it has just begun.

Ma Sandra: Thank you, Go siame

Both : Thank you

She stood up and walked out.

At Age's office...

Later that morning there was a knock on the door while Age was just getting settled in the new office.

Age: Tsena..

Two young men walked in and stared at him, he recognised the short one. It was the same guy that arrived while he was in tears talking to his so called mother. Both of them looked alike, clearly they were brothers.

Age: Can I help you?

Young man: Are you Age?

Age: Yes, why?

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At Age's office...

Young man : So, you are Age?

The youngest sat on the chair relaxing and crossed his legs reaching for Age's family photo, he looked at it and curved his lips impressed.

Him: Big bro you have taste...
(touched his chest) By the way I'm Cash.. (pointed with the framed picture) This is Luke. He checked you on the system and you're our brother...(looked at

the framed picture again) Nice family you have here...

The older brother got the framed picture from him and put it back the way it was, then he picked him by tshirt and sighed embarrassed.

Luke: System o raya eng o ta ntshenyetsa tiro Cash? (What do u mean by system Luke, u will get me fired)

Luke shook hands with Age not sure how to start. They had rehearsed what they were going to say to their big brother, but Age's silence made them tense and they weren't sure if he would welcome them.

Luke: My name is Luke, don't mind this one he fell during birth. (Age laughed) We have

always heard rumours that our mother had a child when she was a teenager and threw it in the toilet, and that when she was caught she gave up her rights as a mother and told the social workers she didn't want the child. This was just rumours and she denied it, but after seeing you at home the other time and seeing how defensive she was I ran your number

plate and did more research on you.

Age slowly sat and showed them the chairs then they sat down.

Luke: We weren't sure how you'd react to us but we wanted to say hi.

Age: Ok.

Cash: So it's true, like... You were really thrown in the toilet or people were exaggerating?

Age: It's true. The rescue task force was called, they broke down the toilet and one of the soldiers got me out. Second Lieutenant Age, that's the soldier who got in the pit latrine despite the conditions, I was named after him. He died just before I finished my form 5.

The guys stared at him and he looked down trying not to think about it. Their silence and the look on their faces got him emotional but he smiled to cover it.

Age: So, what do you guys do?

Luke: I'm a detective and he is studying law.

Age: Brilliant...

Luke: So... How did things go maloba when you talked to mama?

Age: She doesn't want anything to do with me and I respect that. I don't want to talk about it further than that, so if you need more information you can ask her. There are things about my childhood I don't like talking about.

Cash: Alright, so can we go out and have drinks, do you drink?

You look like the mfundisi type of a guy, ha o bore akere? I already have a boring brother.

Luke: Not everyone has fun drinking beer.

Age: (laughed) I take one or two bottle, three maybe four.

Cash: Uh there we go...

Luke: Let's go motho o theogetse (he is working).

Age: See you later, your numbers?

They exchanged numbers then
Age noticed Luke had a
wedding ring..

Age: I can't wait to get
married... When did you get
married?

Luke: When I was 22, she was
18.

Age: No! Serious??

Luke: (laughed) Rona the monna raa jola monna, nkile ka rata ngwana yole autwa!

Cash: He once tried to commit suicide when she cheated.

Luke: She didn't cheat she wanted to leave me, what's wrong with you?

Age: (laughed) Ga le utwe lona banna waitse! (U guys are naughty)

Luke: Mr get back to work we will get in touch, when is your wedding?

Age : We are thinking in 3 or 4 months.

Luke: Can I be your best man?

Age looked at him reluctantly and his face dropped..

Luke: It's fine if you're not comfortable with-

Age: It's fine, you'll be my best man..

Cash: Nna ke taa bina step hela ke bata baetsane. Does your wife have sisters? I need freaky girls!

Luke: Don't listen to him...

Age: (laughed) Banna wee tsamaya re taa kopana kgantele, mo gotweng Cash mo gone go sule mowa...

They fist bumped and shoulder bumped before walking out, Age closed the door and sat down then he sighed a huge sigh and smiled slowly. Just the thought got him emotional, his little brothers looked for him, wait does he have sisters? Guess he would ask at the bar tonight when they play pool.

At Darling's work place...

Darling walked past her supervisor's office, she stood up and peaked at her as she walked in the toilet and took about 15 minutes in there. She had been going to the toilet several times and now she beginning to worry..

Darling walked by then she shouted from her office...

Her: Darling?

Darling : Maa?

She walked back and got in the office..

Her : Are you OK?

Darling: Ee mma

Her: Are you sure?

Darling: I'm not feeling well...

Ke kopa day off.

Her: What's wrong?

Darling: (looked down) It's nothing, it's private

Her: Can you sit down... You're scaring me.

She sat down and sighed looking away

Darling: I had sex, I was embarrassed to tell him that I have never had sex and he was rough. I was even throwing up

and now I'm on my period but I was on my period 2 weeks back so I don't know if I'm bleeding or it's a period. I have serious abdominal pains and I can't sit properly..

Her: Why don't you go to the clinic?

Darling: (tearfully) Nna ke thabiwa ke dithong, toga go nna ekare ke rata banna. {I'm embarrassed, people might think I like sex a lot}

She leaned over and rubbed her eyes.

Her: Should I call your mother?

Darling: No, I don't want them to know that I had sex. Ke ta nwa di painkillers abe ke robala.

Her: Dee what if something is wrong? Have you told him?

Darling: I don't want to tell him,
I think I'll be fine..

Her: Give him his number
because if you don't want
anyone to know then he has to
accompany you to the hospital.

Darling: Ke siame

Her: Gawa siama, you went to
the toilet 4 times and your eyes
are red red. Call him

Darling: Ga kea mo twaela (I'm
not that close to him)

Her: Give me his number because its either you call him, I call him or I talk to your parents. I don't understand why you can't stand up for yourself. You're acting like teen and people are going to use you. There is no reason why you should have sex without someone you're not comfortable with enough to tell him you've never had sex

before then let him do all kinds of things to you.

Darling: (gave her the phone)

Here it is..

Her supervisor dialed the number with a telephone and leaned back..

At Teto's office...

Teto walked in the office with one of the employees as he looked at his new office then his phone rang as he peaked in the shower..

Teto: Hello?

Voice: Hi, this Evelyn. I'm Darling's supervisor, is this Teto?

Teto: Ee mma, what's going on?

Voice: She is not feeling well,
nna ke bona ase ene gape a
nnela go tsena toilet corner to
corner. She says she was afraid
to tell you that she never had
sex befor and that you've
somehow hurt her. Ke kopa
gore ote gomo isa spatela ka
gore wa gana are o thabiwa ke
dithong. (please come take her
to the clinic because she is
embarrassed to go alone)

Teto: OK, I'm on my way. Thank
you

He hung up and walked out..

At Darling's workplace.

Minutes later he parked the car
and waited for her then she
slowly walked over, his heart
pounded as he dialed Age's
number.

Age: Hello?

Teto: I had sex with Darling and I didn't know she never had sex before, I was kind of rough and I fucked her over 4 times...she is hurt.

Age: (laughed) Ya gynecologist ee

Teto: Man, I'm freaking out

Age: She is probably swollen or something, she will be fine. I

doubt you can be rough enough to crack her. She is fine.

Teto: I'll come by this evening

Age: Sure bye, have you told Sandra she is on trial?

Teto: Really?

Age: Sandra is going to beat that Darling girl a mo ntsha boleta

Teto: I'll be careful.

Age: Your decision.

He hung up as Darling approached and opened the door, she got in and greeted him avoiding eye contact but he looked in her eyes and held her hand.

Teto: Hey...are you ok?

Darling: Yes

Teto: Gatwe wa lwala, can you be honest with me? You're freaking me out

Darling: I'm in pain.. Down there

Teto : Why didn't you tell me?

Darling: I wasn't comfortable..

Teto: Kante how old are you?

Why do I feel like I'm paedophile, why can't you talk?

Why can't you be open? Was I supposed to guess that you've never had sex? And then wa

lwala you come in public so I can be called like I'm a rapist, why didn't you tell me?

Darling: Why ar-

Teto : (angrily) No, answer me.

Why are you acting like a 12 year old? I'm not gonna stand for this kind of nonsense! Why don't you talk to me? I've got a reputation Darling do you understand that? Le gone I talked to you in the morning and you said you're fine.

Darling: Can we go? I heard you

Teto: Heard what? Stop acting like a child. I don't even know

what was so hard about telling
me you never had sex

Darling: I'm sorry.

He sighed and drove out
without a word. There was
silence for a few minutes as he
drove to the mall then he
sighed and looked at her.

Teto: I'm sorry..

Darling: Its OK, at least you see wrong in the way you talked to me.

Teto: Can we go eat somewhere after the clinic or you'd rather rest?

Darling: We can eat at your house

Teto: Ok, we will get takeaways then I can massage your body especially the abdomen.

Darling : Thanks

Someone screamed his name
and he looked back..

Teto: fuck! Ke Sandra.. And
there is traffic I can't proceed.

Darling looked back as Sandra
ran over..

Darling: She is coming

Teto: Relax..

Sandra ran to the car and opened the front door..

Sandra : Hi,

Darling: Hi

Sandra: Go to the back this is my seat

Darling quickly took off the seat belt and went to the back,
Sandra jumped in the front seat

and closed the door. Teto
leaned over and kissed her..

Teto: Hey babe..

Sandra: Hi, we came to print
our assignments. I'm done
though.

Teto: Ok, this is Darling, she is
my cousin... Dee this is Sandra..
She is my girlfriend.

Sandra turned back and smiled at her.

Sandra: Hi, sorry for moving you.. Just that it's my seat

Darling: I understand

Sandra : (to him) Where are we going?

Teto : We are taking her to the clinic, gatwe ke mo ise clinic

Sandra: OK..

Sandra's phone rang then she picked..

Sandra: Hello?... Waii nna ke ile.. Bae o ntserere, we are taking his cousin to the clinic from here we are going out. Ok love bye.

She hung up and sighed as Teto drove the car looking at Darling on the mirror, she looked at him with reddish eyes and

looked down then he continued
chatting with Sandra.

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At the clinic..

Teto slid the car into the parking lot and switched off the engine, this was the tricky part. He wasn't sure how this would work, but Darling stepped out of the car and closed the door.

Darling: Bye.

Both: Bye.

Teto: Let me make sure she gets inside or something.. Ke eta..

Sandra: Ok.

He stepped out and sprinted behind until he caught up with her.. They both walked into the clinic then he grabbed her hand as they sat on the couch..

Teto: Will you do this alone?

Darling: (pouted) Yes.

Teto: I'm sorry... I didn't know I'd meet her.. Don't be sad,

gakena choice gone jaana or she will get suspicious.

Darling: Ok.

Teto: Tell the doctor we also had sex without protection gore ago neele morning after pill just in case a mistake happened.

Darling: Ok.

Teto: Call me when you're done.

Darling: You don't love me the way you love her.

Teto: What do you mean?

Darling: She doesn't know you're dating me too and she is wearing an engagement ring.

Tears dropped down her chin and onto her lap, she rubbed them with her hands and eventually leaned over rubbing them with the inside of her skirt.

Darling: I kept myself throughout the years and gave you power over me because I didn't think you'd play with our parents. But it's ok, don't come back for me. I will call a taxi.

Teto: So now you can talk when you're making accusations?

You're concluding without asking me, I asked her to marry me but she said she needs to think about it.. That's why kere

she is reluctant to commit and it makes me question her love for me. That's just 1 the second thing is... I now know you and I love you too.

Darling: You don't love me, you're protecting her and I'm the one who is crying.

Teto: (softly) Babe please come on...

He sighed and rested his face over his hands...

Teto: Can I go? We will talk about this tonight.

She didn't respond then he stood up still looking at her..

Teto: O nngaletse? (Are u sulking)

She kept quiet, then he stepped over and reached for her hand

but she moved it away and wiped her tears. He noticed the receptionist could see their little argument then he squatted in front of her with his hands over her lap.

Teto: (softly) I don't want you to cry in public like this.. Please stop crying... I can't leave you behind when you're like this. Please understand me my love.

He tried to reach her hand but she folded her arms and looked at him with reddish puffy eyes.

Teto: Can I come pick you up tonight so we can talk?

Darling: No, if you leave me to deal with this alone then we are over. You're trying to trick me. I saw her ring..

Teto: Kante ke thalose ka ring jang? (What do u want me to say cos I already explained) (he

rubbed her eyes with both thumbs) Babe?

Darling: You can't leave me alone.

Teto: Can I at least drop her off somewhere and come back?

Darling : It's still leaving..

Teto: So I should leave her out there?

A patient walked out then

Darling stood up and got her

card, she walked towards the consultation room as Teto grabbed her..

Teto: (low voice) Ke eta a utwa? I'll be here before he is done.

He turned and walked away as Darling walked into the room and closed the door.

In the parking lot Teto got in the car and reversed..

Teto : She says she will be done in a few minutes so I want to drop you home because if we go together my aunt and uncle might want to see you and I haven't even taken you home yet. You know how old people are, my grandparents might feel disrespected that I didn't bring you over first. You can

use my laptop and watch
videos while ke mo dropa.

Sandra: Ok.

He turned around and sped
off...

At Teto's house...

Minutes later Teto parked the
car and they stepped out as his
daughters ran over. He handed

her the keys and picked them up each on the other arm..

Teto : Hello ladies...

Aisha: (laughed) We are babies!

Naya: Baby!

Aisha : No, we are girls!

He walked into the house carrying them, Sandra put down her bag and sat down.

Teto: This is Aisha and Naya.

Before she could respond the old lady stood at the door..

Old lady : Thank God you're here, I'm going to get watermelons this side. Watch those troublemakers for me.

Teto : Ee mma...

She left without noticing he had a guest, Teto turned and put the kids down.

Teto : Say hi to Auntie.

Aisha: Hello!

Naya: (waving) Hello

Sandra: (smiling) Hi...

Teto: Will you remain with them?

Sandra: Go with them.

Teto: (laughed) Mrs Bonga
these are our girls, you better
get used to them because we
are going to stay with them.
Welcome to motherhood.

Sandra: I think ko lenyalong go
tshwanetse gaya bana ba
lenyalo hela, if I had a child I'd
leave them too. These ones can
keep your mother company.

Teto: This is interesting, I
thought you said you've got no

problem with children whose mother is no more.

Sandra: I don't have a problem with such children, I like your daughters and I think they're beautiful. I'd never let you abandon them, but I don't think it will be a good idea to make me take care of them just because I'm your wife. Nna gake bate tsone dilo tse tsa Setswana tsa gore ha lere lea nyalana go tisiwa bana. Let a

family be a family...Bana ke mmereko, I'm not even a mother and I intend to wait until the right moment. Staying with two children means washing their clothes, bathing them, cooking for them and I wouldn't even say today I'm tired let me grab a takeaway. I'll be wiping them, staying up at night when they're sick.. It's a lot of work for me. I think the

best person for this role is their granny.

Teto: Wow... Ok... (laughed) My grandfather is right, marriage is not a joke, I actually just pictured all of us staying together.

Sandra: Nna tota gake bate go go aketsa kere ke taa belega bana bale 2, I believe our marriage will be for us and our children, the others can visit

and bond with their siblings but
eseng ke ba godisa.

Teto: I understand, I'll be back..

Lap top eko bedroom.

Sandra: Ok..

He walked out with the girls
and put them in the car then he
drove off.

At the clinic...

Minutes later Teto drove into the parking lot as Darling walked out of the clinic. He made a U- turn and drove by, she walked with a serious pout.

Teto: I'm sorry, I came as fast as I could... Tota neke dillwe ke bana not Sandra.

Darling ignored him and walked to the taxi stop where she stood and put a page over her

forehead protecting her face from the sun. Teto parked by and rolled down the window..

Teto : Ao the mma intshwarele ke a kopa, can you at least let me take you home and tell me what the doctor said.

She ignored him while Aisha and Naya eventually took notice of their conversation. Not buckled on their seats they

stood by the window looking at her, then they smiled waving at her.

She quickly smiled back and waved..

Darling: Hello.

Both: Hello!

Teto : Baby can you ask auntie to get in the car? Tell her you'll buy her ice-cream

Darling: Don't use children, I'm not going with you.

Aisha: Auntie daddy says get in the car and... And we will buy you ice-cream.

Naya: (clapped) Yeeeeess!

Aisha : Please.. I want ice cream too..

She sighed and got in the front seat looking back..

Darling: Can I buckle them?

Aisha is old enough to open the door while the car is moving.

Teto: Thank you.

She knelt between the seats and buckled them up then she sat back and frowned at the pain as she sat down.

Teto: Are you ok?

Darling: Yeah.. I took some capsules, the pain should be gone shortly.

Teto: OK... Can we get them ice cream?

Darling: Ok..

Minutes later he parked then he picked them up, Darling got the little one.

Darling : I'll get the light one..

Hello?

Both of them walked into

Wimpy carrying the girls.

Minutes later they walked out

with the girls holding balloons

and ice cream....

At Age's house..

Later that evening Age walked out pulling the sleeves of his tshirt..

Age : Babe I'm going .

Akeelah : Be careful out there.

Age: I'll be back before you sleep.

Akeelah: No drinking, tomorrow you're going to work.

Age: Who needs a mother
when you have Akeelah..

(laughed) Baaaabe I'll be fine..

Akeelah : Bye.. (laughed) And
tell those brothers I can't wait
to meet their women.

Age: Will do..

Akeelah: Don't you think Teto
will not be happy with you
taking away his best man title?
I know you haven't asked him
but he probably knew it was

automatic. Have you even told him about the guys?

Age : I'll tell him tomorrow.

Akeelah : Bye!

He leaned over and kissed her then he hurried out...

At Teto's House...

Meanwhile Teto and Sandra played games online while

having junk food lying on their stomachs laughing. There was a knock on the door, Teto paused and went to the door.

Old lady : Give me those girls so they can bath.

Teto: They wanted to remain with Darling and she asked me to let them play. I'll go collect them now

Old lady : Darling hela Darling?

Teto: Ee mma

Old lady : Oh...(she remembered his words about them not interfering in his private life) Ok.

.Ago ba tsaya papa..

She walked away then Teto walked back in the house and changed his clothes, he washed his face and stood before the mirror applying lotion then he

carefully brushed his hair and
put on his cologne.

Sandra : Where are you going?

Teto : I'm going to get the kids,
I won't be long

Sandra: Ok..

He checked himself on the
mirror and walked away then
he stopped at the door and

changed into another tshirt and then left.

At Darling's House..

Meanwhile Darling laid on the bed sleepy from the pills while Aisha sat on her back holding a comb plating lose braids while Naya wrote on Darling's arms and legs with a permanent marker she found under the bed.

Aisha: Mmh.... Choza wena
auntie...I'll make you beautiful
ok?

Darling: (sleepy) Mmh...

Outside Teto parked the car
and knocked, one of sisters
opened the door for him then
he stepped in just when
Darling's parents were going
out.

Father: Oh, hello son

Teto : Hello

Mother: Hi, you're rare.. Last we came to meet you you didn't show up.

Teto : I was caught up somewhere.. Sorry.. (they all laughed) I'm here to take the girls

Father : You have beautiful daughters, Aisha talks better

than her age mates. That's a lawyer in the making

Teto : Thank you.

Father: Go inside ba ko roomung, she said she was putting them to bed.

Teto: Thank you, which one

Sister: The first one on the left.

The parents left as he walked towards the bedroom and knocked but there was no

response so he slowly opened the door and stepped in.

His mouth almost dropped when he looked at the mess Naya made on the wall and the floor with a marker, as he stepped over he froze looking at Darling's legs and arms while Aisha was sitting on her back now applying white body lotion on her own hair trying to style

herself after making loose knots on Darling's hair.

Teto : Aisha have you seen your head? (to Naya) Give me that marker wena...(shook her)
Darling? Darling?

She turned her head sleepy and looked at him confused, Teto dropped his head down laughing and looked back at her

but he still couldn't control it
and laughed again.

Teto: Did you overdose the
pills? Have you seen the mess
they made?

Darling : (gasped) The wall... Oh
no, ke permanent mar-(her
eyes fell on her legs and arms)
What?

Knowing she was in trouble
Naya ran behind her father and
hid behind his legs then she
peaked at her with one eye.

Aisha: (smiled) I did your hair
nice.. Do you like it?

Darling stood before the mirror
and looked at herself then Teto
walked over and stood behind
her holding her waist with both
arms.

Teto : (kissed her neck) Still love me? (laughed) I bet you don't now...

Darling put her hand over her mouth and laughed in disbelief then he leaned over her neck holding her with both hands as they laughed standing in front of the mirror.

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At the Bonga family house...

The old lady finished preparing the children for the clinic and the old man walked in..

Him : Why can't you just take them to the clinic?

Her: I don't want Teto to forget his responsibilities or for their bond to get any weaker, we take turns. I don't want a man who isn't involved in their children's lives. We are the

ones who spoil them by doing everything...

Him: My boy needs a break, he already has two girlfriends to deal with and he is always tired.

Her : (laughed) No one put a gun to his head I'm not even going to ask him what is going on akere are he is a big man and we should respect his privacy.

Him: I think he is having a hard time choosing. My gut tells me he loves Sandra but this girl is just full of herself, she is putting him under pressure to meet her standards. Apparently she wants a white people kind of relationship, travelling the world, getting presents and being with him without the kids. I asked him where that leaves his dreams or if he shared them with her because I

know Teto loves his children dearly. He needs a woman who will be able to love him with his children. He thinks everyone can love a step child as easy as he loves Aisha, turns out some people can only love their own.

Her: I don't even want to be involved in his mess, but one thing for sure he will not abandon these children. He has been with them since they

were born and that won't
change any time soon.

She got a bowl of soft porridge
and walked into the living room
where the girls were sitting
then she gave them...

At the mall...

Meanwhile Teto followed
Sandra around the shop, she

picked more clothes then he glanced at his watch.

Teto: Let's finish up, I'm supposed to take the children to the clinic. Can we go together?

Sandra: No, you can go... From here I'm going that side to look for makeup.

Teto: Babe kante why ekare gao rate bo ngwanake? (why

does it seem like u don't love my kids)

Sandra: Why do you say that?

Teto: You never show any interest in them, at least you like my mother but when it comes to my children you're just cold.

Sandra: Because I can't take them to the clinic?

Teto: I didn't say you should take them to the clinic, I said come with me. You always do

this and you never spend time with them, is it so hard to love them?

Sandra: I love your children but I don't have to be with them to show you I love you, honestly I don't have a problem with you having children especially because their mother is no more and there is no baby mama drama, but I don't have to be their mother. You're asking me to do something very

difficult, they're yours not mine. It's your responsibility not mine.

Teto: You gave me a wrong impression when you said you don't mind mine.

Sandra: And I don't mind, that's why I'm dating you. I told you I hate black men because they're always sleeping around and having babies then a black wife has to be responsible for that. I feel like generally black wives

don't enjoy marriage because they're more of babysitters and husbandsitters... A wife material is one who strains her back with other women's children, no. I don't want that, my standards haven't changed. I still want a proper family le gone after enjoying myself.

Teto: And you can't compromise? Tota nna o bata ke reng because I can't abandon my children?

Sandra : I'm not asking you to abandon them, you're misunderstanding me. You can father them there but I don't have to be their mother.

Teto: Do you know the pain ya go ratana le motho asa rate bana ba gago? I'm beginning to lose interest in this and I'm getting bored because you're not willing to compromise this one thing.

Sandra: I don't know what to say... I told you my expectations from the beginning and now you want to change that?

Teto : Bona let me go, I'm sure they're waiting for me..

Sandra: Call me after.

He didn't respond as he walked out, she picked more things and queued up to pay then she remembered he was supposed

to pay. She took out her phone and called him..

Teto: Hello?

Sandra: You forgot to send me the money.

Teto: I don't have money.

He hung up then she looked around as more people queued behind her, then she put the basket full of clothes by the till

and walked out like she was heading to the ATM machine. She took a taxi home.

At the Bonga's...

Minutes later Teto parked the car talking to the phone...

Ma Teto: The builder says the bricks are finished.

Teto: Ok, I'll call him and find out how many bricks I should buy.

Ma Teto: Where is Sandra bathong?

Teto: Uh, Sandra and I are fighting and I don't think things will work out because we see things differently.

Ma Teto: What do you mean?

Teto: I don't think she loves my children and she says she can never stay with my children

they should remain with you or my grandparents. Nna ke bata go nna le bo ngwanake kana, that's why I'm even staying with my grandparents because I want to be close to them. If it wasn't for them I would be in my own house.

Ma Teto: I'm surprised she said that, she seems like a nice young woman.

Teto: She doesn't want step children so being with her

forces me to choose between my children and her.

Ma Teto: Have you talked to her about it?

Teto: Yes but she won't compromise

Ma Teto: What about you? Can you compromise and leave the children behind?

Teto: No, I can't... I can only part with the children once they're old enough to give a step mother trouble like if

they're teens ba nna bodipa ba thoka maitseo, there I'd definitely send them to their granny or to their own house but not now.

Ma Teto: You two must sit down with a neutral third party and discuss it openly, then you can make a decision.

Teto: OK, I'll bring them over to you after the clinic.

Ma Teto: OK

He hung up and walked in the house.

At Darling's house...

Meanwhile her cousins and father loaded her furniture into the house while she and her mother sat in the bedroom. She folded her clothes and put them in the wardrobe and her mother sat on the edge of the bed talking to her. She and her

sisters had been preaching the same thing and though a part of her knew it was true, she didn't want to believe it...

Her: Teto is just using you... It doesn't take long to know if you love someone and he definitely doesn't have to date two women in order to choose. He just enjoys being with you because his daughters love you. He makes you babysit then he

goes to his girlfriend, what kind of behaviour is that?

Her sister walked in while Darling continued packing without a word..

Sister : Gape Teto is engaged to that girl so tota there is no future for her.

Her: I don't know how many times I have to tell you about

standing up for yourself. O palelwa ke go raya Teto ore it's over kana wa mo tshaba? From where I'm standing you're the side chick, he shouldn't have come to you knowing he has her. Should I tell your father that Teto is engaged?

Darling: I think you should both let me decide for myself. He asked for 2 months and I want to give him the time he needs. I don't want to put him under

pressure. As for whether he loves me or not mama I will never know because when he is with me he is loving, I'm sure he is loving with her too. I don't know what's in his head.

Her: You've lost weight from dating this guy for a month, can you imagine dating him for a year? How long will you live like this ole second option?

She kept quiet and continued packing her things then her phone rang...

Darling: Hello?

Teto: Hey babe... Can we go to the clinic together?

Darling: OK, you remember my house directions akere?

Teto: Yeah, I'm coming..

She hung up and changed clothes while her mother stared at her.

Her: I already hate this boy, he think he is the only man for you in the world.

Sister: Darling doesn't reply the Hi's on Facebook that's why she never gets dates, now she is letting him use her. He probably thinks she is dumb, are o bonye semumu le

setshemekelo ka ibile Dee wa
mo rapela.

Her: Nna waitse ke ipotsa gore
Dee o ntse jang kana batho ba
taare o seroanyana.

Darling turned back at them
tearfully and swallowed..

Darling: You've judged me
enough, ke utule.. I know that
ke semata, ke seroa, ke iyethe,

ke semumu... I know all that. Le
mpitsa maina ko lapeng and
even when I've moved out to
avoid the noise and
confrontation you still call me
names. If Teto doesn't love me
I will reach a point of losing
hope and having the strength
to walk away. I won't need
anyone to tell me, just because
I'm not talking back doesn't
mean I'm not thinking. Leave
me alone... Let me get heart

broken, I'll be fine. I don't want to be influenced, I want to make my own decisions.

She fixed her hair and a car stopped outside, she peaked and it was Teto.

Darling: I have to go..

Her: Ota ithela re ile mma.

Darling: Ok, le beye key ko tase ka setena after papa a tisa the last load.

Sister: OK.

She walked out and towards the car as the children laughed excitedly and waved at her. She smiled and high fived them then she got in the car and closed the door. Teto leaned over kissing her and drove off.

At the clinic..

Minutes later he parked the car then his phone rang. Darling took the cards and walked inside with the children while he closed the doors and answered the phone..

Teto: Yeah?

Age: The guys and I waiting for you, where are you?

Teto : I'm at the clinic but I'll be done in an hour. I'll see you then.

Age: Alright, bye.

He hung up and walked inside.

Meanwhile inside the clinic

Darling queued with the

children then Teto joined them

and sat down.

Teto: Can I help you push the furniture around later when you pack the house?

Darling: That would be nice, thanks.

Sandra stepped in and looked at everyone on the waiting room. Teto quickly moved his head away from Darling as Sandra looked at him, they locked eyes and he already knew she was looking for him.

Teto: Ke eta..

He handed her the car keys and walked out where Sandra was standing by the wall.

Sandra: We need to talk...

Teto: What is it?

Sandra: I need to know why you would take me to a shop then tell me gaona madi just

because I couldn't come with you to the clinic. Teto gao patelesege go ratana le nna kana and I won't beg you to be with me. I also won't lower my standards to accommodate you, if you feel like I demand too much let me know and I'll walk away.

Teto: O bata eng Sandra?

Sandra: I want the card to go pay for my things at the shop, you cannot punish me for not

mothering your children. Or maybe we should just make it simple... The only thing I'm offering you is a girlfriend and possibly wife not to be the mother of your children. I don't want to lie to you and say I'll be lovey dovey with your children. I don't have a problem with them but I won't be their mother, it seems like you wanted a girlfriend and a mother for them, I can't give

you both so make your decision clear... Are we carrying on as a couple and giving your children to their granny or are we parting?

He looked in her eyes and looked away..

Sandra: Teto are we breaking up or not? Nkarabe because honestly what you did to me is wrong and you'll never ever do

that to me. Le gone ha o hetsa
o mpolele gore aneng o robala
le ntsalao because I don't like
the way she gets shy looking in
your eyes.

Teto slowly reached in his back
pocket and handed her the
ATM card..

Teto: Why can't you see that I
love you.. I love my children
too, why can't I have all of you?

Sandra: You have us, we just can't stay together... Honestly I can't take care of another woman's child. It's a lot of work. Let them stay with their granny then I can give you all the love you want... You're just scared to make this decision because you think it makes you a bad father, but this is saving your children from the drama.

Teto: Ke a go utwa..

Sandra: Are we together or should I continue searching for a white man?

He kept quiet then she put her arms around him and kissed him, he put his arms around her and hugged her..

Teto : OK, I'll leave them behind..

She smiled and kissed him..

Sandra: Let's go and pay for my clothes, your cousin can watch them.

Teto: Wait in the car so they can finish.

Sandra: Why did she come if you have to do everything? Can we just go?

Teto: OK, let me talk to her.

He walked back inside and sat next to Darling.

Teto: Ke dropa Sandra, I'll be back.

Darling: You're not doing this to your children.

Teto: Aisha had flu, Naya has diaper rash. Please help me

Darling: You can't leave!

He got the keys and left as Darling stared at him. She looked at the girls and considered taking them back to their grandparents, but then Aisha was coughing and if Naya had diaper rash she had to see a doctor.

Minutes later she walked inside and the children got attended. She got their prescription and walked to the taxi stop where

they waited for a taxi, thank
God she brought her handbag.

The taxi dropped them at the
Bonga gate and they walked in.
She knocked on the door and
their granny opened. The girls
ran inside and she handed her
their medication and cards.

Darling: I brought this

Her: Thank you

Darling: Go siame

She walked away and took out her phone then she sent him a message and blocked his numbers and his social media accounts.

At the mall...

Meanwhile Teto followed Sandra as she walked to the

makeup section and picked a few foundations.

Teto : P300 that little bottle?

Sandra: It's not fake and it has been tested by dermatologists.

Teto: (checked the time) We have to go pick the kids.. (saw a message) I have a message gongwe ba heditse..

Darling: (text) I managed to get them help and dropped them at their granny. Please delete my number and don't ever talk to me. I tried to be understanding but you don't love me and it's ok. You never loved me from the first day.

He read the message twice, three times then the fourth then he sighed as Sandra looked at some bra's and lingerie..

Sandra: (smiled) What do you think about this one?

Teto: It's beautiful..

He read the message again and swallowed...

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At Sandra's mother's...

Later that afternoon Teto parked under the tree just as Ma Sandra stepped out of the house with a bucket. Sandra stepped out of the car with plastic bags and talked to her

mother for a few minutes
before getting into the house.

Teto stepped out of the car and
slightly bent his back
respectfully shaking her hand.

Teto: Dumelang... You look
good in uniform.

Ma Sandra : (laughed) Thank
you son, the good thing about

this job is that I knock off early.
How are you doing?

Teto: I'm fine... (glanced at the house and sighed) Sandra and I are at each other's throats about the children. Kana Sandra never even says hello to my daughters. She is not interested in them and she says that she doesn't want us staying with them should we get married. I was called home go isa bana to the clinic, but

she was just interested in shopping. She didn't even ask me what is wrong with them.. I'm just wondering if I'm asking for too much to expect her to be supportive. She talked about too much work and I understand that because I was planning to hire a maid. She wasn't going to do anything except to supervise the maid, but still wa gana.. Am I being unfair?

Ma Sandra : Nnyaa ngwanaka,
if you want to show a single
mother love you love her child
and treat them like they're
yours. Love is action not
words... When you love
someone anything of theirs
becomes interesting. I'd
understand if their mother was
here but... (sighed) I don't
know, I'll talk to her but of
course she has a mind of her
own. Personally I wouldn't have

a problem and even if she can't stay with your children she should at least show some kind of care like ask you how they are doing and coming with you to visit them every once in a while.

Teto: I don't know if I'll be happy with a woman who has zero interest in my children. They have been through a lot and I don't want them to suffer.

Ma Sandra: I will talk to her.

Teto: Thank you.

She passed to the tap as Sandra stepped out of the house and got the last plastic bag. Teto got in the car without hugging her as usual, then he started the car rolling down the window.

Teto : See you later.

Sandra: Can I sleep over?

Teto: No, I'm going out with my brother. I'm going to meet his biological brothers and they sound like animals. I doubt I'll be back on time.

Sandra: Can I ask you something...

Teto: What is it? Bua ke a tsamaya.. (Out with it I need to go)

Sandra: Why are you impatient with me?

Teto : Akere ntse reta rothe
(we came here together) you
didn't ask anything now that I
have to leave you ask
questions?

Sandra: It's nothing serious, I
just wanted to know if you've
done anything with Darling
while growing up because you
two seem too close than most
of your cousins.

Teto: You've never met my other cousins why would you conclude she is the closest?

Sandra : You took her to the hospital the other time and now she helps you take kids to the hospital.

Teto: It's not that re close, she sees I'm struggling with the children and she loves children so she helps.

Sandra: Are you blood related?

Teto: Yes, why?

Sandra : You still didn't respond
ka childhood ya lona.

Teto: I didn't know them until I
was a man remember?

Sandra: Oh, yeah. I forgot that..
She has a crush on you.

Teto: She doesn't, she is like
that. Nna ke a tsamaya, go
shapo. (I'm leaving, bye)

He reversed and drove off as
Sandra sighed. Her mood went

down a little, she walked into the house and found her mother sitting on the couch staring.

Ma Sandra: Sit down...

She quietly sat down...

Ma Sandra: What has gotten into you? O bata go lathisa Teto bana ba gagwe ba sena

mmabo?(U want Teto to abandon his kids when they don't have a mother) Don't behave like that you come from nothing and you know how painful it is not to have a father. He is a good father why would you take that away from them?

Sandra : So I should babysit?

Ma Sandra: No, you don't have to if you don't want and if you don't want to stay with his

children it's ok, but you have to show support and interest.

Allow him to be free to talk about his children with you, if they're sick ask him if they been taken to the clinic if not accompany him. On their birthdays buy them a little present, let him feel your support. Ngwanaka o itse gore lerato le semata jang? (Do u know how stupid love is my child) As much as love comes

easy it can just die, it's like a plant... You have to water it... Constantly show each other love and support otherwise it dies. Don't be so sure about this virginity you keep using to lure him, men don't even care about that. It takes more than sex or beauty to keep a man. I know you're beautiful and you believe you are of the white man standard, but so did every little girl growing up. You may

never even get a hi from a white person, don't have such amount of pride. I didn't raise you like that, Teto should be the one showing such because he comes from money and he can even buy you the way you're falling in love with his wallet. This man will love another woman and you'll regret the way you're treating him, respect him and be his peace. He has been through a

lot, him and his children. Don't do that because another woman will come and treat him better.. I've seen young women like you treat men like nothing because they believe they have standards and men all over are drooling over them... My dear it never lasts, before you know it you'll be trying to convince everyone that the reason you're not married or are a single mother with different

fathers is because you don't value marriage. Don't go down that road, if a man loves you, love him back... Don't babysit them but show interest... Show compassion... It's easier to settle down and build a family when you're younger, trust me at my age we have given up. If you love Teto love him if you don't go look for your white man.

Sandra quietly looked down as her mother went on and on..

Ma Sandra: Wena Sandra hela Sandra ke wena oka dirang gore monna a lathe ngwana wena yo rrago ago lathisitsweng ke mosadi yo mongwe? (U of all people shouldn't ask a man to abandon his kids for u because that's how your father abandoned u). Wena tota? Wena yone oya skolong ka

uniform e thuntse shirt ya gago e kgagogile melala? (U are the same person who went to school with an old uniform).

Wena wago pheta ka matsela ngwanaka? (The same person who used clothes for pads).

Wena yone re lalela ka magogo a phaleche le tamati sose e tsokoletswang? Wena yo ne o cheka mesima ya di neiba masigo o bata mabotele.. Ke wena yoo ka reng ga kgone go

rata ngwana wa lesiela? Wena yone o nthusa go belega bana ba batho ke le nanny (U can't be the one saying u can't love a child with no parent)

Sandra's lips trembled as tears burned her eyes then she wiped them.

At Darling's house...

Meanwhile Teto knocked on the door several times but there was no response yet the TV was playing then he picked the phone and called her, it rang inside but she didn't pick..

Teto: Babe please open the door, I'm sorry ok? Please... Can we talk?... I made a mistake and I admit that... The truth is I love you and I continued with Sandra because I thought with

you I could get away with it. If I lose you I'd have lost more than a girlfriend. My children will lose a mother and a friend... It's the way you talk to me... Your softness and gentleness, I took advantage of that but I was wrong. Open this door and I'll take your hand then drive to Sandra's house and tell her the truth. I'll end the relationship in front of you.

I'm done playing polygamy. I'm sorry... Please open the door...

He waited but there was no response then he leaned over and peaked through the keyhole, Darling was sitting on the couch having chips watching TV.

Teto: Babe the mma I can see you.. Let's go I'll end all these in front of her... Dee? If you think

you're going to cheat on me
you're wrong. Dee?

Age called then he picked the
call..

Age : Where are you?

Teto : I can't come, Darling
wants to dump me mme kana
Sandra is not worth it. The rra
bua le ene

Cash: Ok reeta, ska wara (Ok, we are on the way, we got you)

Age: Wena le mang? Sutella koo (you and who? Move back)

Teto: Tang the bo rra..

Luke: (laughed) O desperate nfanaka.. Been there

Age: She is probably just angry.. Give her time

Teto: Ae no, I'm not giving her time next thing tabe bamo imisa jaaka Gontle le Botho...

I'm marrying this one (knocked)
Babe the mma bula ke a kopa
re bue dilo tsa rona like adults.
This is childish don't you think?
(to the phone) The banna le
ntele biri tse pedi, I'm stressed
out.

Age: Send directions..

He hung up and texted then he
slid the phone in his back
pocket and continued knocking.

Teto: Babe the mma bula..
(babe please open up)

He sighed and sat on the stoop,
minutes later the brothers
walked over as Teto stood up.
Age and Teto bumped
shoulders and turned to the
brothers..

Age: This is Luke and Cash

Cash: I got Vodka, its good for girlfriend stress..

Teto laughed and got the bottle then Cash stood at the door and knocked softly.

Cash: Hey sister in law? Should we sing you a nice song or hit the car horn until you come? Chooser re simolle..

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At Darling's house...

Meanwhile Darling stopped crushing chips in her mouth and muted the TV, surely she heard an unfamiliar voice.

Cash: Maa?

She quickly put down the remote and the chips, then she rushed to the window and slightly moved the curtains looking at all three brothers. One of them saw her and

waved then they all waved. She sighed annoyed and closed the curtains then she opened ashamed..

Darling: Dumelang..

Cash: Hi (touched his chest) I'm Cash, this is Age and Luke, you already met Teto...

Darling: I'm Darling.

Cash: You're my brother's
darling. Nice to meet you.

Luke : Hi.

Age: Hello.

Darling: Hi... You can come in..

All three brothers walked in
then Teto followed them.

Darling closed the door and
stood there looking at them, it
felt like her house was full of
tall men! It felt so awkward she

wasn't sure where to sit
because they filled her little
couch.

Cash: This TV is small, Teto gao
beche. (Teto u are not
romantic)

The guys laughed while Darling
looked at him for a response,
then he laughed.

Teto: Cash kante whose side are you on? Ota mpolaisa motho kana... (grabbed her hand) Can we talk?

Darling: Gaa bue sepe ka TV (he is not saying anything about the TV)

Age: (laughed) Kana we are waiting for his response

Teto : Bo rra wee, get out.

Luke: Bua sengwe (say something)... Bo deposit jaana.

Darling the bua, kana nowadays

gagona apology ya I'm sorry, o gane... You apologise with a serious gift.

Teto: (laughed and pointed at them) Seriously you need to leave.

Age: Darling don't let him fool you, TV e e nnye nna ibile gake bone sente (this TV is small I can't even see anything). Go bata a big size e supang gore o Mma Bonga wena wareng? (U need a big one that says Mrs

Bonga, what do u think)

Serious apology with a live box
so you can watch Netflix.

Darling: (smiled) Sheh Netflix

Teto: Banna wee le bue dio
tseo le lebile gore kgwedi e ha
kae (Guys do u know how far
pay day is)... Kante why are you
here?

Darling : They have a point, ke
bata TV e tona le live box..

Tomorrow... First thing in the
morning..

Teto turned and looked at the brothers shrinking his eyes angrily, they turned away sipping their beers.

Teto: Le itumetse akere?
(Happy now?)

Darling: (laughed) You didn't respond.

Age: Responda ngwana mr,
gase gore omo neele Gold card

hela phakela ago swaepa (Give her the gold card already so she can swipe first thing in the morning)

Teto: Honestly guys ako le eme-
Darling: Tisa, banyana ba isiwa shopping mo nna ke semata sa babysitting.(Bring it, u take gals out for shopping and u think I'm just fool who is only good for babysitting)

He reached in the back pocket and reluctantly opened his wallet, Darling leaned in and got the ATM card as he looked at her defeated.

Darling: And I'm taking that first offer before your brothers got here, let's go. I think after that you'll be halfway through to having me back, after TV I'll be yours to have and hold.

Age: (stood) Maybe we should give you guys some privacy.

Teto : Privacy after giving her funny ideas?

Cash: Hee Dee? Ska lebala, Explorer ko multi choice...

Teto stepped over then Cash ran out laughing and stopped at the door..

Cash: What?

Teto: Ga o kgathe the monna
(U are not funny)

Luke: Dee le subscription ya six
months...

Teto: Ako le tsamae le useless,
kare leto nthapella lona le sider
le motho and gang up on me.

Age: Darling he didn't even give
you a hug gase gore gaa serious
sente (maybe he is not serious)

Teto laughed and hugged her closing her between his chest and smiled at the brothers as they winked at him. He stretched out his fist behind her and fist bumped with Age. It worked...They walked out then he leaned over and kissed her.

Teto: On a serious note though, I'm sorry....

Darling: I don't want apologies
Teto, I want changed
behaviour. Do what you
promised maybe I will believe
you. If you do that you're free
to go out drinking with the guys
and we can talk tomorrow.

Teto : OK... Let's go...

Darling : Let me get out of this
PJs.

She changed her clothes and
they walked out.

At Botho's House..

Meanwhile on the same evening Botho walked out of the bedroom with a plastic of the baby's things and sat on the couch while watching a movie and put them around the couch, it was hard to believe she'd actually be a mother. The thought was exciting and it seemed like it was taking

forever. She didn't even feel pregnant...

She folded the clothes again and headed back to the bedroom where she put everything in the baby's bag then she passed by the bathroom and sat down peeing. She noticed a stain on her panties and frowned confused then she cleaned herself up and

got her phone calling her
brother's wife..

Her: Hello?

Botho: Hey.. I'm seeing a stain
but I'm 2 months pregnant,
what could be the problem?

Her: You could be just spotting
if it's too small if it's a normal
period you find that maybe you
weren't pregnant to begin with.

Botho : I tested and it said positive

Her: Well this kits can give false positive under certain circumstances, in your case you were taking fertility drugs. They also give false positive. Can you buy another kit or go straight to the hospital so they can put you on the scan to give better results.

Botho: Ok, thanks

Her: Sure, o kae Teto?

Botho: (laughed) Monna wame
mma ba mo tserere banyana
akere nna neke ithuta go chita
abe ke phazama ke rwala
ditsebe kere ke bonye ngaka
kante bae ke offspring ya
bahumi. I've hated myself and
now I've reached a point where
I'm just laughing at my
dumbness. I had two daughters
and a loving man gape kana
Teto didn't cheat on me. I
messed up but ke bakile, my

next man will find a perfect wife. Ke gamogile metsi mo thogong I just want to love my baby.

Her: Love your baby my love, there is nothing wrong with being a single mother.

Botho: Thanks

She hung up and drove to the clinic. Lucky for her there was no queue and she got into the doctors room. She sat down

and talked to the doctor for a while..

Doctor : Alright, sit on the bed..
It might just be spotting, it happens to some women.

She laid on the bed then he squeezed the gel on her abdomen before scanning her, he frowned and stared at the screen..

Doctor : You're not pregnant

Botho: What do you mean? I tested positive... Last month I didn't get my period

Doctor: You're not pregnant, maybe there is an explanation...

Did you take any new treatment?

Botho: Yes, I have hormonal imbalance and my gynaecologist at the time prescribed a few medications.

Doctor: OK, that explains the false positive because such medications can cause a false positive that's why you were supposed to see a doctor after so that your pregnancy can be verified besides if you have imbalance your pregnancy is of high risk so you were still supposed to come so we protect the baby because you're likely to have a miscarriage.

Botho: I'm so disappointed
kana I had accepted this
pregnancy and grown to love it.


Doctor: You're not pregnant.....

Botho: So I'm really infertile mo
eleng gore I can't even be
pregnant even with the
medication and diet plans..

Doctor: Don't lose hope...

She put her hand over her face
crying...

At Age's House...

Akeelah laid on the couch on the couch watching a movie and pressing her phone at the same time then she came across Age's picture with the brothers captioned... "Waiting for the forever late brother,  , Kennedy Bonga theh ware dia"

She reacted with a laughter and went to the brother's account where she ended up clicking on Luke's wife's account. She smiled going through their family pictures and dialed Age.

Age : Babe

Akeelah : Kana if I was introduced to Mma Luke nkabe re lebile movie. Lona the le drawback

Age: (laughed and shouted)

Luke Akeelah o bua dilo tsa
mosadi wa gago are o boe early
ka o diega ka di introductions.

Luke: (laughed) Akeelah wa
complainer le ene? Nna re busy
tota. Ba seka bare pitaganya

Age: Kamoso, Shap

Akeelah: (laughed) Le Teto o
gana ka girlfriend ya gagwe,
batho I need friends theng

Age: (laughed) Babe kamoso

He laughed and hung up then she shook her head and watched the movie.

At Sandra's mother's...

Later that night Teto parked at the gate and dialed Sandra on loud speaker while Darling quietly sipped her warm beverage in a disposable cup.

Sandra: (softly) Hey

Teto: Hi, wa reng?

Sandra: I was just thinking
about you..

Teto: I'm at the gate..

Sandra: (smiled) I'm coming..

She hung up then his phone
rang..

Teto : The guys are calling
kooteng gaba nthoge

Darling: (laughed) Dira o
tsamae ee..

Sandra opened the gate and
reached for the door pulling it
open..

Teto: Tsena ko morago..

She closed the door and got in the back confused as she sat on the middle closing the door.

Teto looked at her on the mirror and sighed..

Teto : Sandra meet Darling, she is not my cousin. I have been dating her for a while now.

Darling this is Sandra I've been dating her for roughly the same amount of time I been with you. I know what I'm about to

say is wrong in every way but I wanted to date you two for a while before I could tell you nka mo tshepang ke mang because like my grandfather keeps saying. I'm not a little boy and I'm not just looking for a girlfriend, I need a cheerleader, I need a woman who will hold me down when I'm low, a woman who will help me run the company either with her support or working

with me if she is qualified. I don't need just a girlfriend I need a friend whom I can lean on, most of all I want a woman who will love my children the way I'd love hers if she brought any. It was unfair for me to date both of you but I had to... Sandra thanks for being a good woman. I was happy with you though it was short lived because I realised that the quality that makes the most

percentage is what you don't have. Also I don't think you love me and this will give you an opportunity to look for your dream man and the good thing is I didn't sleep with you. I found a woman I want in Darling, it took me time to realise this but this isn't a fairytale, not all love stories started with love at first sight. I fell in love with Darling's character, I'm not saying she is perfect but

I think the basics I found give me the confidence to believe anything else can be fixed....

He sighed and leaned back, Sandra jumped over and put her arm around Darling's neck punching her on the chest as she cried. Darling grabbed her hair over her head and punched back as Teto tried separate them.

He jumped out of the car and ran around as Sandra fell on the driver seat and hit the horn as she and Darling exchanged girl blows. Darling bit her lower lip and kicked her while holding on to Sandra's long braids. Teto put his arms around Darling's waist and pulled her out of the car as she came with Sandra's head holding on to those braids. Sandra stepped out and fell on her knees then she got up and

punched Darling who bit her lower lip again and punched her back. For short people they sure threw punches and were tightly entangled. Teto finally got between them and grabbed Sandra pinning her against the car holding her waist...

Teto: Sandra?! Stop...reetsa.

Sandra panted as she pushed her hair back then she put her

hands over her face and burst into tears. Her eyes landed on Darling behind him as she fixed her hair panting as well then she charged at her again. Teto pushed her against the car and pointed at Darling.

Teto : (angrily) Stop, both of you before ke le betsa ka di mpama. Le bata go ntira semata kante. Ke le kgalemele

ga kae? Whoever starts ke a mo
clapa.

He stepped back and they
breathed heavily looking at one
another.

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At Sandra's gate...

Darling calmly removed her ribbon and tied her hair into a ponytail, then she opened the front door and got in leaving them standing there.

Sandra: So I have been competing with someone? Why didn't you tell me so that I can pretend too?

Teto: No one is pretending, honestly your standards are too high for me and I'm so glad I didn't sleep with you because you can't blame me for anything. Your white husband still has your virginity waiting. Have you ever wondered what my standards are or you just

thought I pick anything in a skirt? My standard is a woman with a good enough heart to accommodate me and my children. My standards are rare because 80% of women are incapable of loving another woman's children even when she is dead. Their mother is gone and all you had to do was tell the maid to do everything.. You keep talking about go bereka bo ngwanake. My

children don't need you to do anything for them, I've got enough money to hire a full time nanny and all you had to do was to love them from a distance, ask how they're doing, smile at them, accompany me when I buy them things, simple things like that.. I don't get how loving another person is difficult.. You'd want me to love your mother, ask how she is doing,

help you guys at home with food or whatever.. When you're dating someone their problems become yours. Nkase robale o letse ka tala kana mamaago a tshwere ke tala, tabe ke sago rate. I shouldn't say your mother is your responsibility, wa bona this relationships tse di nang le di lines gotwe it's your child, it's your mother, it's your problem? I don't do it like that.

If I love you I love everything about you. Even if you die today and leave me with your step daughter I love her until she graduates and say thank you daddy.. Or in your case your mother, I'd never let your mother starve... I make your problems mine because if you're sad I can't be happy, so I might as well help you so we can be happy. But that's just me.

Sandra: And that's the man I want... You didn't give me enough time to even see my wrongs and correct them, you decided to leave me before you knew how things would turn out after my mother talked to me. Don't you think you did things wrong too? Yes I was selfish and inconsiderate but don't people make mistakes in relationships?

Teto : I asked you to compromise but you said it's either that or you carry on searching for a white guy, you're not worth correcting at all. And if you now start acting like you love my kids you'll be pretending, I don't want that.

Sandra: You're not leaving me, not after destroying my mother's job.

Teto: I helped your mother, at her age she didn't deserve to be maid being sent around to cook and fetch things. That was wrong, now she has a better job and she actually knocks off at the right time. Listen I have to go, thanks for everything.

Sandra: You're selfish, koore gago ratanwa le wena gago diriwe diphoso, people change and I love you.. I didn't know I'm afraid of losing you until

now.. (tearfully) Can you just stop breaking my heart... I'm sorry for all that act, I just thought if I'm my humble self you'll walk all over me so I put that fear in you but I didn't mean all that. I'm sorry.

Teto: Go to bed. I'll call you tomorrow to make sure you're fine, I won't be getting back to you just to check on you.

He walked to his side of the car then Sandra opened the door..

Sandra: I know you think you're innocent but you actually pretended to be a cousin to destroy my relationship.

Darling just looked at her then Sandra bit her lip and smacked her on the face then she ran back inside. Darling put her hands over her face closing her

eyes tightly then Teto stepped out..

Darling: Let's go, mo lese

Teto: Ke eta...

Teto walked in through the gate and knocked on the door, Sandra's mother asked her to get the door but she gave an excuse and her mother opened.

Her: Oh hello son.

Teto: Dumelang... Can I see Sandra?

Her: OK, please come in.

Teto : I'm not staying for long, I just want to ask her something.

Her: Ok, wait here.

She walked inside and called her, but she refused then her mother went back to the door.

Her: She is refusing, are you two fighting?

Teto: (smiled) No, we were on the earlier issue but we can talk about it another time. Good night.

Her: Good night.

She closed the door then he walked back to the car and got in, he looked at Darling and ran out of words.

Teto: I'm sorry..

Darling: It's ok.

He reversed and drove off...

At Darling's House..

Minutes later he parked the car
and walked her to the door
where he hugged her and
kissed her..

Teto: I feel bad about what happened

Darling: I always knew girls fight for men but I never thought I'd be in a fight for a man. The last time I had a fight was back in junior school when I had to fight off a bully. This felt childish

Teto: (inspecting her) Are you OK though?

Darling: I'm fine. Go have fun with the guys..

She walked in and closed then he drove off. On the way his phone rang..

Teto: Hello?

Botho: (crying) Hello Teto?

Teto: Maa?

Botho: I wasn't pregnant, go
raya gore I'm infertile and I'll
never have children again.

Teto : What happened? Ne ese
gore test e positive?

Botho: Gatwe it was false
positive

Teto: Eish, sorry...

Botho: The painful thing I had
accepted my child ibile kele
excited to be a single mother.

Teto: Sorry, you'll be ok. You never know God's plan.

Botho: Thanks

Teto : Take care of yourself
babe ok

Botho: Ok, goodnight

He hung up and blocked her
then he continued driving..

At the bar...

Later that night Teto parked the car and walked into the bar where the guys were playing pool.....

Cash: Did the TV thing work?

Teto: (laughed) Thata, thanks

They fist bumped and shoulder bumped..

Age: What's the deal with Sandra?

Teto: She turned me off because she doesn't love my kids.

Cash: Once dated this girl and she said she won't mother another woman's child. I never called her after that conversation, I've been a single father for years and you just want to come and misplace my son? If you don't have the

quality to love my child you're a turn off. What most people don't understand about dating is, when you pick someone that has a child you better be ready to be supportive when they say their kids are sick or going through something. Nna ke a go nyala my son ale 18 because women expect you to love their children yet they can't love yours. Mosadi kana o kgona go koba wa gago ngwana ene a

tsile ka step child ose sapota,
ae no thank you.

Luke: I'm glad I don't have
issues of step children, it
sounds complicated and
stressful.

Age: Me too, but then I don't
think I'd have a problem loving
a child as long as I wasn't
cheated ele step child kese
ithetse.

Teto: Nna kana at some point I
want to adopt, once I'm settled

ke le shap I want to thank God for everything by giving one child from the orphanage a proper home.

Age: I want to but Akeelah are her worst fear is raising a child and their mother taking it away after bonding.

Teto: I want a child who was thrown in a dumpster, or somewhere. A child without hope at all.

Cash: Orphanage stories
depress, ke fila hela gore galea
tshela shapo malaitaka are
chenje topic..

He turned to the waitress and
waved her over.

Cash: I have a fantasy ya go ja
waitress ko di thoileteng
waitse, ke tsholetse skete abe
ke henosa penti ke mo ja.

Teto: (laughed) I want to fuck a deaf person or someone on a wheelchair or a dwarf person even an albino. One of those especially a dwarf

Age: (laughed) Whaaaaat?

You're sick,

They laughed as the waitress approached and got more of their orders...

At the taxi...

The next morning Sandra approached the taxi stop with her backpack on her back while she pressed her phone waiting for a taxi. Teto stopped in front of her then she dropped her school bag and ran, Teto jumped out of the car and ran after her until he caught her between the yards...

Teto: O tsaya gore o lebelo thata? Lets ke reng maabane?

Sandra: I don't want to go with you !

Teto: I'll slap if you force me to, you're not the only person who knows how to slap. Heta re tsamae...

She walked towards the car and picked her bag then she got in, he got inside and drove a short

distance then he pulled over
under the tree.

He leaned back and looked at
her..

Teto: Why did you do that?

Sandra: Do what

Teto: This..

He slapped her across the face
and she leaned over covering

her face then she turned and slapped him biting his hand. He slapped her trying to get her off his hand but she wouldn't let go then he grabbed her throat and choked her until she let go and kicked trying to get his hand off her throat..

Sandra: (gagging) Tetoouuuuu....

Uhhhh... Kggggg.... (kicking)

Kggggg...

Teto : Don't ever put your hands on me

Sandra: Le wena don't put your hands on me, ha ke ka go kgama o ka rata?

She got up and knelt on the seat trying to choke him, he grabbed her hands and put them behind her back.

Teto: (laughed) Sandra

wee..ako o emise

Sandra: (crying) Oka rata ke go

kgama...

He hugged her tightly and she

burst into tears crying. He

sighed holding her and kissed

her neck.

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In Teto's car...

He slowly let go of her and looked in her eyes, she rubbed them and sighed trying to calm down.

Teto: I'm not laughing to mock you, I laugh through pain. You've hurt me too but I admire your... I don't even know what to call it that makes you think you can choke me. I'm not happy about this break-up. Le nna ke stressed because I wasn't planning to leave you... I actually loved you but this issue ya bana turned me off completely. Even if you keep

saying you'll change, I won't trust you because it was supposed to come naturally. First impressions..

Sandra: So why did you hit me? I didn't do anything to you.

Teto: You forgot? So fast?... I did it to show you that I meant what I said when I said whoever starts a fight between you and Darling will get a beating. You slapped her and ran into the house last night... I didn't forget

and I wasn't going to let you get away with it because if I do you'll keep bothering her, but I'm not going to be that kind of a guy whose ex troubles his girlfriend. From here on you'll respect her, I want none of that attitude between you two because I don't want drama. I need to focus on other things now.

Sandra: Can I go?

Teto: Not when you're angry...

Sandra: You hit me!

Teto : So did you...I'm sorry..
Can we end this properly? At
least you get to go find your
white man and I get a girlfriend
and my children get a step
mother who actually cares.

Sandra: Mxm!

She stepped out of the car and
fixed her top then she picked
her bag and closed the door.

Teto: Don't call me, Darling o
itse re kgaoganye.

Sandra: Marete a gago!

Teto: (laughed) Aka bitswa ke
Darling ke ene a itseng wena
wa ikgolega hela, Shap.

He drove off and rolled up the
windows...

At Akeelah's mother's..

Later on Akeelah walked into the house. Her parents sat on the couch, she sat opposite them and put her son on her lap, then her father smiled trying to get him but AJ moved further into her mother.

Akeelah's mother smiled and tried to get him but he refused..

Father: The Bonga family was here..and I have already talked to the elders about it. The meetings are set to start next week. We just wanted to tell you that we are going to charge him damages for having a child with you before marriage, a cow for thagela this is for coming into my home and sleeping with my daughter before asking for her hand in marriage. I'm also going to

charge him four cows for misbehaving in my yard by sleeping with my wife and daughters. I will not tell anyone that he slept with my family for his own reputation, I will just say for misbehaving, his parents will ask him and it will be up to him weather he tells them or just pays. From there I'm going to charge him the maximum amount set for bogadi in the North West.

Akeelah's mother: And then there are presents, we call them maitumediso.

Him: Is he prepared?

Akeelah: Yes...

Father: Good... There is something your mother wants to talk to you about.

Her: I'm sorry about what happened, I understand if you can't forgive me but I pray every day that you heal from the pain I've caused you.

Mothers are supposed to protect but I didn't. Everyday I live with the pain of knowing what I did and maybe that's why I'm so skinny. I miss you and I wish you the best with Age. Tota I won't blame him, and you're not wrong to have forgiven him, he was just a boy and he did what he thought would help him. Will you forgive me?

Father: And I owe you an apology for making you feel guilty for forgiving Age after what he did, I now understand why you did it because I forgave your mother and just like you I can't tell people anything because I'm protecting her reputation. I should have been a supportive father.

Akeelah : I forgive you, actually I have long forgiven you but I

was just uncomfortable to come home because it reminded me of what happened. I still love you mama even though I'll never trust you, but I need you in my life. I live a lonely life without my family. Papa it's ok.. I forgive you too, I'm sorry for all the tantrums I threw before leaving. Had I talked about it we wouldn't have gone through that.

Mother : No need to apologise,
you were provoked.

She stood up and hugged
Akeelah...

At Ma Teto's new yard...

Later on Teto walked towards
the house while the girls
walked behind him. His mother

walked over and picked the youngest before tickling Aisha...

Her: Hello girls...

Teto: I'm just dropping them, when do you want to start at the driving school? Nna nkase kgone go go tisa mo setsheng every day.. Go bata Maofiti so that you can pick the girls anytime osa kope gore ba tisiwe.

Her: Teto you want me to kill people? I can't drive.

Teto: It's not that difficult, I'm going to pick you up tomorrow to get registered... I've met someone, her name is Darling but I won't bring her over to you just yet because I have bad luck with women. This time I want to take things slow, but she gets along with the children.

Her: That was fast gase gore
ntse oba kopantse papa?

Teto: (laughed embarrassed
and looked away) Kind of... She
is the one I feel like I can be
with for the rest of my life. She
loves kids and she is always
calm even when she is angry. I
can be free with her.

Her: A loving woman who is
respectful is the best.

Teto : (laughed) She almost left me because I was disrespectful so I have to be careful.

Her: Gone mme motho wabe a dirwa ke eng go tsietsa ngwanaka? Ha ele gore hawa gotsa rrago ke taa utwa bothoko tota. Your father was never a womaniser. He had his mistakes but he always put me first. The best way to love a woman is to make her feel

special, let other women envy her.

Teto: I'll do that just that, with Sandra I wasn't sure from the beginning because she always talked about a white man so when she talked about not wanting kids it was the end for me. And I feel like weighing my options with them both kind of worked. I went about it the wrong way but it worked..

Her: Just try to make this one work, di ex tsa gago di dintsi thata. Next time you'll be catching diseases, settle down.

Teto : I'll do that.

Her: Having a stable relationship makes you a successful man because you don't worry about the stress of women and instead you focus on building a future for your family. There is nothing attractive like a successful man

who every man wants to be
and every woman wishes their
men could learn from. I know I
wasn't there for you growing
up, but please listen to me..
Having a lot of women is the
reason why most black men are
poor. The little you get you
divide it amongst women, after
years you're nothing then they
leave for the next best man.
One woman is enough...
Teto: Ee mma...

Her: You can go, I'll be here for a while. I'm transplanting some trees.

Teto : Ok,... Guys bye bye

Girls : Bye daddy!

He turned around and went back to the car then he drove off thinking about his mother's words.

At the taxi stop...

Meanwhile Age drove along the road on his way from work and recognised Sandra's mother standing by the road in a nice body hugging uniform. He tapped the indicator and pulled over. Ma Sandra didn't move and instead continued waving for a taxi, then he reversed and rolled down the window..

Age: Dumelang... My name is
Age, Teto's brother. Can I drop
you off at home?

Ma Sandra: Oh thank you son..

She got in the back and closed
the door..

Age : Ale tsene ko pele.. (Come
to the front)

She got in the front and closed the door, then he joined the road and looked at her.

Age: Is Sandra your real daughter?

Ma Sandra: Yes, why?

Age: You're so young.. I thought she is your younger sister.

Ma Sandra: (laughed) No, she is my daughter.

Age: Le tare re dirisa diphoso, a mme motho aka nna monnye yaana. (seductively looked in her eyes smiling) On a serious note is she your daughter?

Ma Sandra: (laughed blushing)
Yes, she is.

Age: Uh..

Ma Sandra: what?

Age: You're very beautiful...

Ma Sandra: Thank you.

There was silence as he drove
her home...

THREE MONTHS LATER.....

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One Night Only

#68

At the mall...

Darling pulled into the parking lot with the girls in the back and her phone rang. She stepped out and closed the door, then she trapped the phone between her shoulder and ear, opened the back door and removed the children from their seats.

Darling: Hello?

Sister : Hey, I'm at your house.
Where are you?

Darling: I'm at the mall..

Aisha: Look! Naya removed her
ribbon.

Darling : OK I'll put it back on...
(back to the phone) Wa reng?

Sister: Kare waba bereka bana
ba ga Teto (U really are busy
with Teto's kids)

Darling: What is that supposed
to mean?

Sister: I just don't think I can babysit another woman's children like that, nna le mamina kana makaka a bone aka nchimisa. (If it were me, their boogers and faeces would gross me out)

Darling: That's why you should stick to older men because their children are old enough to give you a ride in their cars.

Sister : Hei batho, oka nkgopisa jaana nna ka itshamekela. (Why insult me when I'm just joking)

Darling : You don't play like that, I don't like people who are always putting me down or looking down on my decisions. If you can't say anything positive then don't say anything at all. I'm tired of having to explain myself. Le rata go mpuisa thata (U people like provoking me)

Sister: Ae sorry plastic..
Anyways check you later
mmagwe Aisha.

Darling: (laughed) Kare o mpata
puo, bye. (U are busy looking
for a reaction)

Sister: (laughed) Bye!

They laughed as she hung up
and put her phone in the
handbag before picking the
youngest and locking the car..

Darling: Aisha don't go into the road... Take my hand nana.

Aisha grabbed her hand and they walked into a shop. She got a trolley and pushed while the girls walked by her side.

On the other side of the shop Botho walked along the shelves with a shopping basket hanging

on her arm. The sound of children giggling got her attention. She just loved babies, she turned and to her surprise it was Naya walking properly, she had grown bigger than last she saw her. Aisha ran over to Naya and her eyes enlarged with excitement as she walked over to them and put her things down picking Naya who was confused for a minute.

Botho: Oh God... Naya, you're so grown... I can't believe this... You can even walk!

Aisha: Mama are you coming home with us? You should come with us

Botho : Aww guys... Aisha I missed you

Botho turned and looked at Darling who was standing by

smiling until Aisha said
“Mama”, which was kind of
creepy.

Darling: Hi.

Botho: Hi, I'm Botho.

Darling: Darling.

Botho: Iyoo such a beautiful
name..

Darling: What does she mean
by mama?

Botho: Oh, I'm Teto's ex girlfriend.. We dated for a while I practically raised Naya from the day she was born.. It was a struggle but when she finally reached six months Teto and I couldn't believe it.. She grew up so fast.. Wena o eng sa gagwe? (How are u related to him)

From her fashionable clothes and the label on her handbag

she was definitely a Bonga,
perhaps one of his cousins.

Darling: I'm his girlfriend...

There was an awkward
moment as they looked at one
another, then Botho smiled and
gave her hand..

Botho: Nice to meet you..

Darling: Nice to meet you too...
We have to go, ke ba batela di
swimming costume.

Botho: Can I help you guys? M
boyfriend is in the auto shop on
the other side of the mall,
gatwe go batiwa di shock
whatever that is so I'm here
trying to do a bit of shopping.

Darling: Oh ok..

Botho: I'm so glad Teto left
Sandra, she was too much. The

mma omo thokomele. (Please take care of her)

Darling: (laughed) I'll try.. So why did you two break up?

Botho: I just lost interest in him, the truth is I dated his big brother.. Tota that's who I was in love with Teto was just to spite the big brother and punish him, so after the punishment there was no need to keep him. Cruel I know, but the things we do out of pain..

Darling: Ok.

Botho: I'm just glad he found a good woman, I already have a good feeling about you because I know loving someone's children is not a joke.

Darling: (laughed) I love that there is no baby mama drama.

Botho: Akere? My boyfriend and I don't want to have children until we are married. By the end of this year I'll be a

Mrs, bagolo setse ba isitse mahoko.

Darling: Wow congratulations, nna santse kele kgakala Teto seems a bit playful though he can be charming when he wants.

Botho: He will marry you love don't worry..

Darling: By the way his brother is getting married this weekend.

Botho: I got the invite, I'll be there...

She took out her phone and pressed it then she put it back and continued chatting with her then a fake call came through.

Botho: Hello?.... (giggled) Yeah, I'm coming.. Ng... I love you too..

She hung up and put Naya down before chit chatting with Aisha, then she pressed her phone..

Botho : What's your number
nne ke go lletsa ke ba cheka?
(so that I can check on them)
Ke raya if you don't mind..
(walking backwards) Kana bae o
rata go omana haa riana wa
gore ke diegile, banna bone!

(Bae likes complaining he s
gonna say I delayed, men!)

Darling laughed and gave her
the number, then Botho
hurried out while she turned
and continued shopping with
the girls. She glanced at her
wristwatch and continued
picking clothes, Teto would be
landing in a couple of hours and
she wanted him to find a home
cooked meal.

At Sandra's mother's...

Meanwhile Sandra laid on her bed pressing her phone chatting to an Indian on Facebook, she sent him her WhatsApp number and they took their conversation there.

Him: Send nice pic.

Sandra: Selfie?

Him: Breast.

Sandra: OK

She tapped on the camera and turned on her back then she took a picture of her breasts on a bra and sent it.

Him: Nice, send pussy.

Sandra: You send dick too.

Him: Video call you touch I touch fun fun.

Sandra : OK..

He video called then her mother walked in with a plastic bag.

Her : Come and teach me how to do eyebrows.

Sandra: I'm talking to a lecturer about the assignment.

Her: You'll do that later.

Sandra: (sighed) Ok..

She got off and followed her mother to the living room, there were lots of aging creams and other make up products. Sandra sat next to her and did her eyebrows tutoring her.

At the Airport...

Later that afternoon Teto walked down the steps with his

laptop bag strap hanging over his shoulder as the wind blew the side of his suit jacket back exposing his well tucked in shirt and the zipper with a bit of that well hidden dick print.

His phone rang as he approached his car and unlocked, he got in and put on his shades then started the car before picking the call and

connecting it to the car as he reversed out of the parking.

Teto : Hello?

Male Voice: I'm giving you a friendly warning, stay away from Darling, she is my girlfriend and we have been dating for months. If you don't want one of your daughters to be involved in a hit and run stay away from my girlfriend. Your money doesn't intimidate me.

I've got skills to get away with a crime. The question is, is she worth losing your daughter over?

The call got disconnected...

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One Night Only

#69

At Darling's house...

Darling slowly picked Naya from the floor where she had fallen asleep, then she walked to their bedroom and laid her down. She pulled a sheet over her and walked out to the kitchen to do the last touches before having a seat next to Aisha to watch cartoons. She

quietly stared at Aisha.. For a moment she wondered what it's like being her mother and watching her daughter grow up around strangers, if at all there was another world where the dead could see what's happening. Clearly she made the right choice dating Teto because even in her absence he loved Aisha, but then poor Aisha... Here she was surrounded by strangers and

people she isn't related to by blood...it was good she was happy, but Darling knew very well Aisha's happiness wouldn't last long. Surely she would get to wonder about her real family as she grew older. Obviously nothing could replace your real mother, this she knew very well. She herself loved her family dearly but knowing her mother wasn't her real mother left that void, and what if this

was something Aisha could never talk about growing up just as she couldn't.

There door opened and Teto walked in, Aisha jumped from the couch and ran over. He picked her up and walked in handing her a bubblegum.

Darling stood up and got his laptop bag then he leaned over and kissed her, but the kiss was

so brief and had no emotions connected..

Teto: Hi.

Darling: Hi.

Teto: Your ex boyfriend called me..

Darling: I don't understand

Teto: Are you cheating on me?

Darling: Can we talk in the bedroom and not in front of her?

He put her down then she watched TV while they went to the bedroom. Darling sat on the bed looking at him as he angrily took off his clothes.

Teto: Someone called me with a private number saying I should stay away from you, and he said my children will be involved in a car accident if I don't listen. Who is it?

Darling: I haven't dated in years, I have been busy building my career even before that I didn't have a serious relationship. I didn't even have sex with anyone except you.

Teto: So I'm just imagining it?

Darling: I'm telling you what I know.

Teto: If you cheat on me you'll pay for it!

Darling: Don't threaten me, I'll leave you before you put your

hands on me. You're never gonna beat me no matter how angry you get, you should know me by now.

Teto: Whatever!

He changed into casual wear and got his wallet from the pants while Darling sat by looking at him.

Darling: I cooked for you.

Teto: I've lost my appetite.

Darling: Why are you accusing me of something I didn't do?

Teto: I have experience with girls like you, it's only a matter of time before you start acting up. Le ila go ratiwa (u guys hate being loved), I don't know why I keep making the same mistake of falling for common women who can't be mature. Why give your boyfriend my number? I don't even think it's safe for my

children to come here because your boyfriend might be here when I'm out.

Darling: Tsamaya ee, mme gao boa o boe osa tenega because nna gake itse gore ware ke reng. I don't have exes I wasn't in relationships.

Teto: Next thing you'll be pregnant or telling me I can't afford you.

Darling: I'm not your ex girlfriends, stop punishing me for their mistakes.

Teto: It's always the same thing just different names. I'm going to find out who he is and when I find him you'll explain and he will definitely pay. I'm taking my kids, I'm going home.

Darling: You're not taking them, go and come back later. You don't always have to take decisions when your emotions

are high that's why you're hurting other people.. Tomorrow you'll be apologising, just go and cool down. They're safe with me...please trust me I know your history with women... I'm trying to understand you and why you're acting like this, but if you hurt me on the process I'll have to let go. Think of me as a friend when you're too angry to consider me a

girlfriend.. I am capable of loving them even when we are fighting. Let's not involve them.. Ke kopa gore o tsamae koo yang teng because le nna gake rate arguments. You'll come back when you're feeling better.

He looked at her once and walked out. Darling stood by the window and watched him driving off, then she sat on the

edge of the bed and put her hands over her face.

At the bridal shop..

Akeelah and Luke's wife walked in the bridal shop chatting..

Akeelah: Do you think Darling thinks highly of her self because they're rich?

Her: I don't think so, isn't she just quiet?

Akeelah: I told her we are coming to the shop and she said yes then here we are.

Her: Maybe something came up, she was excited about Teto finally coming home. She is probably getting fucked. I'd skip everything for a dick

Akeelah : (laughed) If you say so or maybe I should just call her and remind her maybe she

forgot akere gatwe she never goes out maybe she forgot.

Her : True

They walked in the shop...

At the mall..


Meanwhile Sandra sat in the taxi pressing her phone texting to her boyfriend.

Sandra: Hey Paraj, when are you sending the gifts?

Paraj: Sent.

Paraj: In morning.

He sent several pictures of beautiful clothes and a smartphone, she smiled typing a reply.

Sandra:  Wow, I love them. I love you

Paraj: 🥰 I love you too.

The taxi stopped then she stepped out and paid before walking into the mall putting a huge hat over her hair. Her phone slipped down her fingers and crushed on the pavement and she picked it up. A caucasian stopped by and picked a piece of her phone by his feet...

Him: Ouch... Here is another piece.

With the big hat blocking her view this accent got her attention and she pulled its cap back and looked up at him.

Sandra: Thank you..

Him: What happened?

Sandra: It just slipped.. Thank you.

Him: I'm Louis.

Sandra: Sandra.

Louis: I'm looking for a sunblock in here, wanna come with me? Or maybe you can give me your number...

(laughed) Oh yeah you crushed your phone (they both laughed). How much does it cost to fix it?

Sandra: Screen is P150

He took out a P200 note.

Louis: This is enough right? I'm still trying to move away from dollars.

Sandra: It's enough. Thank you..

She gave him the number and he saved it smiling, then he looked in her eyes and smiled. She'd never talked to a white

person before and it was hard trying to get that English accent. He spoke so fast she had to be attentive.

Louis: Alright, go get your phone fixed and we can talk later hey.

Sandra: OK

He smiled and walked into the pharmacy, then she turned and

walked away in disbelief. It wasn't just the white man but the fact that she stammered throughout the conversation and could barely hear him! Plus the people nearby were looking at her weirdly as she spoke to a white man. It was funny because she was confident with Paraj and she even taught him English but yoo... Talking to a white person turned out to be

more awkward than she thought.

At Teto's mother's...

Later on Darling parked next to her car and walked towards the house as the girls ran inside the house making noise. Darling walked in and she stood at the kitchen door holding a spoon talking to her grandchildren..

Ma Teto: Thank God you're here, come finish this... My legs hurt.

Darling got the spoon and turned the meat before washing her hands and getting the veggies. They sat on the couch while she chopped them as Ma Teto massaged her feet..

Darling: I have a problem with Teto.. He just arrived from Gaborone and he refused to eat the food I prepared for him. He was accusing me of cheating and I don't know what to say because its not true, but he doesn't believe me.

Ma Teto: Teto o lebega a boulela ibile a ipoleletse gore banyana ba mo tshamekile. It's a serious problem that he has to deal with. Should I talk to

him alone or with the both of you?

Their conversation carried on, she walked to the kitchen and finished cooking.

At Luke's office...

Meanwhile Teto knocked on the door and walked in as Luke leaned back, they fist bumped

then he sat down and took out his phone..

Teto: This guy just threatened to kill my daughter ka hit and run.. It's a private number, is it possible to find out who it is?

Luke: Yeah, tisa kwano.

He got the phone and leaned back for a couple of minutes

pressing it, then he turned the phone and showed him..

Luke: That's the caller

Teto frowned and looked at him doubtfully..

Teto: Are you sure? It's impossible...

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One Night Only

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At Luke's office

Luke: Why ore it's impossible?

Teto: This is Botho's other
number, that girl wa gore I
can't afford her and what not.

It can't be her because I got called by a guy.

Luke: This is the number that called you, check the time stamp.

Teto: Ga kego ganyetse koore it never crossed my mind it could be her. I wanted to go that way but I actually thought ke stsenwa se go tweng Sandra.

Kana Botho is so quiet... The only time I heard her talking nonsense was when she was

getting fucked by the doctor
guy and that shit broke me. I
cried when I lost Tsame, I
literally cried... From there I
kind of had hope in Botho but
this girl surprised me because I
wasn't even cheating. I don't
think I'll ever let any woman
come near my heart again like
that... I'm literally always
expecting a woman to act up or
do something...Botho broke my
heart and I'll never forgive her

le ha aka di dira tsothe. Not that stress, I still remember it like it was yesterday.

Luke: (laughed) Laitaka nkile ka fraiwa ke wifey before we got married, I was competing against this other guy ra mo lwela ka lebaka and this guy was stubborn as fuck. Have you ever felt your heart literally breaking? People who have never been in love don't know shit. And the painful thing was

that this guy knew she was mine but a bua hela gore wa go mo tsaya. Life can be a frying pan..

Teto: Nna motho aka nyela, a bua hela flaka gore o ntseela ngwanyana? Ô! The only reason there wasn't any drama is because that guy wasn't the fighting type.

Luke: (laughed) Yole nere lwa the monna!

Teto : (laughed) How did it end?

Luke: I reached a point where I decided that I was ready to start my life by myself ke heletswe ke tshepo mo basading, and then she started asking for forgiveness. I forgave her with the intention to hurt her, I was going to impregnate her sister because I knew she had a crush on me, but overtime I actually forgave her

and decided to give her another chance.

Teto: O brave laitaka, nna gao chita wa tsamaya, eseng o havile. Never! I can't get over that.

Luke: I know, I also never thought I'd forgive cheating and it took me years, sometimes I can wake up moody ke gopotse nako tsa teng abo a ntena, but she knows how to handle me so

eventually I decide to forgive her all over again. It's a pain that never heals but you just have to keep forgiving. The best advice I can give you now with Darling is don't let cheating in then you'll enjoy it, you'll be so peaceful go sena drama. That's happiness.. Once go nna le history even when you make her happy she will always remember it at night and it will steal her happiness.

Teto: I'll never cheat her but I'll never trust a woman, it will be a miracle if Darling changes my mind..

Luke: She seems nice to me, give her the benefit of the doubt otherwise relationship will be boring because you don't trust her so you'll never do those specific things to make everything nice.

Teto: (sighed) True... Let me go talk to Botho.

Luke: Little bro don't beat that girl, criminal record gae suthiwe mothogo, you have a bright future. Women will use your mistakes against you, she will do this so that you can beat her then she reports you from there you beg her and do what she wants just so you can get the charges dropped.

Teto: I understand bro, don't worry about that.

Luke:Alright, cheers man

Teto: Sure

He walked out and closed the door...

At Sandra's house...

Later that afternoon Sandra walked in the house and sat down as her phone rang..

Sandra: Hello?

Voice: Hello, this is Masego Reile from customs at the boarder, we just received your package from India but the problem is that gagona tax clearance. As you know that things don't cross the boarder without being cleared you have to pay..

Sandra: (smiled) Oh ok, how much is it?

Masego: It's 4K,

Sandra: What?

Masego: The problem is the value of your package, I can see an expansive iPhone, Laptop and all these other things. We tax looking at the value.

Sandra: Eish, let me borrow money.

Masego: This things are given only three days, if you don't pay we are forced to destroy them because they will be unclaimed.

Sandra: Don't worry, I'll find the money tomorrow and pay.

Masego: Ok, dear. Save this number. I'll assist you.

Sandra: Thank you

She hung up and sighed thoughtfully, if only that white man could call. He was white surely he had lots of money and he would just give her especially because she is way younger than him. She sighed

and looked at Teto's number,
he was white black version and
he probably wouldn't mind
giving him.

At Botho's house

Teto parked at the closed gate
and stepped out of the car as
his phone rang..

Teto : Hello?

Sandra: Hey

Teto: Weren't you supposed to delete my number?

Sandra: I need money the motho waaka. Sorry for go go roga.

Teto: Ke a gana.

Sandra: I'll give you virginity

Teto: Serious? Ele gore ke bokae?

Sandra: 4K

He sighed and leaned against the car bonnet holding the phone to his ear and he could almost see his dick splitting her pussy and breaking that hymen. You know with Darling he didn't know he was deflowering her except he knew that pussy was good but now knowing what he would be doing and being able to feel every moment of that... Not every man had had an opportunity to

break that virginity and he was curious to know and observe.

Sandra: Do you want my virginity or not

Teto: I'm not cheating anymore,

Sandra: Ok, I'm searching your brothers on Facebook ke ba neela this offer because they're the only loaded men I know.

Teto: Sandra wee

Sandra: Do you want it or not? I need the money.

Teto : I can't believe you're doing this to me

Sandra: Teto?

Teto: I don't trust you, you could be sitting next to Darling for all know.

Sandra: Ok, bye. I'm taking my offer elsewhere

Teto: Give me a minute to think about it.

Sandra: A minute..

She hung up then he walked towards the house and knocked. Botho opened the door and he looked in her eyes without saying anything. She looked down shamefully and sighed trying to hide her guilty conscience.

Teto: It doesn't suit you babe...
Don't do that..

Botho: What?

Teto: Do what?

Botho: So who called me with your number? You forgot to hide it, how do you think I found out?

She looked down and scratched her scalp..

Teto: I'm talking to you

Botho: I was just trying to prank you... You know I'd never hurt the kids. I miss them

Teto : You can't come back into their lives again. Not after what you did, that's why I transferred them to a different school. Try moving on.. We were just a mistake that should have never happened. I was wrong to love you and I'm glad I'm over it. Try getting over it too because I've met someone

and I love her, I don't want to stress her ka di ex. I respected you waitse akere? You had your chance let her have hers.

He turned around and walked back to the car as his phone rang..

Teto : Hello?

Sandra: Have you thought about it or should I send a

message to your brothers? I
need an answer now because I
need the money now.

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Don't forget to like there is
another bonus coming up.

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One Night Only

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At Botho's house....

Teto tapped on the record button and unlocked the car the he got in still holding the phone to her ear..

Sandra: Will you help me or not ? I really need this money.

Teto: Yeah, I'll help you out but I have a few things to sort out before I can meet you.

Sandra: Why don't you send the money then we meet later?

Teto: No, I'll pay you after. I don't want any funny things with you. I don't know who you're anymore

Sandra: Just because I said the children shouldn't come into our marriage I've changed? If someone changed its you. You

loved me before I told you how I feel.

Teto: For the first time in a long time I actually agree with you. Knowing how you feel turned me off. Not that I blame you kante why are we even talking about this? Bye

He hung up and sighed then he drove off. Meanwhile in the house Botho closed the door and walked to the bedroom

where she sat on the edge of the the bed and stared at her pictures with Teto and children, she took a deep breath and deleted them all then she dialed him again.

Teto: (sighed) So I should block this one too?

Botho: I just wanted to say I now believe we don't have a chance because you didn't even get worked up about this, you

don't look angry and its painful to me that I destroyed our relationship. (tearfully) Thanks for not getting angry at me, I'll stay away from you. You're worth fighting for but I don't think I'll win neither do I deserve you. I think I'll try to move on now.. Don't worry if I sound emotional, this time I'm not looking for pity. Thanks for everything you've ever done for me, I was happy ke nna ke

sentseng family ya rona le
Aisha but I'm happy you found
Darling. I've no doubt in my
mind that she is a good person.

Teto: Thanks, don't beat
yourself too hard. You'll find
the right guy just be patient.

Botho: Bye

She hung up and sighed
rubbing her tears then she laid
on the bed closing her eyes for
a while before opening them

thoughtfully. She needed to do something to get her mind off everything going on. The last time she got hurt she bought herself a car and that just took away so much pains. What if she could buy a plot...that would be a great achievement and the journey of building and watching her house turn into a home. She knew if she could save she'd definitely buy it, it's

not like she had children to spend her salary on.

She turned on her stomach and went through Facebook groups and found several posts of plot for sale. She grabbed a hard cover and started calculating..

At Sandra's mother's...

Meanwhile Sandra stepped out of the pit latrine toilet and walked towards the main house holding a roll of tp as it end waved back and forth like a flag. Her mother stepped out of the house in her maxi dress and long ironed weave. She lifted her eyebrows surprised, her mother actually looked beautiful. She hadn't seen her looking so beautiful in a long

time she even thought she was getting old..

Sandra: Eh mama... Jaanong where did you get this dress and shoes? Di heel le gone mama?

Ma Sandra: For a woman to look good she must put on heels, they don't necessarily have to be too high mme mosadi o tshwanetse go rwala mokwanya. When you're

putting on heels you can feel the world under your feet and yourself above the world. Child, heels are a girl's best friend, haven't you noticed even your confidence gets boosted when you're on heels?

Sandra : (laughed) Where are you going? You did your makeup perfectly mama you learn so fast. Waitse if late forties are like this then I'm going to slay... Kana nna ntse

kere o mosadimogolo kante o
ngwana yo monnye jaana?

Ma Sandra: (laughed) Ke tago
shapa. I'm going to see Ma
Nicho

Sandra: OK, bye... You look
beautiful

Ma Sandra: Thank you...

She put on her sunglasses and
walked out the gate in her high
heels, sandy as Maun is she

reached the main road without dust on her feet. Her phone rang..

Her: Hello?

Ma Nicho: Hello, can I check on you? These kids left me alone again.

Her: Ke ya kgakala tota, I'm not home..I'm going on a date

Ma Nicho: Date? O iponetse mdalanyana?

Her: Yes, I found an old man
where I work.

Ma Nicho: Enjoy

Her: Bye

She hung up. A few minutes
passed then a car picked her up
and drove off.

At Akeelah's office...

Later that afternoon Akeelah picked a few of her things and locked the office then she met another employee and gave her some files..

Her : Congratulations in advance kana you're going to come back a Mrs

Akeelah: Thank you

Her: We can't wait to be there...

Akeelah: Thank you...

Minutes later Akeelah walked out of the building and approached the car, Age stepped out and took pictures of her as she walked over..

Age: Sthandwa sam...

She blushed hiding her face with her hand as she walked

over to the car, he laughed as they both got in the car and met halfway kissing.

Age: You look beautiful

Akeelah: Thank you..

Age: Did you talk to your makeup artist?

Akeelah: Yeah, everything is set...

He reversed and drove out as he stole glimpses and smiled..

Akeelah: (blushing) What?

Age: Nothing, I'm happy that there is no drama in our lives anymore. I love you and I'm really happy with you. I can't complain about anything

Akeelah: I'm happy to hear that, I can't believe I'll be finally married to you. I used to get embarrassed when other

people introduced their wives
as wife and you called me
girlfriend.

Age: (kissed her) Thank you for
being patient with me, the
good thing now is that I'm a
better version of myself..

Akeelah : (smiled) Mh..

He drove off...

At Sandra's mother's..

Later on Sandra got dressed standing in front of the mirror and picked her phone checking time then she dialed Teto..

Teto: Hey..

Sandra: I'm done, are you coming?

Teto: Yeah, I'm coming. Give me a few minutes.

Sandra: OK. Bye

She hung up and sighed looking at herself on the mirror, a part of her was excited about finally getting money so she can free her expensive phone but then losing her virginity kind of sounded scary...

At Darling's House...

Teto parked in front of the house and used his keys to get in with plastics. His phone rang as he put everything on the bed and picked.

Teto: Hello?

Sandra : Are you still coming?

Teto: Sandra ke rile ke eta, kana I had my plans before you called me. I can't abandon everything I was doing and run

after you. Mphe sebakanyana.

I'll be with you

Sandra : OK..

He put the phone down and sat on the edge of the bed bringing all the plastic and sorting them out then he called his mother.

Her: Hello?

Teto: Is she still there?

Her: She just left, I still need to talk to you.

Teto: I know, did she take the children?

Her : I asked her to leave them behind like you asked. I really hope you're not going to waste your life chasing after skirts.

Teto: Ke taata kgantele ote o nkomanye sente. Gone jaana I have to fix a few things.

Her: OK, bye

He hung up and waited in the living room, minutes later the car door closed outside then he walked to the stoop and stood by admiring her as she got out of the car and walked over.

Teto: Hey...

Darling: Hey..

He stepped over and enclosed her in his arms then he kissed her and smiled..

Teto: (softly) Close your eyes

Darling: (laughed and closed her eyes) Ok... What's going on?

Teto : just come..

He held her hand and walked her in the house then he closed

the door and switched the lights on..

Teto: I'm leaving you here then I want you to open your eyes and follow my trail.. If you reach me without shedding any tears I'll give you something very special.

Darling: Ok, can I open now ke a shwegashwega..

He walked away and she stood there for a while before opening her eyes, there was a small gift bag by her feet then she picked it up and looked inside. There was a pair of white earrings made of white pearls..

Darling: Oh God Teto...

She too two steps and picked another gift box, this one was a

bit bigger than the first one. She looked inside and there was a necklace, still of white pearls. She took two more steps and picked another gift box. This one had pencil heels and her exact size, size five and the heels were white decorated with white pearls..

She put the shoes over her chest emotional and walked along the passage picked

another gift box, there was a white lace she couldn't figure out exactly what it was then she spread it and noticed it was a long veil..

Tears filled her eyes as she looked at it then she opened the bedroom door and found him sitting on the bed looking at her with a gift box between his feet. She reached for it and looked inside then she covered

her mouth with one hand and burst into tears. He slowly stood up and hugged her as she cried holding him.

Teto: I'm sorry I ever doubted you.. I have been thinking about doing this but I keep holding back because I'm expecting you to hurt me. You can't be too careful in love. Either you love or you don't.. I'm ready to love you and make

you my one and only... Do I stand a chance?

Darling nodded tearfully then he leaned over and hugged her, his phone rang in the back pocket then he reached for it and answered Sandra while still hugging her.

Teto: I can't do it, sorry. Go ask someone else.

He hung up and French kissed
her..

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At Darling's house...

The next morning Teto got up from the bed and found his formal wear on the ironing board, she was playing Hill songs and humming along calmly. He walked into the bathroom and found her in her bra and panties, holding the makeup brush perfecting her face. He stood behind her and looked at her on the mirror with a smile...

Teto: (kissed her hair) Good morning.

Darling: Morning...

Teto: (looking in her eyes on the mirror) I'm sorry for all that happened yesterday, I overreacted and you were right about everything. I found out it was my ex Botho... I talked to her about it ke mo kgalemetse.(I warned her)

Darling: I met her at the mall with the children. She even took my number, but she said she has a boyfriend and they're getting married soon or something like that, she was talking a lot..

Teto: She doesn't have a boyfriend, delete her number. She probably wanted to play mind games with you or start telling you all kinds of stories.

Darling: I'll delete it..

Teto: Let me bath..

He got in the tub and bathed while she stood by fixing her makeup. Minutes later they each got in their cars and he waited for her to reverse as she turned her neck..

Teto: Ako o dirise di ipone (use the mirrors), how many times do I have to teach you this?

License ya gago oe tsere bago

thomogela pelo (they just gave
u the driver's license out of
pity).

Darling: (laughed and used the
mirror) Leave me alone...

She drove out then he followed
her, each heading to work.

At Sandra's mother's...

On the same morning Sandra laid on the bed browsing through, she came across Teto's post with Darling tagged. It was pictures of gift boxes on the floor, earrings, a necklace, a veil, what looked like a bride's high heel and a picture of Darling sitting on the bed, her hair over her tearful face. Another picture was of Teto pulling her chin to the camera taking a picture of her face as

she smiled shyly pushing him off hiding her face. His caption read, “Mrs Teto Kennedy Bonga in tears, I love her and she has everything I want in a woman. God help me make her the happiest woman on earth.”

She sighed and looked at her gifts then she rolled her eyes. It was just pearls, what’s so special about pearls anyway..

Her white man would do better than this.

Her mother walked in smelling good and stood at the door...

Her: I'm going, what time does your lesson start?

Sandra: Ka 10.

Her: Ok, bye.

She walked out and left then Sandra clicked on Darling's account and looked at her pictures. She had several pictures of herself with his daughters doing face paintings, and another where they had paint all over themselves. It looked like they attended some kind of a color run event, Teto was carrying Aisha while she carried Naya and they all smiled at the camera. Most of their

pictures were clear and perfect, she probably had a camera or an expensive phone. Her face and clothing were always perfect and she wore expensive clothes without really showing them off. These were the kind of labels she aimed for once she gets that white man who will treat her like a queen, like in most interracial marriages she had seen.

Her phone rang, it was the caucasian..

Sandra: Hello?

Him: Hey sweetheart, good morning.

Sandra: (smiled) Good morning.

Him: Can we have breakfast at 10?

Sandra: Sure, where?

Him: Williams Hotel.

Sandra: Ok.

Him: Bye!

She hung up and clicked on her messages with Paraj.

Sandra: Paraj I don't have money for tax.

Paraj: Borrow, I will send when salary come in. Your phone expensive high high no money now.

Sandra: I understand, it's ok. I'll borrow around.

Paraj : I love you.

Sandra: I love you too.

She hung up and sighed, if things turned out good with this white man Paraj was as good as blocked with his poor English. She looked at the time, it was a few minutes after eight so she decided she might as well start getting ready for 10

just to make sure her makeup
turns out good.

At Akeelah's mother's...

Akeelah walked into the house
carrying her bag and found the
elders sitting in the house..

Aunt: (ululated) Ililili.... Segó sa
metsi! (The bride)

Akeelah laughed shyly as more of her aunties ululated, her mother walked her to her room where she put down her bags.

Her: You're not supposed to be seen outside, kana o monyadi (u are the bride). The last days are very intense, you stay in here and we bring you everything you need just like botsetsi.

Akeelah: Ok.

She sat down and pressed her phone...

Akeelah: I have to meet Age this evening.

Her: The same applies to him, you two are not supposed to meet, talk over the phone.

Akeelah: (sighed) Ok.

Her: Let me bring you something to eat..

She walked out..

At the Bonga family..

On the same morning Age
drove through the gate talking
to the guys on a conference
call..

Cash: Just took a day off, I heard the old man saying we have to go fetch firewood.

Luke: Yeah, we talked about it in the meeting and I told them you and Teto will get the boys and go fetch two loads of firewood.

Teto: (laughed) Why me? Cash is the youngest, let him do it..besides I'm engaged so I can't be sent with boys like Cash.

Age: (laughed) Tsamaya loo rwalela dikgong banna (Just go fetch the firewood).

Luke: Makgwathe a! If you're not married you fetch firewood without complaining, we the married ones are doing the tougher job of bringing the groom's wife home...

Teto: (laughed)Mxm, ke taa nyala kana le nna abe ke bua makgakga ao (I will also get

married one day and talk like that).

Luke: Don't you know that we even get the best meals in events? Re di VIP.

Teto: (laughed) O makgakga...
(they all laughed) I have a meeting with the COO but it won't be long, just 10 to 15 minutes then I'll be there. Cash I'll find you there right?

Cash: Sure, I like your grandfather. O tshwere style..(He is stylish)

Teto : Guys shap!

Luke: Sure.

Cash: Cheers!

Age : Bye!

He hung up and he pulled over, he walked towards a group of elders sitting in front of the house having tea...

At Botho's house...

Later that morning Botho locked her house and got in the car then she drove out as her phone rang..

Botho: Hi.

Voice: Hi, I missed your call.

Botho: I wanted to find out what it takes to adopt a child in

Botswana. I want a little baby with no family ties, babies that have been abandoned in different places..

Voice: Oh ok, hey wena because you're not married it will take longer but you qualify because you're permanently employed and you're financially stable. You'll be evaluated and if you pass then you will be in a good position to adopt.

Botho: I want a little girl younger than a year because I want her to know me as the only parent.

Voice: Alright, why don't you come to my office so we can talk about it and put it in action? It usually takes time, adopting a child is a process but at least nowadays process ya teng is advanced unlike back in the days.

Botho: Alright, I'm going to have a look at some plot in Matapaneng. I want to build and leave this house. Free accommodation kana ya lematsa, you don't build thinking you have a house. I want my daughter to be in her own room.

Voice: (laughed) Mmagwe nnana kwa!

Botho: (laughed) Shap.

She hung up and continued driving...

At the Williams Hotel..

Later on just a few minutes before ten a taxi pulled over then Sandra stepped out and paid. She closed the door and walked towards the bar area where the white man was sitting by himself in shorts, exposing his white hairy legs.

Quite the opposite of what she had expected considering she had borrowed this long dress and purse from her cousin.

Louis smiled and stood up putting his drink down, then they hugged.

Louis: Hi.

Sandra: Hi.

Louis : Let's go this side, they will bring us food.

Sandra: Ok

They walked towards the rooms where they got in and closed the door. She stood shyly as he sat on the bed and took off his shoes.

Louis : Come here... Sit down..
Are you shy?

She sat on the bed and sighed, it didn't seem like the kind of date she had in mind or what she had seen on TV. He threw his shoes down and turned to her smiling, then he kissed her and got her foot caressing it before taking off her heels. He then kissed her lying her on the bed..

Sandra: I've never had sex before..

Louis: Really? (she nodded then he kissed her) Then we shouldn't do this here... Every girl deserves a special way of losing their virginity, yours should be next to the beach...what do you think?

Sandra: (smiled) Sounds good...

Louis: My friend has an aircraft that's flying to South Africa this afternoon, we could catch up

with him and leave for the US later today.. Unless if you're afraid to travel..

Sandra's heart pounded as she looked right into his eyes, this sounded too good to be true and it sounded like she'd probably be trafficked. Just the thought weakened her joints and she leaped up.

Sandra: I'll have to talk to my mother first.

Louis: Oh come on, you're a big girl now..

He got up and poured a drink for her and himself while she put on her shoes.

Sandra: I thought we were going to have breakfast in the restaurant.

Louis : We can go there if you want..

He handed her the drink and sat next to her..

Louis : Have a drink, don't be rude... I bought it for us..

He watched her taking several sips and took one himself then she gave it back.

Sandra: I don't like it.

Louis : Why are you putting on your shoes?

Sandra: I want to go home, this is not what I expected.

Louis : I paid for this room to meet you.. Take off your shoes, let's talk.

Sandra: I want to go home..

She stood up and got dizzy as everything spun around. She missed a step and Louis gently held her and laid her down..

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At Teto's office...

Later that afternoon Teto stood by the desk talking to the telephone and Cash knocked and walked in..

Teto: (on the phone) Yeah, I know... Please call her and talk to her about it. Women have a vivid picture of how they want their wedding day to be like, and please don't tell her the prices of things she wants

otherwise she will opt for
different ones... Alright..
(laughed) Thank you..

He hung up and took off his tie,
he and Cash bumped shoulders.
Cash walked around his office
looking at the aircon and
walking to the bathroom. Once
there, he looked at the
sparkling shower and mirror
and the single wardrobe with

his jacket hanging in there with a set of body lotions.

Cash: The monna o tshela life ya TV...(U are living the kind of life that we see on TV my man) How do you manage to be with one woman having so much money? I'd fucking the entire town living like this!

Teto: (laughed) O hemile the monna... (u are naughty) Let's go..

Cash: No, I'm serious... I'd be out there having the time of my life.

Teto: (laughed) Cheating is not nice, nna tota I get caught before 24 hours elapses.. I'm a bad liar gape I have a guilty conscience. When I look at Darling I see Tsame and Tsame was the best thing that happened to me. I feel like I can't be lucky twice, if I play her like I did with Tsame she'll be

gone... Kana Botho was good then she got tempted by money... Sandra was good too but ene legale from the first day I met her she had anger issues towards black men. I just thought it was daddy issues and she would change. These two relationships taught me to appreciate good people because not everyone is good... I see in Darling what these two didn't have.. Darling is not

materialistic and she has no problem with step children. That's a rare thing for women nowadays... Plus she will leave me if I try shit. Kana Tsame had no money but babes would dump me, pelo etaa uba gore a nthadile (my heart would just break). I can't lose Darling...

Cash: I hear you but nna ke maaka akere, I'm a good liar..

The guys walked down the stairs as some of workers looked at them..

Cash: O gana ke leka banyana ba mo company ya gago ne rra? (why are u refusing for me to try my luck with some of your employers)

Teto: (laughed and pushed him) Stop looking around, you're not doing that here. Le ha ele nna I can't be doing that, I don't like

office affairs and I think they are unprofessional. There was a girl who had a crush on me where I worked before this, but I couldn't because I don't like go jola mo spaneng.

Cash : You're a pussy blocker...

They got in the car and drove away..

At Sandra's mother's...

She walked through the gate with a plastic bag full of goodies. She unlocked the door, it was surprising that Sandra wasn't home because she was always home at this time.

She walked in and put things in the fridge, then she went to the bedroom where she changed her clothes and dialed Sandra,

but her phone wasn't available. It was weird, Sandra loved her phone she'd never let it switch off if anything she'd rush home just so she can charge her phone.

She brushed it off and cleaned then started cooking, but after an hour she got worried and tried again, it still wasn't available. She dialed Age.

Age: Hello?

Ma Sandra: Can I have Teto's number? Sandra is not home and I'm worried.

Age : I will send it.

Ma Sandra: Ok.

She hung up and waited then she received Teto's number and dialed him..

Teto : Hello?

Ma Sandra: Hello, it's Sandra's mother. Have you talked to Sandra? I'm looking for her.

Teto: We talked yesterday, she borrowed 4K but I couldn't help. Is something wrong?

Ma Sandra: I don't know, her phone is off and I'm worried because she never let's her phone switch off for that long. O rata phone thata. (She likes her phone too much)

Teto: What should I do? Can I come drive you house to house so you can find her?

Ma Sandra: No, maybe I'm overreacting... Mme pelo yame ya gana tota...

Teto: Please call me if you need help.

Ma Sandra: Tanki ngwanaka.

She hung up and sighed...

At the Bonga family...

Teto and Cash walked towards the house, a few of Teto's cousins stood by the drum sorting out plates to be used the following day. The girls looked at them and whispered..

Teto : Let's say hi, can you believe I still don't know some of my cousins.

Cash: You have cousins?

Teto elbowed him, they greeted the girls and chatted for a while before going to the main house. They greeted everyone then Teto headed to the main bedroom and knocked, his grandfather was sitting on the bed changing his tshirt..

Teto: (sighed) So when am I getting married?

Him: (laughed) In six months.. Remember that.

Teto: But hale I was being stupid... I'm 100 % sure ka Darling, plus you wanted her for me too, you like her.

Him: I still want you to be sure, you're not getting married until you have dated the same woman for six months.. Tell your fiancé that she will have to

wait a little longer to be Mrs Bonga. I want you to focus on business because I'm dying... Now they want to put a battery on my chest.. I want you focused on the company.

Teto: Alright..

Him: I'm happy that you're finally taking part, but I want you to have full control and full knowledge.

Teto: I understand... We have a new deal I'll be closing this

week. I'm excited about it because it will be my first contract and it's worth half a million. We need to service our track for the assessment, but I know I'll pull it off. The whole team is behind me and they're working very hard. Funny enough even women are hard workers. I didn't know women can be hard cores. I've got a one hell of a power force!

Him: The COO is always telling me about it.. I'm happy they make you happy.

Teto: (sighed) Let me go fetch firewood with Cash and the guys.

Him: Ok, just tell Darling to use this time to plan her wedding and do other things.

Teto: Ok

He walked out and joined Cash laughing..

Teto: Mdala o wa pala ka lenyalo, gatwe six months koore ke kgobe hela (the old man is still adamant on a 6month waiting period, he says I must just relax)

Cash: Six months isn't bad though considering you'll be planning this and that.

Teto: True...

They got in the car as Luke and his wife arrived fully dressed for a meeting with the elders.

Somewhere unknown...

Later at dusk Sandra slowly turned her head and found herself sleeping on an unfamiliar bed with a mosquito net around her. Her pussy

throbbed back and forth aching as she pulled the sheet over her naked body.

She got up and lifted the mosquito putting her feet on the wooden floor, the house was built different.. It was built with huge logs and thatched with clean grass. Lamps were hanging on the corners with framed African art paintings and sculptures. She walked to

the window and looked at the thick bushes that ended with the yellowish sunset. She heard footsteps and two men chatting, then she quickly wrapped herself with a sheet and stood there looking at the door as it opened.

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At Sandra's location...

Louis and another tall white man walked in smoking and paused looking at her.

Louis : I'll see you later.

Him: Alright..

Louis walked out and closed the door as the white man walked in..

Him: Hi, I'm Cliff..

Sandra: I want to go home!

Him: You can't go home until after a few days, the aircraft is gone. If you step outside the fence of this area you'll be

eaten by wild animals. There are a lot of elephants roaming this place so try not to get out of the protected area. Last year we lost one of our tour guides at the safari during an elephant attack..

Sandra: (tearfully) I was a virgin!

Cliff: I know... Please sit down so we can talk..

She remained standing holding the sheet around her chest.

Cliff: If you keep me company the entire time I'm here for my workshop I'll pay you enough and in US dollars. I'm here on a business trip and I need company each time I'm done with my business meetings. I'm going back to the US next week.

Sandra: I am a student, I can't stay that long because I'm

writing my exams and I'll fail if I don't have a valid reason for missing my exams or not submitting assignments on time.

Cliff: I'm sure you'll find a way, either way you'll walk out a rich girl and I'm sure lecturers can listen if you give them something..

Sandra: Please let me out..

Cliff: I'm going to bath..

He took off his clothes and walked into the shower, Sandra walked to the wardrobe and found an oversize gown which she put on and tied around her waist, then she walked to the door and opened it. There was another house and then the rest was just the bush outside the fenced area. The bush was so thick she knew she wouldn't make it on foot. She looked at the Safari car parking in front of

the other house, it was probably Louis's car and if he found her there he'd be angry maybe even beat her.

She looked back, Cliff was still bathing so she grabbed his big boots and tied them around her feet, then she quietly walked down the wooden steps and ran to the car just to make sure there weren't keys on the ignition. It was now getting

dark and the now orange sun was submerged into the dark clouds.

Louis sneezed in the other house, she quickly dodged and ran towards the gate, she stopped looking at the big padlocks. She ran along the fence and knelt down digging with a stick but it seemed the whole fence was cemented. She stood up and looked up the

fence, the top had barbed wire and it was impossible to jump over, but then it was either she jumped the fence or stayed here, get raped repeatedly and killed because there was no way these men would let her go after seeing their faces. It was either they were planning to kill her or she was probably gonna be taken to the US and never see Africa again like all the sex traffic stories she

always read about and took lightly. Now she was running out of time because Cliff would get out of the shower anytime now..

She climbed on the gate but the chains knocked against the gate making noise, she ran to the corner of the fence and threw the gown over then she climbed on the fence naked and reached the barbed wire

which pricked her as she held it with both hands crossing her leg over. Her thigh got sliced and she held her breath as blood dripped from her hands, the other leg got stuck and she tried to hold on but the pain on her hands and trying to pull her foot out through the wires got her as she grunted and fell down slicing her other foot.

She got up and limped into an unknown wildlife territory not knowing which direction to take. It seemed with every step she took the darker it got.

Something moved in the bushes and she paused, it was just a hare so she carried on. She was in pain and her heart was beating more than never before, but she couldn't cry. She breathed heavily running

through the bushes with
nothing but big boots..

At Sandra's mother's...

In the evening Sandra's mother
sighed now extremely worried.
She switched off the TV and
stood by the window looking
outside holding the curtains,
but there was no movement
then she picked her phone

again and called one of her classmates..

Voice : Hello?

Ma Sandra: Hi, this is Sandra's mother, did she make it to the lesson today?

Voice: She wasn't in school today, she missed all three lessons.

Ma Sandra: Didn't she say where she was going?

Voice: No.

Ma Sandra : Does she have a boyfriend? Maybe she is there, I just want to make sure she is fine.

Voice: No not that I know of, she was dating Teto but I think they broke up.

Ma Sandra: I know, bye.

Voice: Bye.

She hung up and called several of her cousins but none of them had seen or heard from her. She got ready and left for the police station...

At the Bonga family home..

On the same evening Darling parked the car and looked at a few people standing by the fire chatting, actually there were two fires. Men stood at the

other fire chatting while ladies were cooking on the other fire with big bowls on the tables..

She sat in the car searching for Luke's wife and Precious, God knows she didn't want to be out here! It wasn't just that she was embarrassed to be taking part in her boyfriend's family events, she wasn't raised like that and if her family found out she came to help around they'd

probably pass remarks. Of course her father wouldn't because he'd support her peace and happiness. The thing about being around everyone is that she didn't know what people do when they're with their friends, she never had friends growing up because she never had anything to say and boy did these two women talk!

There was a knock on the window then she jumped startled and smiled realising it was the wife. She stepped out and closed the door in casual wear ready to work.

Darling: Hi Mosh.

Mosh: Hey.... Let's go, I was wondering where you are..

Darling: I talked to Akeelah, she is not happy about being confined in the house. (they

laughed) She says it's old fashioned.

Mosh: We have all been there but the elders don't even negotiate with things like that.

Darling: Where is Teto? Nnagake conformable (I'm not comfortable) when he is not here.

Mosh: (laughed) They should be back anytime now, they went to collect a few things with the van... Come meet his

cousins ke ba twaetse 2
seconds hela.. (It took me two
seconds to feel free with them)

Darling followed her to the fire
and greeted a few ladies before
picking a duty and focusing on
it while the rest of the ladies
chatted. She kept looking at
them and laughing at their
stories without throwing in
anything. She felt nauseous
standing there and swallowed

with a little frown, she'd been feeling like that lately..

Minutes later the van stopped and she washed the plates looking at the guys as they jumped down and offloaded some logs. She couldn't see much because it was dark, but the coloured bulbs crossing the yard enabled her to see just enough of her man working. She smiled admiring him as he

turned around dusting hands.
Surprised to see her there, he
walked over to her and kissed
her on the lips in front of
everyone..

Teto: I didn't expect to see you

Darling: Mosh dragged me.

Teto: She is a blessing, I'll tell
Luke to look after her.. Thanks
for coming.. (whispered in her
ear) Makes me feel special.

Darling: (laughed) You are..

Teto: (kissed her again) I'm going to wash my hands then we are going.

Darling: I have to cook samp.

Teto: Heela ware cook? We have to go and watch a movie..

Darling : Nna ke tshaba go ba togelela pitsa ke e neetswe (I'm scared to leave the pot that was assigned to me)

Teto : I'll come get you, don't worry. Nthapise diata keye go bona mdala le Age pele... ()Wash my hands so I go see the old man and Age)

She poured warm water over his hands and he washed them, then he walked away. She turned back and continued with what she was doing.

Minutes later he walked over to the ladies and held Darling's hand..

Teto: Hi, who is the Head of cooking? I need her help.

Precious : She is cooking.

Teto: It's an emergency!

He led her towards the car and opened the door for her, then

he closed her inside and drove off...

At Akeelah's mother's..

On the same evening Akeelah laid on her bed in her room staring at the ceiling thoughtfully. It was noisy outside as the family prepared for the wedding. It had been years since she laid in her room like this and all the memories

came back. Coming home and finding Age's jacket on the couch, hearing her mother's moans as she approached the bedroom and opening the door..

Tears filled her eyes and she took a deep breath blinking it off, but the memory of Age's dick sliding out of her mother burned her eyes with fresh tears and she put a pillow over

her face crying. She heard footsteps approaching and laid on her stomach facing the wall pretending to be sleeping as tears wet the bed..

Ma Akeelah : Akhi? They're cooking bogobe jwa lerotse, do you want some?

Akeelah: (held her breath) No

Ma Akeelah : Ok

The door closed then she turned her face on the pillow crying. For the first time in years she questioned her decision. She picked her phone and dialed him..

At the Bonga family...

Sitting around the fireplace with everyone chatting Age's phone rang then he stepped away from the fire and picked..

Age: Babe?

Akeelah:.....

Age: Babe? Hello?

He hung up and called her..

Akeelah: (holding her breath)

Hello?

Age: You called.

Akeelah: It must have pressed
itself, I was sleeping.

Age: Ok, how is my babe? I miss you.

Akeelah: I miss you too.

Age: Let me leave you to sleep then.

Akeelah: Bye.

He hung up and went back to the fire..

At the bush..

Meanwhile around 10 at night Sandra walked through the dark bushes with nothing on her body and it was a chilly evening. She could barely see where she was going but the half moon came in handy. Every step she took startled something in the bush and she'd stop and listen as whatever it is ran off. With such a long distance she had walked it felt like she'd run out of luck

and eventually step on a python or even bump into a pride of lions, even a herd of elephants. She noticed a flame of fire from a distance and got motivated to walk until she realised there was a huge fence a distance from this fire.

She looked up the fence and with such a huge blood loss she felt dizzy just looking up at the fence.

Sandra: (screaming) Hello?
Hello?

She paused realising she could also be attracting animals by screaming like this, and it seemed pointless because the fire was so far away though she could tell people were sitting by. She looked behind her as something moved in the

bushes, her heart pounded and she looked around in the dark..

Sandra : God I just want to go home, please protect me. I'm the only thing my mother has and she can't die cleaning for people. I know I got lost on the way, but I just want to go home and focus on my school, find a job and stop my mother from working these embarrassing jobs.

She turned around holding the fence and screamed louder, something moved in the bush again and this time she caught a sight of what it was. It was a pack of wild dogs and they were just staring at her surrounding her making sounds... Her heart pounded so hard she could hear it and the blood rushing through her whole body.

Sandra: (screaming) Batho
nthusaaaaang... Mama?!
Mama!?

They slowly approached as she
leaned against the fence naked
and shook her head as tears
rolled down her cheeks..

Sandra: (screaming) Mama??
Mama!?

She rubbed her eyes and closed her eyes hoping she wouldn't feel the pain of their canines tearing through her skin but a flame blew next to her as she fell down. The wild dogs ran into the bush and she looked behind her as a man stood by holding a spray and a lighter. More people walked over and she stood up..

Man: Are you OK? Guys tang ka saile re tolele kakwa re mo thuse tola.. Are you ok?

Sandra : My legs are hurt... Ke kgagotswe ke terata.. (I got cut by the fence)

Woman: Please stand up, when you're in the bush you don't sit you become vulnerable to animals..

The man blew another huge flame again as more guys helped one another to cover the fence. The man holding the spray gave it to the next and climbed on them to cross over then he landed on the other side.

Man: Blow another flame, you never know what else followed her blood trai-

Before he finished talking a huge roar got the ground vibrating. Sandra jumped on him crying as he looked in her eyes..

Man: There is a lion following you... We rarely get lions this side but they come this far when they're hungry.. I'm lifting you up and putting you over my shoulder then I want

you to jump because I have to jump too.

He lifted her up and she forgot about all the pain she had as she climbed over and fell and the guys caught her naked body. Now worried sick about ther rescuer she stood up looking at him and joined the guys in supporting the sail.

Sandra: Please be fast...

Please...

Man: Derrick hurry up!!

Derrick slipped down and fell on his feet as everyone's heart pounded. Tears filled Sandra's eyes and she looked at him desperately..

Sandra: The rra ke ago kopa
hold tight... Take off your
shoes..

He took off his boots and
climbed over the fence as his
toes grabbed the fence holding
on. Sandra put her hands
together chanting a short
prayer as he went up. The lion
roared again closer and she felt
the ground vibrating.

The person holding the flame sprayed again, the flame blinded Derrick and he fell back down again. Sandra's eyes filled with tears while she stood by the fence..

Sandra: Derrick please!

Man: Don't blow too close wa mo hatha.

Derrick climbed again as everyone's heart pounded then he jumped inside and they pulled the sail down. Sandra ran over and hugged him crying holding him tightly, then she melted in his arms and he caught her before she could fall..

Minutes later Sandra opened her eyes and found herself surrounded by a group of safari

employees. She looked at her naked self covered with a sheet.

Derrick: Are you Sandra?

Sandra: Yes, how do you know my name?

Derrick : Our boss asked us about you, our rooms were searched earlier. Apparently you stole some valuables at their houses.

Sandra: I didn't steal anything...
Can you help me go home? I'm
from Maun. Please...

Woman: But the only way out is
through the gate and they
search.

Derrick: Tomorrow I'm driving
the chef, but they search the
cars. You'll have to hide in the
car somehow I don't know
how.

Woman2: Impossible, the car is
empty. We have to talk to guy

wa le security ke Kantakanta akere, he will understand if omo explanela but if it's that other one waii... He'll even report you so you can be fired.

Derrick : We will see how it goes...reta ema hante o apara.
(We will give u some privacy to get dressed)

They all walked out then she got dressed and stood at the door.

Sandra: ke heditse (I'm done)

Woman: Come to the fire.

Sandra: Ke a boiha koo, tau e teng konte. (I'm scared, the lion is still out there)

Derrick: (laughed) It won't jump over the fence.

Sandra: I'll stay here..

Derrick: (stood up) I'll keep you company..

He walked over and sat on the chair while she sat on the bed.

Derrick: You can sleep on my bed, I'll go sleep with one of the guys.

Sandra: Ng ng... Ke robala le wena, gake lale ke le one.. (I'll sleep with u, I can't sleep alone)

Derrick: (laughed) You're safe mme kana... Plus you're

injured. You need enough space.

Sandra : Ng ng.

Derrick: OK, I'll sleep with you. I'll come when you fall asleep ke tsamae? (Should I go)

Sandra: Ng ng.

Derrick: Ok... Want to talk about what happened?

Sandra : Ng ng.

Derrick : What about telling me who you are then Sandra?

Sandra : I can't chat, I'm too scared...

She laid down and pulled the sheets over herself..

Sandra: Don't leave me bosigo the rra please ke ago kopa, ke a boiha. (Please I'm begging u, I'm scared)

Derrick: I won't leave...

He took off his jacket and got in bed with his clothes. He laid behind her and sighed, she moved closer and closed her eyes then she remembered and tangled their hands just to make sure she'd hear him if he left.

He rubbed her arm and sighed quietly, he knew she was scared, hell he was scared for a moment back there, but she

was still in shock and he could only imagine what could have happened had they not heard her screaming or had the lion gotten there first. He sighed and held her until she fell asleep.

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One Night Only

#75

In Shakawe...

The next morning a Safari car stopped and the chef stepped out, Sandra sat in the back seat..

Chef: Bye dear, o taa tsamaya sente... (Safe journey)

Sandra: Thank you very much for your help, I know you've all

put your jobs in jeopardy by helping me.

Chef: Rona bare berekang mo di safaring we understand white people and out here black people are united because if not we have nothing, but of course there is always that one person who is afraid to lose their job and would sell out their kind. We are fortunate that in our team we don't have such. You were

going to fly to America today
and believe me you'd never see
Africa again, when you get
there they put you on drugs
and you become an addict.
They sell you for sex until you
die. So many African children
and women are taken with
promises of jobs, marriage or a
better life... I cry for my people
because up there black lives
don't matter. Be careful the
next time a white person

approaches, or anyone really because you'd be surprised how black people are in on it just to get paid.. Be careful when you meet someone in a hotel, you may never make it.
Sandra: Thank you...

The senior chef and one of the cooks walked towards the shop as Derrick stepped out of the car in his dark green uniform with the Safari name

embroidered on his chest pocket. He opened the door for her and gave her a hand, she stepped out in one of the clothes they gave her.

He got a small plastic bag and locked the car then they walked towards the Maun bus..

Derrick: This is the only time I have network, ga kele mo shakawe bringing stuff

members or the guests so they can get the essentials so I don't know when I'll be able to call you again.

Sandra: I understand but call me any time, even if it's late. I swear I will refund you for the bus fee when I get my student allowance.

Derrick: (laughed) No need for that... We usually have a few days off after every six months, but I prefer to go after a year

because it gives me a lot of money. I'm currently building several rental houses and they're at plumbing stage so I need to work twice as hard if I'm ever going to leave this job. Working for a safari is a risk, every day you risk getting attacked by animals because white people want to get closer to animals they break the rules so... (sighed) I'll be communicating with you

through the phone and I hope you heal from this.. I'll try to call as much as I can.

Sandra: Thank you. Le nna gao leditse ill just pause whatever I'm doing and give you attention because I'd know you may not call again for a while.

Derrick : Thanks.

They stood next to the bus as she looked up at it then he

hugged her tightly and she lied her head on his chest.

Derrick : You're brave... I'm really proud of you.

Sandra : Thank you.

Derrick: Let's go, I'll find you a seat...

He stepped in the bus and found her seat by the window.

He sat next to her and gave her the plastic bag.

Derrick: You'll eat this on the way when you get hungry..
(gave her P300) This is for the bus. (gave \$80) Get this changed, sorry to give it to you in dollars but we get tips in different currencies here. Use it to help yourself recover, o ska kopa monna ope madi.. (don't ask any man for money)

Sandra: Thank you very much,
\$80 ke bo bokae P200?

He laughed and kissed her
forehead..

Derrick: Roughly a thousand
Pula.

Sandra: I can't get this, you're
saving and building and what
not.

Derrick: There is a lot where that came from, I'm stingy...
(they laughed) Take care of yourself...

Sandra: Thank you.

Derrick: Don't ask men for money because they will always want something in return.

Sandra: (smiled) What do you want in return?

Derrick: (smiled) I'm hoping you don't chat or ask any favours from men, is that ok?

Sandra : Yes..

Derrick: Alright..

He leaned over and they hugged, then he slowly leaned back looking at her lips and baby kissed her. It soon turned into a brief french kiss, he sighed and touched her cheek..

Derrick : Travel safely..

Sandra: Thank you...

He stood up and walked out as she smiled blushing. He got out of the bus and waved at her standing outside before heading to the shops.

At Darling's house...

Later that morning Teto opened his eyes to Darling sitting on the chair looking at him. He pinned his elbow on the bed and looked at her.

Teto: Are you ok?

Darling: I'm pregnant...I missed my period.

She got up and handed him the stick then she sat on the bed.

He smiled and sat up looking at her, then he kissed her..

Teto: You look scared....isn't that a good thing?

Darling: I'm just scared about how the whole thing will work out and all. I lost my mother during delivery and I'm afraid of the same thing happening to me.

Teto: Babe you can't think like that, I'll be in there with you

don't worry. I lost Aisha's mother during delivery, do you really think I'll let you go in there alone? I will be there throughout the whole thing, ok?

She nodded then he smiled touching her tummy and kissed her..

Teto: Thank you for giving me a baby, can it be a boy please

because if not we gonna have another one next year.

Darling: (laughed) We can't have so many babies otherwise others will feel left out, three is enough.

Teto : (laughed) We will talk after the ultrasound..

(got up) Jesus we are late!

He got up and put on his tshirt..

Darling: Your suit is over there right?

Teto : Yeah.

Darling: I collected my dress so from here I have to go get a face beat.

Teto : Call me when are done, I don't want to be paired with anyone, it's weird I want to touch only your waist.

Darling: (laughed) Ijaa, let me get the tub ready o thape. (So u bath)

Teto : OK..

She walked into the
bathroom...

At church...

A long queue of cars drove into
the church building and
everyone got out singing and
whistling. They walked into the

church and settled down
waiting for the bride...

The DJ put on his headphones
and played a soft African beat
as Age and Bonga danced their
way towards the front.

Everyone laughed at the old
man dancing and doing moves
just like Age, they shook hands
then he sat down while Age
stood by..

A short crew of bridesmaids and groomsmen danced calmly down the isle in their smart slim suits and body hugging dresses. Teto smiled dancing with Darling, they leaned over one another smiling. Cash followed behind with some girl he had been eying and the rest of the crew followed while people took videos of their elegant dance moves until they all took their places..

There was silence as everyone waited for the bride, the dj changed the song and everyone waited. A few seconds passed without her showing up and Age's heart started pounding They all looked at one another then she eventually appeared walking slowly to the beat of the song. Age sighed in relief and stood in front of her. The

song stopped and the pastor led their vows..

Age: With this ring I take the responsibility of your heart, I will not break it... I will love you, respect you and care for you even in your presence. You've shown me love even when I did not deserve it. You've helped me grow, you've helped me father my child,

you're my biggest support system and if it were

For you I wouldn't be the man I am today. I love you... And this is forever.

Akeelah: Today I'm taking this step in hope that the man you've been recently is the man I'll be married to for the rest of my life. I will honour our marriage but when it gets too hard, if you cheat on me, if you

let other people interfere, if you put your hand on me, I will take off this ring and file for a divorce so help me God.

There was silence as everyone looked at each other in shock, but Age smiled and kissed her hand waiting for the pastor to do his part.

Pastor : By the power vested in me, I now pronounce you

husband and wife, you may kiss
the bride..

He lifted her veil and leaned
over kissing her as everyone
ululated...

At Sandra's mother's...

Later that afternoon Sandra
stepped out of the taxi and
paused looking at a long queue

of wedding cars passing by with balloons and decors. She sported Teto's ranger rover amongst them with Darling in the front. She paid the taxi and walked home.

She opened the door and found her mother lying on the couch..

Sandra: (softly) Mama...

Her mother got up and looked at her inspecting her, she noticed the bandages on her thighs.

Her: What happened?

Sandra: A friend of mine and I drove somewhere and got stuck, we had to walk back and I got cut by the fence..

Her mother looked at her doubtfully and she looked straight in her mother's eyes, this was something she wouldn't share with anyone. It wouldn't make any difference and knowing that she had told everyone she wanted a white man would make it impossible for anyone to believe her. If she reported, Louis would stick to the story of her stealing, who would believe a young black

woman over a rich white business man? Maybe she would have to give a statement of how she made it, then Derrick and everyone who helped her would be fired somehow, all for helping a stranger they didn't know. Besides no one ever believes rape victims and what difference would it make, it wouldn't change what happened. The best she could

do was to spare her mother the pain and self blame....

Ma Sandra : Why didn't you call me? I was worried.

Sandra: I lost my phone while we tried to change the tyres..

Ma Sandra: You almost gave me a heart attack... Have a seat, let me look at that. Did you go to the hospital?

Sandra: Yes, at a private one..

She showed her mother her wounds and she brought her food which she ate quietly.

At the plot..

On the same afternoon Botho stood at the gate with the lady selling the plot. She could almost picture a house at the corner over there and a

thatched gazebo to escape
Maun hot temperatures..

Woman : When do you want to
buy it?

Botho: As soon as possible, my
loan has been approved..

Woman: I'm getting married
that's why I'm selling it. I'm
going to accumulate property
with my husband..

Botho: I don't want to get married anymore... I think I want to accumulate things by myself, I just want God to bless me with a baby girl because I'm lonely but not loneliness ya monna. I can't have children and I know this will always be a problem koore leha nkare ke a ratana at some point monna wago bata ngwana le nna so better ke tswa hela mo dilong tsa marato before ke itsenya di

heart attack. Kile ka hiwa family tsaya tanki abe ke tshameka pwaii.. I doubt I'll find a man like that again...

Woman : I believe in love tota. I also sold the plot my father left for me, this one was from my mother. My husband doesn't want me to keep them, he says ene gaa kake a nna mo setsheng sa mosadi gaa nyalwa. I think he has a point so I'm

getting rid of them to save my marriage.

Botho: Le lucky lona bale neetswe maswa, nna nkabo ke agile mo teng in case nyalo esa bereke. (U are lucky u had an inheritance, I would have built here in case the marriage doesn't work out). These men can't be trusted!

Woman : That's the problem, if you get married without trust then you'll fail. You have to

trust, my husband will never cheat on me or leave me. I am a woman of prayer, women don't pray for their men or give them enough sex. I give him anything he wants so he will never cheat. Last year he asked me to quit my job and take care of our children, I did that and we are so happy. The problem is women, we are stubborn..

Botho looked at her in disbelief and sighed..

Botho: Ok, nna ke bata setsha se mma let's go do the affidavit. (I want this plot so let's go...)

They got in the cars and drove off...

At Sandra's house...

Later on Sandra washed her laundry and hung it on the fence as her mother's phone rang. Unaware the call was coming through Sandra's sim card she picked.

Ma Sandra: Hello?

Man: Dumelang, my name is Derrick, may I talk to Sandra? She said her card is in your phone.

Ma Sandra: Uhu, nna kare ke
call yame. (I thought it's my
call)

Derrick: (laughed) I thought so.

Ma Sandra: Tshwara jalo
ngwanaka (hold for her)

Derrick: Ee mma.

She walked over with her
phone and handed it over to
her..

Ma Sandra : Tsa (here u go)

Sandra looked at the screen and blushed as she put her laundry down and walked towards the tree. She talked to the phone blushing and writing on the ground with her foot.

Sandra: Hey..

Derrick: I'm going back to the bush, they sent me here to collect some fax papers.

Sandra: Ok

Derrick: I'm sending you money for you to go buy a phone, I feel like I'm disrespecting your mother by calling her phone.

Sandra: I still have P700, I bought medicine at the pharmacy with the other money.

Derrick: Ok, ke sende bokae?

Sandra: Anything is fine.

Derrick: Ok, I'll send a thousand. I'm really broke gake amoge sepe and I'm working on that project. Things will get better with time.

Sandra: No need to explain.

Derrick: I don't want you asking men for favours we got that right, right?

Sandra: (laughed and pushed her hair back) Derrick I won't ask men for money or any

favors, stop worrying about that.

Derrick : I don't want anyone taking advantage of you, o ithokomele wa utwa? (Take care of yourself ok). Focus on school

Sandra : (laughed) Ee rra.

Derrick: Alright, I'm sending then I'm leaving for the bush.

Sandra: Thank you, bye.

She hung up and sighed with a blush...

At the Bonga family..

Later that evening a long queue of married women approached the gate with Akeelah, there was silence as the young and the unmarried stood around in groups watching while the married waited inside in silence..

They walked so slowly and made the whole process so delicate as they formed a curve and sat down. Akeelah sat down with a cloth over her face and listened as her aunt delivered all the messages from each of her parents. Once done, they were given a go ahead and formed a line again walking out, she got teary and sighed controlling her tears.

The men took Age in to the other room and talked to him for a while about marriage.

They came back and took their seats.

Bonga: Age, mosadi ke yoo re mo tisitse, a ke ene yone ore romile go mmata? Ntshe

tukwana eo ore bontshe gore a
ke ene.

Age stepped over and knelt
down next Akeelah, he
removed the hand from her
face and leaned over kissing
her as everyone cheered...

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SIX MONTHS LATER...

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One Night Only

#76

At Darling's house...

Darling looked at the time and continued cleaning the counter, it was almost 7 and Teto wasn't home but he knocked off at 5pm. He'd been doing this for

almost a month now and honestly she couldn't contain it anymore, who knows what he was doing out there while she was stuck at home with a big belly and the children?

Aisha walked into the kitchen and put a dirty bowl of cornflakes on the counter and walked out..

Darling: Aisha... Come back...

She walked back and looked at Darling..

Darling: You forgot something...

Aisha : What?

Darling : Think, after eating what do we do?

Aisha: (smiled) Ooooooh I remember..

Darling smiled then Aisha pulled her stool over the sink and stood on it washing the bowl while Darling wiped the stove. She put it over the dish hanger and touched Darling's bump with cold wet hands..

Aisha: Bye little baby...

Darling: Ao mma ka diata tse di metsi (With cold hands)

Aisha: (laughed) Sorry..

Darling: (laughed) Mxm..

She headed to the living room and picked their toys and dropped them in their room which was a mess.

Darling: Aisha?! Naya!?

They ran over and she pointed at the toys on the floor..

Darling: I told you toys that lie on the floor like this will hurt you because you'll trip and fall.

The girls picked everything and put them in the toy basket..

Darling: I told you you're big girls now and you have to help me around because I'm carrying a baby and you're going to be big sisters.

Aisha : (picking toys on the bed)
I can't wait to have a little
brother!

Darling: He is going to cry a lot,
will you help?

Aisha: If he doesn't bite like
Naya.

Darling : (laughed) He won't
have teeth.. Babies don't have
teeth.

Naya: I don't bite..

Aisha: You do!

Naya: Don't.

Aisha Do!

Darling : Leave her alone Ash...

Go watch TV, the room is clean.

It should always be like this.

Girls should be clean,ok?

They ran to the living room and watched TV, then she went to the bedroom and sat on the edge of the bed looking at the time. It was almost 8 now and she couldn't handle the anxiety

as she rubbed her belly. The car stopped outside then Teto walked in. He took a few minutes in the living room catching up with the children then he walked in with his laptop bag and kissed her before putting it on the table and removing his tie..

Teto: Hey, how was your day?

Darling: It was OK, Aisha's teacher says she has been

selected to represent the class in a school beauty contest so there is a list of things to buy.

Teto: I'll give you the money.

Darling : It's ok, I'll buy them. It's just the dress, shoes and a swimming costume.

Teto: Alright...

He took off his clothes and went to the bathroom while she sat there waiting for him.

He walked back in and put on his gym clothes..

Darling : Can we talk?

Teto: Can we do it after the gym? I'm running late.

Darling: It can't wait

Teto: (sighed) Wow... Ok.

He sat on the edge of the bed and pinned his elbows on his knees resting his chin over his

hands, it seemed like every day there was a new complaint.

Darling: Why do you come home late?

Teto: What time do you want me home?

Darling: Can't you come home at least ka 6 because o chaisa ka 5?

Teto: Sometimes I work late, other times I meet up with my

brothers or pass by my grandparents or my mother's house. Why do I need a curfew?

Darling: Is it fair on me? For you to come home late kesa itse gore o kae? (when I don't know where u are)

Teto: (sighed and stood up) I'll come home on time then, are we done?

She kept quiet and watched him putting on his clothes and grabbing his gym bag. He leaned over and kissed her then he walked out.

Teto: My session ends at 10pm, will be here at 10: 15..

She remained sitting there and the car started then he drove off. For some reason being pregnant felt like some kind of

a trap, she could barely do or go anywhere, well she was never an outgoing person but Teto wasn't making it easier with his busy schedule...

It seemed like sitting there would make her eventually burst into tears so she got dressed and dressed the kids, then she put them in the car and went for a drive listening to music.

At Botho's house...

On the same evening Botho fried something delicious while listening to music. She walked out of the kitchen with a plate and sat on the couch watching TV. Her phone rang then she leaned over looking at the screen, it was the man next door. She sighed and leaned back eating as it rang

unanswered. He had been patiently trying to strike a conversation with her for almost a month.

After eating she changed her clothes and got a small plastic bag with clothes she had bought earlier and her gym bag, then she drove off.

At the orphanage..

Minutes later Botho handed the worker a plastic bag with the baby's things. She put it aside and accompanied her to the children's room..

Botho : Sorry for coming late, I forgot to drop them off during lunch time.

Her: It's ok, how far with the adoption process?

Botho: We are waiting for the court to finalise it but everything has been submitted. I'm praying day and night that it goes through.

They walked to the baby room which had about eight babies laid in their cots, four on the one side and four on the other. Botho sat in the waiting room and the care giver pushed the twin pram over. Botho smiled

and put her hands over her chest, the twins kicked and sucked their fists lying on their back.

She leaned over and picked the first twin, so fit and chubby with a beautiful smile. She kissed her cheek and put her on her lap and the baby reached for her chin..

Botho : Hey... Mommy is here.....

She put her down and picked the second twin, a little boy who she kissed on the cheek and tickled as he laughed. She looked at them and smiled admiring them. It seemed like this whole process was taking forever, six months of doing this and that had taken its toll on her, but she wasn't about to

give up.. They looked so much alike and having a boy and a girl was such a blessing...

Meanwhile outside Age parked the car with a plastic bag of toys and some bathing sets as usual, this was something he did on a monthly basis. It was like a tithe of some sort, the orphanage got a small amount and whenever he could he brought toys for the children.

He found no one in the office and headed to the rooms. He stood in the middle of the blocks and looked around then he noticed the waiting room for the baby was open too and walked over.

He stood at the door and stared at Botho holding one of the babies smiling and playing with them. Unaware he smiled admiringly, was she thinking

about adopting? This was the sweetest thing he had seen in a while, and it almost got his eyes puffy.

He stepped in and she looked at him surprised to see him there..

Botho; Hi..

Age: Hey...

Botho : Come see my children..
They're twins. This one is a girl
and this one is a boy. I'm
waiting for the court to finalise
but I have passed the
evaluation. What are you doing
here?

Age : I bring things whenever I
can, it was difficult when we
were growing up so I
sometimes drop by and give
what I can.

Botho: You grew up here?

Age: Yeah, but once you turn 6 they move you to that block, this side is for the under six, there are older kids this side. It's like a hostel.

Botho : I didn't know.

Age : Let's go, I'll show you..

The caretaker got the plastic bag..

Caregiver : I'll go record this.

Botho : is it OK if I take a walk with them?

Caregiver : It's ok but you can't leave the premises, the security won't let you.

Age: We are just going this side, I want to show her where I used to stay.

Caregiver : Ok

Age picked the other baby and they walked towards the other

side of the orphanage just catching up. It looked like she had been working out because she was back at herself again, and this time she dressed like an Instagram influencer of some sort. The white dress she was putting on showed her wide hips and slim waist, and her feet lined properly in her heels.

Age: So... How have you been?

Botho: Just trying to get my life in order. I bought a plot and my three beds is at window level... This year I'm moving up a scale so that will help me take care of my children.

Age: And boyfriend?

Botho: I don't want a boyfriend, relationships are not for everyone... I want to make it on my own with my babies..

Age: (laughed) So gao heve kana you finger yourself?

Botho : (laughed) First of all women don't finger themselves to get pleasure we stroke ourselves just like you do, kinda like rubbing.. Mxm why am I saying this because you used to do it with your dick head!

Age: (laughed) You haven't answered? Gao jese? (are u not having sex)

Botho: (laughed) Fuck you the rra ibile o ntira gore ke rogane

ha pele ga bana (u making me swear in front of the kids)

Age: Koteng e buile e ntse kana, kana o monate moloji ke wena.. (It must have shrunked, and u are so yummy u witch)

She laughed and punched him as he laughed and sighed looking at the hostel.

Age: That's the block, we grew up there..

Botho : But it's not bad.

Age : It wasn't but there is something about wanting a home. (looked in her eyes) I don't think you know what you're doing for these kids...

You have no idea..

(emotionally) You're an angel...

I don't know what to say because you wouldn't understand... Growing up

without a family is very painful and I love you for doing this for them. Thank you, I wish I could adopt but Akeelah isn't keen about it and I don't want to push the issue. A lot of people don't understand the importance of adopting if you can afford. Don't give up if the court takes forever... Fight for your kids.. You're a great mother and this is your calling,

wait until they start talking and
you hear that mama!

Botho tearfully smiled looking
at him then he hugged her and
sighed stepping back.

Botho: Thank you, I won't give
up..

They walked back to the room
and tucked the children in

before walking to the parking lot where their cars were parked.

Age: Um... It was nice meeting you... It's been a while since we met..

Botho: Likewise, by the way congratulations on the wedding.

Age: Thanks.. (looking in her eyes) Can I tell you something

that's true but you'll never believe?

Botho: Yeah?

Age looked in her eyes, the confidence in her eyes, the powerful woman she'd become and just the way she was intimidated him and he huffed smiling.

Age: Never mind... Nice seeing you again.

Botho: (laughed) Sheh... Ke eng ne rra? (What is it)

He blushed biting his lower lip and drove off rolling up the window.

Age: Enjoy your evening.

She sighed and got in the car
then she drove off....

At Sandra's mother's...

On the same evening Sandra's
mother arrived home smelling
good with a plastic of goodies
and knocked on her daughter's
door...

Her: Sandy?

She opened the door and found Sandra lying on the bed crying.

Her: What's wrong?

Sandra: There is something I have to tell you...

She walked in and sat down looking at her while she laid in bed, then Sandra narrated

everything that had happened from the beginning..

Sandra: (sighed) And I thought he used a condom but I missed my period. I wasn't feeling any different so I thought I'll probably get it, I kept hoping and praying that I'll get my period on the second month but it didn't that's when I took a test and it came out positive. I tried to abort it the third month

and the forth but it didn't work. I got a little sick and the baby started kicking.. I'm now six months pregnant and now I don't want to abort because I think it's a big baby and I'll die if I try, but Derrick is coming tomorrow I don't know what I'm going to say to him because he told me to go see a doctor. I didn't think anyone would believe me, I didn't want the drama of a rape case and the

whole of Maun knowing I was raped. Plus they'd never believe me because it was a white tourist and I met him in a hotel.

Her mother tearfully looked at her speechless...

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At Sandra's mother's...

Her: Why would you keep quiet for so long with something like this? You didn't even have to try and abort it by yourself, they can do it at the hospital when there is proof it's a result of rape.

Sandra: I didn't know that, I just knew that abortion is illegal and I didn't think anyone would believe me.

Her: So why are you telling me now if you don't think I'll believe you? I think you wanted this child, you're a university student and there is no way you can assume a rapist will use a condom. When has it ever happened for a rapist to use a

condom? Did they even rape you?

Sandra : (tearfully) I knew no one would believe me.

Her: No, don't even try my patience with your crocodile tears.. You're a disappointment, who will help you with the baby? Who is going to babysit for you because I'm working and I can't quit my job to babysit a child

whose mother can't help me, I have needs and I must eat.

Sandra: I didn't plan to have a child.

Her: You wanted this child

Sandra, you slept with a man and decided not to get pills, old as I am I know there are pills at the pharmacy but you didn't buy them. I'm disappointed in you, you've lost direction... It started when you met Teto and your confidence went sky high,

that's what happens when you swallow without chewing.. You destroyed my first job and now you want me to quit and babysit your child and die of hunger? The allowance will soon stop because you're done with school and with the way you're always sleeping I doubt they will hire you after this internship. You're the most embarrassing child of all the children I have raised. Ota

ipona akere ne o mmata, ke
ngwana wa gago ota ipha
bothale.(U will have to come up
with a plan, u wanted this
baby). I don't believe this story
of meeting a white man at the
hotel and getting raped, why go
there in the first place because
you know when a man asks you
out he is interested in you? Or
did you think he was just
feeding all the hungry people
on the street and calling them

to the hotel? Go rata banna ga gago mo, o robalanye le monna yoo, jaanong ka gatwe ke le tourist o eme ka ngwana... (The way u like men u slept with this guy, now because he was a tourist u are left with the pregnancy).O ikgamotse.. (U got yourself in trouble) Nna ibile o seka wa akanya gore ke yoo salaa le ngwana, ke monnye thata ke mekgaphi (Don't even think I will babysit

for u, I'm too young and I have things to do). I raised you and it's time for me to enjoy myself, life begins at 40 ngwanaka. Ke gone jaanong ke iphang attention tiro ke e dirile gao bona o hetsa tertiary yaana (My job is done so I'm now concentrating on myself, u are finishing your tertiary education that means u are old enough).

She stood and walked out...

At Darling's house...

Later that night Darling picked Naya and walked to the bedroom, sleepy Aisha walked behind her. She tucked them in and switched off their lights, then she went back to the living room and cleaned up. She switched off the lights and went to the bedroom where

she got her laptop and sat on the bed with a pillow against the headboard. She glanced at the laptop time, it was a few minutes after 11.

She took a deep breath and tried to focus on her work, she typed some documents but tears blurred her eyes. She tried to keep going, then she closed the laptop and put her hands over her face crying. She

could barely breathe sitting there so she got off the bed and walked up and down so she could breathe properly. It seemed like her asthma was coming back.

She opened the wardrobe and looked for her spray but she couldn't find it, it had been forever since she used it. She then sat on the edge of the bed wheezing. She stood on the

chair and reached at the top of the upper shelf and found her jewellery box. She dropped everything on the bed and picked her spray which she immediately shook as she wheezed. She put it on her mouth and sprayed once with tears rolling down.

A few minutes passed while she struggled to breathe, she puffed again.

Darling: (chanting) Ok... Ok...
Ok..

A few minutes passed and she slowly got her breathing back. She sat there for a while and reached for her laptop. As she opened it she realised it was a few minutes after 12 and she checked her phone. He hadn't sent a message or called, she dialed him.

There was no answer, she tried again in thirty minutes but there was still no answer, then she dialed Age.

Age: (sleepy) Hello?

Darling: Um... (took a deep breath) Teto is not home, do you know where he is?

Age: I don't know, wasn't he supposed to go to the gym or

something? Ask Cash, he is the one who is crazy about gyming.

Darling: OK bye.

Age : Dee are you OK? You're not breathing properly.

Darling: It's just my asthma, I'll be ok. I have my spray with me.

Age: You have asthma?

Darling: Yeah, bye

She hung up and called Cash..

Cash: (sleepy) Who the fuck is this?

Darling : Hi, it's Darling

Cash: (he covered his mouth)

Shit, I'm sorry... I didn't mean to say that.

Darling: It's ok, where is Teto?

Cash : I left him in the parking lot at the gym, he was chatting with a few guys there, gaise ate? (Isn't he home)

Darling: No, does he have a friend at the gym?

Cash: Dee come on, you know Teto would never do that to you. Maybe he went for drinks with the guys and he will be back..

Darling : Thanks.

Cash: Dee? He is not doing anything.. I'm with him all the time, you're all he talks about.

Darling: Bye.

She hung up and rubbed her tears...

At Age's house...

Meanwhile Age got out of bed without waking Akeelah and walked to the bathroom. He sat down and dialed Teto..

Teto : Hello?

Age: O dira gohe yanong ne rra? (What game are u playing now) Waitse gore o imisitse ngwana wa batho ne rra (Are u aware u have impregnated someone's daughter) ? Are we going back to you treating a woman who is carrying your child like this only to lose her to pregnancy complications? You didn't learn anything with Tsame akere? Darling is asthmatic and I think she is

having an attack or whatever it's called, she sounds like she is crying too. Gao dire sente, o kae? (U are not being fair, where are you)

Teto: I'm at a friend's house, we were watching movies.

Age: What movie? It's 2am!

Teto: I'll go back home.

Age: What friend?

Teto : Just some guy from work.

Age: O gay? Why would you watch movies with a guy at this time?

Teto: I'll go home, go shap.

Age: Ware o na le mang? (Who are you with)

Teto: Go shap.

Age: O bata go lela o kopanya mamina le dikeledi gape ore tena ha akere (U want to cry again annoying us, right)?

You're turning into a murderer. You killed Tsame and now

you're going to kill another pregnant woman...don't you feel guilty making your children motherless?

Teto : Ke utule the rra (I heard u), I'm on my way home.

Age: O ila peace wena kana, Darling wabe ago bora because she doesn't cheat or trouble you (U hate peace, so now Darling is boring u because she doesn't cheat). You want a crazy one who will cheat akere?

Mosadi o didimetseng ke semata o lala nageng hela? (U think the quiet ones are stupid and u can just sleep out) You're not growing up.

Teto: Let me drive.

He hung up and sighed then he called Darling.

Darling: Hello?

Age: Hi, are you OK? I just talked to Teto he is coming home. He was at a friend's house watching movies and dozed off.

Darling: He is lying but thanks.

Akeelah got up and heard Age's low voice from the bathroom, she tiptoed and stood by the door listening.

Age: Please don't stress... Good night.

He hung up and stood up then she heard his footsteps approaching and hurried back to bed where she laid her head down and sadly stared in the dark. Age quietly walked in and carefully closed the door, then he put down the phone and laid down putting his hand over her and dozing off leaving her

worriedly awake.. He was probably back to his old ways again and this time she wasn't going to take it lying down, she wasn't.

At Darling's House...

Around 5 in the morning Darling heard the car stopping outside while she sat on the edge of the bed massaging the pain on her abdomen.

Teto knocked then she got up and went to open the door, he walked in and closed the door looking at her then she went back to bed and laid down without saying anything. He slowly sat on the edge of the bed looking at her.

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Teto: Babe can we talk? Leba kwano... (look at me).

Darling turned around and laid on her side looking at him. She wasn't going to let him see her tears, but just looking at him

and knowing he just got off another woman shattered her. She loved him so much she didn't understand what she was doing wrong or maybe she was just boring for him...

Teto: I went to the gym and met a few friends, we just decided to go watch the game, Man U ne e tshameka.. We watched that then abe re ntsha stress ka movie. I'm not used to

staying up all night especially after heavy exercises. I dozed off.. I'm not cheating on you.

Darling: Do you expect me to believe this lie? Do I look that stupid?

Teto: I'm just telling you what happened, you can believe what you want and I can't change that but that's the truth.

Darling: Ke a go bora? (Am I boring you)

Teto: Gao mbore (No, u are not)

Darling: Then why are you doing this? You got me pregnant, I didn't ask for you to get me pregnant, you don't want to use condom and you're sleeping around. Do you want to infect my baby?

Teto: I'm not cheating on you...

He stood up and pulled out his tshirt as she secretly rubbed her tear..

Teto: You just want to control my life, you time me when I go out and whenever I receive a call from you I know its “what time are you coming home?”.
Tou just want me to sit and look at you on the face...for what I don't know.

Darling: So you want to come home ka 5 and I should keep quiet?

Teto: It happened once and it won't happen again.

Darling: Teto I'm not stupid, where are you coming from?

Teto: I already told you where I was, I'm going to bath.

He walked out and closed the door as she brewed with anger.

The pride and disrespect in his tone sucked the life out of her as she frowned with tears in her eyes. She put her hands over her face silently crying.

Darling: I will never be pregnant again... God stop the pain..

She started whizzing again as she struggled to breathe, she opened the drawer and

grabbed her asthma spray and puffed as tears rolled down her cheeks. The pain was stuck at her throat and she could just burst into tears and scream, but that's not her. She shook her spray and puffed but it didn't seem to be working and she whizzed trying to breathe. She stood by the window and opened it as she whizzed loudly..

Meanwhile in the shower Teto closed the tap and paused listening at some weird sounds coming from the bedroom. He stepped out and grabbed a towel, could Age have been telling the truth about her having asthma. He walked out and ran into the bedroom while she whizzed reaching for her spray...

Teto: Fuck! So you have
asthma! Babe...

He jumped into his pants and
put on a vest before picking her
up and running to the car as
her eyes turned up. Tears filled
her eyes as she put her hand
over her bump...

Darling: (crying) My baby.. My
baby... My baby

He put her in the car and ran back to the house where Aisha walked out of her room..

Teto: Go back and sleep..

Aisha: Where is mama?

Teto: I'm taking her to the hospital, I'm coming back.

Aisha: The monsters will eat us!

Teto: Go to the car.

He hurried inside and picked Naya from her sleep startling her, then he got his wallet and car keys. Aisha opened the back and met Darling whizzing loudly struggling to breathe and grasping. She got in and moved over to her, the look on Darling's face freaked her out she started crying..

Aisha: Mama,! Stop.... Stop!
(screaming) She is dying!

Unable to bear Aisha's terrified face Darling pulled her sleep shirt over face as she whizzed even louder. Teto threw Naya in the back and she got startled as Aisha cried screaming and panicking touching Darling all over, trying to help but not knowing how. Naya burst into tears and Teto drove out of the gate and sped off....

At Age's house...

Later that morning Age got dressed while Akeelah sat by the dressing table fixing herself..

Akeelah: I want a divorce

Age: What?

Akeelah: I want a divorce, I don't have peace and I'm not enjoying this marriage.

Age : Is that why you don't want us to have another baby?

Akeelah: I'm not about to be stressed by pregnancy, I'll have a baby when I feel comfortable enough to have a baby.

Age: Oh so you decide when we have children?

Akeelah: I want a divorce, that was the main thing.

Age: Why do you want a divorce?

Akeelah : Gakena peace mo
moweng. I have been ignoring
the signs that I need to heal, I
need counselling and I don't
think I'll ever truly be happy
because you've hurt me
beyond repair. I don't sleep at
night and every time you're on
a call I keep wondering. Gase
botshelo, I think I was so
focused on giving AJ a family
and forgot that for him to be

happy he needs a happy mother.

Age: Kante where is all this coming from? I haven't cheated on you, what's going on?

Akeelah : Put on your listening ears, kare I have been battling this for a while even on our wedding day Si wasn't happy because I kept thinking about you and my mother, it keeps coming back to me... Before I thought after getting married I

will be content and happy, but I'm just carrying a metal on my finger with nothing special attached to it.

Age: Can't we go for counselling together? I understand what you're talking about... And you're right if you haven't gotten over it we have to find a way, but I don't want us to divorce just yet.

Akeelah: I think I'm beginning to hate you because I wonder

why you would do what you did if you love me.

Age: Why are we talking about this now?

Akeelah : This is what happens to the cheated, akere you have never been cheated so you don't know that just because you're forgiving it doesn't mean you forget. Sometimes you wake up at night and look at someone who cheated on you wondering why.. That's my life,

I can go for months feeling ok but then one night it just comes back and then I'm hurt all over again. You have damaged me and I don't think I'm as strong as I seem. When I heard you talking to someone last night it was like a fire alarm. I remembered everything I went through and I'm afraid to go through that ever again.

Age: I was talking to Teto and Darling.

Akeelah: I'm not disputing that because I didn't hear you say anything wrong, but I'm just telling you my struggles, something I should have told you before we got married. I thought it was just cold feet..

Age : Can we go for counselling together? If it fails then we can divorce.

Akeelah : I used to be bitter and angry but now I'm just dying inside, everything is consuming

me and I think I'm depressed. I don't even have anyone to talk to just to pour my heart out to.. But it's ok, we can try counselling though I don't think it will change how I feel about you.

Age : It's worth a try..

He stepped over and kissed her cheek then his phone rang..

Age : Hello?

Teto : (panting) Come take the kids, I'm at the hospital.

They're disturbing me they're crying and grabbing my feet.

Age: What happened?

Teto: Darling is having an asthma attack..

He hung up and picked the keys..

Age: I'm going to get my nieces,
Teto are Dee is having an
asthma attack.

Akeelah: He probably cheated..
Men are predictable, the sad
part is how we keep
encouraging each other to
forgive. I hope her baby is OK...

Age looked at her once and
hurried out...

At the hospital...

Later on Teto anxiously tapped his shoe on the floor, he sat on the chair looking at Darling connected to the oxygen. She slowly turned and looked at him, then he quickly stood up and stood by the bed holding her hand..

Teto: Hey...

He grabbed the chair and moved closer looking in her eyes with panic..

Teto : Are you OK? I didn't know you had asthma.

Darling : Did you bring my phone?

Teto: No, I was in a hurry. I just picked you and the kids and drove over here.

Darling : The house keys di kae?
(Where are the house keys).

He tilted and reached in his
back pocket then he put them
on her hand.

Teto: Are you OK?

Darling: I'll be fine.. (she
blinked calmly breathing
through an oxygen tube that
crossed below her nose) You're

not going to kill me because I'm going to walk away from you. Take your children and leave my life, it's time for me to take care of myself because no one will and I'll be the one crying if I lose my baby. Don't ever come to my house, as soon as I get discharged from the hospital I will pack your things and your children's things then I'll bring them over. I wasn't trying to buy your love by loving your

children, ke ne kese mo
bolopeng I truly care about
them because I see myself in
Aisha and I thought we could
be a family, but I was wrong.
(tearfully) Go bothoko go rata
motho ene a bona semata
hela...(It's painful to love
someone who just takes u for a
fool). I am in pain... (her voice
trailed off) because I love you,
but I will not die for love. I'm
sure I will get over you... I have

been abused emotionally and I'm stronger than you think. I have so much to give (tears blurred her eyes), but I can't find someone to give that to. I have so much love in my heart and you have just denied yourself that love. (a tear rolled down her cheek). One day you'll remember that or maybe you won't because perhaps there is a better woman out there for you who will love and

your children better le wena
you'll appreciate that. Mme
hela I loved you, I was planning
to love you even more. I saw
myself with you and our three
children travelling the world, I
wanted to see the snow with
you. I wanted Aisha to feel the
love of a mother not be raised
by a grandmother but it's ok,
maybe this is a blessing in
disguise for me. Maybe you'd
turn out to be one of these

husbands who break their women until they commit suicide. Thanks for the good times, please get out of my room.

Teto tearfully looked at her..

Teto : I'm sorry, I want what you just said. I love you but I got pressured by this pregnancy. It's hard dealing with your mood swings and

things have changed, we don't interact the same... I just want to breathe at times. I know you're the woman of the moment because you're pregnant but babe... It's hard for me to deal with all the accusations even when I'm not doing anything You are controlling, you want me next to you all the time it's suffocating.

Darling: Go and breathe fresh air Teto, I won't be there to pollute it anymore. Gao bue sepe, ke rwele ngwana wa gago ka mpa you think that's easy? (What u are saying is nonsense, I'm pregnant and u think that's easy) You can't even spend time with your own children. They see you in the morning only and sleep without a good night fro. You? Tsamaya the rra, you think you're some kind

of a price to be won. Get out of
my room

Teto: Babe-

Darling: Leave!

She pressed the panic button
then a nurse walked in, he
slowly stood up..

Nurse : Is everything OK?

Darling: Please escort this man out, he is raising my BP and I don't want him to ever visit me.

Nurse: OK.. (to Teto) Mogolo ke tsaya gore le utule, molwetse o bata go itheetsa.. (I guess u heard her, the patient wants to rest)

He walked backwards looking at her then he turned around and walked out as his phone rang.

Teto: Hello?

Auntie: Where are you?

Teto: At the hospital, what's going on?

Auntie: Something tragic happened, please hurry home.

Teto : What is it? Can you please tell me.

Auntie : Your grandmother is late, please come we need a

driver, your grandfather is not
in a condition to drive.

He hung up and hurried out of
the hospital.

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At the hospital...

Aisha opened the door and got out then Age grabbed her by the clothes before she could step outside, he closed the door.

Age: How many times do ai have to tell you that you can't go in there?

Aisha: (crying) I want to see
mama..

Age: (angrily) You can't see her,
sit down. If you open this door
again I'll beat you.

She leaned back and put her
arm over her face crying
hysterically.

Age: She is just in the hospital,
why are you crying like she is

dead? Keep quiet, you're making people stare at the car...

She cried silently holding in her tears and eventually burst out. Teto hurried over then Age stepped out curiously..

Age: Is she OK?

Teto: She dumped me

Age: Do you blame her?

Teto: I'm not ready for your lectures. Auntie says the old lady is late, I don't know if it's true but they're calling me. Can I have my kids?

Age: I'll take them to their grandmother, you go see what's going on at home.

Teto : Ok.

Teto leaned in the car, Aisha was crying and Naya asleep after crying herself to sleep.

Teto : Aisha you're going to granny, I'll see you later. I have to go do something

Aisha: (crying) I want to see mama.

Teto : She is fine, she will see you tomorrow

Aisha : (crying louder) Nooo, I want to see her now!

Teto: (angrily) Aisha! Stop crying... Sutha dikeledi tseo monna... (Wipe those tears)

With that tone she quickly rubbed her tears and breathed heavily looking at him with reddish eyes.

Teto : She is fine and she will see you tomorrow... Sit properly and belt up.

She sat back and pulled the seat belt with shaky hands and clicked it before rubbing her eyes again. Teto sighed and just turned without a word to his brother, he headed to his car and drove off.

At the Bonga family...

Teto walked into the bedroom where his grandmother was lying and two of his aunts standing by after dressing her.

Auntie: Did you put the mattress in the back?

Teto: Yes.

Auntie: Carry her to the car..

Teto reluctantly looked at them, they actually wanted him to carry a dead body..

Auntie: You're the only one who can do it, unless if you want your uncle or grandfather to do it...

He bent over and picked her up. Her body was more heavier than he imagined and rigor mortis had already set in as her

knees remained stiff. She put her in the car and the aunties covered her with sheets while Teto watched her face in silent shock. It all seemed like a big dream he'd get up from, he walked back to the house where his grandfather was sitting on the couch holding his BP medication with puffy eyes... He wasn't sure how to talk to him though he understood exactly how he felt, it was the

same exact feeling he got when he saw Tsame's body in the morgue and he cried his way to the car passing people on the way and not caring if they could see him crying.. Clearly the old man was taking it bravely, but he knew the pain inside wasn't any less..

Teto: We are OK...

Bonga: (sniffled) Ok my boy... I don't think I will live long but

it's not a scary thought. I'm really proud of the growth I see in you, ke bata go go nyadisa pele ga le nna ke latela mosadi wame ka gore gakena go tshela lebaka a seo (I want to marry u off before I follow my wife, I don't think I will live long without her). She was keeping me alive throughout all my sickness.

Teto: Don't talk like that, God has plans for everything.

Bonga: O ngwana, gao
thaloganye gore ha go ntse
jaana gake kgakala ka gore ke
ene wa pelo yame ene yoole...
Tsamayang.. (U are a child, u
don't understand that I will
soon follow her cos she was my
soulmate.U can leave)

He turned around and walked
away, he got in the car and
started driving as his uncle's

wife handed him a half bottle of water.

Aunt2: Have water, are you OK?

Teto: (sighed) I'm fine...

A few minutes later Teto drove through the hospital gate and the aunt handed him the bottle again..

Aunt2: Have this water, you're not calm at all.

Teto got the water and put it on his lap, the aunt watched as he twisted the lid off and parked, just as he lifted the bottle another car parked then he noticed he didn't park properly. He put the bottle on the holder and reversed so as to repark properly. He stepped out forgetting about the water

and he rushed inside the emergency room to get a bed. He came back pushing it.

At Darling's room...

Later on Darling sat up zipping her bag while the doctor handed her the medical card..

Doctor: Please take care of yourself. Stress complicates pregnancy.

Darling: I will, thank you.

The doctor walked out then she put on her shoes and walked out to collect her prescription before walking out of the building calling her mother.

Her: Hello?

Darling: Can you pick me up? I just got discharged. I'll be waiting at the gate.

Her: Ok, I'll hurry. Are you ok?

Darling: Yes, I'm fine.

Her: Your father is going to blame himself for this.

Darling: (laughed) That's why I'm not telling him every detail, I'm just going to tell him we broke up and he didn't appreciate me. Le wena oska bua tse dintsi (don't divulge any


details either), he was just trying to help me and he believed Teto would be good for me. I don't blame him.

Her: Ok baby, I'm coming.

She hung up and sighed as she sat on the waiting seats.

At Darling's house..

Later that evening Darling played “Too good at goodbyes” on repeat mode while she tearfully packed his clothes into his bag. Every word of the song gave her a little strength even though each time she put his shirt or tshirt in the bag all her wishes rubbed off.

 Everytime you hurt me, the less that I cry

And everytime you leave me,
the quicker these tears dry.

And everytime you walk out,
the less I love you

Baby, we don't stand a chance,
it's sad but it's true.

I'm way too good at goodbyes"



She sat on the edge of the bed
and put his tshirt over her face
smelling his cologne and broke

down crying, but that music got her up. She rubbed her tears and packed without a single tear, then she walked into the children's room and packed their things. Her sister's call came through..

Darling : Hello?

Her: He lost his grandmother this morning, are you still leaving him? I think you should hold on with the breakup. Yoo

I'm so scared.. That old lady was healthy, it's sad how people die.

Darling: He will just have to handle it. I can't sacrifice my peace of mind anymore. Let me finish packing his things.

She hung up and finished up then she loaded everything and drove them to his castle.

At the mall...

Meanwhile Sandra stepped out of the taxi talking to the phone and closed the door..

Sandra : I can't see you.

Derrick: VW e red.

She turned and smiled hanging up as Derrick stepped out of the car, the wide smile on his

face disappeared as she got closer. His eyes dropped on her bump and back at her face again.

Derrick : What's this?

Sandra: I guess he didn't use the condom, I thought he used it.. I found out after two months and tried to abort, but I don't know what happened. I then got scared because it was moving and I didn't want to die.

He sighed and stood there for a moment digesting it then he hugged her..

Derrick: It's ok.. I understand.. I'll help you support it, what's your plan?

Sandra: I don't know... It's a girl.

Derrick: Ok, get in..

He opened the door for her and closed then he got in and hugged her again.

Derrick: It's so good to finally be with you again.. Besides this how are you doing?

Sandra: I'm good.. So you don't mind the baby? You'll be part of this?

Derrick : Don't worry about the pregnancy, I'll support you and help you out but I can't be close

to her like that. When you visit me you'll leave her behind to avoid any complications. If we were to move in together or maybe get married I wouldn't want her coming, I'd prefer her remaining with your mother so we can focus on us. Besides, it will be awkward having a colored baby, if she was black nkabe gose worse I wouldn't mind in fact I'd just claim her as mine even to my family to

avoid questions, only you
would know she is not mine but
ke le colored and I don't want
the drama that comes with it.
What are your thoughts?

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In Derrick's car..

She sighed looking down and forced a smile..

Sandra: I understand.

Derrick: Are you comfortable with the arrangement though? I don't want us to make a decision you're not comfortable with because I want us to be happy.

Sandra: I'm comfortable with it...

Derrick: Alright, let's pass by the houses and pay the plumber then we can hang out. I guess I won't take as long as I thought in Maun...

Sandra: What do you mean?

Derrick: (laughed) I had crazy plans for us.. Road trips, I wanted us to attend the Rollers final league game. I was willing to travel to Gaborone and

spend a night in the hotel just so we can watch the game at the national stadium, but you're heavily pregnant and it will be a risk to take you to such places.

Sandra: I understand..

Derrick: But we can go for dinner tomorrow.

Sandra: Dinner sounds good.

Derrick: Yeah from there I think we should just give you space to deal with the pregnancy and

then we can pick up where we left after your baby is born.

Sandra: Yeah, I understand..

Derrick: I got you something..

He reached in the back and handed her a plastic bag, she smiled and picked the lingerie..

Sandra: (laughed) Wow thank you.. I'll save this for future use.

Derrick: My cousin is selling them, I thought those would look nice on you.

Sandra: Thank you..

She continued going through everything while he drove...

At the gym...

On the same evening the gym instructor escorted Botho to

the car, they made small talk softly and calmly..

Him: So, how are our kids coming up?

Botho: (laughed) Really good actually, I've been given a court date so next week I'll know if I'm getting my babies or not.

Him: You'll get them, just relax.. Is the house ready for the children?

Botho: Yeah, ready as ever.. I even talked to a preschool, talked to my family and updated them, they know I'll be a mommy and everyone is just waiting. I think my close family will come with me to court.

Him: Can a friend like me tag along?

Botho: (smiled) If he buys my babies a present.

Him : (laughed) Consider it done..

She unlocked the car from a distance and its lights flashed. He opened the door for her then she got in and rolled down the window as he leaned in smiling looking in her eyes.

Him: Have a good night, good work out hey.

Botho : Good night to you too..

Him: Call me when you get home

Botho: Will do..

He stepped back then she reversed and drove off...

At Ma Teto's House...

Ma Teto handed the children their supper and walked in the kitchen to clean up then she

got a knock at the door. She rubbed her hands on her dress and went to open the door, she smiled as her man friend smiled walking.

Ma Teto: Hi, I tried to call you but your phone was off. I wanted to say you can't spend a night because my grandchildren are here, the youngest is a little feisty

Him: Can't they sleep in the other bedroom

Ma Teto: There is no bed there, I didn't want them sleeping on the floor.

Him: For one night? It's already late.. Bring me the water, I'm taking off my shoes

He sat on the other couch and took off his boots as their smell engulfed the whole room leaving it smelling like a dead

rat. Glued on the TV the girls turned and looked at him, Aisha pulled her tshirt collar over her nose and turned back to the TV.

Naya: Your foot is smelling!

Him: (turned to Ma Teto) What is she saying, these English speaking children can be disrespectful.

Ma Teto: Ignore her..

Him: Have you told their father about us?

Ma Teto: Not yet, I don't think he would be happy to know that his father's money is housing another man. You know how boys can be, he will feel like I'm feeding you with his father's money. We should just wait about introductions and Teto is just crazy, if he doesn't like you he might chase

you out. I don't think he thinks sometimes..

Him: I'm too old to be hiding like this, he should know that you have needs too..

She gave him the warm water then he put his feet inside, she picked his shoes and put them outside by the stoop and closed the door, she opened the windows and switched off the TV.

Ma Teto: Go and sleep my girls... Let's go it's late..

The girls stood up and walked by as the old man looked at Aisha's thick body, she looked 6 if not 7 but her body was built like a goddess, a true African woman and the tights she was putting on were so tight he sore he saw camel toe.

Ma Teto followed them to the bedroom and laid their blankets on the mattress and tucked them in.

Aisha: I miss daddy.. I want to go home

Ma Teto: He is not feeling well, he needs to rest

Aisha: Where is mama?

Ma Teto: She is not feeling well too

Asha: I want to go to granny's house

Ma Teto: Please sleep...

She reluctantly laid her head down and put her hand over her little sister then Ma Teto closed the door and joined her man friend.

At Teto's office..

Later that night Teto sat on his chair holding a bottle of beer and leaned over resting his head over his arm along the desk. He tried to call Darling but both of his number did not go through, she probably blocked him with the rate he was calling at.

He picked the telephone and dialed her..

Darling: (watching a movie)

Hello?

Teto: Please take me back... I didn't cheat... I love you and I need you. I don't know why you don't think I love you maybe I'm not good at expressing myself but please. You're the only woman who can help me turn my life around, Aisha cries for you like you're her mother. Our breakup is affecting the children too, we were building

something big.. Gake gane babe
ke dirile phoso go lala nageng
but I didn't cheat on you. It's
easy to assume I'm cheating
but can't you confirm with the
I'm talking about? I know this
guys from way, they were
arriving from the bush.. Ba
berekela ko sekgweng.. They
came to pick up this other guy I
exercise with that's when I
recognised them. Mathaka ba
di safari gaba goroga ithela bale

excited to be in Maun plus ba
tshwere di tip. We were just
being boys and... (sighed
tearfully) I don't know what to
say because I'm not lying and
you don't want to believe me.. I
can give you their names you
can call them

Darling: You've had time to
construct a good lie, please
stop calling me.

Teto: (shaky voice) I'm not
lying, I wouldn't cheat on you

when you're pregnant take
kese serious... I told you I want
to be there but I made a
mistake and got overwhelmed
by the mood swings which I
admit was wrong.. But I'm not
cheating..

Darling: Age called you ka 2pm
and you came 5 o haver sex

Teto: Nna neke otsela ke nole
ke palelwa ke go kgweetsa. I
couldn't drive, we slept exactly
ka 2 and Age called ka past 2 by

then my eyelids were just dropping. I didn't want to sleep behind the wheel gape I didn't believe you have asthma. I thought Age was just saying so I can come home gape Age le ene ne a omana gonale echo kesa utwe, tota nekele mo sediding sa bojalwa.. I didn't cheat... Believe me, I can't cheat on you when you're carrying my child. Confirm with

anyone o botse mathaka ba
safari let's ba goroga bosigo..

Darling: I'm blocking your
number

Teto: When you find out I'm
not lying don't hesitate to come
back because I love you and
you're every woman in world to
me. You've got everything I
want and I'm so scared to lose
you... I'm scared for my
children, they've lost two

mothers already not you too...

Its straining.. We love you..

Darling: Bye..

She cut the call then he
dropped the phone and put his
hands over his face as tears
rolled down.

At Ma Teto's House...

Later that night Ma Teto switched off the lights and joined her man friend in bed, they chatted until Ma Teto dozed off then he slowly got off the bed..

At the children's room..

Meanwhile Aisha snored with her hand over her sister, her tights got pulled down by cold hands and she moved her head

pulling them up half asleep but the hands pulled them down with her panties then she opened her eyes in the dark, her heart pounded and she wasn't sure was going on.

Voice : (whispered) Shhhh... If you say anything I will kill you and your father.

Aisha's heart pounded as the big hands caressed her flat

chest and turned her on her back.

Voice: O mpolele ha gole bothoko, ga kena go tsenya thata. {tell me if it's painful, I won't put it all inside}

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At Ma Teto's house...

Confused and scared Aisha laid on her back in the dark, then he grabbed both her thighs and pulled her down before going down, but the bedroom door opened and he jumped before touching her. He quickly stood up and slightly opened the door looking at Ma Teto heading to

the kitchen, then he dushed in the toilet.

Meanwhile Aisha pulled up her panties and ran into the wardrobe then she remembered her little sister woke her..

Aish: (whispering) Naya??
Come..

She dragged her half asleep confused sister to the wardrobe where they sat on top of the shoes. She then went for the blanket and covered themselves while Naya fell asleep. Aisha sat up for hours until she fell asleep.

At Teto's house...

The next morning Teto slowly got up and sat on the edge of

the bed and sighed rubbing his face. There was a knock on the door, he walked to the door in his shorts and opened it.

Old man: I was wondering how you're doing, I didn't see you in the evening.

Teto: I'm fine.. Darling left me because I came home at five in the morning. I wasn't even doing anything wrong.

Old man: I'm your father don't try that with me.. I really don't have the strength to be teaching anything anymore. I'm just going to give you the time and space to make your own decisions because I have my own problems now. Monna o bolawa ke se ase jeleng o itse puo e akere?

Teto: I know.

Old man : Stop feeling sorry for yourself and dust yourself up.

Ra utwana?

Teto : Ee rra.

Old man: Re mo lesong, ga o itswalela mo ntung jaana batho ba akanya gore o makgakga.

(We have a funeral, when u lock yourself in the house it looks disrespectful to the people who are here).

Teto: Ke taa tswela konte (I will come outside).

Old man: And try not to eat anything from around here, the Bonga's are not your typical family. Ma Kenny visited your aunt and it's too coincidental for her to just drop dead. I am waiting for that report from the doctor.

Teto: You think they poisoned her?

Old man: I can't tell everyone that because I am not sure and

I wasn't there but I know these people were praying for my death. I keep my distance from people but Ma Kenny always saw good in everyone and she thought I was overreacting...

Please be careful.

Teto: Ok..

The old man walked away as Teto stared at him while more relatives walked around the making fire and cooking. He

sighed and went back inside for a shower and drove out to collect the children.

At Age's office...

Age's phone rang then he stopped typing and leaned back answering..

Age: Hey babe!

Akeelah: Hi, I would like to attend counselling alone for my own peace and comfortability, I'm doing some soul searching and I think it's best we do things separately.

Age : Kante ne mma where is all this coming from all of sudden?

Akeelah: To you it's sudden, I have been bottling this and now I'm even questioning my sanity.

Age: (sighed) Ok, you know what maybe it's best we just go ahead with the divorce because maybe I don't understand what you're going through. I fail to understand how you can make me spend so much money on the wedding then six months later tell me about something that happened years ago. I don't mean to sound insensitive but you're putting me in a difficult position. We

haven't had sex since we got married and I'm not happy about that, it seems like this will take a while.

Akeelah: I still don't mind that tota I think I got back with you because as women we are afraid to take away the perfect family from our children. I was thinking about AJ, but what you did to me still haunts me.

Age: Bye.

He hung up and sighed putting his hand over his forehead, then he dialed Teto.

Teto: Hello?

Age: How are you doing?

Teto: I'll be alright, I'm on my way to Ma Teto's house

Age: (laughed) Ele gore o palelwa ke gore mama? (Can't u say mama?)

Teto: (laughed) I get tongue tied.

Age: I'll pass by the main house on my break to check on the old man.

Teto: Alright.

He hung up and searched for Botho's number...

Botho: Hello?

Age: Hey... How is the adoption going?

Botho: Case ke next week.

Age: Oh, ok.. (an awkward moment passed) Teto's grandmother passed on.

Botho: Oh, I didn't know. Pass my condolences.

Age: We can pass by together and just say hello.

Botho: No problem, won't he mind? Teto doesn't really like me.

Age : At times like this people don't think about the past.

Botho: Ok, it's the holidays so I'm just home. You'll let me know what time and I'll come.

Age : I'll pick you up.

Botho : No, I'll drive over because I have to go check on the progress at the house.

Age: OK, bye.

He hung smiling and leaned back...

In Teto's car..

Meanwhile Teto's phone rang..

Teto: Yeah

Sandra: Hi, ke Sandra o suthile number yame already

Teto: (laughed) No, I never delete numbers. Long time, what's up?

Sandra : I'm pregnant and today ke iphethetse ke go gopotse...

Teto : Ka eng? By the way congratulations

Sandra: Thanks, I'm pregnant with another man's child but my boyfriend says I should leave my daughter with my mother. It felt like he was

rejecting my child and that kind of made me question his love for me. Its like now ke gore yanong ke bonang your point gore when you have to accept another person's child it's hard and it takes being really selfless. It's amazing how our perception changes with challenges.

Teto: Mme kana not wanting a step child is also not bad, I also thought about it after parting

with you gone it might work for others just that I want that in a woman because I can't part with my children. So what are you going to do?

Sandra: It's hard to even make a decision wena, (laughed)

Waitse life is funny

Teto: (laughed) O mpolaa o tshenga

Sandra: Leso legolo kana my mother now is youthful and she

doesn't want babies ke ipotsa ko isa kae ngwanake.

Teto: Mo lopele hela if that's your decision, nna I still stand by my word. If you love me accept my children or nothing. There are guys who don't mind being step fathers and if I was you I'd settle for that because separating with such a small baby eish.. But then some step fathers rape kids so... Its hard that's why I keep saying when

you're a single parent you're not just searching for a boyfriend or girlfriend, you're searching for someone who will either love or abuse your child so you have to be wise.

Sandra: Thanks for the advice ene guy wa teng o shapo mme, I think I love him.

Teto: Good for you, cheers

Sandra: Bye

He hung up and drove him through the gate. Meanwhile inside the house Ma Teto brought food and only found Naya then she walked outside and behind the house where Aisha was sitting hitting stones against one another.

Ma Teto: Come and eat, o
nnetse eng ko morago ga ntung

She got up and walked towards the front house then she gasped as her father stepped out of the car.

Aisha: (screaming) Daddy!?
(hugged him) Are we going? I want to go with you (burst into tears) I want to go with you..

Teto: I'm here to pick you up..

Aisha : I'll get in

Ma Teto: You have to eat first

Aisha : I'm full

She got in the back and sat on her seat then buckled up as Teto walked in and picked Naya who ran into his arms.

Teto : Hey little mama..

Teto and his mother talked briefly then he drove off with the children.

At the Bonga family..

Teto parked the car and stepped out as Botho parked next to him, completely surprised he paused and stared at her then he walked over to her..

Teto: (smiled) Hey..

Botho: Hi

Teto: Wow you look.... Good

Botho: Thanks, (laughed) I'm adopting twins ke motsetsi that's why

Teto: (smiled amazed) You're adopting? Why didn't you tell me, can I see their pictures?

Botho: You blocked me o lebetse

Teto: (laughed) You broke my heart.. But seriously you're adopting?

She stepped out then Aisha ran over to her as she smiled bending down for her a hug..

Botho: Wow you're so big...
How are you?

Aisha: I'm fine

Botho met Naya halfway and picked her up tickling her..

Botho: Hey babes

Naya : (shyly) Hello

Botho: Do you remember me?

(to Teto) Uh waitse ba bone ba gola every day..

Teto quietly stared at her as she talked to the girls then Age parked behind them, his smile disappeared as Age stepped out and joined them.

Age: Hey

Teto: (confused) Hi... You came with her?

Age : I'm yeah, told her about the old lady and wr thought it would be a good idea to just come by and say something nice.

Teto: Is it a good idea to be hanging around with an ex? Especially when Akeelah is battling depression?

Meanwhile Botho walked to her car with the girls and sat down with Naya on her lap then she looked at the brothers. Teto looked so good in that simple vest and she could almost picture her hand over his chest and God knows this man was such a good kisser he got you wet just from kissing you and then when his dick filled you up... Fuck Teto. Her pussy throbbed from her dirty

thoughts then she turned back and sighed. She knew she broke his little heart and men rarely forgave cheating..

Aisha: A man was touching me on my chest and on my privates

Botho : What?

Aisha: He said he won't put it all inside

Botho: (heart skipped) What?

Did he do anything to you?

Aisha: (shook her head) No, he heard the door and ran away, it's granny's friend

Botho: I'm coming

Aisha : Don't tell daddy, he said if I tell him he will kill him.

Botho: I won't say its you who told me and he won't ever try that.. Naya stay here..

She put Naya down then she walked towards the guys and put her hand behind his back.

Botho: Hey, can we talk?

The feel of her hand on his back rushed his blood as he turned and followed her aside..

Botho: Where did Aisha sleep last night?

Teto: At my mother's

Botho : She says someone
touched her chest and down
there too he even said he won't
put it all inside. A man..

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At the Bonga family...

A cold chill ran down Teto's back and his blood rushed as he swallowed looking at her as if he didn't hear her properly..

Teto: What? Someone raped..

His chest expanded as he turned looking back at the kids and back at Botho.

Botho: I don't think he did but I'm going to check her and we have to take her to the hospital just to make sure. She says he was about to do it then he heard the door and stopped.

He breathed heavily through the nose and bit his lips

stepping back. His knees got so weak he bent down holding them. Botho put her hand on his back rubbing him then Age walked over and bent down looking at him.

Age : What's going on..

Botho: Someone molested Aisha at his mother's house.

Teto straightened up and put his hands over his face as tears filled his eyes.

Teto : Tsame would never forgive me if something happened to her...

Age: I'm confused, isn't your mother staying alone?

Teto: I thought so too.. (rubbed his eyes and walked away) apparently not...

Age: Tee stop... Where are you going?

He walked towards the car and noticed the kids would see him in that angry state and maybe never tell, then he turned back to Age who was following him.

Teto: Borrow me your car keys.

Age: You're not driving like this..

Teto: Are you borrowing me the keys or not?

Botho: (handed him hers) Make sure you get there but don't overdo it.

Age: What do you think you're doing, Teto you'll go to jail for acting tough!

Botho: Go get him.. He won't report you, just don't kill him but he won't report you. I hate child molesters and it's sickening because they always

get away with it not knowing
the amount of pain they leave
in the minds of these children.

Teto turned around, got in her
car and drove off as Age sighed
worriedly.

Age: I didn't bring you here to
do this!

Botho: I'm grateful you did,
who knows what could have

happened. She wouldn't have told anyone and Teto would continue to leave her there.

Age: I'm talking about you influencing him to act stupid, what if he gets in trouble? Did you think about that?

Botho: No, I just want that man to face the consequences of his actions.

Age: We are supposed to call the police..

Botho: (sighed) Maybe, but he already left. I have to check Aisha (pointed at Teto's house) Is that Teto's house?

Age: Yeah. Let's go, I'll wait outside...

Botho picked Naya and they walked to the house where they went to the bedroom while Age waited in the living room. That gentle touch she gave Teto on the back when he

bent down came back and his face got long and sad, he bit his lower lip but maybe he was over thinking.

Minutes later she stepped out with the girls and they took the couch. He changed the channel for them and walked to the kitchen where Botho was pouring drinks for the girls. He stood by and looked at her trying to express himself, but

for some reason he panicked
and got tongue tied.

She walked past him and
handed the girls the drink while
he stood by the kitchen door
watching her. She walked back
into the kitchen again and
closed the juice then opened
the fridge and put it inside. Age
just stood by looking at her.

Age: Can I tell you something?

Botho: (paused holding the fridge door) What?

He slowly walked in and leaned against the counter then he folded his arms looking at her.

Age: I'm going through a divorce... It doesn't bother me because somehow I always felt like the mistakes I made changed everything and her character. It was difficult to live

with the result of what I created, but I thought I deserved to and should for my son's sake. But now it has reached a point where we both can't pretend anymore.. We haven't had sex since we got married. I don't blame anyone but myself, but I also feel like I need a friend. Someone I can talk to and have drinks with to help me go through it. Would you be that friend? Please....

Botho closed the door and walked straight to him, then she put her hands on his chest looking at him.

Botho: I don't mind, I'll do that.. Call me any time you feel low and I'll be there. And I'm sorry about the divorce...

She put her arms around him then he straightened up and hugged her holding her in his arms closing his eyes as they both sighed. She stepped back and smiled looking in his eyes..

Botho: At least you're talking about it..

Age: (huffed smiling) Yeah..

Botho: Let me try to make something for Teto to eat, I doubt he ate anything.

Age: OK, I'll help you out..

He passed the pots then she got the meat from the fridge and defrosted it in the microwave.

Age: Can I come to court on your final day? Is it like a case where you stand in court and all that?

Botho: I'm not sure how it's going to be but I know the court has to grant it.

Age: Can I come?

Botho: (sighed) I'll think about it.

Age: Ok..

She got the chopping board and started chopping.

At Teto's mother's...

Teto drove through the gate and parked in front of the house then he knocked and walked in while his mother was standing in the kitchen cooking.

He walked towards the kitchen and stopped by the door putting the keys in his pocket..

Teto: Aisha says a man touched her last night while she was sleeping, did you have a visitor?

Mmagwe Teto slowly put down the spoon and turned looking at him, he had his father's look and she could tell he boiling and ready to burst.

Ma Teto: No

Teto: Are you she is lying?

Ma Teto: Maybe she was dreaming, I didn't have anyone with me here

Teto: Even Naya will be lying if I ask her about it.

Ma Teto: There wad no man here

Teto: Who is the man you had here? I want to talk to him now

Ma Teto: Aisha is not telling the truth, was she injured?

Teto: Are you trying to test me?
Do you really think a child
would create something like
that?

Ma Teto: She is a clever girl,
you've never seen a man here
and I don't have a man.

He turned around and dialed
Botho..

Botho: Hello

Teto: Hi, can I talk to Aisha..

Botho: She said I shouldn't tell you, don't make her feel like she is in trouble.

Teto: Give Naya the phone, this woman says she didn't have a visitor

Botho : Aisha is not a liar, no child will lie about something like this... Naya come... Take, its daddy

Naya: Hello

Teto: Hey babe, did you see granny's friend yesterday?

Naya: Yes

Teto: Is it a boy or girl?

Naya: It's a big man and his foot smells bad

Teto: Ok, give Aisha the phone..

Aisha : Hello

Teto: Babes do you remember granny's friend? The one who visited last night

Aisha : Yes

Teto: What was he wearing

Aisha: I don't remember, his shoes smell

Teto: OK bye

Aisha: Daddy?

Teto: Yes?

Aisha: He said he will kill you and me if I tell you what he did to me in the dark.

Teto: No one can ever kill me, he won't ever do that to you

ever again. We will talk when I come back.

Aisha: Bye

He hung up and walked back to the kitchen..

Teto: Are you protecting this man? After everything you have done to me you do this to my children? And you call yourself a mother? I take my

money and build you a home
only for you to house a child
molester and protect him?

There was man here and if you
don't tell me I'm done with
you.

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At Ma Teto's house...

Teto: You have until tonight to get out of this house, you're ungrateful and I wish I had never searched for you because you're of no use to me or my children. (walked away and turned pointing at her) And I'm not done with you and your boyfriend... Just watch..

He turned around and drove off....

At Teto's house...

Luke knocked and walked in, Age stood at the kitchen door, he passed by the kids touching their heads as a greeting and walked into the kitchen where he caught a smile of interest as

Age talked to Botho looking at her admiringly. They giggled while she dished...

Luke: Hey...

He turned and they bumped shoulders...

Luke: Where is T?

Age: Not home yet, what's going on?

Luke : He was talking funny, I wanted to meet and talk to him in person about his mother refusing to give the name of the man who touched Aisha. I don't want him to hurt his case.

Age: Wow she refused?

Botho walked out and caught the last of their conversation...

Botho: She refused to give a name?

Luke: Yeah.

Age : Oh Luke this is Botho, she is... My friend

Luke: Hi, heard so much about you.

Botho : (laughed) All good things I hope.

Luke: Half good...

Teto walked in and closed the door walking towards them..

Luke: Don't mess this up, you have a good case.

Teto: She won't say his name.

Luke: I wouldn't tell you his name either, have you seen your face? You'd kill somebody and then she would have lost you and your daughters would still be molested by random people while you're in jailm

Botho: He is right... Earlier I wanted you to beat him but now that I've had time it's best we let the police handle it, what if he is doing this to his grandchildren at home?

Teto: I want to punch him first... Eseng aya police ale smooth hela! (He can't go to the police with no scratches)

Age: But let him face the law without your interference. Let's just take her to the police and

have her examined just to make sure she is ok.

Teto: (sighed) Alright... Let me find her clothes and get her changed.

He walked towards the bedroom then Botho followed him..

Botho: O mphe le tsaga Naya
(give me Naya's too), she needs
to change clothes too.

Teto: OK

They both walked into the
bedroom then Luke turned and
looked at Age.

Luke: Who brought her back
into your lives?

Age: Don't be negative..

Luke: You're going through shit, you should be home trying to make that woman see she is making a mistake. I don't understand people who always jump for a divorce at the sight of trouble.. You won't always love your spouse, that's why marriage cannot survive on love only. You need more than that...

Age: I've tried to fight for this marriage but she doesn't want

to... We haven't had sex in six months, who can survive six months? I need to be appreciated too. I can't be strong anymore leha gotweng eseng six months without sex. Nna ke lapile (I'm tired) Akeelah doesn't love me, I've made peace with it and I'm trying to move on.

Luke: With her? Of all the women you could have picked it's her?

Age: Let me worry about that, you wouldn't understand, unlike most people I don't find love easily.

Luke: But not an ex the monna

Age: Ga ke mo rata ke reng

Luke: Does she love you though? Looks to me like she is close to you for her own benefits.

Age: I'm done talking to you about her

He walked outside then Luke followed him. Meanwhile in the bedroom Teto searched for the children's clothes and threw them at Botho who was sitting on the bed.

Teto: Di shapo akere?

Botho: Yeah

Teto closed the wardrobe and turned looking at Botho as she looked at him.

Botho: Come here...

He walked over and sat next to her looking at her, she got up and sat on his lap as he swallowed looking at her. He hadn't had sex in a couple of weeks and just her sitting on his lap with her hands on his

shoulders he really had no control of anything and he couldn't even speak.

She leaned over and French kissed him as he kissed back and put his hands on her waist as she moved her round butt on him massaging his dick shutting down his brain.

She got off him and locked the door as he sat there powerless

looking at her gorgeous body,
she knelt before him and
unzipped his jeans then she
pulled them down..

He watched her grab his dick
and suck it as he closed his eyes
and threw his head back..

Teto: (whispered) Fuck!

She stood up and moved closer pulling up her dress then she put her hand behind her and pulled her panties aside..

Teto : (caught his breath) Go sena condom?

Botho: Ee...

She slid down as he held both her big round butt and squeezed them.

Teto: Oh shit.... Thank you,
fuck!

He reached for her cleavage
and dropped her bra leaning
over for to nipple on her then
she grinded twice and slid off,
she released her panties and
put back her breast back in the
bra as he stood up breathing
heavily..

Teto: Why are you stopping

Botho: There is more where that came from, if you want it do the right thing.

Teto: Botho you can't leave me like this..

She got the children's clothes and walked out then he sighed disappointed. He got the towel and rubbed his greased dick before pulling up his pants like a used little boy.

Botho finished dressing the children and walked out with them where she joined the brothers leaning against the car chatting.

Teto locked the door and rubbed his nose looking down as he approached the brothers..

Teto: How are we doing this?

Luke: Let's drive in one car, I'll drive and follow Botho.

Age: Why?

Luke: I need to talk to you guys.. (raised his voice) Go ahead, we will follow you..

Botho: Ok

Botho got in the car and drove off, the guys dragged their feet to the car, Teto got in thr back

and took out his phone as the car drove out of the yard.

There was silence on the way, by now the two of them figured Luke wanted to talk about something perhaps Botho but they weren't sure.

Luke: Guys I'm surprised you the two of you are hanging with Botho, the same woman you fought about le mo letella a

taker control of your lives
again. I'll be honest with you
Cash and I have never shared or
argued over a woman because
we are honest and open to one
another...Let's just be honest..
Age o bata Botho?

He looked outside the window
and sighed..

Luke: Teto wa mmata le wena
akere?

He leaned back and rubbed down his beard.

Luke: Do you see where I'm going? She is back again and you're about to hurt each other. I don't understand people who keep in contact with exs.. Can we come up with a solution to avoid fights because nna ke bona gore we are heading there. I suggest

you both take this woman out
of your lives.. Both of you

Age: So Teto o bata Botho?

Teto: I never said that

Age : Ok, I'm asking you now..

Do you want her?

Teto: No..

Age: There we go, he doesn't
want her

Luke: He wants her

Teto: The truth is I want her
just as much as you do but you

can have her if it makes you happy. I'll back off I have daughters to worry about.

Luke: I think you should both write her off your lives for peace sake... Let's just be honest with each other Teto won't be completely happy to see Age with her and wena Age you won't have peace whenever she smiles at Teto. If you guys don't make a decision this girl is going to have you kill

each other and I don't need that. Let's put our cards on the table and talk this out. I want both of you to make a promise and take her out of your lives. Teto le wena don't just say I'll back off when you know if she catches you off guard you might just give in. Let's be serious...I'm trying to help you ke thusa lona. Can you both do that?

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In Luke's car...

They both kept quiet then Luke turned looking at Age and checked Teto on the mirror...

Luke: Are bueng the borra (let's talk guys).

Teto: Did you two consider that my daughters may need her?

Aisha didn't tell anyone except her.

Age: She could have told

Darling, she is as good a mother you just don't want her you want the one woman I want.

It's not enough that you

destroyed our relationship you

have to do it a second time...
You haven't been showing any
interest on her you even
blocked her, but the minute I
show up with her you grow
feelings for her in a second!

Luke: He has a point.

Teto leaned back and sighed..

Teto: If that's how you want to
interpret it that's your problem,

I was angry at Botho for how she hurt me. I was pissed and now I'm over that and I'm willing to forgive.. I don't think she even wants you.

Age: The problem with you is you think you're irresistible to women or maybe it's money I don't know, that's very stupid and women are going to use you.

Teto: So when she is interested in me she wants money but to you it's love?

Luke parked besides Botho's car and sighed leaning back as the guys argued back and forth. He quietly let them go on so they could express their truth, but with their adrenaline pumping with every word he knew he had to stop it at some point.

Age: You wouldn't know anything about love, you have never loved anyone in your life... You don't know what love is. When you want to have sex with someone you think it's love... How many women have you loved in a short period of time? How many of them were you ready to marry? Tsame, Botho, Sandra, Darling.... You'd be divorced four times if people

around you were as stupid as you are! You can't even keep a relationship for six months, always abandoning pregnant women and crying when they die... You say you're re in love with Botho now, what about Darling and your baby?

Teto: O raya nna stupid? (Are u calling me stupid)

Teto chuckled with reddish eyes and shook his head...

Age: You're stupid if you don't see anything with what you're doing le Botho. You were not supposed to have feelings for her in the first place. We wouldn't be here if it wasn't for your stupidity.

Teto : I'm not good at arguing, go on and mention my past mistakes akere wena o perfect.

There was silence as Luke continued driving. Teto leaned against the door and looked outside as the car moved.

Teto: And I know you fucked Sandra's mother just before the wedding... But go on and act like an angelic big brother to a little fucked devil. I don't blame Akeelah, maybe she found out about it and that's why she is so depressed. Have you ever

thought of that? Do you even love Akeelah? How do you still manage to fuck older women while she is there holding your hand through it all? I get it I'm fucked up but wena o worse because you have it all but you still fuck up and still act mature. At least I'm making mistakes trying to find a good woman, you have her and you're still lusting over elders. I wouldn't

be surprised if you have slept with my mother.

Luke: Ok that's enough little bro.

Teto: I don't even know why you're still close to me because you know you hate me. If you want Botho that bad I will keep my distance. I'm done with her, mo tsee... As soon as she is done in there she is all yours. Be happy... For the record I loved Botho, never cheated on

her. She cheated and I went on to Sandra, she didn't connect with my kids and never liked them so I moved on to Darling who left me for something I didn't do. Just because she doesn't believe me doesn't make me a liar. I was with Katlego and Derrick, le that guy from the orphanage... Teen, just because le dumela gore ke letse ko ngwanyana doesn't mean ai did that... I'm not lucky

with relationships, my own mother doesn't love me that much despite everything I did for her my children get molested in her own house and she protects this person. Le ene Botho I know she doesn't love me, she just wants money so yeah you can have her... I think I need to hire a nanny and stay the fuck away from everyone who gets pleasure from seeing me fuck up my life.

He stepped out and slammed the door as he walked out, Luke turned his head and looked at Age..

Luke: You shouldn't have called him stupid.

Age: Teto is stupid.

Luke: And you're clever?

Wanting a woman who slept with your little brother makes

one stupid to me. I wouldn't even think about Cash's girlfriends like that. You're an even bigger fool here, at least Teto ke ngwana... You and I are old enough to see things better... You can't be fighting for women le ngwana o kana ka Teto le ene Botho gase mosadi. Ke ngwana and you haven't even noticed she wants him... I want you two to stop entertaining her. Teto is willing,

the question is are you?

Because gao bue sepe ha, ware

Teto should be focusing on

Darling the last time I checked

you took vows. Teto ga ikgolega

ibile ga kobiwa he has to leave

because ke boyfriend, wena if

you have problems with your

wife you have to talk to the

elders so you can try solving

this. There is something that

Akeelah is keeping from you

that's eating her, she can't just

want divorce... Something is making her lose hope in you and maybe she knows about Sandra's mother. Marriage is not a walk in the park, some days are dark and you have to remind your wife that you still love her... Not just giving up and looking for the easiest target like Botho. O tshwerwe ke nopa ya six months gase gore o rata Botho. This I'll tell you from one brother to

another, one married man to another... When your wife is depressed like this... Take days from work, ask her to get a leave of absence, fill the tank or buy plane tickets. Fly her into another country and ask her what's wrong? Tell her it's just the two of you and you're there to solve whatever the problem is. Tell her you've got places you want her to see, but before that she has to pour out her

feelings and tell you everything you're doing wrong. Don't be defensive, listen to correct yourself, address her issues and hold her hand as you show her these new places. I promise you... I swear to God your marriage will come back a fresh one. Communication.. If Akeelah were my wife I would know the exact reason why she wants to divorce... Akeelah is full and ready to explode you

just have to turn the lid and she will spill everything. (laughed)
You don't love Botho you want to fuck her, Teto doesn't love her he wants to fuck her, you're both eying her because she keeps flashing her pussy before you. The two of you gale akanye le gore leka bona kae kuku gape because e beilwe ha pele ga lona and that's what you're looking at. Nopa hela ya nopa yo le kgaoganya, I can

never lose my brother over a woman like Botho. No offence but she is not worth it..I'm done talking to you. Whatever you decide from here is up to you.

He stepped out of the car and took a short walk to make a phone call to his wife. Age sighed and leaned back thoughtfully.

Inside the police station Botho and Teto finished up and walked out of the building..

Botho: Are you ok? You're too quiet..

Teto: I'm good.. There is something I have to tell you.

Botho : What?

Teto: This is our last time together... Given our history le Age I don't think it's a good

idea for us to hang out together.

Botho: Did something happen?

Teto: No, nothing happened.

I'm just trying to stay away from complicated relationships... In fact I'm taking a break from relationships. It didn't work out le Darling and we parted because of a small issue we could have fixed, but I don't blame her either. I hope you understand.

Botho: Is it because of what I did in the bedroom?

Teto : (laughed) No, that... That was awesome, could have been better if I had enough time to cum but it was awesome. I'm not complaining about that, I just want to take care of my daughters myself. This was a wake up call, no one can take care of them better than me and the best way to do it is if I

don't distract myself with women.

Botho: I understand, plus you're grieving... You need that space, if you need someone to talk to I'm here.

Teto: I know, thanks.

They reached Botho's car then he lifted Naya..

Teto: Guys bye, we have to go to the hospital.

Aisha: (hugged her thighs)

Byeee!

Naya waved as Botho smiled then she got in the car.

Teto: Are you leaving without talking to Age?

Botho : Oh... Almost forgot...

She followed Teto to the car where he put the girls in the car and only found Luke.

Botho: Where is Age?

Luke: He went back to his wife.

Botho: Oh.... Ok... Bye girls!

Girls : (waving) Bye!

She turned and walked away, Teto got in the front seat then

Luke drove out of the parking lot and joined the main road.

Luke: Don't you think you need a break from relationships? Di a nyesa laitaka di relationship.

I've never seen someone so unlucky... But on a serious note you weren't cheating?

Teto : No, I met these guys we grew up with, we just bumped into each other and decided to go watch this game gape go

nowa, but I understand why she thinks I'm cheating because I normally came home late.

Darling is moody, it's very painful to be with someone a ngadile osa itse gore o ngaletse and sometimes I felt like it's better ke seo mo lwapeng gore le ene a itumele. When I'm there she gets grumpy, when I ask for sex she gets annoyed are ke rata sex, uh hei..

Luke: Ke pregnancy you know she is not like that.

Teto: And I was willing to live horribly like that because we had 3 months to go, but she dumped me and I can't force her to be with me. We have never argued before, our first argument she leaves. We had a good thing going on.

Luke: (sighed) Go taa siama, how did you talk with Botho?

Teto: I ended it akere I'm the bad guy.

Luke: (laughed) You're both wrong, but I'm glad you easily let it go..

The guys drove into the hospital...

At Age's house...

Later on Age walked inyo the house and found AJ laying on the couch watching cartoons. He touched his head and dropped him a pack of chips as he proceeded to the bedroom..

AJ: Thank you.

Age: Sure!

He opened the door, Akeelah was lying on bed asleep facing

the wall. He sat on the edge of the bed and noticed a container of pills on the headboard shelf by the head lamp, then he reached for it and read, it was depressants.

He put it back and dropped his head down looking at the gift box he had in his arms. Tears filled his eyes and he sighed rubbing his eyes, then he took a

deep breath touching her
shoulders..

Age: (softly) Hey.... Babe?

Akeelah turned around and
looked at him, from the look on
his face something bad had
happened. She pinned her
elbow on the bed and curiously
looked at him.

Akeelah: What?

He looked in her eyes and sighed then he handed her the box..

Age: Open it..

She opened the box and looked at the bookings..

Akeelah: What's this?

Age: Come with me to Mozambique... Let's take this one trip together and I promise you when we get back and you still want to divorce I'll walk away from this marriage with my suits only. You'll get the car and this house. If you're going to divorce me I'm not taking anything, but first do me this one favour and come with me... I know you hate me but just come..

He tearfully looked in her eyes, then she smiled and knelt on the bed hugging him. He put his hands around her and sighed holding her.

Age: Is that a yes?

Akeelah: Yes... (laughed) But only because I have never travelled before buddy don't be too excited.

They both laughed still on each others arms...

A WEEL LATER..

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This is an update for readers who bought books, tshirts and masks. Since greater Gaborone lockdown has been lifted

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At the Bonga family..

After the burial the uncle brought forward the deceased's remaining family...

Uncle: The deceased leaves behind a husband, a grandson and two grand daughters.

Teto caught a sight of Darling sitting amongst the crowd with her family. She smiled and waved then he smiled back carrying Naya.

MC: Thank you, may I now hand over to the uncle for a vote of thanks..

The other uncle took over holding the mic..

Him: May I take this time to thank all of you for pausing your lives to come and show your support throughout this difficult time. May God bless you all. The food is available and I can see young ladies passing by to serve you. You're free to carry on with your day after eating. Thank you...

He gave the MC the mic,
Darling and her family stood up
and chatted with a few other
people while getting ready to
leave, then Teto walked over
with Naya, Aisha ran over to
her and hugged her..

Aisha: I thought you're dead.

Darling: (laughed touching her
hair) Why?

Aisha: Because you didn't come out of the hospital, people who sleep in the hospital die.

Teto and Darling ran out of words..

Darling: I didn't and not everyone who sleeps in the hospital dies.. Hi Naya...

Naya : Hello!

Teto: (put her down) Go play with AJ.

They ran towards the other kids then Teto took a deep breath and shoved his hands in the pockets looking at her. She looked so beautiful in black and her eyes were popping.

Teto: (looking in her eyes) You look beautiful...

Darling: (smiled) Thank you.

Teto: (sighed) I found a nanny, she is arriving today.. I wanted to rent a house elsewhere gore ke ska nna le batsadi but they refused. Apparently I can't leave my grandfather alone especially after such a tragedy. Gatwe I should wait for him to get used to living without the old lady then leave.

Darling: Ok... But why would you want to leave.. (looked at

the castle) I like your castle... I noticed that you never go into the other rooms.

Teto: I'm not a fan of big houses..

Darling : (laughed blushing)
Dumpster boy!

Teto: (laughed looking in her eyes) You can say that again..

Darling: (looked down) By the way I'm sorry I wasn't there for Aisha... I feel like it's my fault

because I know for a fact she would have been safe with me.

Teto: I acted irresponsible, your response to that is my fault.

How have you been?

Darling: I have been ok, why haven't you been calling?

Teto: I thought you needed time to cool off, I didn't even think you'd come to my grandmother's burial....

Darling: Nobody stays angry at times like this... I hope you're coping.

Teto: I am... Call me if you need anything or if you're feeling sick. I want to be present at every hospital visit.

Darling: I'll let you know, I have been ok though.

Teto: Alright.. Bye.

She turned and walked away
then Teto reluctantly followed
her trying to come up with
better words...

Teto: Dee..? (she turned
around) I miss us... Can't we
give it another try?

Darling: I don't trust you...

You're going to hurt me...

You're saying this now, next
thing you'll be coming home
late.

Teto: I'll drop the gym sessions and be home at quarter past five, weekends I won't be with my brothers I'll stay with you.

Darling: I don't trust you..

Teto: (sighed) Ok... Well, thanks for coming. I appreciate that.

Darling: Bye

She turned and walked away as Teto watched sadly, then he turned around and walked

towards his house. Age called him then he turned around and faced him as he approached with Akeelah.

The two of them hadn't talked or called one another after that argument...

Age: I'm going to Mozambique with Akeelah, I'm leaving AJ with you.

Teto: Ok

Age: (took out his wallet) This is his grocery contribution

Teto: I got it, don't worry about it.

He put the money in the wallet as they both stared at one another so much Akeelah picked there was something going on.

Teto: Safe a trip... (smiled at Akeelah) I hope you enjoy.. At least you're smiling, its been a while since I've seen this..

Akeelah : (smiled) Thank you

Age: Go shap aker?

Teto: Sure, just drop him off when you're ready to leave.

The nanny is arriving, she will be assisting me.

Age: Alright.

They turned and walked away
then he walked back into the
house.

At the airport...

Later afternoon Sandra and
Derrick hugged on the parking
lot then he kissed her.

Derrick: I love you..

Sandra: I love you too... Why didn't you answer my calls this morning?

Derrick: I was at a some burial service, one of the guys we grew up together lost his grandmother.. We recently reconnected so we decided to show up there for support.

Sandra : Grandmother? The Bonga's?

Derrick: Something like that, I know him as Alpha he changed his surname. Do you know him?

Sandra: My mother worked for that old lady for years.

Derrick: Ok, her grandson was our friend, we lost contact when he went to study abroad. His name is Teto maybe wa mo itse

Sandra: I only know the grandmother

Derrick: He just showed up recently that's why you don't know him. Anyways (touched her bump) Take care of this little lady (kissed her) I'll see you in a couple of months, by the time I come you'll be with a flat tummy and I can't wait..

They hugged again then he sighed and let her go..

Derrick : Bye

Sandra: Bye

She sighed and walked away...

At the bus rank...

Later that afternoon Teto parked the car and leaned back as all three children played in the back, he dialed the nanny and put the phone over his ear

waiting for her to answer but she cut the call and texted.

Nanny: Please text

Teto: (replied) I'm waiting in the private car parking, they don't let private cars that side unless I'm dropping something.

Nanny: I'm walking towards the parking lot, what car is it?

Teto: A black Range rover

Nanny: I can see you, I'm coming.

Teto: OK

He put the phone on the holder and leaned back..

Teto: Guys listen... Kutlo is coming

AJ : Who is Kutlo?

Aisha: (smiled) She is our brand new mother, our other mother

left us so daddy got us a
another one

AJ : You can't have too many
mothers

Aisha: We have a lot of mothers

Teto: (laughed) Babes this one
is not your mother... She is a
helper, a babysitter. She is
going to help me take care of
you guys because granny is in
heaven and mama Dee is sick
mama Botho is... She I working
far away so...

Naya: I'm keeping this sweet for her

Teto: OK.. So you guys have to behave and be nice. Don't give her any problems or I'm going to put you on timeout.

Aisha: Ok daddy we heard you.

Teto: I'm asking you to be nice

Aisha: But we are always nice..

He sighed giving in as he looked outside, the back door opened

and the children looked back at the nanny Teto turned around looking at her.

Teto: Get in the front.

She stood there for a a second staring at Teto's lips as he repeated himself then she got in the front and closed the door.

Teto: Hi, I'm Teto... This is Aisha, she is my first born-

Kutlo signed something with her fingers and he paused looking at her.

Teto: What?

She moved her lips signing but he couldn't get anything as he stared at her then she took her

phone and typed a message before turning the screen to his face.

Kutlo: I'm deaf

Teto got his phone and texted her..

Teto: Why didn't you tell me?
How are you going to look after my children when you're deaf?

Kutlo: Because I want job, I graduated and no one hire a deaf person.

Teto: I can't hire you either, how will you take care of the kids or communicate with them?

Kutlo : I read lips

Teto: No, I can't

He leaned back and put down the phone frustrated as he

rubbed his forehead and shook his head.

Teto: (sighed) This is crazy...

She opened the door and walked away then Teto sighed..

Teto: Ok, let's give it a try...
Kutlo? Aisha go call her, she can't hear

Aisha got out of the car and ran after her then she held her hand, Kutlo turned around and looked at her then Aisha pointed back at the car with her thumb. She looked at the car then Teto waved her over, she smiled and walked back with her.

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At Teto's House...

Teto parked the car, the children got out and ran towards the house. Teto and Kutlo stepped out, he grabbed a few shopping bags in the back

as Kutlo carried her bag following him.

Teto: (he turned so she could see his lips as he pointed at the old man's house) That is my grandfather's house..

She smiled and signed a grandfather then he smiled and repeated after her signing...

Teto: Yeah, grandfather..this is my house... Come...

They walked in while the children played on the couch throwing a teddy bear at one another. He headed to the kitchen and put the groceries on the counter then he led her to her room..

He opened the door for her as she walked in the spacious

clean room, the headboard was white with diamond like deco and so perfect she found herself staring at it, she put her bag on the bed and looked around..

She turned and signed asking if she will be sharing with the children but he frowned confused, she smiled and texted..

Kutlo: Do I share with the children? Four of us?

Teto: No, this is your room alone..follow me I'll show you their rooms. They have different rooms but they prefer to sleep together so the other room is not used..

He showed her the children's, the bathroom and the toilet then opened his bedroom door..

Teto: This is my room, I have my own bathroom in there so I don't share with you guys.

Kutlo: Ok.

Teto: Come see the kitchen and the dining area

He walked her to the kitchen and showed her around then he took her to the laundry room..

Teto: This is where you do the laundry, it's an automatic machine. Do you know how to use it?

Kutlo: No

Teto: No problem, I'll teach you tomorrow. You just add washing powder and fabric softer then press here,

Kutlo: Ok

Teto: You'll see the rest of the house tomorrow.

He took her to the living room where they sat down as the children sat on the couch in all kinds of position, Aj watched with his head upside while Aisha laid on her side and Naya sat on the table biting the remote buttons chewing them out..

Teto: (touched Aisha and typed) Aisha... (to Aisha) Babes say hi to auntie Kutlo, you have to say hi but she can't hear

Aisha turned smiling from ear to ear and wiggled her four fingers greeting her, Kutlo smiled and said hi in sign language. Aisha repeated after her and she smiled impressed. Aj signed the way she did then Naya repeated after him.

Aisha: This is cool, I can sing as loud as I want and she won't complain... I'm so in love with Auntie Kutlo.

Teto: (laughed) Be nice

Kutlo laughed reading their lips and pointed at Aisha..

Aisha: (laughed) She heard me

Teto: She can read your lips..

Aisha: Really? Ok... What did I say ? Um.... I love you (Kutlo signed miming at the same time) Wow... I like my hair

She signed again and Aisha laughed, Aj and Naya joined in, all three stood in front of her jumping up and down talking while she signed and laughed at how surprised they were that she could tell what they were saying.

Teto headed to the bedroom and took off his clothes for a shower...

At Ma Teto's manfriend..

Later on Ma Teto parked her vits under the tree and walked towards the one room but it looked locked, she looked on the ground for his foot prints

but there was nothing. She dialed his number..

Him: Hello

Ma Teto: (angrily) Where are you? I want you to go and hand yourself to the police because they're looking for you and I don't want Teto to catch you because he is going to teach you a lesson. I'm helping you here, Teto wants to kill you.

Him : Please ask them to forgive me, I didn't do anything.

Ma Teto: You came into my house and touched my granddaughter and now my son hates me. You've done a lot of damage and you're going to pay for it.

She hung up and drove off...

At Botho's house...

Later on Botho sat before her dressing table and finished doing her makeup then she put on her shoes as her friend from the gym called.

Botho: Hello?

Her: Hey, please tell me it was good

Botho: (laughed) I'll be going there in a bit..

Her: I want you to forget Teto because it can never work. Too much history and the brother kaha.

Botho: I know that's true but it could have been nice to explore Teto. Sex hela no strings attached, kind of like a break up sex. It's been a while since I had sex, I can't take it anymore because I'm even dreaming about sex getting wet dreams. Nature is calling

Her: (laughed) gym instructor
will do the honours be patient

Botho: OK, the thing is I'm not
really looking for a serious
relationship. I just want to
enjoy my freedom before my
babies come because once
they're here I'll be busy. I doubt
we will all get married, some of
us are meant to be mothers
only, men are just for sex and
nothing more. I think I'll stay
single and only do hit and run

for pleasure... He probably has a girlfriend or fiancé , I'm unlucky. I won't even get my hopes up in fact if he can just give me dick I'll be fine.

Her: (laughed) Just go have fun, don't be negative.. Bye

She hung up then the guy from the gym called..

Botho: Hello?

Him: I'm outside

Botho: Ok, I'm coming

She hung up and fixed her hair
then she rushed out.

At Darling's House...

Meanwhile Darling laid on the
bed pressing her phone
yawning then a colleague's
group picture from days back

caught her attention, Teto was standing amongst a group of five guys smiling. Captioned “Today I bumped into my former roommate and playmate Teto Alpha.”

She clicked on the comments..

Comment: 🤪, Hatti Alpha ke Bonga now

Replied : 😂, Mxm this explains why I couldn't find his account

Comment: Uh yummy, I remember him. He was my senior

Comment: (tagged Teto) Guys we should do a reunion ya ko orphanage the banna, where are the others?

Teto replied: 😂 Teen o thogo, how dare you post me on Facebook ke tshwere biri. O ta mpolaisa mohiri

Teen: O mohiri monna

Their comments went on and on then she dialed Teen...

Teen: Hello?

Darling: Hi its Darling.. I just saw Teto on your pics ne le le kae?

Teen: At a friend's house, Derrick, why?

Darling: When did you guys part? It looks like you were having a blast

Teen: I don't know I left there very late and I got charged for drinking and driving, why are you asking?

Darling: He got home late and said he was with friends but I didn't believe him. Bye

She hung up and sighed thoughtfully.

At Teto's House...

Later that night after everyone had gone to bed Kutlo peaked in the children's room once again, Naya had kicked off her blanket, she fixed her and went back to the kitchen where she cleaned then she switched off all the lights.

She brought a polar fleece to the couch where she laid down watching a movie, she pointed with the remote and put the subtitles then she muted and watched.

Meanwhile in the master bedroom Teto stepped out of the shower and dried himself with a towel. He put on his shorts and sat on the edge of the bed, the way the house was

silent it sounded like everyone was asleep.

He grabbed his phone and checked her last seen, there were a few things he wanted to talk to her about, he had forgotten to introduce her to the old man. Thank God it was just a few minutes ago, she probably was still up.

Teto : Sleeping?

Kutlo: Watching a movie

Teto: On the TV?

Kutlo: Yes, The Expendables

Teto: I love that movie, I wanted to tell you more about my family and how you'll be working. What time the girls go to school and things like that. We will talk after the movie

Kutlo: No, Job comes first. Tell me

Teto : I'm too lazy to write long things because now I want to watch a movie, by the way how do deaf people watch movies. Isn't it boring seeing moving pictures

Kutlo : Subtitles

Teto: Oh yeah, of course. I'm coming, is that OK?

Kutlo: Ok

Teto put the phone down and put on his sweatpants and tshirt then he joined her on the other couch and unmuted the TV as they both watched.

There was a knock on the door then he walked over and opened, he figured it was the old man but Darling smiled..

Darling: Hi, I'm sorry for not believing you. I know Teen from work

Teto: He works with you?

Darling: Yeah, I never knew he grew up in an orphanage

She walked in then Kutlo turned her head still laying on the couch, she flashed a pretty smile and waved greeting her, Darling slowly waved with a

straight face and looked back at Teto.

Darling: Who is she?

Teto: My helper, I told you about her this morning.

Darling headed to the bedroom and sat on the edge of the bed as Teto stepped in and closed the door.

Darling: Does my opinion matter?

Teto: What do you mean?

Darling : Things have changed, you don't need a nanny

Teto : By the way her name is Kutlo, she is deaf.

Darling: I don't think she is a good idea.. I will find you a helper. How will she hear the children if they fell? When they scream? You're putting the children's lives in danger, if

Naya broke her leg trying to jump from the bunk bed she won't hear them. Let's not forget how a simple communication of I'm hungry will be difficult

Teto: I think they will learn sign language, she reads lips too. It will be cool for them to acquire another language. Sign language is rare but they seem to catch on fast

Darling: I'm not comfortable having a deaf person as their caregiver. You have to let her go... Ke tsaya gore you meant it when you said you'll change how you treat me. This includes respecting my opinion as your girlfriend.

Teto slowly sat on the bed and sighed resting his face over his hands.

Darling: Can you let her go so I can find you a good nanny? In fact we don't need a nanny because I'm here and I'm willing to take care of them. We can go back to how things were

Teto: I prefer to just let them feel like this is home, I can go out with you or spend a night out at your house even have them visit you but I don't think I'm comfortable moving back to your house again because

when we argue then you'll kick me out with bags and the children. I don't want my children getting chased around like they have no place like home. Let's just date without cohabitation *gore le nna ke ithute go ithokomella bana* without the help of a woman...I want to take more responsibility so that you can have time to yourself. I'm challenging myself to father

these girls like that without rubbing them off to every woman I meet that way they won't call everyone mama. I can't move back to your house with the children.

Darling: Ok, I understand but I'll find you a different nanny. This one is not fit enough to take care of the children. Is that OK?

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At Teto's house...

Teto: (sighed) I want to give her a chance and see how she does, if she fails then I'll definitely let her go.

Darling: Even with the risk of kids getting injured?

Teto: What I've learnt is that mistakes happen, year in year out children get burned by parents with five senses... They forget and leave children to drown in buckets and children close one another in ovens. These things happen and they happen to parents who have a hearing ability, sometimes when it's time it's time and you

don't have to be deaf to be unlucky.

Darling: Am I not making sense?

Teto: You're making sense and you have valid points, but for the few hours she has been here I've noticed that Kutlo is extra cautious probably because she knows she can't hear the kids so she keeps checking on them. She is deaf and I'm sure she knows how to

make up for her limitations.

Let's watch her before we can dismiss her.

Darling: I just thought we are in this together.. When you were apologising you promised to do things right now i6 feel like we are back to square 1. You're stressing me out again..

Teto : Babe what's your biggest worry? Honestly what's going on?

Darling: No, it's fine.. (sighed)

Can we go take a bath?

Teto: I just bathed, you can go and bath...I'm going to watch a movie, you'll find me there akere?

Darling : (sighed) Can't we just stay here together, we need to spend time together. You never give me attention. You said you will change all this treatment.

Teto: OK, I'll wait here.. I'll watch a repeat if there is any,

just that I've been meaning to watch it but ke e misa somehow so today I wanted to watch it. Why can't we just watch it together?

Darling: Will you tell her to go to sleep?

Teto : No, why would I do that?

Darling: Because it will be awkward watching TV with a stranger, how do we laugh?

Teto: (stood) This is what makes it so hard to be home,

you're controlling and its hard to please you... How do you want me to deal with this?

What's your problem with her? She is a nice girl.

Darling: You already know how nice she is when she has less than 24 hours here, do you think she is beautiful too?

Teto: Wow... Can you just go and take bath? I'll set up the bed so we can watch a movie ka o tshaba Kutlo.

Darling: Ga ke ise kere ke tshaba Kutlo (I never said I'm scared of her).

Teto : Does she intimidate you?

Darling stopped on her way to the bathroom and looked at him angrily...

Teto: Ok I didn't mean it like that, I'm sorry..

She stood there staring at him as tears filled her eyes. He sighed and walked over to her holding both of her hands then he leaned over and kissed her.

Teto: (softly) I'm sorry I didn't mean that.. You have to stop being so sensitive, I was joking..

She rubbed her eyes and walked in the bathroom as he stood at the door with his head

down. God knows the a few days they were apart were a little break from the mood swings but here we go again... This time he was sure he'd never get anyone pregnant, this was worse than Tsame with a big mouth, that sexy speaker.

Teto: Babe... (tried to open the door but it was locked) Sorry the mma

He stepped back and sat on the edge of the bed with his head until while she took a shower and walked out with a towel. He stood up and tried to touch her but she pushed his hand..

Darling: Don't touch me...

Teto: I'm sorry... So o ngadile?

She kept quiet and moisturised herself then she got in bed and

laid down. Teto sat by her side and reached for her above the duvet putting his hand over her hip..

Teto : Can we watch a movie on the laptop? Babe the mma se nngalele ke a go kopa... Can I be honest with you? Every time you do this I feel like walking away from this beautiful I'm literally suffocating dealing with this. It's childish and I think you

should stop, you can't expect me to be with you when you're like this... You said I shouldn't watch a movie with her but I'm here and it is still not enough.. Please talk to me, if we are going to fix our relationship you also have to do your part. I know about mood swings and hormones but you're not crazy, you can tell when you're acting childish.

She just laid there with a pout
then he sighed and put on his
tshirt..

Teto: Nna ke ago lebella movie,
this is crazy

Darling: Tsamaya akere you
want to cheat, I wish I never
had this baby but that's OK...
Go on and abuse me while you
still have the power.

Teto took off his tshirt and switched off the lights then he laid behind her and put his hand over her bump and kissed her neck...

Teto : I know you probably don't trust me and you have every right to be worried because when I met you I was cheating but I won't hurt you. As much as I won't hurt you le wena don't hurt me, I'm trying

to be strong but gao ngala it
hurts me more than it annoys
me.

She still didn't say and they laid
there for hours until she fell
asleep then he turned around
and sighed falling asleep.

At Botho's house...

Later that night a car parked in front of Botho's house, the gym guy sighed and smiled looking at her..

Him: Thanks for tonight..

Botho: Thanks..

She looked in his eyes and smiled looking away..

Botho: Teen there is something I have to tell you

Teen: What?

Botho: Teto is my ex, the reason I'm telling you is because I saw you guys talking a few times.

Teen: Ok, le kgaoganye mme akere?

Botho: Yes, we are over.

Teen: Ok, I don't mind. We are not teenagers obviously we had

lives before this.. What matters is honesty. Teto is my guy and I'm sure he will understand, we recently reconnected and it's nothing.

Botho: Ok

Teen: If he has a problem with it le gone it's still fine I'll choose you and walk away with peace but ene ke itse gore o jola le ngwana wa boso ya rona ko tirong. Her name is Darling, she

is a nice quiet girl so I'm sure he is happy.

Botho: You work with her?

Darling: Yeah, o siame gore ngwanyana wa teng o didimetse. I'm sure he is happy with her, any man would be happy with a quiet woman like that.

Botho: Ok(sighed) Enough about her... Thanks for tonight

Teen: You're welcome... Hee court ke leng?

Botho: (laughed) Tomorrow ill be leaving, I thought I told you.

Teen: You must have forgotten... Should I take my car?

Botho: Yeah.. A little road trip

Teen: (laughed) Good... I have to see this first hand. Kana when you're a survivor of testicular torsion adoption is your interest

Botho : What do you mean?

Teen: I had testicular torsion when I was 16 and I was taken to the hospital very late so there was nothing doctors could do for me, when you have torsion you're supposed to be seen by a doctor within a few minutes hours or else you'll never father a child again.

Botho: Ae the rra wena, what are you saying?

Teen: I can't have kids

Botho: I'm sorry

Teen: (laughed) It's ok, I used to be stressed but because I'm from an orphanage I feel like I'll be fulfilled if I adopt, I don't think I would love a child any less just because they're not mine especially when I met that child at a young age. I'm really waiting to see how things go with you going through the process of adoption in Botswana. I didn't think it was easy until I met you.

Botho: Ok... (smiled) Re taa tsamaa rothe ee, I'm kind of happy because I have a good feeling about it.

Teen: I'm exited for you..

Anyways.. Goodnight

Botho : Goodnight.

They hugged then she stepped out and closed the door, he waited for her to get in then he drove off.

At Teto's House...

The next morning Teto got up and found himself sleeping alone, he got up yawning and stretched his back then he put on his tshirt and walked out but Kutlo caught his attention sitting on the bed zipping her bag, he walked towards the door and spread his arms in question.

Kutlo picked her bag and hung the belt over her shoulder then Darling walked over and stood at the door. Teto sent her a message.

Teto: Where are you going?

Kutlo: (typed) I have to go.

Teto: Why?

Kutlo: I just want to go. I'm sorry

Teto turned and looked at Darling who innocently looked back at him with wet hands from doing the dishes, Kutlo looked down and walked by but Teto grabbed her wrist and looked in her eyes.

Teto: You're not going

Darling: Why are you forcing her to work for you? Maybe

she found a better paying job.

Stop using force on women.

Teto : Why are you going?

She typed and showed him.

Kutlo: Nothing.

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At Teto's house..

Teto got Kutlo's bag and forced her inside before closing the door and locking Darling outside. He put the bag down, Kutlo sat on the bed and sighed looking at him..

Teto: (held his waist) You're not leaving, I thought you said you need a job. I'm paying you enough ain't i?

She took out her phone and typed as he stood by watching her soft fingers. She had short nails and they were so short he wondered if they ever grow. He laughed as she turned the phone and for a moment she wondered why he was

laughing. He got the phone and grabbed her hand looking at her outer hand then she knew he was mocking her nails like everyone, she laughed and pulled away her hand.

Teto: Ok, you can go. I can't eat food that was cooked by this kind of hands.

She laughed fisting her hands and shoving them between her

legs, then he turned back to the phone and read her messages.

Kutlo: Your wife says I'm not good for children because I'm deaf and the children are in danger. I told her I'm careful, I have a hearing aid and if you buy a monitor I can hear small signals and go check. She says no, go away so I go. No fighting.

He sighed and looked at her..

Teto: (showing her his finger)
I'm not married yet so I'm your
only boss. Darling is pregnant
and moody, don't mind her.
She won't come here again.
You take care of the children. I
trust you because this job is
important to you. Don't go

He put his hands together in a
prayerful manner then she
smiled signed "Ok". Teto smiled

back and gave back her phone. She got it and he paused holding the phone on the other side, her hands were as soft as a baby's skin. She then noticed he was making fun of her hands again and snatched her phone.

Teto : (laughed) I would kill myself if I had nails like this!

She signed telling him off and for some reason he could guess

what she was saying from reading her facial expressions and hands, he laughed and gave her a hand then she shook it.

Teto: (circled around his ear)
That one is crazy, pregnancy hormones.

She signed "ok" then he pointed at the door with the thumb showing her he was

leaving. She gave him a thumbs up and he walked backwards with his eyes locked on hers. He wasn't sure if it was a deaf thing but this girl had a smile, a contagious smile that made you smile back with the same energy. He turned around and unlocked the door then he walked out and to the kitchen..

Teto: Let's go..

Darling: Where?

Teto: To your house.. I'm not happy with what you did back there. Don't pull the bad girl card on me it doesn't even suit you. Don't grow a mouth just because you met a deaf person, you couldn't even face Sandra.

Darling: (laughed) I beat Sandra, wa reng tota? I beat your little girlfriend ibile hane kesa lopela nako ya teng nkabo ke mo kgaotse moriri..

Teto stared at her and laughed, it wasn't just the way she was confident in her answer but how her mood switched. It was almost like dealing with a mentally disabled person..

Darling: Ware Sandra o mpeditse? Mxm o botse girlfriend ya gago. Lo o bona kesa itse go omana jaana ha o ntolela ke ago boxer nna!

Teto: (laughed and dragged her by the neck) Heta re tsamae!

Darling: My keys.

Teto : I'll bring them, I don't want you near Kutlo.

Darling: Fine, I'll wait outside.

She walked outside and waited by the car, minutes later he walked out and got in the front seat of her car. She got in and closed the door.

Darling: How come ever since I got pregnant you don't open doors for me?

Teto: Are you serious right now?

Darling: I have been observing.

Teto : (sighed) O bata go lela mo tseleng ha o bona o simolla di complaints akere?

Darling: I'm just saying... Can we pass by Old mall so you can

buy me mmidi wa mosadi yoo
nnang ha pele ga Co-op? Hers
taste better.

Teto: (sighed) Are you still
eating that? Don't you think it's
enough?

Darling: I want it, I checked
before coming here yesterday
and she had already knocked
off.

Teto: Ok.

He turned and drove towards old mall.

Once in Old mall he parked the car and leaned back but Darling just looked at him. He figured she needed money so he took out his wallet giving her P50.

Darling: Why can't you just buy it? Ever since I got pregnant you don't do anything nice for me, am I too ugly?

He looked at her and sighed then he stepped out and closed the door walking away. He stopped at her favourite spot and noticed there were about four people waiting to buy and the old lady was slowly selling tswii to one of the customers. The customer kept increasing the number of spoons and he sighed impatiently.

Teto : (whispered) Fuck!

The next customer bought sour milk with a bucket and they counted with a tiny cup to fill the bucket, then he noticed another old lady sitting alone under her shade and he walked over to her and greeted her giving her the money.

Teto: Ke kopa mmidi. (I'd like some corn)

The old lady opened the pot and packaged the corn then she handed it over.

Her: Thank you son.. Get the salt.

Teto : You're welcome.

He walked back to the car and handed it to Darling then he started the car and drove off.

She peeled the corn and salted it then she took a bite and almost hurt her teeth...

Darling: You didn't buy from the right woman!

Teto : I bought it from the right person, what do you mean?

Darling: (angrily) This is hard as a rock, mmidi o o letse oo... O rekile kae? (This one is not fresh, where did u get it?)

Teto: (laughed) I bought from the usual old lady, maybe today is not a good day for her gape golo kwa go laene nna neke itsapa (there was a queue I got impatient).

Darling: (threw it out the window) Then you shouldn't have bothered because you didn't want to buy it for me.

Am I forcing you to be with me?

Teto: That's littering, you'll get in trouble for that and I'm not paying a littering fine.

Darling: A single instruction hela you can't follow it then you think you can be faithful staying with a desperate girl in your house? Gao nthate.. (U don't love me)

She leaned back and put her hands over her face crying. He sighed driving trying to control

his temper, staying away from these emotional outbursts felt so much better than this, and for the first time he was so glad he would be going back to his peaceful house. This was his last baby, he wasn't getting anyone pregnant ever again!

Minutes later he parked in front of her house and stepped out then he remembered her

silly complaint and opened the door for her.

Darling : Koore you only do things for me after I complain!

Teto: Can't you appreciate my efforts without bringing me down?

Darling: Tanki ee (thanks then)

They walked towards the house and he stood by as she

unlocked the door and walked in.

Teto: I have to go back, O haven't introduced Kutlo to the old man and-

Darling: Kutlo this Kutlo that, this is annoying... Why can't you fire her because you can see I'm not comfortable with her?

Teto: I can't do that, if she had done something wrong maybe

but no. And one more thing,
don't ever talk to her again.. I
hired her so I'm the only boss
she has, do you understand
me?

She walked to the bedroom
and sat on the bed then he
stood by the door looking at
her..

Teto: I'm going.

Darling: Can't you just stay with me a little while? I missed you..

His phone rang and he answered..

Teto : Hello? Hey Teen... Wa
reng?... Alright... (laughed) How
long have you guys been seeing
each?.... A week? Alright no
problem.. I don't have a
problem, you don't have to ask
me.. Ehe true you're right, gape

hela for peace's sake. I didn't even know that but I'm happy for you. So o na le di step kids laitaka?... (they laughed) Kana Testicular torsion kile yago bontsha daily light ghost... (they laughed) Mme o bonye complete package saan, take care of it. Sure boy, cheers.

He hung up and slid his phone in the back pocket then he sat on the bed next to her. He

reached for her hand and
kissed her..

Teto: I'll never get you
pregnant again a utwa?

She smiled and rolled her
eyes...

Teto: Do you ever think about
me? And say I'm being
impossible let me be nice?

Darling: But I'm being nice now, I have just decided to put myself aside and do what you want and not complain even if I feel like it.

Teto : Alright... (took off his shoes) let me massage your feet before I go...

She got on the bed and positioned herself then he massaged her feet and

eventually went up her face
and kissed her.

Darling: (whispered) ke bata go
kgwa (I feel like vomiting)

He moved back then she
hurried to the toilet but ended
up vomiting on the passage.

Teto frowned hearing the
watery stuff drop on the floor,
then he put on his shoes and

stepped out where she was rubbing her mouth.

Teto : Are you OK?

Darling: Yeah...

He walked by and brought the mop then he mopped smearing vomit while she walked into the bathroom and threw up in the toilet.

At Teto's house...

Meanwhile Kutlo put the old man's food on the tray and called the kids to accompany her, she couldn't risk leaving them alone and she wanted them walking right in front of her as they poked and pinched one another playing silly..

She knocked on the door and the old man responded, but she

knocked again then Aisha smiled at her and opened the door pointing inside.

Aisha: Granny look! We have a new mother and she is deaf, we play loud TV and she doesn't mind.

Old man : (laughed) Really?

Kutlo smiled and put the tray down greeting him, she wasn't

sure how to communicate with an old man, he probably didn't know how to read then he reached for his phone and typed her a message.

Old man: Thank you for the food.

He thankfully put his hands together and she smiled, she headed to the kitchen and started cleaning while the

children played on the couches
chatting with their grandfather.
Minutes later she walked out
and instructed the kids to come
with her..

Aisha: Wait... (spinning with her
feet up) We want to play here...
Grandpa borrow me your
phone, I downloaded a game

Aj: I took it first.

They sat on the carpet and all leaned in lying on their tummies playing games.

The old man shook his head and told her to go then she walked to the castle. She sighed closing the door, finally she could take a bath. With the kids she could never leave them to bath but now she had a chance..

She filled the tub and put foam bath then she immersed herself in there and relaxed putting her hair back as she killed all the fatigue running through her body. After taking a long bath she wrapped herself with a towel, cleaned up the bathroom and walked to her bedroom. She pushed the door and stood by the bed putting down stuff. The door slowly slid open with that squeaking

sound but she couldn't hear it and in the privacy of her room she removed the towel and applied the body lotion to her body.

Meanwhile Teto walked into the house and closed the door shouting holding a few chewing gums for the children...

Teto: Guys!?

He walked towards the passage and stopped as he caught half of her nude body through the half open door, then he stepped back and stopped staring at her. She had back dimples and beautiful legs then she turned around and sat on the bed now applying lotion on her legs. His heart almost fell off as she opened her legs

applying on her thigh going down her leg to the toes.

Kutlo leaned back to stick her finger in the lotion and caught a sight of him staring. She jumped and blocked herself with a pillow then Teto rushed into his bedroom and shut himself inside as she quickly closed and stood against the door with her heart pounding.

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At Teto's house...

The next morning Teto walked out of the bedroom then he quickly walked towards the main door before Kutlo could

see him, she was making breakfast in the kitchen.

She glanced at him walking out and her heart pounded, then she served the children and picked the old man's tray. She stood by the window and moved the curtains looking outside to see if Teto was leaving, but he wasn't anywhere near the car, probably in the house or

behind it. She could wait but the breakfast would get cold so she walked out and towards the other house. The two bull dogs walked behind her breathing heavily with their tongues hanging out their mouths. She wondered if they were fed and who was responsible for feeding them, Teto didn't look like he was a big fan of dogs. Actually he wasn't really interested in

anything and you could never really understand him, now he seemed like a pervert which made this arrangement questionable, perhaps working here wasn't a good idea. ..

Meanwhile inside the house Teto sighed and rubbed his face worriedly staring at the off TV as his grandfather spoke to him.

Him: It's just like that. You get them pregnant and you deal with the consequences. Some women are more hormonal than others... You want to leave again?

Teto: I never said I want to leave her.

Him: Aren't you tired of hopping from one woman to the other? Having so many children with different women....

Teto: I never said I'm leaving!

Him: I know it's hard but you have to deal with such things when you go around offloading in different women, are you building a clan that I don't know about?

Teto : I only have three children, how am I building a clan?

Him: Just deal with it, her parents should be talking to her about treating you right but if

they don't and you can't control her then deal with it.

Teto: Now I know why most relationships end when pregnancy gets involved, people change... Darling has changed but I loved her for being who she was, if I wanted setsenwa (a hot headed woman) I would be with someone else. I don't think I'm meant to be in relationships because I'm never that happy.

Being with Darling is impossible and we are not having sex... I'm trying to be faithful but she won't give me sex. How do I live without sex? She wants me next to her 24/7 but we are not even having sex..

He turned his head and rubbed his eyes...

Teto: I don't know what to do..

Him: When last did you have sex?

Teto: Three months back...

Him: That's a long time...your frustration is genuine, three months is a long time.

Teto: How do I get her to have sex with me? Or even explain how important it is to me? We are constantly arguing and she complains about everything I do. Nothing is ever enough for her I'm beginning to hate her

for torturing me like this. Ga
kea ikgolega go mo imisa and
gaa peke (I didn't hang a rope
over my neck for making her
pregnant and she is not crazy),
I'm sure she knows three
months is a lot, mme gape she
doesn't want to help me out.

Him: You'll have to talk to her,
kana if we paid magadi for her
or if she was your wife we
would call the two of you and
talk to you. As of now you have

to handle it yourself. Talk to her about it.

Teto: I've tried everything I can.

Him: Just communicate... So when is the wedding?

Teto: I don't know.

Him: I knew you wouldn't marry her even after six months, that's how indecisive you are, I'm sure even in the office you take decisions like this. I'm beginning to doubt your maturity. You're just half

the man Kennedy was and you can never amount to the man your father was because you cry about everything. You're too sensitive for a man, you chose Darling why is she making you cry now? If you can't make her give you sex how do I help you? You're supposed to be a man..

Teto: So now it's my fault she can't have sex with me? Ok.

He rubbed the corner of his eye and sighed sniffing..

Teto: I didn't know things would turn out like this, but I'll marry her... We can start the negotiations as soon as possible. I am a man, you're just not willing to give me a chance to make my mistakes and learn from them without comparing me to my father. I have problems of my own,

Darling ga ntshedise sente (isn't treating me right), I don't know if I'm supposed to shut my emotions and make everything about her ke tshelele ene (and live for her). I know she is pregnant but I have needs too or maybe I should take care of those needs secretly and go back to her house to stare at her because that's all she wants.

Him: The problem with you is that you can't play that game, you're too young. Deal with her, talk to her and explain so she can understand. Lona kana gale utwa bothitho (when u guys get pussy) your attitude changes, you come home late, you talk back, you become broke.. So many things sell you out so don't even go there. It's not a field for you, talk to Darling or just hold on until the

baby is born. I don't know what you're going to do with your sex drive but maybe you should give yourself a hand.. It's just temporary. If you were in jail what would you do? Another prisoner's ass or your hand?

Teto: My hand.

Him: There you go, oe heditse (that sums it up). Cheating shouldn't be an option.

Kutlo knocked and walked into the house, Teto was sitting on the couch with his grandfather and as soon as she looked at him he looked away distracting himself with the phone. She handed the old man breakfast and washed his hands.

She signed at Teto greeting him and asked if she could bring his food, but he shook his head and continued pressing his

phone uncomfortably. He looked so guilty she almost felt sorry for him. The fear she had all night that he might rape her in her sleep disappeared as he stood up and bid his old man goodbye. He turned his head looking at her with a plain look..

Teto : Bye.

She gave him a thumbs up and hurried back to the house where the children were eating. She walked in and found Aisha standing by the sink washing their plates, Kutlo smiled and joined in as they cleaned together.

At the office...

Later on Teto walked in the office video chatting with his

brother and the wife as they walked along the beach with loud waves and hush wind in the back..

Teto: Uh man, looks like you two are having a good time

Age: (his arm around Akeelah)
Are we?

Akeelah smiled revealing her beautiful as the ocean wind

pushed her hair over her face
then she pushed it back and
smiled as Age planted a kiss
above her forehead.

Akeelah: Hey, how is Aj?

Teto: He is fine, my children's
baby-sitter is deaf

Age: Is she capable?

Teto: I think so, I don't want to
judge her too soon.

Akeelah: My cousin is deaf, she has 2 kids who can hear but she takes care of them just fine. If she knows how to makeup for her hearing loss she is OK

Teto: I think she knows, we will see how it goes.. How is Mozambique? Can I see the surrounding...

Age turned the phone around showing him the beach and the

ocean then back to his face again..

Teto: Its beautiful... I should take my wife there when she gains her brains again

Age: (laughed) Do you think she will take you back?

Teto : We are back together but it's the same old story, her controlling me and wanting to be next to her yet no sex.

Akeelah: (laughed) Mood swings shem, be strong... You'll get there..

Teto: I'm giving up

Akeelah: When another is weak the other has to be strong, don't give up because it will be the end. At this point Darling isn't in her right mind so you can't judge her and if you hurt her it makes you bad because she is busy keeping your son safe and after this painful

journey she will present you
with a healthy baby boy, what
will you thank her with?

Memories of your cheating?

Teto: No

Akeelah: When you're being
treated bad sometimes
cheating seems like an option
but don't ever let the way
someone treats you change
who you're. Don't let
challenges turn you bad, rather
be patient so she can look back

and say this man right here is my everything, he had my back and loved me when I was unlovable.

Teto: (smiled) That's motivating... I guess you're right..

Akeelah: Yeah, bye

Teto : Bye

Age looked at her for a moment with a little smile and turned back to the phone.

Age: Just hold on, ga nke go nnela bosula ruri, it's a phase or price you have to pay for your boy. Is he worth the pain?

Teto : (laughed) He is worth everything

Age: Period. I know men get neglected at times like this and your needs are the last but

that's what makes you a man.

Soldier on

Teto : Bye

He hung up and sighed taking a seat then he leaned back and put his foot on the desk, a nude picture of Kutlo flashed on his head as it had been the whole night and he reached for a bottle of water and drunk, he had learnt his lesson by now...

Relationships always

complicated things for his children, they lost Botho because of what happened between them and something similar again happened with Darling, she seemed good and if controlling himself was the price he had to pay for his children's stability he was ready to pay this one.

He leaned back and searched for ways to live with a deaf

person, how children can adopt to living with a deaf person, how to take care of children when you're deaf. He searched several things and printed them then he sorted the ones he was going to give Kutlo to help her take care of the children and put his aside. She had one hell of a pussy, probably but he wasn't going to touch this one and he blocked the thought each time it crossed his mind.

He knew he had to be mentally strong to beat this considering he'd fucking his hand from now on but I guess this is what they mean when they say having children is a huge responsibility, you don't get to fuck whoever you want whenever you want.

He grabbed his phone and typed a message.

Teto: Hi, I don't know how to say this because I'm embarrassed. I'm sorry for staring at you last night. I didn't mean to make you feel uncomfortable. I'm not a pervert and I will never do that again. It caught me off guard and I froze. I'm sorry.

Kutlo: It's ok, I understand. I was scared but I'm ok, as long as you don't do anything to make me uncomfortable I'm

fine. I love your children and your grandfather is easy. He doesn't demand a lot of things.

Teto: Thank you

He sighed relieved and leaned back smiling thoughtfully then he grabbed his phone and car keys on his way out.

At Botho's House..

Teen knocked then Botho opened the door in her sleeper dress with no makeup on..

Teen: Hey, I got your message...
Why are you feeling low?

Tears filled her eyes just as she was about to speak then she rubbed her eyes, he stepped in and hugged her closing the door with his foot.

Teen: What's going on?

Botho: Tomorrow the magistrate will be deciding if I'm taking those children or not, I thought I'm strong but I'm not... I'm scared and my heart keeps skipping whenever it slips out of my mind. I can't have children and those children mean a lot to me, I have bonded with them and we need each other me and them.

I want to feel what it's like to be a mother, I want to hold my babies in my arms... I just walked in their room and touched their prams and baby cot but what if they deny me the chance. (tearfully) I'll kill myself, I'm so scared...

Teen cupped her face and kissed her lips and forehead before hugging her tightly.

Teen: Let's go buy them a present... Actually I want to buy them presents, you're just going for emotional support.

Botho : (laughed) Ok..let me freshened up. Ntse ke le stressed

Teen: Those are your babies, that's why God allowed someone who doesn't need them to give them up so they can come home.

She got ready and minutes later they walked out and drove off listening to music.

At Darling's House..

Later on Teto walked in the house hiding something behind him and headed to the kitchen where Darling was standing by the sink washing the dishes. He put his arm over her bump and

kissed her neck which tickled her..

Darling: Hi, I didn't expect you to be here(laughed) Ibile ke sa kopa go chekiwa

Teto: (laughed) I missed you and our boy.(with his chin on his neck) Close your eyes give me your hands

She closed her eyes and put out her hands then he placed a warm fresh corn on her, she smiled smelling it from her hands.

Teto : Open your eyes

She opened her eyes looked at it then she peeled it and he had already salted it. She took a bite and chewed then she looked back at him tearfully.

She put her arms around him and cried..

Darling: Thank you, you're a great father... I love you

Teto: (laughed) Thank you..

He kissed her and she begun eating then he took over the dishes while she stood by.

He picked her up and placed her on the counter.

Teto: O toga o wa o mpolaela my one and only son.

Darling: (laughed) Thank you

Teto: I want to cook for you, ke apee eng?

Darling: Beef stew and macaroni cheese

Teto : Chef Bonga at your service ma'am...

He took out the meat and
began cooking.

THREE MONTHS LATER...

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At Botho's house...

Botho stood in the kitchen making formula in two bottles playing loud music from the home theatre. A nigerian hit came on and she started nodding her head as she danced. K-Cee's Limpopo also played and she danced along singing...

The boy twin rolled his walker into the kitchen and stood at the door, then the sister followed and they smiled as she nodded singing. She paused making the formula and walked over singing...

 Baby please give it to me

Am going craaazy

Oh, let me be your mother

I want to be your mother, your
lover!

Baby please give it to me

Am going crazy

Oh, let me be your mother!

I want to be your mother, your
lover! 🎵

She danced in front of them as
they cracked laughing stomping
their feet trying to dance. She

turned around shaking her bum
and spreading her arms as the
naija hit exhilarated her...

She pouted and blew them
kisses and they laughed
stomping their feet excited.
Teen walked in through the
music and laughed standing
behind the children watching
her dance and sing...

Botho : (singing) Baby please
give it to me

Am going craaazy

Oh, let me be your mother!

Teen walked in with a jumbo
pack of pampers and two cans
of formula which he put on the
counter and joined in the
dancing..

Teen : Gatwe maga not
mother!

Botho: (laughed) No way it's
mother!


Teen : Heela wena gatwe I want
to be your maga not mother.

They laughed and danced
singing, the boy rolled over to
Teen then he picked him out of
the walker and tickled him.

Botho picked the girl as the
dance hall song played. Teen

nodded his head to his
favourite song...

Teen: (Jamaican accent)

 No one knows that I love
her,

She doesn't know that I care,
But when she is ready for me,
I know ama be standing there.



He laughed and grabbed the remote on the counter and reduced the volume before they turned to the plastic bag..

Teen: I got two cans, is that ok?

Botho: (laughed) Yeah, it's more than enough. A can would have been enough...

Didn't you say you don't have fuel ne rra?

Teen: I'll hustle something, I didn't want them running out of milk again.

Botho: Ok.. Take her, let me finish with their formula ebile I forgot how many spoons I've put in already..

Teen got the twins and walked out as Botho spilled the milk and made a fresh one...

At Sandra's mother's...

A taxi stopped in front of the house, fresh from the delivery room Sandra slowly put her foot out of the taxi and tried to stand but the pain pulled her down. The taxi driver stepped out and got the baby then she slowly got out and tried to get the baby..

Taxi driver : No, unlock the door first so I can bring in your bag.

Sandra: Thank you.

She unlocked the door and got the baby then she walked in as the taxi driver followed her inside and put it on the couch.

Taxi driver: You forgot to pay..

Sandra: Oh, the money is in my purse. Can you get it?

He reached in her bag and got the money in her purse and put it back.

Taxi driver: Will someone come assist you?

Sandra: Yes, my mother will be knocking off soon.

Taxi driver: Ok, thank you

Sandra: Thank you...

The driver walked out and drove off then she slowly put her pink baby down, she was so hungry she felt light, so light if the wind blew she'd go with it. She slowly walked to the stove and leaned over putting her head down as she felt the throbbing of those stitches. She boiled the water and cooked soft porridge which she took off

the burner before it was ready because she couldn't stand anymore.

She got the sugar and the poorly cooked soft porridge and laid on her tummy eating until she could now breath properly. The baby cried and she moved closer and breastfed as her phone rang...

Sandra: Hello?

Derrick: Hey, the driver told me you're in labour and I came here to make a call. How are you feeling?

Sandra: I just got home now, I cooked motogo and ate.

Derrick : Where is your mother?

Sandra: My mother and I are not in good terms so I'm just alone on this baby.

Derrick: Can I we hire someone to assist you for at least two

months? I'll pay for it, how is the baby?

Sandra: She is fine

Derrick: (sighed) Wa reng ka maid? I don't want you to struggle like that with the baby

Sandra: Ok, I'll find one.

Derrick: I'll send you the money from here, send me the baby's pictures ke mmone

Sandra: I'll do that.

Derrick: Is there anything else you need? When I leave here I won't call again for a month or two

Sandra: I think I'm fine.

Derrick: O rekike dijo tsa botsetsi?

Sandra: I don't have money

Derrick: So why didn't you say so? Ngwana o na le dilo?

Sandra: The basics, I was afraid to ask because it's not your baby.

Derrick: Didn't I say I'll help you? So you wanted to starve while you're my girlfriend kana jang? Nna gake bate motho yoo slow.

Sandra: Derrick!

Derrick: No, you were supposed to tell me you don't have other things not wait for me to ask. What if I didn't call or ask you?

Kante what's a love? Isn't it supporting each other when you're in need?

Sandra: I thought this was my responsibility

Derrick: When you're in a relationship there is no I or you, we are in this together. I told you the last thing I want is you asking men for money and end up being taken advantage of.

Sandra: Ok, sorry

Derrick: I'm sending the money now wena take the baby's pictures and send then I'll call after a few minutes to confirm if you got it.

Sandra: Ok

She hung up and took the baby's pictures...

At the hospital...

Meanwhile Darling stood by the window with her palm on the wall as pains struck her abdomen, Teto stood behind her holding her back massaging her with both thumbs on her lower back..

Darling: (grunting) Uh.... It hurts...(mummed) God help me..

Teto: (low voice) Are you ok? I think you should get back on

the bed.. You can't be walking around, the baby is too close..

Darling: I feel better when I'm standiiiiiiii-uh

She let go of the wall and turned around as Teto faced her with both hands over her big bump, she closed her eyes and put her arms over his shoulders...

Darling : Mmmmmmmh....

Teto: Let's get you back on the bed...

Teto staggered backwards towards the bed and turned her on the bed as she sat down then she took off the gown she had on and remained nude, Teto stood by worriedly looking at her as she pulled herself up the bed and laid down grunting. Her face had changed

and he could only imagine the pain she was going through. She squeezed his hand and grunted even harder this time pushing...

Darling: My water just broke

Teto : I can't look, ke dire jang?

He panicked standing up looking around then Darling calmly reached for the panic

button and continued
breathing heavily..

Darling: (breathing heavily)
Ekare ke a hupela jaanong..

Mpha spray

Teto: Kae?

Darling: I forgot it..

Her wheezing got intense as he
rushed out and met the mid
wife at the door, she walked in

and put her on oxygen then checked her BP and this time she got worried.

Mid wife: Her BP is very high... This is bad.. I have to make a call

She rushed outside as Darling slowly turned her head looking at him with lazy eyes.

Teto : Babe please be strong... I love you... This is the end of the race, after all the fighting and the arguing, learning how to please one another we can't give up.

A tear ran down the corner of her eyes and looked in his eyes..

Darling: I'm so scared, I think I'm dying... Its so painful and

my chest is painful because I'm not breathing properly. If I die don't let my family raise him...(tears filled her eyes)
Raise him yourself. His name is Bold...

Teto: Dee no, stop... We are doing this... I'm not raising another baby by myself. You know what I been through please I love you. I know I don't tell you I love you a lot but I do... Be strong...

The doctors rushed in and surrounded her pushing Teto back, they turned her bed and rushed her to theater. Teto hurried behind them until the theater door closed him behind..

Nurse: You can't go in there...

He swallowed a painful lump
and paced up and down trying
to calm down..

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At the hospital....

Night time passed while he sat in the quiet waiting area alone, it seemed the nurse close by was taking a nap behind the desk. His grandfather called then he took out his phone and leaned back answering.

Teto: Hello?

Him: How is she?

Teto : She is still inside...

Him: She will be fine, don't stress.

Teto: Ok.

He hung up as Age walked over, he didn't expect him over at this time of the night but there was big brother. They hugged and he sighed stepping back.

Age: Is she ok?

Teto: I don't know what's going on? They haven't updated me..

Age: She will get out holding your son, have faith.

They sat down and Age leaned back looking at him. Knowing Teto when he heard this he knew he had to come immediately because he'd be in tears, but this time he wasn't breaking down like that. He was visibly scared and worried but

in a calm manner. He leaned over and rested his head over his arm then Age reached over and squeezed his shoulder.

Age: Are you OK?

Teto: I'm just... (sighed leaning back) Have you ever felt like you didn't do enough to appreciate or show how much you love someone? I felt the same with Tsame, and now I'm here again with Darling... It

seems like every woman who carries my child ends up dead.

Age: Stop blaming yourself... At least this time you're here, you've been nothing but the best and Darling knows it too.

Teto: This time I thought I had it under control, sacrificed my happiness and peace and served her despite all her mood swings.. I've learnt to love her the right way and I still want to love her but then this... She is

not stressed why should this happen?

A nurse walked over and Teto immediately stood up looking at her curiously..

Nurse: We have just taken her to her room.

Teto : So she is OK?

Nurse: Both of them are.

He smiled looking at Age who smiled back and they shoulder bumped.

Age: I'll wait in the parking lot.

Teto: Alright..

They parted as Teto followed the nurse who looked at him and smiled.

Nurse: I have a crush on you!

Teto looked at her and smiled..

Teto: (laughed) Thanks I guess?

Nurse: (laughed) Not crush ya
gore I want us to do something
but I love how worried you are
about her, I saw you pacing up
and down.. It must be nice to
be her. I'm happy for her.

Teto: (laughed) Thanks...

Nurse: She is in here... And um... Please make sure you leave in less than 30 minutes because she needs to rest.

Teto : Thank you.

She turned back then he opened the door and stepped in looking at Darling lying on the bed with the baby next to her. He froze at the door then Darling smiled, she was visibly

exhausted but the happiness in her eyes wasn't hard to see...

He quietly walked over and leaned over looking at the baby..

Teto : He is so big, Naya was the size of my hand..

He slowly and carefully picked him up as Darling's phone rang...

Darling: (low voice) Hello?

Her mother : Your sister tells me you called Teto to the hospital to be with you, did you?

Darling: No, I didn't... He didn't come.

Her mother : That man is not supposed to be close to the baby, he shouldn't even come see the baby in the hospital because o taa mo gata o dinao di molelo o taa mo tsenya kokamo. There are things to follow, your grandmother just arrived home now we are getting the house ready. She brought all her weapons to strengthen the baby before other people can see that boy.

Darling: Ee mma.

Her mother: Ok, bye. We will see you in the morning.

Darling: Ee mma.

She hung up and looked at Teto as he held the baby on his arms smiling at him.

Darling: Hey..

He looked at her then he put down the baby and pulled the chair sitting besides her. He grabbed her hand and kissed it before leaning over and kissing her lips.

Teto: You almost gave me a heart attack... (touched her cheek) Don't you know that I love you?

Darling: (smiled) Sorry.

Teto: Thank you for the baby.. I can't believe I have a son.

Darling: Ok.

Teto: I can't believe we are finally here, at last i6 can breathe. For a moment it felt like I was pregnant too...

Darling: (smiled) Yeah

Teto: I have to go, the nurse said I must let you rest. I'll come pick you up tomorrow when you get discharged.

Darling : My mother will pick me... They're too traditional, my grandmother will be looking after me.

Teto: I hope I won't be denied my baby, how long do they keep you in confinement?

Darling: Five months.

Teto: Are you serious? Five months?! That's like half a year!? You can't let them do that, isn't it you'll be OK after six weeks?

Darling: Yes but I have to respect my parents, they know these things better than me. I'm a new mother, please respect it and do what you're told.

Teto: Ok...

He sighed and stood up then he kissed her forehead before taking more pictures of the baby and her. Completely exhausted and paralysed by

pain, she put her hand over her face blushing..

Darling : Don't take pictures of me looking this bad, don't post them.

Teto: (smiled) Bona you don't have the benefits of controlling me now ok madam?

Darling: (softly and smiling)
Bathong Tee I'm not controlling you... Don't post me looking this bad.

Teto: You look beautiful.

He smiled walking towards the door..

Darling: Babe?

Teto : Yeah?

Darling: I'm sorry I was so difficult... I'll make it up to you.

Teto let go of the door and turned looking at her

emotionally, then he walked back and sat on the chair holding her before kissing her lips.

Teto: You already did... I have a son... And it doesn't matter how much of a big baby you were it can never compare to the amount of pain I saw you go through. Now I know a baby doesn't come easy.. I love you and I missed you. I'm sorry but

nna ke a go ba tsenya dingalo
five months is impossible, you
even have to go to work.

Darling : My father will just
authorise my five months
maternity leave... Don't fight
them, I don't want them
thinking you are difficult. Let's
respect tradition and do the
right thing.

Teto: Ok.. Good night ok?

Darling: Good night... (smiled)
Ke na le baby daddy le nna.. (I
also have a baby daddy)

She almost laughed but the
pain stopped her and she just
smiled looking at him
admiringly. He blushed from
her look and laughed...

Teto: I don't like the baby
daddy tittle, sounds like a guy
who is forced to support. Ba ba

duelang maintenance ko court
ba (the kind who pay
maintenance through court).

Darling: O baby daddy kwa
monna.. (U are a baby daddy)

Teto: Le wena o baby mama ee
(U are also a baby mama then)

They both laughed as she
frowned due to pain..

Darling: Go away wa nthokgela.

Teto: Good night, I love you.

Darling: (smiled) Close the door

He laughed and walked away...

At Teto's house...

The next morning there was a knock on Teto's door. Before it opened, he turned around rubbing his eyes and pulling the

sheets over his waist covering his morning boner..

Teto: (yawning) Hi... Good morning...

She signed while he tried to make out what she was saying, but unlike the children he was such a slow learner! She took out her phone and sat on the edge of the bed typing with both hands. Teto pinned his

elbow and lowered his head yawning before reaching out for her earlobe, she paused typing and slapped his hand before continuing to type then she showed him the phone.

Kutlo: (text) There is something I have to tell you

Teto: Tell me what?

He playfully reached for her ear again and she shoved his hand underneath her thigh pressing it down while she quickly typed on the phone smiling and showed him.

Kutlo: I'm asking for the whole weekend off to go see my boyfriend.

She gave him the phone then
he turned it and read the
message, he just looked at her.

Teto: Ele gore wa jola? (Are u
seeing someone?)

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At Teto's House...

She looked at him and frowned tilting her head surprised at his question, actually she wanted to laugh but he was serious and he didn't look pleased about it. She typed and showed him..

Kutlo: I have feelings too, I'm just like any other woman I just can't hear.

Teto: So you're going to have sex? Just like that?

Kutlo: Will you let me or not?

Teto: Doesn't he know that you have a job?

Kutlo: Please I need to see him, it's been three months now without seeing each other.

Teto: I can't believe I thought you were a virgin, you deceived me. You tricked me.

She lifted her eyebrows surprised and laughed but he was still serious and she stopped smiling.

Teto: I can't give you the whole weekend, a boyfriend is not a valid reason. You're working a very important job and I hired

you because I thought you'll be loyal to me. Bo maid ba di boyfriend never do a good job.

Kutlo: (text) I'm going to see my boyfriend, it's my right. I never take days off or else I'll take you to labour.

Teto: You're willing to take it that far just because I wouldn't let you have sex for days?

Maybe that's why you didn't have a job

Kutlo: Can you stop being difficult

Teto: I can't give you days off now, maybe next month.

Kutlo: I can't wait next month, its been three months and my boyfriend needs attention. I have needs

Teto: I haven't had sex in over six months and I'm not dead, why can't you control that sex demon in you? So it's true deaf

people really love sex that
much?

She angrily stared at him then
she picked her phone and
stood up

Teto: (peeled off the sheets)
Waking up your boss so early
just so you can go have sex,
what's wrong with you?

He got off the bed in his boxer briefs and faced away as he positioned his dick and pulled down the legs of his briefs then he put on his shorts and walked in the master bedroom.

Kutlo slowly sat down on the bed tearfully and rubbed her eyes with her outer finger.

Meanwhile Teto flashed the toilet and leaned over the sink brushing her his teeth, then he

walked out and sighed finding her on the bed.

He put on his sweatpants and tshirt then he walked out, she fixed his bed and followed him out folding her arms. He turned around and looked at her...

Teto: Stop following me, maybe you should quit your job and go have sex your whole life? How is that?

Kutlo: (texted) I need to see my family too, I miss my mother.

Teto: I'll take you there

Kutlo: To Toteng?

Teto: I'll drive you there, we can go now.

Kutlo: You'll drop me there and let me spend a weekend?

Teto : Yes

She smiled and hugged him as he put his arm around her stepping back.

Teto: But I need to pass by Dee's house and see if she needs anything. You can get ready and fix the children.

She smiled then she hurried to her room as he stared at her then he sighed and walked in the kitchen.

At Darling's mothers...

Later that afternoon Darling slowly walked in the house as her mother held her baby, her grandmother stood up and moved pillows aside for her to lay down then they put the baby besides...

Dee's sisters excited hurried to her room to see the new born..

Grandmother: (raised her hand) wait right there! You're not allowed to walk into a room with a new born. I don't know what you been doing with your boyfriends some of you even do abortions such things affect the baby. Just go back

Youngest sister: Ao mmama I'm a virgin

Grandmother: You're always giggling on your phone and you take forever when I send you to buy me something.

Youngest sister : Wow..

They sighed and walked away as Darling laid there looking at her mother and grandmother as they prepared things for her.

Darling: I want to stay 2 months only then go back to my house

Grandmother: I hope you won't be giving me headache, I know you as a well behaved child.

Don't be fooled by having a baby, you're still a baby yourself and you must respect the elders. We are keeping you here for a reason six months is not a long time

Darling: I have someone I'm sharing my life with, what is he

supposed to do in this six months ne bathong? He already had to deal with my problematic pregnancy and now this, how much more can a relationship take?

She stopped talking as the stitches pulled with every word that came out of her mouth. Tears blurred her eyes then she blinked them away as she touched her son's chin..

Grandmother: Just behave, go
rata banna kana go tsenya mo
di phatsheng. O taa rwala
ngwana ale motala oya
banneng kamoso tsoga ago
togetse gone ha. Wela
makgwaho o mme motsetsi,
yoole Teto santse ba tile gomo
thokomela ko nte, ha ole
motsetsi monna o tsewa ke yo
mongwe.

Darling: Because you're chasing them away, I can't stay that long in the house..

Mother : I don't know where you get the energy to talk like this, at this stage I'd be sleeping listening to the pains running through my veins.. Things change..

She walked out and the old lady pulled her bag closer taking out her mothuso consisting of tiny

roots, powders and wools of different colours with some beads. Darling looked at the old bag as she spilled them on the carpet and begun fixing them..

Granny : As soon as the peg falls off I'll be strengthening him.

Darling quietly watched her defeated then she reached for

her phone and found a message from Teto.

Babe: Hey, I'm taking Kutlo to Toteng. She wanted a weekend off.

Darling: Ok, why didn't she take the bus?

Babe: I offered to take her

Darling: Babe the rra don't fall for her, if you spend too much time with her lago twaelana

more than you should. You should be professional. Please tell me I'm just being insecure. I'm so stressed ke tswaletswe mo ntung and when I think about six months my heart shutters. I wish my mother was alive maybe she would understand.


Babe: I was stressed at first but then I realise I can't change it, I'll pass by and see the baby before going.

Darling: They don't allow
maybe after a week ngwana
asena go wa khujwana.

Babe : OK, I guess I'll just drive
straight to Toteng then.

Darling: Does she sit in the
front?

Babe: Babe come on

Darling :  Yeah you're right,
I'm sorry. I shouldn't have
asked. Drive safely, I love you.

Babe : I love you too

He got offline then he laid his head down staring at her new born..

At the Safari Lodge...

Meanwhile a deep in the bushes of the delta Derrick smiled and handed his friend the phone with the baby's picture..

Him : (laughed) Eish ke mlungu
straight, ha go stepfatherege ha
laitaka, tabe o fosa hela

Derrick: (laughed) She'll get
darker the rra

The other worker snatched the
phone and looked then he
laughed..

Him2: But its not about the colour of her skin, there is nothing wrong with people knowing you're her step father... Let's say she was 5 years old, you meet Sandra and love her then she says I have a 5 year old would you dump?

Derrick: No

Him2: Then baya botsetsi, at least you're sure about not having a baby daddy drama. Stop worrying about what

people will say, they were still going to talk

Derrick: True that gape her mother is not supportive, I really don't have a choice but to help her out because ene ke a mo rata go bua nnete. I just want to marry her

Him2: Don't mind people..

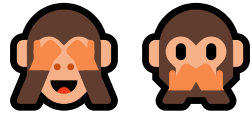
Derrick sighed thoughtfully...

At Toteng...

Later on Teto's car approached the gate as loud music played, Naya crossed between the seats and sat in the front on Kutlo's lap as she held her and got glued to her phone.

Kutlo: Hey babe, I'm home. I'll pass by in a few minutes, I'm greeting my parents then I'm

coming. I missed you 🍆



Teto looked at her annoyed that she wasn't concentrating, as he wasn't sure which house to park next to. He got her phone and read her message as she looked at him..

Teto : Where do I park?

Aisha: Daddy that's not nice!

Teto: (gave it back and caressed
Kutlo's thigh) I was just
kidding....

Kutlo pointed at her mother's
house then he parked in front
of the house..

Aisha: (signing but said father
though she meant mother)
That's your father's house?

Kutlo smiled correcting her then she said it right, she responded her as they stepped out of the car. Mmagwe Kutlo stepped out and gasped surprised, Kutlo hugged her as she laughed excitedly.

Mmagwe Kutlo: Hello?

Teto respectfully shook her hand then they walked in the

house, the girls sat on each side of Kutlo while they chatted..

Mmagwe Kutlo: Bo mmabonte gale gomile Kutlo jaana le taa dumela go boela Maun a sala?

The girls laughed, Kutlo and Teto stood up and walked to the car where he opened the boot so they could pick the groceries then she signed asking him when he is leaving,

as always he didn't get her, she sighed and typed on the phone showing him..

Kutlo: What time are you going?

Teto: I'm not leaving, I'm booking accommodation in the bed and breakfast close by, when you're done talking to your mother ra go robala. I'll book you a different room if you don't want to share.

Kutlo: I'm off duty

Teto : Get those plastics, let's go..

He walked in the house while she stood there holding the plastics thoughtfully, as soon as he disappeared in the house she turned and ran out the gate.

Minutes later Teto dusted his hands stepping out and paused looking around and she was nowhere to be found.

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One Night Only

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At Mmagwe Kutlo's House...

Later that evening mmagwe
Kutlo handed the girls some
food while they sat on the
couch, Teto adjusted her dish
then the TV started playing..

Aisha: It's playing daddy!

Teto walked in the house and
sighed rubbing his hands..

Teto : We are going back to
Maun

Mmagwe Kutlo: This girl, where
did she go? Did she tell you?

Teto: No, she didn't even say
goodbye or anything but it's ok.
I'm glad I brought her home
safely

Mmagwe Kutlo: Thank you

Teto: Bye... Girls let's go...

They stood up and followed him with the plate..

Aisha: Bye!

Naya: The plate!

Mmagwe Kutlo: It's ok, you'll bring it next time when you visit

Teto dragged his feet to the car and opened the door for his daughters, they got in then he

put Naya inside and closed the door before sitting inside and taking out his phone.

Teto: You're unbelievable, I never knew women could be like this. I can control myself better than you and I'm a man. Does he even love you or he is taking advantage of you? I'm very disappointed in you, I never expected this kind of behaviour from you.

Kutlo read his message and left it without a reply then he sighed.

Teto: So should I book the accommodation and wait for you or go back to Maun?

Kutlo: Go back to Maun, I'm giving my boyfriend attention. Just because your girlfriend can't give you sex don't mean I

shouldn't get sex. I need sex to be energetic

Teto: You're literally breaking my heart. I never thought you of all people could abandon me and like this, I dropped off everything just to bring you here and you do this to me. Isn't there part of you that sees how wrong you're? Ok I'm sorry for being a control freak but are you being fair right now?

Kutlo: I just want my boyfriend and now I'm texting you while with him he will get suspicious. Stop texting

Teto: Can you come here so we can talk before I go?

Kutlo: You don't understand sign language, just send the message I can read from here.

Teto: You know what, I'm done begging you. A mere dick makes you lose all your senses enough to run off like a

teenager. I'm done. Ota
theogela ha o bata and if I can't
cope I'll find another nanny.

Enjoy your night and use
protection because he is
probably fucking the whole
village while you're in Maun.

He sent the message and
started the car then he drove
off and joined the road, it was
now dark and the street lights
penetrated through the

windscreen as he stepped on the accelerator heading to Maun.

At Darling's mother's...

Darling laid there staring at her son, he was so peaceful she wondered if he was breathing then she touched his chest to feel his heart beat. He was ok then she turned and pressed her phone..

Darling: Hey babe, are you back already? Please communicate with me.

Teto: Yeah, I'm home.

Darling: How was it?

Teto: Just fine, I dropped her off and came straight back.

Darling: Ok, I'm already bored here. I'm not allowed to have visitors.

Teto: You can't put your foot down akere, nna tota I'm losing hope in this relationship. If you think I'm going to wait another six months to see you then we are going to have a problem, I've been understanding all along knowing nah I'm dealing with hormones but now you're yourself and I expect you to stand up for our relationship against your parents. Next week I'm coming to see my son,

I'm giving you this week to tell them that I want to see my son. That baby is a Bonga

Darling: In Setswana you don't have rights over this child because we are not married.

Everyone knows this, don't complicate things and make me rebel against my parents. If they say five months there is nothing I can do.

Teto: Yeah keep testing me and see my true colors. You're good

at being a victim and I know even with this I'm wrong for wanting my child and I'm wrong for not being able to wait a whole year right?

Darling: Babe please I can't face this people, have you heard them talking tota? Please.

Teto: I was hopeful but you're making me lose hope in us, if I can't see you for that long then I really don't know. I'm driving, stop texting.

She put her phone down sighed
staring at her son...

At Sandra's mother's...

On the same evening Sandra's
mother walked in the house
with a plastic bag and put
things on the counter then she
headed to the bedroom where

Sandra was lying on the bed
with her daughter...

Ma Sandra: How was your day?

Sandra: Mama can we talk?

Her mother sat down and
crossed her legs...

Sandra: I'm sorry I disappointed
you and didn't become what I
always promised you. I know

you had high hopes which I
crushed when I lost direction of
my life but I'm picking the
peaces of my life and soon I will
be the person I always dreamt
of but I need a mother right
now... I can't do this without
you. Please mpee botsetsi, I
can't cope and I miss you...

She sadly looked at Sandra's
plain look and sighed
regrettably..

At Teto's House....

Later that night Teto tucked the girls in bed and switched off their lights before closing the door then he walked in his and sat down.

The house felt different without Kutlo, like a part of the family wasn't there but he

wasn't about to text her no matter how bad he wanted to find out what she was up to or was he. He picked his phone and texted..

Teto: I'm still shocked, I saw you as my little sister. Never thought you'd run after dick and leave me le bana. Anyways goodnight, please use protection.

Kutlo: Good night, I have needs.
Spend time with the girls. I'll
see you on Sunday.

He put down the phone and
laid on his back, six months was
discouraging and the birth of
his son was the light at the end
of the tunnel but his
conversation with Darling
switched off everything, there
was no way he'd survive this

and perhaps he had to make a decision.

TWO MONTHS LATER...

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One Night Only

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At Teto's house....

The next morning Teto's heart thudded against his chest, he had difficulty breathing as he got up and sat on the edge. He sat there for a while until his heart beat went back to normal. He stood up and walked to the kitchen where he made a cup of tea and sat on the couch drinking quietly.

Kutlo walked out of the bathroom and paused looking at him, he had been waking up early or at night just to sit alone and drink tea....

She stared at him for a while trying to figure out what to say. At first she thought he was being unreasonable, but it had been two months and he hadn't touched his son or seen

him. She didn't have a child but she couldn't imagine being in the same position. She walked over wrapped in a towel and sat on the couch then she took out her phone and texted..

Kutlo: Are you OK? Nowadays you wake up a lot a night.

Teto: I'm fine.

Kutlo: Can we talk?

Teto: You wouldn't understand.
I've stopped complaining
because everyone thinks I'm
petty for wanting to see my
son.

Kutlo: What do you mean?

Teto: I have waited for my son
for nine months, it was just me
and Darling but now that the
baby is here and I'm tossed
aside, suddenly I'm a danger to
his life and the most painful
part is that the only person

who can help doesn't want to help me. She is just letting her grandmother dictate her life. The more I complain about seeing my child and bonding with him the more I look bad. I just want to see my son, my daughters want to see their brother, is that so bad? Why am I wrong for wanting to see him... Two months? Still nobody understands, I'm the only one who should

understand their five months
but nobody understands that I
can't survive that long.

Kutlo's eyes welled up and she
swallowed helplessly..

Kutlo: I understand.... I don't
know how to help you but I
understand exactly how you
feel. I've never seen people do
this, I mean my grandmother
tried to make my cousin stay

three months and she said no
ways six weeks and I'm gone.
Exactly after six weeks she left
because she missed her baby
daddy too, gape she couldn't
stand being locked up, maybe
Darling enjoys the gesture
that's why she isn't thinking
about leaving. I'm sorry that I
can't help you

Teto: It's ok, you're doing
enough already.

Kutlo: Maybe you should just disconnect yourself from the baby temporarily, stop asking for him because it makes you look stubborn. I'm sure everyone feels like you're disrespectful for wanting to see the baby. Just follow their tradition.

Teto: I can't do that. I can't sleep at night, maybe I'm crazy, do other men just feel OK not seeing their children until

they're old enough to sit?

That's just awkward to me, maybe it's because I grew up in the orphanage and people just walked in and out of the baby section.

Kutlo: I think it's cute that you want your son and I like that you keep crying for Darling to come see you, but if she doesn't want to go against whatever tradition you can't control her. Give her the space

she wants and stop asking for your son. Find something fun to distract yourself with.. I'll think of things you can do to pass time without thinking about her.

Teto: Ok..

Kutlo: Today I'm going to the clinic.

Teto: Are you OK?

Kutlo: I have a painful sensation when passing urine.

Teto: Oh, do you use protection?

Kutlo: I trust him, I think it's just an infection. He doesn't cheat, he is a good guy.

Teto: Ok, your eyes have a discharge too, have you noticed that?

Kutlo: For a while ntse ke tswa malaka one a.

Teto: You can get ready so that I can drop you off after dropping the children at school.

Kutlo: Ok.

She walked into the bedroom and got ready with the children.

At the clinic...

Later that morning Kutlo moved with the queue until it was her turn. When she turned everyone laughed, one of the

men was standing by probably telling jokes but he kept looking away so she couldn't grasp, but everyone seemed to be dead out laughing. This was the most frustrating part about being in public and missing conversations that everyone else took part in.

The other patient walked out then she stood and walked in as her heart pounded. Each

time she had to go into offices
she got that little panic.

Nobody knew sign language
and that first awkward moment
where she had to explain why
she is typing just made things
frustrating.

She sat down looking at the
nurse's lips.

Nurse: Good morning

She smiled and signed then she took out her phone, the nurse smiled surprised... She used to have a deaf friend at school and had learnt the basics. She smiled and said “Hi, how are you?” in sign language, Kutlo smiled surprised and responded..

Nurse : (laughed trying to understand) Heela I only know how to say hi how are you hela.

Kutlo: (texted) 🤪 ok.

Nurse: What's wrong?

Kutlo: I have burning urine and a green like uncontrollable discharge, my eyes have puss or discharge or something.. And sometimes I just bleed though it's not a period. It has been happening for a couple of weeks now.

The nurse noted down everything and examined her eyes before sitting down..

Nurse: Anything else?

Kutlo : No.

Nurse: It sounds like gonorrhoea, have you had unprotected sex in the last two weeks or months back?

Gonorrhoea usually shows after

two weeks of sex but
sometimes it takes like a month
or two even more...

Kutlo: I had sex with my
boyfriend two months ago and
this month. I see him once a
month.

Nurse: Do you use protection?

Kutlo: No

Nurse: It's
gonorrhoea.....(writing down)
I'm giving you antibiotics and a
contact slip for your partner..

Kutlo: Is it an injection or pills? I want pills.

Nurse: Ke injection sweetheart!

Kutlo's skin crawled as the nurse put on gloves and grabbed the needle shaking the medication then sucking it into the syringe..

Nurse: Come sweetheart,
boloto kana bo bolaisa kalahi..
(the results of unprotected sex)

Kutlo walked over and turned around, the nurse swabbed her butt with cotton wool dipped in alcohol. Just the air bouncing on her skin got her shaking. The nurse lowered the injection then Kutlo jumped and grabbed her hand..

Nurse: (laughed) Moghirl! Stop doing that..

She stopped the nurse and took a deep breath then she signed telling her she has needle phobia..

Nurse : (laughed) I don't even know what you're saying, girl take your things and go...
(laughed) Stop moving..

Kutlo closed her eyes and covered her eyes as the nurse gently injected her and pushed that medication in as Kutlo bit her lower lip. She could literally feel that medication going in.. The nurse finished and disposed the needle and gloves while Kutlo pulled up her jeans. Her whole leg got paralysed with pain as she limped to the chair..

Nurse: I'm also advising you to go for an HIV test, you're lucky you came early. Gonorrhoea can cause infertility if left untreated..

Kutlo nodded with a frown..

Nurse : Pass by the dispenser and get the pills, and please

finish them. They don't taste good but finish them.

Kutlo got her card and stood up, she stopped by the door literally unable to move her leg, but with everyone waiting by and looking at her she gathered the strength and limped to collect her pills. As she approached the gate she realised she couldn't walk anymore. Tears filled her eyes

as she stood by and typed on her phone.

Kutlo: 🥲 Hi, they injected me but my whole leg is painful. Can't you come take me? I won't make it to the taxi stop, my leg hurts.

Teto: 🤪 oh shit, I think I know that injection. 🤪 🤪 Ke go reile ke reng ka boloto Kutlo? (What did I tell u about

unprotected sex). And you just thought I was jealous? Self control hela ya pala ole ngwana wa mosetsana, I'm not having sex, am I dead?

Kutlo: 😐 Are you coming or not?

Teto: 🤦🤦 O rata sex ngwananyana ke wena, o bakile. Why don't you run away again like you were running to the STD? Uh? So now you need the control freak boss? 😂 I'm

so dead please bury me six feet under, 😂 , I can't stop laughing, you're so funny. This is just fun 😂 I'm coming miss "I have needs".

She laughed putting her phone in the pocket and sat on the stoop, minutes later Teto parked by and rolled down the window smiling at her.


Teto: (laughed) Let's go..

She limped into the car and closed the door then Teto got her contact slip and laughed.

Teto: So from here you're heading to Toteng to your boyfriend? I mean he needs it to go get his injection too bamo thabe legwesh le ene..

Kutlo snatched her slip and put it back in the card..

Teto: (laughed) Why are you angry at me?

Kutlo: (text)  Please drive before I punch you. Turn here I need to test for HIV.

Teto stopped smiling and looked at her worriedly...

Teto: Do you think he might have infected you?

Kutlo: I don't know, whatever happens I will accept it because I was born clean, I'm the one who took bad decisions.

Teto : You'll be fine and whatever happens I'm here to help.

Kutlo: Thanks.

He drove to the testing centre...

At ma Sandra's house...

Later that morning Derrick
parked under the tree and took
out his phone...

Derrick: Hey, I'm outside.

Sandra: I'm coming...

Sandra hung up and handed
her mother the baby..

Sandra: Derrick is outside.

Ma Sandra: Ok.

She fixed her dress and stepped outside. Meanwhile Derrick pressed his phone until he heard the door closing, he turned and looked at her as she walked over all thick and smooth with big breastfeeding boobs.

He stepped out and they hugged..

Derrick: Hey..

Sandra: Hey, come in.

Derrick: Your mother doesn't mind me seeing the baby?

Sandra: No, my mother is young so she is not like that.

Derrick: Great, seems like you two are close now.

Sandra: (laughed) Well, I called her and talked to her but you know African parents she didn't say sorry she just changed and started treating me better which is all I ever wanted.

Derrick: Ok.. You look so good... If anyone said you gave birth two months ago I wouldn't believe it..

They walked into the living room and sat down then

mmagwe Sandra stepped out carrying the 2 months old baby and handed her to Sandra before she and Derrick shook hands..

Her : How are you?

Derrick: I'm fine..I hope this doll is not giving you sleepless nights.

Her: This girl can cry..

Sandra stood up and handed him the baby, he smiled looking at her curly hair and round eyes..

Derrick: Hey doll!

Ma Sandra: (stood) Let me go for a walk and give you two privacy.

Sandra: We are going to the mall.

Ma Sandra : With her?

Sandra looked at Derrick for a response.

Derrick: Yes.

Ma Sandra: Ok, but dress her properly. She is too young, protect her from the sun too.

Sandra : OK.

Her mother left then she got ready while Derrick played with

the baby. Minutes later they walked out of the house and stood by the car fixing the baby's hat..

Derrick: Careful now don't hurt my daughter!

Sandra : (laughed) I'm fixing her hat..

She got in the car and got the baby then Derrick got in the

driver's side and slowly drove out looking at the baby.

Derrick: I can't believe I like her. I thought I wouldn't.

Sandra: (laughed) Don't kill me.. Bare I can't believe I like her!

He drove with one hand and touched her cheek before joining the road and driving off.

At the Bonga family home...

Later on Teto parked the car,
Kutlo stepped out of the car
and closed the door.

Teto : Why the long face? At
least you're negative

Kutlo smiled and curved her lips
in agreement.

Teto : Let me talk to the old man, we are supposed to go there and see the baby, the family thinks that maybe now they will agree.

Kutlo: I think you should leave Darling and her family alone for the time they asked for. The more you want to see her the more you'll get bashed for it. Learn to live without her and things will be easy.

Teto : Yeah, I want to try this one thing last before doing that.

Kutlo: You'll get depressed if you think you'll win against a girl who agrees with old people. My cousin managed because she refused but yours is traditional too which means she believes all those superstitions. Respect her wishes.

Teto: I will leave her alone after this last try

Kutlo: Ok.. And I need another weekend to go back to Toteng and sort out a few things but I might be back on Saturday this time not Sunday.

Teto: Ok, no problem.

She headed to the house while Teto walked into the old man's house where two of his aunts were sitting..

Teto : Good afternoon... I hope I didn't keep you waiting..

Old man: Not really... (stood)
Let's go...

They all got in the car and drove off..

Aunt1: Did you buy the food and everything we asked you to buy?

Teto: Yes

Aunt2: I can't believe there are still people who abuse men like this, a child is for both parents.

Kana you get excited when you hear that your child is born then you have to be kept away from them... I thought we were past that 1960 tradition and what annoys me is that such a young educated girl could actually believe that the father of her child must be away

because he will harm the baby. Young women say no to these because nowadays they have jobs and schools, my daughter was given a month then went back to work. What kind of company will allow you to disappear for half a year?

Old man : She works for her father, he will give her a year if he wants.

Aunt: Yone yaa hakgamatsa, ke tenwa ke gore bare Teto gaana botho a kopa go bona ngwana.

Aunt2: Ene Teto o ba saletseng morago ka ngwana wa bone asa ba lese ba dira jaaka ba bata. He should leave them alone and stop bothering them, if that girl wants him to see the baby she will tell him that oh the disease you had that would kill the baby has now

disappeared you can now see your baby.

Old man: I was ok with a few weeks and I understood that but they finished me with six months. I saw Kennedy a week after he was born. They allowed me to get in and hold my child, this Darling girl is not gentle she is stupid and she annoys me. How can they deny us our child, they returned me twice..

Teto quietly drove the car while his parents angrily chatted until he parked at Darling's family.

In the house...

Meanwhile in the house Darling drunk motogo lying on her stomach as her sister stood at the door looking at the baby while the grandmother fixed

the ropes around the baby's legs, wrists, neck and waist..

Sister: (sipping a milkshake) Ng ng... My baby is not going to be treated like this, ekare ngwana wa masangoma ka di wool.. I like taking pictures and this baby is not postable on social media, your baby looks scary Dee... He has a black cross on top of the head and the wools and beads.. Uh

Sister2: (laughed) Nna when I have a baby I won't be stuck in the house for months, hae life is too short to waste it lying on a mattress. As soon as my midwife says I'm good after 6 weeks hamba! Santha hela I love my job, second I need family pics with baby daddy

Granny: And that's why you don't have children, letswe hoo banna le dinao di molelo, I

don't know where you go at night

Sister: (laughed) Granny nna reka becha, after 6 weeks I'm walking out, o taa sala ore perhaps ke ile nna girl

Granny: It ends with tears for girls who don't respect tradition, this five months is for your benefit and on the six month when you meet the father of your child you'll be both happy.

Sister: (laughed) Wame o
tiisiwa mokwata ale six weeks a
utwa granny, ke a ngwega keya
koo baby daddy

They all laughed as Darling laid
by forcing the porridge down
her throat, she hadn't eaten
anything else for the past 2
months except soft porridge
and tea, her taste buds couldn't
take it anymore.

Sister: There is a car outside..

One of the sisters walked to the door and looked outside as the Bonga's approached the house with groceries then she rushed back.

Sister: It's the Bonga family

Darling: Mmama the ako le togele Teto a bone ngwana wa gagwe ga 1 hela...

Granny: You must learn to respect the elders Darling, if we decide to all wash our hands off you and give you the world you won't last long. Men are not everything... Your child comes first not the man, you don't know what Teto is doing out there, he is sleeping around and as soon as touches this boy you'll see the results... I know what I'm talking about.

Sister: What should I tell the Bonga's? They're knocking.

Granny: I'll come talk to them, this family is annoying... They have always thought highly of themselves. Can't they just give us the space to do things our way...

Sisters: (laughed) Ae, let me go... Darling o sweet sister a utwa.. I'm not laughing at you, I'm laughing at myself because I think I'm not obedient...

(looked at her granny walking away and lowered her voice)
Granny doesn't have anything to do ene o bonye something to keep her busy plus she is just overdoing it, what if she wants you to lose your baby daddy so she can get baby? We all know she keeps saying she is lonely, mogirl baby daddy ya tsamaya..

Darling: Then he was still planning to leave me, tota this

is tradition. It must be respected.

Sister: Oh ok... Let me go get my hair done then..

The sisters walked into their rooms, minutes later they greeted the Bonga's sitting on the chairs and put the groceries in the house then left.

Meanwhile Teto sat next to his grandfather as Darling's granny sat on the stoop..

Bonga: We would also like to see our little boy..

Granny: At this moment the baby is very young, 2 months is terribly young.. We can't have everyone holding him. I can bring him but you'll see him from here while I'm standing inside

Teto: I want to hold my son..

Granny: I heard how disrespectful you're but not

here, this is our child to begin with. You're supposed to respect how we do things. Aren't you a Motswana child? Being dumped in a dustbin is not an excuse to disrespect tradition, we understand you didn't get that at the hostel or wherever you grew up but you will not bring that rubbish here. Respect our way of doing things.

Teto stared at her then he stood up and went to the car where he sat down. The old man stood up..

Old man: Now I understand why you got divorced four times, your mouth is vile, unlike you we respect our children's feelings.. We don't talk to them like they're not human. We will stop coming here... You will tell us when the evil spirits we have

die or when that baby's immune system is strong enough to fight evil spirits if that's what we are. I am very disappointed in Darling's father. Do tell him that.

The aunties stood up and followed him to the car while Darling stood by the window watching then her grandmother walked in and sat next to her picking the baby..

Darling: Granny how could you say that to him? I told you about his childhood so you can understand him not use this against him.

Granny: Teto wa lona waa tena ekare waa bokiwa, he should respect us... We are not his employees that he bosses around, the problem with this rich boys is that they think they can control everything.

Darling kept quiet as her grandmother angrily went on and on about men.

In Teto's car...

There was silence as Teto drove the elders, his grandfather looked at him and sighed..

Old man: I hope you have reached a point where your past doesn't hurt you

Teto: I'm used to it now and it doesn't hurt as much but it does hurt when an adult says that because I can't defend myself.

Old man: Leave these people alone, like I said I understand a few days but months? That's just unbelievable but respect Darling's wishes and give her

the time she needs with her grandmother.

Aunt: Mxm, nna tota ba ntena bothe Daly wa lona le mmagwe mogolo, this is why they say in laws hate daughters in law.

Even if you end up marrying her I will never like her.

Aunt: Leave her, and I doubt this was your last seed kana o na le bothata ngwanaka? Are you infertile?

Teto: (laughed embarrassed)

No

Aunt: Ee, bana setse bale bantshi thata mo dinokeng tsa gago. Akake ra tago rogiwa ke motho mogo kana...

Old man: Nnyaa, don't abandon him just support him from a distance for now and see how things will be in the future..

Teto: I can never abandon my child but I'll stop asking to see him, I'll find things to do to

distract myself from thinking about the two of them..

Old man: Good...

Teto : I want to take the girls to the farm this weekend

Old man : That's the best thing I've ever heard, you need to know that farm those things are for your daughters. Bold seems to be in good hands with Darling's family but these girls have nothing.

Teto dropped them each at their houses before going back to his house...

At the mall...

Derrick sat in the car holding the baby as Sandra walked over with a new hairdo and shopping bags..

Sandra: Heish... My hair can
breathe again, 2 months without
changing my style

Derrick: This baby never cries,
bona gore you been gone for
hours but she didn't cry..

Sandra : She is just fooling you..

Derrick: (looking at her with a
smile) You look nice..

Sandra laughed and put things
in the car, Derrick got in the

back holding the baby while
Sandra started driving...

Derrick: Are you done?

Sandra: No, I have to go pay for
your graduation gown and buy
a new pair of heels. Gake bate
banyana ba nkgatella bare le
motsetsi, I want to be a slaying
mama

Derrick: (laughed) Wa ipona
selo ke wena

Sandra: Nna the rra wena ke
makgakga wena

They laughed as she turned the
car and parked then she
jumped out and ran into the
gown shop while Derrick fed
the baby and leaned over
kissing her cheek and playing
with her curly hair..

Derrick: Moriri wa gago nkare
maboa monna

He closed the bottle and put it down then he lifted, she threw up on his face as he froze..

Derrick: Fuck, fuck... (spitting)
tho! Tho!

He opened the door and stepped out with one eye open as the other had milk, Sandra

walked back and her mouth
dropped as she looked at him..

Sandra : (laughed) Heee! Did
you pick her up right after
feeding her

Derrick: Can you believe this
little girl threw up on my face?
She'll spend two days without
milk, golo mo go kgora
makgakga mo!

Sandra grabbed a cloth and wiped him while he held her..

Derrick: Wipe my eye too..

She wiped him and knelt down wiping his jeans close to the zipper..

Derrick: O ta ntshwarisa nopa aska sutha koo..

They laughed as Sandra got in the car and cleaned up while Derrick stood outside holding the baby. Teto crossed the road with his daughters then Derrick turned and shouted..

Derrick: Hey Tee

Sandra's heart skipped as Teto and his daughters walked over and shook hands with Derrick.

Derrick: Babe come here..

She walked over and he smiled at her..

Derrick: This is my girlfriend Sandra, babe this guy is like a brother... We grew up together..

Teto: (shook her hand) Nice to meet you Sandra, I'm Teto

Sandra : Nice to meet you too.

Aisha: Daddy can I hold the baby?

Derrick: Kante ne kesa utwa gotwe you have a son? Teen said something like that

Teto : Yeah, o mo botsetsing..

Sandra got the baby and safely gave her to Aisha as she smiled..

Aisha: Wow, she is beautiful.

Daddy can we buy her?

Naya: I want to hold the baby
too

Sandra tried to hand her over
to Naya but Aisha refused to let
go.

Aisha: I'm holding her for an
hour first

Naya: (crying) I want to hold the baby too

Teto helped Sandra to get the baby by holding Aisha who burst into tears as Sandra got the baby and handed it to Naya with her hands safe guarding underneath..

Aisha: (crying) I asked for the baby first!

Derrick: (laughed) Kooteng last born e thola e lwelwa hela

Teto: They have never met him... Naya give back the baby, Aisha stop crying you're not a baby.. (bumped shoulders) Sure DK

Derrick: Sure boy

Teto put his arm over Aisha as she cried all the way to the car..

Teto : People are looking at you crying..

Aisha: I asked for that baby first

Naya: you must share, daddy
can we buy a new baby?

Teto: We have a new baby,
you'll see him soon...

He opened for them and they
got in then he drove off..

At Teto's House...

Meanwhile Kutlo walked in the toilet and sat on the toilet seat looking at her calendar, she had completely forgotten when her period date was and with the way it kept changing dates she couldn't even remember a single day.

She opened the home pregnancy kit and peed on the strick then she put it down

waiting while she pressed her phone.

Kutlo: So you're still denying it?

Babe: I got an injection last week but it's not me, what if its you? Just because I'm not accusing you doesn't mean its me.

Kutlo: So you got an injection for an STD and didn't tell me?

Babe: I thought you will go if you feel sick. You went to catch STDs there, quit your job I'll support you.

Kutlo: But you couldn't even give me money for pads, I'm not leaving my job. I asked you a question, where did you get the gonorrhoea?

Babe: You're the one who gave it to me, why ore nna

She put her phone on her lap
and picked the testing stick
looking at the results..

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At Teto's house...

She put her phone on her lap and picked the testing stick looking at the results. She heaved a huge sigh putting her hand over her chest in relief, then she threw it in the bin and walked out pressing her phone.

Kutlo: I can't believe you're accusing me of giving you an STD, you're not even taking responsibility for your actions.

Babe: I also don't know where I got it from because I only have sex with you.

Kutlo: I'm done talking to you. I was going to come this weekend but I think I'll pass. It's over, you've just lost me.

Babe: Tsamaela koo o susu (go away you deaf person) what makes you think when we part I lost? I already have a girlfriend, it's Ida and I know you gave us gonorrhoea.

Kutlo: You waited for me to find a job in Maun and then slept with my friend? Kana Ida o raya mang? (Or which Ida are u talking about)

Babe: She is not your friend, has she talked to you recently?

Kutlo: Wow.. May God bless you two. Bye!

She sighed and blocked him then she walked into her room and closed the door, she cried

sitting on the bed. When she stopped crying, she sent her cousin a text..

Kutlo: Hi, Evans gave me an STD and now he is accusing me, he is also sleeping with Ida.

Cousin: I don't even know why you're crying for a village boy who rides donkeys and horses when his age mates have cars.

Nna kana gake utwane le banyana ba ba llelang basimane

kana ba rapela banna (I don't like gals who cry for boys or those who beg them). I just have this thing that a man is supposed to beg a woman not the other way around. You found a job in Maun, iphe nako oye saloon and maybe some guy will say hi, have fun and enjoy life. You don't even have to see a husband in every guy just have a fun. If something serious comes out of it then

good, if not still good you had fun.

Kutlo: I trusted him!

Cousin: From now on don't trust a man. Stop crying, you're in Maun. Do you know how much I'd kill just to be there? This village is killing me and you're crying for a stupid village boy? Girl don't get me angry!

Kutlo:☐ Ok sorry, I'm not crying anymore. 😂

Cousin: 😂 You said you live in a nice neighbourhood, put on a nice dress gape wena cousie o monte, then take a walk. You don't have to say yes to men you come across, just take a walk.

Kutlo: 😂 , Ok I hear you.

They continued chatting as the girls bursted through the door and jumped on her handing her chocolate..

Aisha: I got you a chocolate...
We are going to the farm for the weekend, daddy is going to show us cows. He says everyone has a farm and it's time we see ours. Can you ready my lips?

Kutlo smiled and picked Naya then she walked to the kitchen where Teto was sorting the

food he was taking to the farm..

Teto: Hey.. What time are you going to Toteng?

Kutlo: I'm not going, I changed my mind.

Teto: Ok, good for you. I'm taking the girls to the farm so you have the whole house to yourself.

Knowing herself she'd probably use the whole weekend to think about the break-up and cry even more. Evans knew it was hard for her to get a boyfriend and he probably thought she'd come back as always but not this time...

Kutlo: I want to join you guys, if that's ok.

Teto: At the farm? We will be there for the whole weekend

Kutlo: Yeah, I need the distraction. These children are the best stress relief.

Teto: Alright. Get your stuff, I already packed their bags.

Kutlo: (smiled) 🤔

She turned around and went to pack her things while Teto loaded the car and video called Darling. For some reason the

little smile he had disappeared
as he waited for her to pick up.

Darling picked the call in a doek
and some baggy clothes you
could never understand..

Darling: Hello?

Teto: I'm going to the farm, by
the way thanks for telling your
grandmother about the dustbin
experience, very nice!

Darling: I don't even have a defence on that because I'm surprised too. I'm sorry for punishing you like this but please be patient babe... There is nothing I can do, I'm stressed too as you can see I'm losing weight and I'm not eating well.

Teto: Listen I have to go, (sighed) I really think us being together was a mistake... Tota nna I'm attracted to a woman who can stand up for herself.

You're helping me discover myself... I was with you because after my breakup it was just the easiest thing to do, but now I don't think we deserve each other. You deserve a patient man who will understand all this bullshit and give himself a hand job while your grandmother is keeping you locked up like a royal princess. I on the other hand need a woman who can go against the

rules because it's in her best interest, a woman who can stand up for herself even against my authority when I'm wrong. I'm not looking for a robot... I find attraction in a woman who can make tough decisions. You don't have that... I also don't have the patience you want in a man. The question now is are we going to keep this joke of a relationship,

if so for how long because eish
I'm losing interest.

Darling looked at him and tears filled her eyes. He was sun-kissed and it looked like he had a fresh cut.. That long sleeve sweater put his buffed chest out there and she just wanted to hold him and kiss him. She rubbed her tears with her hand, her nails only had little patches of the nail polish and there

were no traces of her usual French nails..

Darling: Teto kana ke beilwe mo ntung there is nothing I can do, I can't disrespect my parents don't ask me to.

Teto: Don't, anyways I'll call you on Sunday or Monday.

Darling: Isn't there network there?

Teto: It's there but I think we should give each other time to breathe, I'm going out there to freshen up my mind so less calls would do. I know this is new to you but men have feelings too, there is a heart inside my ribcage. O ntsenya stress to be honest with you. I have to go... (looked back) Guys get in the car, call Kutlo. (looked back at her) Bye
Darling: (crying) Wait..

He hung up and got in the front seat then he honked, the girls ran over while Kutlo locked the house and ran over. She put her bag in the back and closed the girls in before getting in and putting on her seat belt.

Teto: Can someone bless our drive with a prayer?

They all closed their eyes and folded their arms..

Aisha: Dear God please drive with us and send your angels to protect us as always. Keep us together and don't let us part ways.

Naya: God gives us a new little baby too!

Aisha: Yes please give us a little baby so we can play with her

and lift her up. We pray in Jesus name Amen.

Naya: Amen!

Teto: (squeezed Kutlo's thigh)
Amen.

Kutlo opened her eyes and signed Amen then she smiled at Teto who took a deep breath starting the car and driving off...

At Sandra's mother's...

Later on Sandra and Derrick were chilling in the car with their feet up the dashboard while the baby laid asleep in the back seat.

Sandra picked a spicy sauce and squeezed it over the grilled ribs then she picked one and sunk her teeth into it chewing. She sucked her finger tips as Derrick

turned his head holding his piece of the grilled rib..

Derrick: When can you guys sleepover? I only have a few days before going back to the safari. I don't want to get back before spending time with you..

Sandra: I'll talk to my mother, she won't have a problem because nowadays she sleeps out a lot.

Derrick: (laughed) Your mother
wa jola hela sente? (So she is
seeing someone?)

Sandra: (laughed and punched
him) Leave my mother alone...

Speak of the devil, Sandra's
mother arrived with a small
plastic bag of makeup. She
stopped by the car and sighed
holding her waist.

Sandra's mother : Hello?

Both: Hello.

Sandra's mother: I'm so exhausted but I have to bath and go to Ma Genesis's house, one of her granddaughters is getting married and I want to help the ladies cook and prepare for tomorrow.

Sandra: Kana gole Friday jaana there is a lot to be done, wago mpolaisa bodutu gase gore keye go itisa kogo Derrick hela

ga 1 ke taa boa phakela.
(sounds like you'll be home
late, maybe I should visit
Derrick and come in the
morning?)

She grinned holding her
breath..

Her: (laughed) Go itisa abo o
boa phakela, o bata go kukuna
ka ngwana?

Sandra: (laughed) Ao mama
mma!

Her: Derrick this baby is way
too young, it's stressful being a
granny at my age. I don't want
another pregnancy.

Derrick: (smiled embarrassed)
Uh waii, roo lebana hela mo
mathong mogolo, tota kgang ke
go itisa re lebella movie gape
nna ke laegile.

Her: (laughed) Ao... O ipoka
jaana, (walking away)

Tsamayang kwa le seka la direla
ngwana yo monnawe o
monnye, in other homes
Sandra would be stuck in the
house drinking motogo.

Sandra: (laughed) Eseng
motogo the bathong!

Her mother walked into the
house then they hugged each
other excitedly.

At Age's house...

Age walked into the house with a laptop bag as Aj ran over and got the bag.

Aj: Dude borrow me your laptop.

Age: Eish Aj, I'm exhausted brah. Move back!

Aj: Let go of the laptop

He let go then Aj struggled with the heavy laptop and put the bag on the table then unzipped and took it out.

Age walked into the bedroom and found Akeelah laying on her side in a little silk dress smiling..

Akeelah: Hello Daddy!

Age : I don't want to have sex,
my semen is finished. You
finished me, this is sexual
abuse!

Akeelah : (burst into laughter) I
didn't even say anything,
fotshek the rra baby gatwe
sexual abuse koore abe o taa
nna makgakga ke kopile sex ga
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Age: (laughed) You're abusing
my poor innocent dick!

He leaned over and kissed her..

Akeelah: Like I was saying, I have a tiny little favour to ask. Can you come with me to a friend's party? I know you're tired but if you can't come I can't go..

Age : Alright, what about AJ?

Akeelah: I'll call that girl to babysit.

Age: Ok, let me shower..

He took off his clothes and jumped into the shower..

At the farm

Later that evening Teto unlocked the door while Kutlo stood by holding the girl's hands. He switched the lights but they didn't come on, then he pressed the cigarette lighter

and lit the lamps hanging on the walls. The girls walked in..

Aisha: So there is no electricity?

Teto: Welcome to the farm life baby, something must be wrong with the solar panel so lamps are our best option.

Kutlo you can make their bed over there, guys you sleep in the living room. You can't sleep in granny's room it's locked, I'm taking the other bedroom.

Aisha: Ok

Teto : I'll bring the laptop then I'm going to start the fire outside.

Naya: I want the fire!

Aisha: (jumped) Yes! I brought marshmallows.

Kutlo brought the blankets in and smiled looking at Teto before texting.

Kutlo: I didn't bring the blankets.

Teto: (laughed) O taa lala o eme ka dinao!

He offloaded the food and everything then he went outside and started the fire while Kutlo and the girls fixed the bed. Kutlo changed their flip-flops into boots before letting them out of the house..


The stars were out and it was a half a moon, Teto opened the car door playing music and they all sat around the fire.. Kutlo walked over with a tray of marshmallows, Teto poked them with holders and handed to the kids before giving Kutlo..

Aisha: I hope it doesn't burn.

Naya: (screaming) Daddy look!

Naya's favourite song came on
then she stood up holding the
marshmallows stick.

Naya:

 Miya hee, miya ho, miya hu,
miya ha-ha

Miya hee, miya ho, miya hu,
miya ha-ha

Miya hee, miya ho, miya hu,
miya ha-ha 


Aisha stoop up and danced showing her little sister the moves..

Kutlo stood up and went to the car where she put her hand over the speaker for a moment, through her hand she felt the beat then she joined them and danced circling her fist in front, bopping and stomping her foot exactly like they do in RNB videos..

Teto: (laughed) Oh my God!
Kutlo no.... You dance?! How do
you do that.. Hahaha fuck no!

She smiled biting her lower lip
and walked over grabbing his
hand. Aisha ran over and
grabbed his other hand as they
pulled him up.

All : (danced)

 Miya hee, miya ho, miya hu,
miya ha-ha

Miya hee, miya ho, miya hu,
miya ha-ha 

They danced until the song
ended then Naya ran to the cat
and repeated it again..

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At Darling's mother's...

Later that evening Darling's grandmother sat outside with one of her uncles chatting then she tip toed to the kitchen, she found someone's food on the counter and quietly lifted off the plate, she salivated looking at the paleche and stew then she picked small pieces and begun eating, shaped in oval it was impossible to steal from the paleche so she turned to the pot but they were clean

then she turned it upside down and took a handful which she dipped in stew and ate, she took one more time and put it down but then she was still empty and she just wanted more. She turned it around again and ate several times then she put it down, the hard part collapsed inside, she had literally ate all of it leaving the hard dried part which she

threw in the bin, finished the stew and washed the plates.

She opened the fridge and picked one of the boxes of juice and drunk half of it then she tip toed back to her bedroom and laid down feeling much better. She gave her son the breast and laid on her side watching him suck her. He was his father's son, the forehead, ears and this nose... Now once again

she found herself wondering if 6 months was really necessary but then again if anything happened to her baby she'd never forgive herself.. But then again what's the worst that can happen if Teto held his baby. He held him the day he was born but nothing happened to him and no one knew this, Was she going to let Bold live the life his father lived? He had a father but never saw him once

and had no relationship with his father though the father wanted him badly.

A car parked outside then she heard her father chatting with them before walking in the house and passing by her room..

Him : Hello?

Darling: Hello papa can I talk to you?

He walked in and sat down..

Darling: How long did you wait to see me after I was born?

Him: A week

Darling: Why should Teto wait 5 months?

Him: Your family didn't have all these traditions and they

wanted us to bond because you had already lost a mother.

Darling: I want Teto to bond with his son too, I'm not eating well, I can't eat soft porridge the whole day. I'm losing weight. Please talk to grandma to release me, I miss my house... I don't mean to sound ungrateful but I miss my house and bed. I want to cook for myself and I miss work.

Maternity leave is how long?

Him: You can stay as long as you like

Darling: I don't want special treatment, I stopped going to work ke le six months pregnant. I need to go back. I'm sure I'm delaying other people's projects. Talk to your mother

Him: I can't always be here to protect you Dee. If certain things don't work for you it's ok to speak and you won't be deemed disrespectful at least I

won't...but I can't help you. I told you that you must learn to express yourself, you're a mother now and you make decisions as a mother looking at your child's best interests. I respect tradition but not all of it works in this day and era, that's why we send girls to school because you don't belong in the kitchen... So many things are changing over time but they change because one

woman said I'm sorry I can't do this. This is a woman thing, talk to your to your grandmother. I have things that worry me and take my time, I'm running a huge company and I have to make big decisions. I'm sorry I can't come to your rescue on this one, actually I'm going to just stay out of it so I can see how long it will take you to learn to speak when you're not satisfied. (stood) I'm exhausted,

I had a long at work.. I just want to sleep..

Darling: I think I ate your food...well...I stole it

Him: It's ok, I ate at work..(touched the baby's hand) Hey little heir... I'll see you tomorrow little my boy..
(walking away) Goodnight

Darling: Goodnight..

Her father walked away then she sighed thoughtfully...

At the farm...

Later that night Kutlo tucked the girls in and straightened up while Teto stood at the door with a cup of coffee. Kutlo turned and looked at him then he directed her to the bedroom where she stood by the bed looking at the quarter bed, Teto

pulled out his tshirt and pants remaining with boxer briefs then he waited for her..

Teto: I don't want to sleep close to the wall. Robala pele..

She took off her jersey remaining with her tshirt and shorts then she laid down, Teto laid behind her and moved close as she felt his chest right on her back..

Kutlo reached for her phone and pressed it while Teto laid behind her looking at the screen, he put his hand over her and caressed her thighs going up her tshirt got the phone from her, holding it with one hand he texted..

Teto: This is wrong but it feels so good

Kutlo: I know, I know.

Teto: You body is so warm, can I hold you?

Kutlo: Yeah

He gave her the phone and slid his hand in her tshirt cupping her breast then he moved closer and sighed closing his eyes.

At Derrick's House....

Meanwhile Sandra leaned down the bed to the mattress where the baby was sleeping as she fed her, wiped her mouth and fixed her duvet then she got back up to the bed. Derrick pinned his elbow on the bed looking at her with a smile as he gently played with her chin then he leaned over and softly kissed her then he reached down and between her legs, the soft flesh got him groaning

as he kissed her and pulled down her panties but Sandra grabbed his hand..

Sandra: I'm not on contraceptives, we need a condom

Derrick: I'm not using a condom with you

Sandra: Ke santse ke le motsetsi kana

Derrick: We will buy morning after pill, I want to feel you, every bit of you. I know the importance of condom trust me I wouldn't want to sleep with just anyone but you're the mother of my child and we are a family. Why did we get tested if we're not doing this?

Sandra: Please wear a condom

He sighed and reached in the drawer taking out a box of

condoms then he leaned over and kissed her as he put her hand over his dick as it filled her grip..

Sandra: Please don't hurt me..

Derrick: I won't..

Sandra: (sighed) wait... I don't think I've healed

Derrick: It's in your head...

Relax...

Sandra: I've never had sex before... Like the first time I wasn't conscious so I don't-

Derrick: (kissed her and whispered) Stop talking... Go with the flow, I've had sex a couple of times I'm sure I can make you feel you but you can't be this scared, relax..

She sighed then he kissed her while he rolled the condom on and got on top of her, he

hooked his arm behind her leg
leaving her pussy exposed then
he kissed her softly and
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At Sandra's house

She sighed then he kissed her while he rolled the condom on and got on top of her. He hooked his arm behind her leg leaving her pussy exposed, then he kissed her softly and gently pushed through her flesh as she moaned..

Sandra: (softly) Mmmmh!

Derrick: (grunted) Oh yeah...

He slid out and stepped down the bed, then he pulled her to the edge of the bed and his dick pointed right at her, one could hardly see the condom that was sticking on him like his own skin! He leaned in and softly kissed her, leaned back holding both of her feet on each of his hands then he aimed her pussy and moved his waist down sliding in as Sandra moaned softly grabbing the sheets. The

dick slowly went inside fully
and she picked the pillow and
put it over her face moaning..

Sandra: Mmh..... Uh.... Slow
down..

He started to strike gently, then
he eventually let go of her feet
and grabbed her thighs with
both hands pressing her down.
He increased his speed
watching his dick go in and out

of her well shaved pussy. With every stroke he gave her came a pussy fart and he increased speed letting out those farts with rhythm.. Crazy he found himself enjoying this shit, fuck was he that big? He was sure donkeys fucked with farts, he never understood why but maybe he was too big for her. Whatever that shit was, he increased his speed until she couldn't give anymore farts as

she greased his dick with her milky cum... He slid out and grabbed her hand..

Derrick: Come here..

He helped her stand and kissed her then he turned her around bending her as she put her hands on the bed. He then pressed down exposing her pussy, grabbed his dick and rubbed it on her clits before

pushing inside her. She lifted her back and he pressed down putting her knee over the edge of the bed. He grabbed her waist and fucked her as she frowned feeling every inch of that dick..

She slowly laid on the bed with her tummy, Derrick stood on the bed and pressed her back down as he fucked her. With her face buried on the bed, she

started feeling that pleasure with every stroke he gave and it got so intense she found herself looking forward to every stroke. She moaned softly enjoying that tap, but he stopped and froze inside her then he twitched and dropped on his knees before sliding out and stepping back with a condom full of his thick cum..

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At Darling's mother's...

The next morning the grandmother opened her eyes to the sound of a bag zipping as Darling sat at the end of the mattress packing her bags..

Her: What are you doing?

Darling: I want to go to my house, I miss sleeping on my bed ke kokonelwa ke leterase

(the mattress is taking a toll on me). Ke lapisitswe ke motogo gape ke bata ngwanake a bonwa ke rragwe ka gore le gana a mmona kwano (I'm tired of eating soft porridge plus I want my child to spend time with his father since he can't see him here). Teto o toga a ipotsa le gore a neng ngwana ke wa gagwe (Teto will soon wonder if this child is his). Ha o bona nako tse dingwe monna

asa ikutwe ngwana yo mongwe
a rata ba bangwe yo mongwe
ene leha gotwe gaana se asena
sepe ke tstone dilo tsa gore sale
monna a kobilwe ibile gaaka
connector le ngwana

(Sometimes men end up loving
their other kids more because
they didn't connect with the
child). Teto raised his daughter
Naya from the first day she was
born, by then he had no
grandparents to assist him. If

men are a danger to children
his daughter Naya would be
dead, but both his daughters
are fat and clever ibile ba heta
bankane ba bone ka di
thaloganyo (they are even
smarter than their peers).

Her: You're not leaving, do you
really want to behave like this
and bring yourself bad luck?

Darling: God will not allow such
because I respect you and I'm
not using disrespectful words I

just don't agree with you. Five months is a lot of time, I have to go back to work and I miss the father of my children.

Her: Men can't be trusted, do you really want to let a man control you? Teto must wait six months if he really loves you, other men waited that long.

Darling: And we are talking about men who cheated, I don't want to test him by saying he should wait a whole

year to see me. That's not love, he is turning into a crazy person because all he wants is me but I'm here afraid of the unknown invisible evil. Teto was the first person to hold the baby... I didn't tell anyone but nothing happened to the baby.. Also the people who helped me at the hospital were men. The nurses were men, if it's evil then Bold defeated it because

men held him before I was closed in here.

Her mother walked in and stood at the door listening to them, she'd never heard her talk for so long and with that confidence..

Her: But mother, isn't five months too long? Hei di relationship tsa bana ba rona malatsia di bata go nosetswa

jaaka sethunya or else dia swa
(these kids' relationships are
fragile nowadays they need to
be nurtured or else things don't
work out). Jaaka o letse omo
rogile jaana gaa rata o etse ruri
(He might even be gone
because u insulted him
yesterday). These young men
are different from men back
then, these ones wants to hold
their children and take pictures
of them. They're not like back

then when a man got a woman pregnant and came back when the baby was two years, a rutiwa gore ke ene rrago yo (and only then would be told this is your father).

Grandmother: Oh so you're influencing her to do what you did when I was helping you?

Her: No I wasn't going to let my husband wonder around for half a year and I didn't tell Darling anything. I kept quiet

the whole time because I
wanted it to come from her.
She is healed and she has to go
back to work bathong
ngwanake o soutilwe ke botsetse
jo! (My child has had it with this
confinement).Motho yo waa
bopama ako le mmulele a
heme pheho (She is even thin
she needs to be freed).
Dingwao tse tsa lona di
senyetsa bana di relationship
(these practices of yours will

ruin children' s relationships),
kamoso tsoga lere Teto a kope
ngwana gaa bata go mmona
(next thing u will saying Teto
must always ask for permission
when he wants to see his child).
Teto has needs le ene Darling
she must meet her baby daddy
so they can both look at their
baby and enjoy this moment. It
was a long journey for them ba
lwa ba reng six months gaa
ithela relationship e fokola wa e

heleletsa.. (When a relationship was already shaky the 6 months will just finish if off).

Grandmother: So you're ganging up on me? Let me pack my things and leave, I knew my son made a mistake to marry a useless woman, Mmagwe

Darling was the best thing ever!

Her: Yet you treat her daughter like this? If that's how you want to show love then I'm glad you don't love me. Phutha o tsamae

ee le nna ke taa hema pheho ke
menko ya dithare! (Pack your
bags and go even I will be able
to breathe I'm tired of the muti
smell)

Darling: Mama stop it!

Her : No let her go, what is
wrong with this woman? Koore
her idea of respect is when
people agree with her old
fashion traditions and when we
say six months is too long we
are wrong? She can go to hell

for all I care. Mother in laws shouldn't even be in their children's homes for more than a month because they will start thinking they own the home. I called you here to help me take care of my daughter because ke lantha ke baya botsetsi but you took over, I respected that because I called you, but you don't want to cooperate with me or listen to my ideas. If it were up to me she would have

left after six weeks because she has a job and a man whom she shares this child with. Bold is Darling and Teto's child, the rest of us are a support system.

Darling: Mama it's enough.

Granny: Insult me akere you're enjoying my son's money and he doesn't take care of me because you gave him a spell. I know your mother is a witch!

Mother: If I were a witch I would have killed you for hiding

a side chick in your house, wa
lowa mosadimogolo ke wena! (
U are a witch u old woman).

Darling: (tearfully) Mama stop
it..

Darling put het hands over her
mouth as the argument got
heated, the other sister arrived
and walked over..

Sister: Hee mama what's going on?

Darling: (tearfully) Take mama out.

The sister tried to touch her mother but she turned and walked towards her bedroom..

Mother: Talk about I'm eating her son's money, (paused and pointed) your son is sweating

on top of me every night I
deserve every thebe of his
money. You and I can never be
equal because him and I are
one, do you understand that?

Granny: Your mother is a witch!

Darling and sister : Mama
please didimala! (please keep
quiet)

She closed herself in the
bedroom and the old woman
packed her bags..

Granny: You all brought me out here to insult me, my son is giving you money and you think you're queens and princesses... God will punish you, all of you.

Sister: Let me help you pack mmama...

She signaled Darling to keep quiet then she bent over helping the old woman. She

took her keys and walked out with her.

Sister: Let's just go..

Granny: You're the only obedient girl in this family.

Sister: Ee mma.

Granny: I'll tell my son that Darling and her mother insulted me, you be my witness. I can't believe this is happening... I raised my boy and now a fat

woman is controlling his wealth. I raised him to help me not her, a mother is the most important person and your father lost the direction of his life.

Sister: True, he lost direction. Keep praying for him.

Granny: That's why your mother left him, she didn't want this kind of nonsense and now she is happily married and

she takes care of her mother in law.

Sister: Very true..

The older sister played along and opened the door for her then she got in.

Sister: I will bring your things later, this is very wrong.

She got in the driver's seat and drove off..

At Botho's house...

Later that morning Teen and Botho got out of the car and picked the twins then they walked through the gate and towards the house as the painters washed their brushes..

Teen: These guys are fast.

Botho: I didn't expect them to finish so fast.. I can't wait to move in!

Teen: You're not going to stay in here.

Botho: Why?

Teen: Because I'm marrying you and taking you to our house, this one can be for the children or we can put in a tenant. I talked to my uncle and they will be coming to your family

sometimes next week or in two weeks.

Botho: And you didn't think it was important to tell me that I'm getting married?

He turned around holding the baby..

Teen: Check my left back pocket..

She reached in his pocket and opened the ring box as it sparkled under the sun.

Teen: Do you like it? Put it on.

Botho: Why?

Teen: Because I'm going to marry you, put it on..

Botho: Why can't you get on one knee like other men? If

you're going to adopt a western style do it right?

Teen: Babe I'm holding the baby, just put the thing on your finger let's see how it looks.

Botho: You didn't even ask me if I want to marry you!

Teen: I know you want to marry me, otherwise why would we be dating?

Botho: Eish go ratana le makoba gone! (This is the

problem with dating Batawana
guys)

Teen snatched the ring on her
finger and got down on one
knee putting the little boy on
his lap, then he lifted his hand
looking at her..

Teen: Will you please marry
me?

Botho blushed and stretched out her hand..

Botho: Yes!

Teen stood up and slid it on her finger while holding the baby then he hugged and burst into laughter..

Botho: (laughed) Don't even laugh. O Tswana breed tota. (u really are a tswana breed)

Teen: (laughed) One knee is so cliché ke bona gole bothokwa go ntsha magadi and go straight to the point. I only bought the ring because I thought you might need something to show for it, but hela hela I believe in paying magadi, that's me being

engaged. The ring doesn't make the engagement real.

Botho: (laughed) Bathong!

Teen! Nnyaa mme you have a point...

Teen: (laughed) Next time I'll organise balloons and wines then get on my knee.

Botho: (laughed) Next time?

Teen : Yes, on our anniversary... I'll be like the past 10 years have been great will you be my wife again?

They laughed and greeted the painters...

At Darling's house...

Later that afternoon Darling's sister parked the car then they stepped out and walked towards the house where a cleaner was washing the mop.

Darling headed to the baby's room and stopped at the door looking at all the decorations she had made, the brand new baby cot, prams, rocking chairs and all the other little things for the baby.. She could finally put them to use..

She put her baby inside the cot and stepped back smiling, then she sighed remembering her

last conversation with Teto, she texted him.

Darling: Good morning, I moved back to my house, you can come see your son and maybe we can talk about coparenting because I want you two to know one another. We can do this on Monday when you get back from the farm. Thanks.

She sent the message and walked into her bedroom where she dropped herself on the bed and sighed smiling at the roof. She then walked to the kitchen where the helper was opening windows for the floor to dry..

Her: I cooked for you, you said you're hungry.

Darling: Thank you, I'm hungry as hell!

Her: You stressed me when you said I'll start working after five months. I wondered what my children will be eating by then.

Darling: Dilo tsa bagolo mma, she wanted to keep me in there and I couldn't. Kana bagolo gaba itse gore things have changed..

She reached in the microwave and went to the bedroom where she laid on her tummy

and ate, then she remembered
and sat up eating...

At the farm...

Later afternoon Teto put Aisha
on the horse then he picked up
Naya and put her in front of her
sister. He gave them the ropes
as he stepped back and
spanked the horse gently...

Aisha: (screaming) Uuhhhh it's moving, daddy tell it not to run ok?

Teto: It won't, it's just walking slowly..

Naya: I'm so high..

Kutlo stood by watching them then Teto walked over to her and held her waist hugging her before leaning back and smiling at her.

Teto: Your turn... Let's go..

He grabbed her hand and walked towards the horse, he climbed up and gave her a hand as the horse started moving.

She laughed and sat behind Teto putting her hands around his big torso. His phone vibrated in the back pocket then he took it out and read

the message while she read
too..

Terrorist: Good morning, I
moved back to my house, you
can come see your son and
maybe we can talk about
coparenting because I want you
two to know one another. We
can do this on Monday when
you get back from the farm.
Thanks.

He smiled and pulled the ropes stopping the horse, then he hopped down and handed Kutlo before dialing her..

Darling: Hello?

Teto : Are you serious?

Darling: Yeah.

Teto: OK, I'll see you on Tuesday, I've decided to stay a couple more days because

Monday and Tuesday are school holidays.

Darling: Oh, ok.

Teto: Bye

He hung up smiling and jogged to the girl's horse and touched its head stopping it...

Teto: Guys I have a surprise for you.. Let's go..

He got them down one by one and spanked the horse away as he picked Naya and paced across the horse ranch. Kutlo wrapped her feet around the horse touching its stomach with her feet and it took it as a signal to speed up. Teto noticed and whistled it down as he walked over and helped Kutlo down with his hand around her waist..

Teto: We have to go back to Maun.

Kutlo quietly followed him as he paced up excitedly telling the children about a surprise.

At Teto's house...

Hours later Teto parked in front of the house and looked at Kutlo..

Teto: We will see you later.

Kutlo stepped out and closed the door then Teto reversed the car and drove off anxiously..

At Darling's house...

Meanwhile after a saloon visit Darling finished putting on her

makeup and smiled at herself on the mirror, at least she still had that thing. She got up and started to fit her clothes in the wardrobe while the baby slept on the bed. Bold slept peacefully with his hands and legs spread despite the loud music which Darling was humming to....

Meanwhile outside Teto parked the car and looked back at the girls smiling..

Teto: Remember when I told you that when you pray God answers your prayers?

Aisha: Yes?

Teto: There is something in the house that you have been asking me for

Aisha: Really? Can I go?

The girls got out of the car and ran towards the house as Teto followed them.

Aisha: Hello?

She passed to the bedroom and pushed the door open and they gasped looking at the baby lying on the bed asleep. They both ran inside and jumped on

the bed with shoes picking the baby and startling him as Darling also jumped and put her hand over her chest, then relaxed when she noticed it was them.

Teto: Guys wait...

Darling: Sit down, I'll put him on your lap.

Naya: Then it's my turn!

Darling gently handed Aisha the baby then she grabbed the towel and wrapped herself as Teto looked at her. He walked over and tilted his head kissing her before hugging her tightly.

Teto: (whispered hugging her)
You almost gave me a heart attack... Please don't ever do that... I love you...

Darling: I love you too..

Teto: Come here.

He grabbed her hand and they walked into the other room, he closed the door, cupped her cheeks and kissed her then he dropped her towel and slid his hand between her legs and touched the cheeks of her pussy..

Darling: (whispered) The children...

He kissed her and staggered to the bed where he laid her down and kissed her unzipping his jeans, but Darling pushed him off and got up..

Darling: Stop! The children are in the next room...

She picked her towel and wrapped herself, Teto tearfully looked at her then he frowned as put his hands over his face

crying. He sniffled and picked his tshirt collar putting it over his eyes crying. Darling walked over and pulled his head over her stomach standing in front of him, then she rubbed his tears before leaning over and kissing him..

Darling: And we need to get tested first.

Teto: I haven't slept with anyone, it's a Saturday they're

closed that means I have to wait until Monday... (tearfully)
Can't we not do this, why are you punishing me?

Darling: You spent a night at the farm with Kutlo.

Teto: Kutlo has an STD, she is taking medication I'm not that stupid ke a go kopa can you just not do this anymore.. (tearfully)

Please... I won't even last 30 seconds it's been months ke palella ke hand job I haven't

done anything since last..

(touched her hand) Please!

Darling: No, I want us to get tested first kana o bata condom?

Teto: What do you want me to do? (stood up) Take my phone, take the password to my social media accounts, take my wallet, take everything...

(angrily) What do you want from me?

She tried to open the door but he pushed it close and turned her around then he got on his knees looking at her..

Teto: Babe please... (stood up and kissed her) It won't last when it's been this long, I promise I won't take long..
Please I missed you...

Darling: We are getting tested first so you'll have have to wait for Monday because wena o

babiwa ke condom akere, you
want it raw or nothing.

She walked out and closed the
door then he pulled a tshirt
over his face crying..

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At Kutlo's House...

Darling put on her clothes and walked over to the bed where she took off the children's shoes and put them by the wall..

Aisha: Mama o ngwana wa rona?

Darling: Yes

Aisha: You got her at the hospital and you didn't die?

Darling paused for a minute not sure how to respond...

Aisha: My real mother died at the hospital when she got Naya, that's why she died.. The doctors didn't properly take out

the baby then she died....i

thought you're dead too

Darling: No, I didn't die... After having a baby you stay in the house so you can heal

Aisha: They cut your stomach to take out the baby?

Darling: Yeah

Aisha: Can I see?

She lifted her tshirt and lowered her panties showing her the csection scar..

Aisha: I will help you with the baby so you can rest more...
(looking at the baby) does she have teeth?

Naya opened his mouth as they looked at his pink gums..

Darling: And it's a boy

Aisha: He pees standing up like the boys at school?

Darling: (laughed) Something like that..

Clearly Aisha wasn't going to stop asking questions, she sighed and stepped in the other room where Teto was laying on the bed with his arm over his face and foot over the window seal..

Darling: Can I bring you anything to eat?

Teto: (low voice) I'm fine

Darling: Still don't want to use a condom?

Teto: Kopa o tswe mogo nna ka condom

Darling: Blow job yone gao e bate?

Teto: Ke taa emela Monday

Darling: Ok.. I'm going back to the children, I'm going to tell my helper to take a break so we can have a family time. She will be staying in the quarter.

Teto closed his eyes bored by whatever the hell she was saying, she noticed he was getting bored and stood up then she walked out and moved to the living room with

the children before sending off the helper.

Minutes later Teto dragged himself out of the bedroom to the living room where he sat down and got the baby from Aisha. He smiled looking at his boy and sighed then he walked to the bedroom where he laid him down and closed the door then he sat next to him on the bed staring him.

He looked just like his baby pictures and it got his eyes puffy, he got a few pictures of him and sent his brother then he just sat there staring at him, his phone rang.

Teto: Hello?

Age: They let you see him or

Dee sent you his pics?

Teto : She is back home... I can't believe I have a son, I mean... I knew all along but now that I'm here and I'm looking at Dee, she survived this man... She came out of the hospital and we are finally here.

Age: (smiled) I'm happy for you, finally you'll stop being grumpy, tap that pussy and stop snapping at everyone

Teto: (laughed) Me? Snapping?

Age: You're impatient and you're all kinds of things, lack of vitamin P

Teto: Ntse ke timiwa yaana, gatwe we have to get tested first which means Monday

Age: (laughed) Monday is not far, at least o jele something ka rubber

Teto : I didn't wait this long for my dick to be wrapped in plastic, I'm not a side nigga and I'm not having sex with a

random girl, Dee is my wife I'm not using that on her.

Age: (laughed) The painful thing ka boloto jwa berekelwa gape boa lematsa. You get used to it and then when she gets insecure you have to get tested sometimes she makes you wait 3 months o beilwe mo window period gotwe after that ke gone oe bonang. Akeelah wa punisher when she has suspicions but you're blessed

Dee is soft and if you push her she will agree with anything.

Teto: I don't think so, she is different now.. She flat out refused to have sex with me, I had a heart attack in front of her and the only thing I got was a kiss. I think she is angry at everyone and thinks everyone is walking all over, which is crazy because I don't

Age: (laughed) You don't?

Teto : The fuck is that supposed to mean?

Age: (laughed) I'm kidding but I'm glad you guys worked it out! Couples argue and makeup.

Teto: Yeah, true.. (smiled) But I'm so proud of my girl for making this decision, going against the rules is never easy and when it's your parents it's even hard because I'm sure everyone is waiting for me to

mess up so they can say we told you so. Laugh at her and make her regret risking for me..

Age: I like the way you're talking, I'm assuming you're going to prove them wrong.

Teto: And more... I understand the risk she took I'm sure le ene o itshositse and I'm going to show her why I was fighting for her to come back.

Age: That's what I'm doing with Akeelah, her whole family looks

at her like she is stupid why
forgive and marry a man who
did 123 and... (sighed) People
don't understand... I didn't
understand but going out there
with Akeelah made me see
another side of her. Her fears
and the shame she carries
every day because of the
mistakes I made in the past..
Now I understand that I'm
living with an injured woman
whom I have to take care of

and I'm glad Luke gave me this advice. He is younger than me but his advice is sound... He shares with me what his father tells him about marriage and I can promise you this, I'm going to love Akeelah through it all, go bua nnete le ha aka cheater I won't leave, I'll probably be hurt and punch the guy but... You can't leave a woman like Akeelah and I understand why she refuses to give me another

baby, since our trip from Mozambique I stopped asking because I now know who Akeelah is. Sometimes we as guys just act stupid resa itse gore the effects stay embedded in someone's heart for life. Don't hurt Dee, trust me being married to a broken woman is sad, I have a lot to do to help her go through the day and restore her dignity. You still have a chance, ne ntse kere re

taa bua after the trip because I think this is important, you take cheating lightly until you see the damage it has done but you can't undo it...

Teto: That's why I have been trying to be strong throughout all these, I wanted to fuck everyone... My PA, the cleaners, Kutlo I just wanted to fuck somebody because I needed it but I kept hesitating and I made it... Lucky hela Kutlo

has some STD I would have
fucked her last night because I
was in a bad space to be honest
I needed sex. God came
through for me just when I was
about to give up Dee came

Age: Alright, by the way Bold
looks just like you... You looked
exactly like that when I used to
go to your cot to feed you and
play with you.

Teto: (laughed) Kana nkile abo
o nthata eseng gompieno o
kgona go mpetsa

Age: (laughed) Wa ntwaela
akere ware o monna, ke go
batela di kuku wena o ja yame

Teto: (laughed) Heela kana
Botho is dating Teen, he really
digs her he even called me just
to clear the air. You know how
he is

Age: (laughed) Bo Teen ke
bafana ba ba shapo, let's hope

Botho is mature enough not to hurt him. Teen kana ke wena hela, kile a lelela ngwanyana le bala 4 akere?

Teto : That girl ne a tella Teen abo roba pelo ka le form 5.

Age: (laughed) Yeah neh, let's she is mature.

Teto : And Sandra is with DK

Age : (laughed) Ae the monna!

Teto : (laughed) Yeah, I don't think she told him we once

dated so I played along, we didn't even have sex so I don't think DK will mind but the problem with him he us very territorial.

Age: Aren't we all.. He'll be fine. Nkabe o jele Sandra mme o mo tshamekisitse

Teto: Ene nkabe ke mo jele gape o makgakga.

Age: (laughed) Shap

He hung up smiling and noticed the baby was asleep, he leaned over sniffing him to check if he messed his diaper, he didn't then he walked to the kitchen where Dee was standing by the counter with a phone trapped on her ear and shoulder while she chopped veggies.

Darling: Um... Yes ma'am, I need a six months membership for a start.. Alright... Sessions?

Which slots are available?...

Oh... I'll need 6 to 8 session..

Ok, instructors? Does it matter?

Anyone is fine but not soldiers,

I heard soldiers are too hard on

people. (laughed) Hahahaha ae

nnyaa mma, I'm a nursing

mother and I had a csection so I

don't want to stress my body....

Aker... Alright love, I'll just

make payment from here.

Thank you, bye

She put down the knife and tapped yet another number, she trapped the phone again and walked to the stove where she moved Teto to the other side and got the pots.

Darling: Hey... I'm good, you?...
Alright, I'm getting back to work on Tuesday, I'll be hired on permanent basis right?...
(laughed) I just wanted to confirm, my father is forgetful...

So does that mean I'll be having my own office?... Ok, boss lady I'm just confirming... (laughed) I just can't wait to claim my life back. The past year has been tough on me, the pregnancy and hormones and now the baby and motherhood.

Stepmothering was easy but now there are a few complications but I will handle them. Thank you, I'll try... Ee

mma you can come see the
baby anytime... Ee mma. Bye

She hung up and dialed a girl
she orders clothes from while
Teto hopped on the counter
and looked at her holding one
of the tomatoes..

Darling: Hey... Eish mma, I need
formal wear, I lost weight from
34 to 30, I'm going back to
work on Monday. Bona gore o

dira jang... (laughed) Ng ng...
Alright, I'll come have a look
tomorrow but I'll try to find
some pictures and send you so
that you can order.... Ok, bye

She hung up and put down her
phone, he reached over and
took it then he went through
her call register and messages
just to make sure he was still in
the picture. This new

personality was a little worrisome..

Teto: Am I in your future plans?

Darling: At the moment no, you're in Bold's future plans not mine and it will be like that until you take Kutlo out of our lives. If you think I'm going to date you and some days you sleep here the other with Kutlo there forget it. I love you Teto but not enough to share you.. I

know ke sale ke go sentse nako
ele kere o dire se ose batang
but that is over. I have a child
to live for and your daughters
are just as mine. If you can't
trust me with them then it
means you have no plans to be
faithful and true to me that's
why you need backup ya nanny
in case I catch you with your
pants down. Get in this
relationship with your whole
body or nothing you can't leave

one leg out just in case. You have until Monday to find that Kutlo girl a job elsewhere because I don't want her near you, you have either fucked her or you're thinking about it, my sixth sense is never wrong and I know you... You get tempted easily.

Teto: I didn't sleep with her

Darling: But you have a crush on her... She is a beautiful I understand that, I'm not stupid.

She is beautiful... You kissed her if you haven't you probably touched her, ke a go itse gawa togela Kutlo hela ibile ele susu jaana.

Teto : Clearly you don't know your boyfriend, I didn't sleep with her,. I'm serious that I waited for you all these times, I haven't even kissed her... I'm better than you think

Darling: Touched her inappropriately?

He kept quietly momentarily
then she hit him on the face
with the spinach leaf..

Teto: (blocked it) A little bit,
just her thighs...and yesterday
we shared that bed, I touched
her breasts. I didn't go further
than that. That's the truth, ga
ke bate go go aketsa gone ke
raeselegile abe ke mo tshwara..

She turned and continued cooking while he sat on the counter looking at her..

Darling: I want Kutlo gone by Monday o nkutule akere?

Teto: Ee mma. I'll do that.

She tried to carry on but anger brewed inside her and she turned around.

Darling: (sighed) Go and get rid of her now and forget about finding her job. I suggested that when I thought I was just being insecure but now that she actually did this with you knowing I'm out there breastfeeding your child she doesn't deserve connections of a new job, she is a big girl she can find herself a new job. Ibile don't even try to think you can help her without my knowledge

because I will know and the consequences won't be good. I am choosing to forgive you for that foreplay and I want us to put the same amount of energy into fixing this relationship.

Teto : OK, I'll get rid of her. Ska omana, ke eta..

He walked out puzzled and drove off then she put her hands over her face tearfully, the thought of his hands on her

breasts shuttered her then she
turned around and continued
slicing..

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At Teto's house...

Teto walked into the house and Kutlo stood in the kitchen wrapped in a towel frying something in the pan. Her face lit up as she saw Teto walking over.

Teto: (grabbed her hand) Hey come here..

He walked into the living room holding her hand and sat down putting her on his lap, then his hand over her thigh caressing her..

Teto: Dee is back to her house so I won't need you for a while, I want you to go back home, I'll call you when we need you.
Can you do that?

She reached for her phone and texted him sitting on his lap..

Kutlo: She asked you to fire me, did the children say something to make her suspicious?

Teto: No, Dee has no problem with you. I needed your help because we were arguing and she was dealing with a difficult pregnancy now she is ok and we are working on our family.

Kutlo: I'll take care of your grandpa then.

Teto: No, you don't understand... We crossed the line and it can't be undone.

Kutlo: She doesn't know that. We didn't have sex we can stop this..

She got up and sat on the other couch..

Teto: We can't undo it.

Kutlo: See? You're firing me, you won't call me because you're saying we crossed the line. (tearfully typed) I need this job.

Teto: I will help you find a job but you have to go home first.

Kutlo: I'm not going home, there is nothing for me there. You're the one who started this, you destroyed my job.

Teto: Ok, enough with the blame game we are adults and we both knew we were flirting, we both enjoyed it don't act like I was molesting you.

Kutlo: I'm not saying that, you're going back to your family what about me? She doesn't even love you if she makes you wait that long to have sex.

Teto: Relationships are not always about sex and I'm not

discussing my family with you,
you're a nanny.

Kutlo: I'm not leaving.

Teto: You really don't have
much of a choice, you gotta go..

He took out his wallet and gave
her the note, Kutlo just looked
at it and went to her room. He
walked over and tried to open
the door but it was locked then
he walked away taking out his
phone.

Teto: Left the money on the table, please don't let me find you home. I'm trying to be polite please work with me. I'm fixing my family and we both know we can't be professional. I know I won't, we have long past the professional stage.

Kutlo: You always let Darling control you.

Teto: She is not controlling me, she has a point. I wouldn't want

her working with someone she almost had sex with. Let's be realistic.

Kutlo: I am telling you I won't do anything wrong with you. I am sorry. I won't let you do anything wrong with me, tell her that.

Teto: Please pack and go.

Tomorrow Dee and I will be bringing a maid for my father.

He put the phone back in his pocket and drove off..

At Darling's house...

Later that evening Darling sorted out the children's room and put on new bedding before taking them to bed..

Aisha: Can we sleep with the baby?

Darling: (laughed) No, he is too young.. If you guys pick him and accidentally drop him he dies. You'll sleep with him when he is a year old.

Aisha: ok..

Naya: Where is daddy?

Darling: He is coming.... Guys can I talk to you, do you know that your father and I love each other?

Both: Yes.

Darling: Aisha I heard you saying when I left you guys, I didn't leave you... Sometimes people who love each other fight and they take a little time apart, but it doesn't mean they don't love each other. I was very sick when I had the baby in my stomach so I couldn't be with you all the time.

Aisha: Ok, I was really scared when we took you to the hospital and you didn't come

back, daddy and uncle didn't tell me anything and I thought you're dead.

Darling: I'm sorry... It won't happen again.. Good night.

Both: Good night

Aisha: So we are all a family again? And you won't leave?

Darling: I won't, but you can ask daddy as well.

Naya: I like the baby... He is my favourite family!

Darling: (laughed) You guys are my favourite family too... Good night...

She closed the door and checked on the baby in the cot before dialing Akeelah while picking cushions around cleaning up..

Akeelah: Hey motsetse, Age told me you moved tomorrow I'm coming to see my nephew.

Darling: (laughed) Ote mma I have a situation and I couldn't think of anyone to help me.

Akeelah: What happened?

Darling: Teto and the nanny crossed the line, he says he didn't sleep with her.. I don't even know if I believe him but he says he touched her inappropriately so I told him to fire her because I won't ever trust her. Ke dirile sente o am I overreacting?

Akeelah: For someone like you it's ok but for me it's an underreaction if at all there is such a word. You touch or let my man touch you you're fired, I have no time to argue with a maid. She should respect her job, our bosses don't touch our breasts. She didn't report because she liked it. I never trusted that girl, she was getting too comfortable with your man... Ibile le ene Teto o

mo notisetse I was once
desperate in the past but ke
eng where I am now if a man
fucks up I'm gone. I have
reached my limit of
entertaining nonsense!

Darling: Nna tota I have had
enough people walk all over me
so I'm just going to stand up for
myself. Le ene Teto ke lemogile
gore ene gake nna soft o tsaya
gore ke semata.

Akeelah: (laughed) But he was behaving the mma, hei one a itshwere...

Darling: (laughed) I can see that and I'm proud of him for that, even telling me the truth about Kutlo was really good. I saw an improvement le gore mme this man is worth it so I can't let this little girl destroy my family.

Akeelah: Mmontshe tsela the mma, next time she works she will respect her boss. Ke tenwa

ke difebenyana nna, it's even worse because she is deaf she will probably use that to make you look bad but use your right as a girlfriend, a tsamae ago tshwarwa mabele gosele.

Darling: I thought I was crazy

Akeelah: You're not, every woman who finds out her man crossed the line with the maid will fire her, gaayo mosadi oka dumelang gore monna wagwe a nne le maid a itse gore ba

tshwarana. You did good nna
ibile ke a peka I would have
been the one throwing her out
and pepper spaying her to the
taxi stop. Put your foot down
with men or you'll never get
anywhere ibile if a man doesn't
want to fire someone he knows
he wants to sleep with them
just leave him le sefebe sagwe
and get a man who will
appreciate you. Nna kana I
know lam a price to be won

because I am a faithful woman, I am supportive and I can stay with a man despite his financial situation... But if you cross me I will hurt you. It's simple. Don't even feel guilty for firing that sfebe.

Darling: (laughed) Ok.

Akeelah: I'll see you tomorrow ke tago bona mosimane.

Darling: Ok love, bye.

She hung up and put her phone down then she received a message..

Unfamiliar number: Can I meet you and talk to you? It's Kutlo, the children's nanny. I am sorry for what happened, I haven't slept with your man but I crossed the professional line, which is wrong and I understand your position and how you can never be

comfortable with that. I thought about it and I know I'd fire me too if I was you but I now I want to meet you so you can advise me on what I should do because I messed up at work yet I my disability makes it impossible to find a job. Life is hard and my family depended on this job. I wasn't in my right mind but I need a job. I don't want to ask him because then it will make him

look bad. I am sorry, please
forgive me ke ipona phoso.
Please agree to meet me, I will
forever be grateful if you do
that especially after what I did.
Thank you

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At Darling's House...

Darling sat down reading the message and forwarded it to Akeelah..

Darling: Ke yeo nanny ya lona.

Akeelah: Isn't this girl deaf?

Why can't she just say

whatever she wants over the phone?

Darling: Nna kana batho ba ntalela, wabe a ithaya are oka nchansetsa. Sandra o kile a dira hela jaana.

Akeelah: Let's go see her

Darling: No, I'm not going with you.

Akeelah: Why not?

Darling: You seem like someone who would lose control if she

wants to do anything funny. I want to talk to her over the phone hela.

Akeelah: Ee let her send a message, it's not like meeting makes any difference she will still have to text for you to understand her kana o itse sign language mma?

Darling: Lol wena kana, let me reply her.

Akeelah: This girl disappointed me, I believed in her and if she

made better decisions you wouldn't even have to hire anyone because you'd just use her but ena thinks she is clever she can move from a maid to Mrs. There is no short cut, and don't even find her a job. Tabe o mo senya, difebe gadi lebogiwe ka another job, she should know that being deaf doesn't make her any special. She should make better

decisions, you're teaching her a valuable lesson.

Darling: Nnyaa ene the mma hane ese kgang ya mabele nkabe ke reetsa but she was actually cuddling and letting him touch her, if she didn't have the STD he would have slept with her. Nkabe gompieno ke bua disele..

Akeelah: Spare us the drama and let that girl go, if you put keep her close as soon as she

heals from whatever she got treated for Teto will go straight for that and ota ipona bomata for playing mother Teresa to her. A woman will always be a woman even if she is deaf she feels and does the same thing other women do.

Darling: (Kutlo sent another message) She sent another message, let me go reply her.

She closed Akeelah's message and tapped on Kutlo's message.

Kutlo: Please I'm sorry.

Darling: I can't help you, you intentionally let him do that and didn't complain about it kana he forced you?

Kutlo: I don't see the point in us talking about my mistakes because I'm not denying anything, why are you punishing me alone? Why is it

that when people are caught doing something wrong it's the woman who gets the punishment.

Darling: 😂 , So I should dump Teto? Well I don't owe you anything because you and never even talked that's why you wanted to replace me. Teto is the father of my children, I made mistakes and he made mistakes, we are fixing our relationship. Where the hell do

you get the audacity to ask me why I'm not punishing my man? He didn't even sleep with you and he told me everything that happened with you, do you know how much men lie about these kind of things? I forgave him because he came clean wena why should I forgive you? Because you're sorry that you got caught? I'm done talking to you.

Kutlo: Fine, you can walk around with the pride of a cheating man.

Darling: Nah, he didn't cheat and it hurts you that there is nothing you can say to hurt me because he confessed everything.

Kutlo: 😂 He saved you as Terrorist and you're here acting like a wife

Darling: That's right, he should even use Bin Laden's picture as

my caller picture akere ntse ke
mo tsenya stress the past
couple of months. He is right to
save me so le nna gaa ntenne
ke mo saver kere annoying
baby. We are crazy like that.
I'm his terrorist akere ene o
stoutu, I'm definitely his
terrorist. Anything else?

Kutlo waited a few minutes
then she typed, deleted and
typed again.

Kutlo: I hope your son is deaf.

Darling: I'll still love him and I'll definitely teach him that being deaf doesn't mean people should tolerate his nonsense.

He should respect other people's relationships. Stop sending messages you're just making yourself look bad.

You've already ruined your reputation. The next time you

send a message I'm sending screenshots to Teto.

She waited for her to reply but she got offline then Darling sighed and switched the TV on as Teto walked in, he put the keys down and leaned over kissing her..

Teto : I talked to her, she is leaving first thing in the morning.

Darling: Ok, no problem.

Teto: I'm really sorry for not respecting you though you were going through the most difficult situation. I made this very mistake gape ka Tsame, it makes me fee very bad.

Darling: But I was difficult to be around, now that I'm looking back I'm very proud of you for holding on nako tse dingwe I was just impossible but you were patient, you got tempted

but you never followed through
that's why I'm not angry ka
Kutlo. You controlled yourself..
And I'm happy you don't have a
problem firing Kutlo to
eliminate any arguments or
love triangles.

Teto smiled looking in her eyes
attentively listening as he
caressed her thigh and leaning
over interrupting her with a
kiss, he French kissed her and

reached between her as he rubbed his hard boner then he sighed and leaned back..

Teto: Fuck Monday come already!

He baby kissed her and went for a shower...

At the old man's house...

The next morning Kutlo brought the old man breakfast and sat next to him typing while he put sugar into his tea and mixed with a spoon. She handed him the phone, the old man took the phone looking at her long face, she looked like she cried all night and her eyes were swollen.

Kutlo: Teto and I have been inappropriate with each other

and now the mother of his child found out. She probably told him to fire me and he won't change his mind, I need a job and I tried to apologise but she doesn't listen. I can't go back home my family depends on me.

Old man: But why would you be inappropriate with your boss? Especially when you know he has a family?

Kutlo: I have my stresses too
but I admit I was wrong. It
won't happen again

Old man: I would find you a job
at the company but Teto is the
boss there and it would be
unfair to his family for me to
place you closer, clearly you
can't keep your legs closed. I
thought you're a dignified
woman.

Kutlo: I'm sorry, I'm scared
right now because it's hard to

find a job, if I could turn the hands of time I'd never let him touch me.

Old man: (sighed typing) I will talk to some people but don't tell anyone I helped you, I'm doing this for my grandson to have peace, he already has a lot to deal with. He has been fighting for his family and your drama will complicate things. Don't thank me because I'm

not doing it for you, I'm doing it for his family.

Kutlo: Thank you,

Old man: Do you have any qualifications kana o bata bo maid?

Kutlo: I'll bring my papers..

She hurried to the house and came back with them..

Kutlo: But I don't choose jobs if they can't give me an office job I'm fine with being a maid.

Old man: If you want this job I want you to pack your bags and leave Teto's house, if I find out you're talking to him I'll have you fired.

Kutlo: I understand, I will leave.

Old man : Send him a message and tell him you're leaving.

Kutlo: I will do that.. (smiled gratefully looking at him) Thank

you, I will always be grateful.
I'm glad I worked for the
Bonga's

Old man: (smiled) Thank you,
next time don't date at work, it
always ends in tears. Work
affairs are a sign of an unstable
mentality so you won't even be
promoted and you'll get
sabotaged. I hope you leant
your lesson and you prosper,
I'm very disappointed because I
thought of you as a daughter

and the girls loved you. We were going to be a family but you destroyed it by going too far but I understand, you're young and mistakes are what makes the elders wise. I'll make sure you're working in less than a week don't make me regret this.

Kutlo: Thank you. I won't

She stood up and walked smiling as she typed the message.

Teto: Hi, I've sat down, thought long and hard you have a point and Darling has the right to be concerned. I'd also protect my family if a young girl was too comfortable around my man. I'm happy you finally got your family back, I have packed my bags and I'm now leaving. I'm

not angry at you, I'm happy we met because it has a positive impact on my life. Say bye to the girls for me. Thank you, meeting you is a blessing and I think my life will be moving forward..

Darling: Hi, I've sat down, thought long and hard. I think I was wrong on a few things I said earlier. I said them out of frustration, I want you to know

that I'm not the kind to snatch a man but I understand your frustration. I was wrong and I will never stop admitting it but women are so evil and they destroy each others happiness, I know because my friend destroyed mine so do what you can to save your family. I wish to have mine one day and I want a man like yours who despite making stupid mistakes always corrects himself when

you complain. You're blessed, the good thing about him is that he is quick to correct when he is told. You have a good man. I enjoyed working for your daughters, Aisha loves you, she always talked about you missing you and I think she thought you're dead though I kept telling her you're fine. I don't know why she thought so, you have a nice family, God



bless you Mrs Bonga aka
Terrorist.



Darling: Stop making me feel
guilty.

Kutlo: 🤪 don't feel guilty.
You're breastfeeding and girls
are letting your man touch
their boobs.

Darling: ☐What are your
qualifications?

Kutlo: 😊 I think I found a job
but thank you.

Darling:  At least I won't feel a lot of guilt.  La re leogisa batho, nna batho ke siame mme ha o ntsena ko monneng ke mela dinaka tsaga saatane.

Kutlo:   I understand. Thank you at least le nna gake tsamae ka guilt because I know you forgave him. It's not good to be known for this kind of behaviour because your next employer may not trust you.

And for what it's worth he
never kissed me and we never
had sex.

Darling: Ok, thanks.

Kutlo: Thanks, bye

She put down the phone and
began packing....

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At Darling's House...

Later on Akeelah bent down and picked Bold then she sat down putting him on her lap..

Akeelah: Yooh, he looks like his father... New borns hardly have

resemblance but I can already see Teto on this little boy. How did it go with Kutlo kana you never updated me after

Darling: Here is my conversation with her..

Akeelah read it while holding the baby and looked at her..

Akeelah: You laughed with her even after she wished for your son to be deaf?

Darling: Maybe it's easy for her to say it because she is sure she will never carry a baby in her womb, what else can make a woman wish such on a child? I didn't even want to dwell on it because I know my son is not deaf. I hope wherever she is she will think about what she said and withdraw her words

because I can't really do anything about her words except to ask God to intervene.

Akeelah: This girl is evil, she knows all the challenges of being deaf she is even saying its hard to find a job and then she wishes this on a child? She didn't even apologise for it.

Darling: (laughed) Don't take it to heart to heart, some of these things when a woman wishes your child something bad you

don't say I hope the same happens to you, respond positively and let God fight for you. When I was growing up we were told not to laugh at disabled people or wish anyone a disability because that very same thing will come to your child. I don't know if elders used that to mould us or its true but I guess she missed it growing up. I'm not angry with her though, gongwe ke stress

who knows? I mean she lost her favourite job and favourite boss...

Akeelah: You take things lightly, I would have gone to that house and punched her on the mouth for talking about my son like that. I can't believe you even wanted to find this fool a job when she didn't apologise for what she said about your son. You're too soft for my liking

Darling: (laughed) Can you
breath?! Gosh!

Akeelah: Let me just forget her!

The kids ran in to the living
room to get the baby..

Aisha: We want to go play with
Bold

Darling: (laughed) Aisha you
can't play with him out of sight,
he is young. How about you

guys go play together... All
three of you..

They ran outside and closed the
door..

Akeelah: I think I'm pregnant, I
hope I don't become crazy like
you....

Darling: (laughed) Oh no honey
you don't even need to be

pregnant to be crazy, you're
crazy by yourself...

They laughed as Darling
adjusted her belly belt..

Darling: I bet Age is going to be
emotional, I heard he has a
baby fever... (touched her belly)
I don't want to have a meaty
stomach.. I'm fighting this baby
fat

Akeelah: There is nothing there already ao.. You should have seen me I was so fat I never thought that belly would go away.

They laughed and continued talking..

At Bonga's house...

Later that evening the old man walked towards the dogs and fed them while on the phone..

Bonga: Are you there?

Voice: I just spoke to my partner and its impossible to hire a deaf person for this post, that's just the frustration we are not willing to put our customers in.

Bonga: But this young woman is like a daughter to me, she is a

hard worker and she would impress you.

Voice: I respect our professional relationship Mr Bonga but you're asking for the impossible. This might affect our business

Bonga: Ok, I understand. Thank you

Voice: Why did she study that kind of course? I'm just shocked she'd go for such

knowing she can't speak or hear.

Bonga: I really don't know, maybe that's what she is passionate about. Do you know anyone who might be willing to help? I've ran out of options

Voice: I can't think of anyone

Bonga: Thank you..

He hung up and walked back in the house dialing the last person he could think off.

Voice: Hello?

Bonga: Hi, good evening... I sent you an email earlier. Did you get it? I always have to call just to make sure I sent. I'm getting old now.

Voice: (laughed) I got it, I just thought it might be too late to call and decided to do it

tomorrow. I can't help her, it will be a lot to take in, it's an unnecessary burden for other workers and clients. I cannot do that, ask me for another favour except to hire someone of her limitations.

Bonga: Can't you give it a try? For a month... Put her on probation, I promise you you won't regret it.

Voice: I can't do this Mr Bonga, why don't you hire her if she is such an asset?

Bonga: I understand, thanks

Voice: Bye

He hung up and sighed sitting down then he texted Kutlo.

Kutlo Nanny: Good evening, I've been making phone calls the whole day but I'm not

getting anything. I'm sorry, I will keep trying. Don't lose hope, in the meantime do small jobs like laundry or anything to generate income.

Kutlo: Why don't you hire me in your company?

Bonga: It's not mine anymore and I can't put you in a place where Teto is working, you have already proven that you can't be professional around him. I will keep trying.

Kutlo: Thank you.

He locked the main door and headed to bed..

In Toteng...

Meanwhile lying on her bed supported by bricks she stretched her hand putting her phone on the table next to the paraffin lamp, the goal was to

reconnect the power again and stop getting it from the neighbours but what she had saved wasn't anywhere near the needed amount to put the power back on and it was all because one selfish woman couldn't bear to see her working closely with her boyfriend.

She got her phone again and searched Darling on Facebook,

she clicked on her pictures for a while then she put the phone down and laid her head staring in the dark as the moon light penetrated between the cracks of this old house. You know it's painful to be your mother's only hop and be completely helpless enough to be fed by her when it should be the other way around. It was enough that she couldn't find a job but even

relationships weren't so welcoming.

She got her phone again and stared at Darling's pictures scrolling through picture by picture, the good living, the smiles on their faces with Teto and the children, they probably forgot about her and moved on. Tears filled her eyes until she blinked and dropped a tear on the pillow. She rubbed her

eyes and slid her phone under the pillow before facing the wall. It was only a matter of time...

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At Kutlo's mother's..

The next morning Kutlo's younger sister walked into her room and sat on the bed sighing..

Her: Go to the neighbours and give them money for the electricity, they unplugged our cord because we didn't give them money.

Kutlo: But I sent money.

Her: I already told you they doubled what we have to give them. They say we use a lot of power even though we only use tv and fridge. They're accusing us of using an electric stove, go give them money.

Kutlo: I can't touch the money I have saved because I want to reconnect our power. Let's just use the lamps.

Her: I want to watch the soapie,
the repeat will be on in an
hour.

Kutlo: Just go outside, I'm not
feeling well.

Her little sister walked outside
mumbling, she could tell she
was saying something though
she couldn't read her pouted
lips.

She stood up and tied her curtains standing by the window looking outside thoughtfully. If only Darling knew how difficult it is for her to find a job, for her it probably meant nothing her father was rich and she never needed anything, and then she met another rich person and settled down. She didn't understand why it's the woman who is always punished, would it have

killed her to just let her work for Teto..

Her mother walked into the room with a long face, the disappointment on her face was more than she could handle, she was shuttered and powerless.

Her: (sighed) Please sit down..

Darling slowly sat on the other side of the bed..

Her: I'm very disappointed in you, I was so happy for you because I knew it was our breakthrough, but you just had to sleep with your boss.

Kutlo: Why is it only my fault? I made a mistake with him and everyone is blaming me. Why can't you understand mama?

Her: I don't understand because you come from nothing and you struggled to find this job which means you should have guarded it with your life and that includes crossing your legs. Do you know why you're the only person getting punishment? Because you're the only person who had anything to lose, if you're poor and hanging with the rich kids then decide to

break an expensive car, know that their parents will pay for them but wena because you're poor you won't even afford to pay your part of the charge. You can't expect me to feel sorry for you... It's the same concept, if you're a maid and decide to sleep with your boss just know that when you get caught you're fired! Are you insane did you expect things to remain the same? In your head

does it sound OK? It's that kind of stupidity that makes women poor... You make mistakes sleeping with other people's men and expect their women to just smile and love you? A powerful woman like that? It's her family and her man, if she wants to forgive him she can wena o mang mogo ene?

Kutlo: I was ready to forgive her because I thought the old man would find me a job but now I

can't forgive Darling for making me lose my job.

Her: Only if you have never had a family will you think you deserve to be still working for that man. Talking about why isn't he getting punished... It's very simple he gets screamed at, he apologises and blocks you, he completely forgets you because you were a distraction, a mistake and something he won't miss. He will work his

butt to save his relationship
and his woman will forgive him
and they will use you as a
stepping stone. You'll be a
challenge they went through,
something they learnt from and
they will be stronger because
after you there won't be
another maid issue since they
know tendencies of maids. And
wena? You lose the only job
you had. You should have said
no but you got selfish, you got

excited at the idea of being Mrs Bonga and did it all to win that man? You were in a game and you lost. You're a loser, you tried to snatch a man and failed. Am I supposed to feel sorry for you because you're my daughter and you are deaf? No, you're the reason I didn't finish school. I was taking care of you because you were just a goat wondering around without hearing anything around you... I

put my life on hold for you and
what do you do to thank me?
You advertised your body to
your boss and when his wife
sees through you and fires you
you want me to blame her?
Hearing is not the only thing
you don't have, a part of your
brain is gone too because if
anything you'd take
responsibility for your
behaviour and see that your

actions led to you losing your job.

Kutlo: (tearfully) I am going to make her pay for making me lose my job.

Her: I'm just wondering why you're not friends with Ida, obviously Ida is not wrong to sleep with your boyfriend and you should punish your boyfriend only so why don't you talk to Ida and be friends with her? Stop acting stupid,

you are to blame for this, a simple no could have saved you but you wanted Teto to make decisions for you. He made a decision that benefits him, you the stupid one couldn't make a decision good for you. I don't blame Teto because he didn't rape you, you liked it and encouraged it...Don't blame the poor girl, it's not her fault your father is poor, it's not her fault I'm not educated or rich and it's

certainly not her fault that her boyfriend cheated with a loose maid who has no standards.

She doesn't owe you anything and she doesn't want mabelete close to her man. I am very angry at you, if you could hear me I'd scream at you. You're a disappointment, instead of developing a professional relationship with these rich people so they could help you kick start your ideas you

develop a sexual relationship,
did you think he will marry
you? Just like that? The
problem with girls like you is
that when you hear that a man
is fighting with his woman you
jump in with your legs spread
and when he solves his issues
and goes back you look for
someone to blame and you
blame the woman...

Kutlo rubbed her tears looking at her mother as she stood up..

Her: I am too angry to even pray for you, I hope you sit down and think about what you did. I hope you take responsibility for your actions because it's only then that you will do something positive with your life. Go tshwara batho ba ba senang molato ka pelo go busetsa ko morago and rona

bahumanegi re rata go supa batho ka monwana. Mosadi yoole ene ogo lebetse, wena o setse ha. Kamoso tabe o utwa gotwe baa nyalana abe o thubagana o ikaletsa ka gore omo elletsa dilo tse di maswe mo pelong.

Her mother closed the door then she burst into tears..

At Darling's house..

Later that Monday morning Darling sat on the toilet and peed then she rolled the tp yawning and wiped herself, it was way too wet she looked at it.. The period chose this very morning to show up! She hadn't seen her period since giving birth and it made a grand entrance on this particular morning.

She flashed the toilet and headed to the bedroom where Teto was still asleep, she opened the wardrobe and opened her new pack..

While asleep the sound of the wardrobe door woke him and he opened his eyes to Darling putting a pad on the bridge of her panties and pulling it up. She turned around and they

locked eyes as he quietly
looked at her.

Darling: Hey... Good morning.

Teto: Morning...

The sad look on his face
shuttered her as she walked
over and sat on his tummy
leaning over and kissing him..

Darling: I'm sorry, I wasn't expecting it... They said it should take a couple of months before I can get my period back, but I guess I'm one of those who get back on the circle right away.

He sadly put his hands on her waist and closed his eyes temporarily as she kissed him, then he sighed and looked up at her.

Teto: It's ok... What time should we get tested? I've got lots of work today because I got off early on Friday.

Darling: 10am is OK..

Teto: OK, let me get ready for work..

Darling: I'm really sorry, I know you waited the whole weekend for Monday.

Teto: It's ok, I think le nna I have reached a point of go ithoboga, I was extremely excited when I got here but being with you is better than nothing. I just appreciate that you are here, Bold is here and the kids are bonding. You and I talked out our differences and sex is not everything.. I want to tell my grandfather to start the negotiations..(smiled) Does

that engagement count or you
threw away the pearls?

Darling: (smiled) I kept them
safe, I love pearls, I can never
lose them.

He placed his hand behind her
neck and pulled her down for a
kiss before she got off him, he
got up and got ready for work..

At Botho's mother's...

Later that morning Botho stood in the other house watching as Teen's uncles left through the gate. In front of the house gathered all her married family members in their long dresses with ditšale and men in suits. This was the first day of pato and she could feel that excitement running through her body, but then she sighed and sat on the bed

thoughtfully. For some reason she had always pictured Teto in a suit waiting for her as she walked down the isle, she felt guilty even thinking about him at a time like this... She wanted to forget him and she was surely going to forget him, she had to. Besides, not all dreams come true.

Her brother knocked and walked in..

Him: Hey..

Botho: Hi..

Him: Are you ready?

Botho: Yeah.. I'm excited but I've always pictured myself with Teto, I still wake up at night and wish I had not cheated on him. I don't get it, men cheat all the time but when a woman cheats once they leave.

Him: I don't think that's what's stopping him, he loves you but it feels like a betrayal to his brother. Do you love Teen?

Botho: Yes I do and he is a great father.

Him: I love him too, promise me you won't be tempted if Teto ever gets tempted too.

Botho: I won't, plus Teto is in a serious relationship now, we are far deep with other people and we won't do such.

Him: (smiled) I trust you learnt your lesson with Teto, men leave you when you cheat and Teen will do just that. You broke Teto and I don't think he recovered after what you did.. Even the woman he is with now I don't think ba ratana, he is probably with her because he knows she loves him so he wants to be safe by choosing someone who loves him. Make me proud ok?

He hugged her and pinched her cheek walking out...

At Kutlo's room..

After being locked up in her room all morning moping around, her mother's words hit deep and she found herself wondering how far her savings

would take her with her sweet business idea..

She picked her phone to text the old man but for him it was way too early, he was probably still sleeping so she put her phone down and got her file from the wardrobe. She sat there for hours going through every document and though she still didn't understand why the government didn't fund her

business idea, she knew someone who would. She just had to present her business idea to him..

She sighed and got ready to leave for Maun, if anyone wasn't going to hire a deaf girl perhaps a deaf girl would have to hire herself.

At the testing center...

Teto and Darling walked out of the building and Teto quietly put his hands in the pockets..

Darling: Thanks for doing this, I knew you were negative but I just wanted to be sure.

Teto: Ok.

Darling: I'm sorry about the period.

Teto: I told you to stop
apologising for getting your
period..

He held her hand and kissed it
as they approached the
parking. He held her waist and
hugged her against the car
before kissing her and opening
the door for her. She got in
then he closed..

Teto: I love you, I'm going to talk to my grandfather about the magadi, give your parents the heads up so they don't get a surprise visit.

Darling: OK... O bodutu and it makes me feel bad.

He leaned in and kissed her..

Teto: I love you! See you at quarter past five.

Darling: (laughed) Please don't remind me, no curfew I was crazy... Just do what you have to do, you're the CEO I'm sure you have a ton of work.

Teto: (laughed) Bold o kile ago pekisa, I suffered.. Yoo ta mponang ke imisa gape abe a itse gore ke padile!

He laughed and stepped back then she drove off, he got in his car and drove off to work.

In Teto's office...

Minutes later he walked into the office and hung his suit jacket around the chair before sitting down. A telephone call interrupted him then cleared his throat and picked.

Teto: Yeah?

PA: Botho is here to see you sir.

Teto : Let her in.

PA: Ok.

He hung up then he looked at himself just to make sure he looked smart enough. He stood up and tucked his shirt packing his dick right... It had a tendency to just jerk up especially with her. Sitting there got him anxious then he walked to the window and took

a deep breath folding his sleeves..

He had managed to keep the brotherhood promise for months, he never contacted the forbidden girl, hadn't talked to her and his relationship with the brothers was awesome.

Now she was at his door step and he was panicking. Luke's words ran through his head and the sad look on Age came to

mind and then Darling's words, she'd leave if he tried anything. Botho's foot steps approached and he started sweating.

His heart skipped as she walked in and closed the door with her engagement ring hand. God knows this woman was a walking perfection, these hips and everything including her seductive eyes. He took a deep

breath and calmly walked
over...

Botho looked in his eyes and
yeah, here he was Teto in
person... Standing in his rightful
office looking better than ever
before. She wasn't sure if it was
this fresh hair cut or the shirt
he was wearing. Whatever it
was it made him even
handsome..

Botho: Hey..

Teto: Hi, how are the twins?

Botho: They're good.. How is your family?

Teto : They're good, our last born is almost a month old.. Ke motsetse.

Botho: (laughed) I'm happy for you, I know you always wanted your last born to be a boy.

Teto: Yeah...

An awkward moment passed while they looked at one another, they hadn't said anything to each other but for some reason they both knew what was going on.

Botho: Teto I'm getting married, pato e thotse e simolotse this morning.
Kamoso ba ntsha magadi.

Teto looked in her eyes and she looked down..

Teto: Congratulations, I think nna ke ntsha in a couple of weeks.

Botho: I just wanted to tell you that I love you but from tomorrow I will try my very best to replace you in my heart. I will forgive myself for breaking your heart and your children's hearts. I will forgive

myself for not appreciating the love you gave me despite the hatred you got from your brother and everyone else. I will love Teen and move on though I sometimes find myself day dreaming.. I now give up on us ever being together..

Teto took out his hands from the pockets and sat on the edge of the desk while she stood by in her high heels.

Teto: (folded his arms) I don't like seeing you because it reminds me of how much of a coward I am. I want to convince myself that I am a good brother and that I made a good decision that brought us all peace and happiness. Ke a go rata Botho but us being together hurts the most important person in my life. Throughout the years I've learnt to live without you, I've

learned to love Darling and I'm learning to accept that love is an idea, it's planted and nurtured then it becomes something big. But I know love never dies... We might not end up together but I will always love you. You broke my heart but I've healed and I still love you...the point I'm trying to make is that no matter how much you try to replace me with Teen it will never work

rather you just love him for
who he is.

He walked over and held her
hand.

Teto: Congratulations.

Botho: Congratulations to you
too...

She tried to leave but he held her hand then he pulled her over and hugged her.

Teto: It was nice seeing you.

Botho: Nice seeing you too..

They both hugged and sighed letting go of one another....

Teto : Thanks for dropping by,
good luck

Botho: You too..

She walked out then he sighed
in relief...

At Age's office...

On the same morning Age
worked on the computer, the
telephone rang and he paused
picking.

Age: Yeah

Voice: Your father is here to see you

Age : My father? You called Age's office

Voice: I know, he says he is your father.

Age : Let him in.

He hung up and frowned looking at the door curiously then Luke's father walked in, he

smiled looking at Age and they
bumped shoulders.

Him: How are you?

Age: I'm fine sir, have a seat..

The old man sat then Age took
a deep breath and sat down..

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At Age's office..

Age leaned forward looking at
Luke's father. He smiled looking

at Age and leaned back crossing his legs...

Age: I don't know why she says you look like him because I see her in you... You have sad eyes and it's from her, you know when you look at someone and feel like they're sad or have something eating them? I don't know if it's just me but I often see that in people. I don't know if yours and hers are naturally

like that or you're are just sad human beings.. Whatever it is it makes you too look similar..

Age looked down thoughtfully probably not sure how to respond back...

Him: I've known about you for a while now from the boys and I wanted to meet you but I wasn't sure how you'd feel about it but now it feels like I

already know you from all the crazy things your brothers tell me about you. Your little sister is getting married soon and you have to be there... Her name is Amber, have you met her?

Age: No, I've heard the brothers talking about her once or twice, they said she works in Gaborone.

Him : Yes, she does but she just arrived... But that's not the main reason I'm here,

Age: Ok

Him: I have talked to your mother and we went for counselling, she has been getting counselling all along and she is ready to see you but she is afraid you'll reject her because she rejected you first.

Age: I would never reject her but I'm afraid of her now... Tota ke a mo tshaba, the first time I came over she screamed at me, called me names and chased

me away. It was difficult to recover after that, I didn't tell anyone and it ate me up until I opened up to my brother

Him: Luke?

Age: No, my real brother Teto. That's when we talked and I felt better after, I think it was a couple of days if not months that's when Luke and Cash approached me. I was grateful to have them because it was better than not having a family

but now having you here is just wonderful. I am grateful but I can't go to your wife's house... If she wants me to come around she has to come herself, ke ntse ke a mo tshaba but it won't be the same if she comes to me. Last I went there she chased me I can't go there again..

Him : What you're saying makes sense, I totally understand and I appreciate

that after what she did you're still willing to rekindle the relationship.

Age: She is my mother and she has a grandson, I'm sure my son would be happy to know her if she is kind enough. I don't want to expose my son to rejection because I know the pain so he will only meet her if I'm satisfied with her.

Him: Totally understandable.. I will talk to her and get back to you.

Age: Thank you

He stood up and shook Age's hand smiling.

Him: I'm really proud of you and what you've become.

Age: Thank you...and thanks for coming over, I appreciate it... I

don't have a lot of father figures in my life so believe me this means more than you'll ever know.

Him : I understand, I appreciate you welcoming me. Have a good son

Age: Thank you

He walked out then Age sat down thoughtfully, a little smile covered his face then he called his wife..

Akeelah: Hey

Age: Hey, Luke's father was here... Apparently my mother wants to meet me, he also invited me to their daughter's wedding

Akeelah: Wow... Ok... I'm a little scared but I'm happy

Age : That's what I said, I'm a little scared of her

Akeelah: I'll be with you when she comes to see you then I'll leave when you ask me to.

Age: No, you're not leaving. We are one now, there is no I or you.

Akeelah: OK, I love you

Age: I love you more.

He hung up and leaned back.

At Teto's office...

The following morning Teto walked in the office and put down his bag, his eyes fell on the full bin and then he picked the telephone and called his PA in, she closed the door and walked in high heels.

Teto: (angrily) Why is the bin full? Isn't this office supposed to be cleaned every day?

PA: I will call the cleaner

Teto: So I'll be working when a cleaner is dusting a ntshela dithole? What is your job?

When you got in here what wad going through your head?

PA: There are cleaners who are not allowed to clean offices for bosses so I'm assuming the ones allowed must have been off. I will call them now. I'm sorry sir

Teto: Just get this office
cleaned up, I'm coming back in
15 minutes

He walked out then the PA
leaned over the table calling
the cleaners. Teto walked
towards the COO office and
knocked before walking in..

Teto: Good morning..

COO: Morning.. How are you?

Teto: I'm good, I've been going through the company books and a few things aren't balancing, there are cheques I'm seeing going out but the names of those people aren't appearing in our payroll, which means it's not our employees. Please write me a detailed financial report because even the account office can't explain it. I don't know if they already told you but we have a meeting

this afternoon with finance office and yourself because I need an explanation of the 60K that can't be accounted for in our books. I need that report at the meeting today at 3pm, are we good?

COO: Yes sir, we are good

He closed the door and walked out upstairs calling his grandfather, he reached the top of the building and stood

by the edge holding the bar as
the phone rang..

Him: Hello?

Teto: I've just set up a meeting
with him and the finance office,
if I don't get a clear explanation
I'm firing him today.

Him: (sighed) I'm very
disappointed, I don't know
what to say. He once wrote his
girlfriend a cheque but that was
8 years ago and instead of firing

him I sucked money out of his pay until he was done.

Teto : He won't get that with me, it's either I report him and they charge him with stealing by servant or I fire him, he will tell me if he is resigning today or we meet in court.

Him: It's fair, 60K is a lot of money

Teto: He signed 6 cheques and my question to the finance manager ke gore how did they

approve that, they will all explain this afternoon.

Him: At least you check the company books, I trusted him to do everything. I always thought witches are in our family only aka o bona ba bolaile mosadi wame jaana. I know that food poisoning comes from your uncle and aunt though they deny it, it's a pity we don't have evidence. I hope you never trust anyone

Teto: Mme kana like I was telling you auntie was busy asking me to drink water, it was awkward and for a moment I almost drunk because my mind was all over the place. I threw it away in the morning, had I gotten the autopsy results before throwing it away I would have had it tested.

Him: Don't worry, God fights for the innocent, for now focus

on getting the company back on track.

Teto: Alright, by the way I want to marry Darling.

Him: Come see me this afternoon, dilo tsa nyalo ga di buiwe mo founing.

Teto: (laughed) Ok... I'll come by this afternoon.

Him : (smiled) Alright, by the way are you getting some?

Teto: (laughed) No, she is on her period but I've passed the craving state. I think I'm putting her under so much pressure and it's not fair, she carried my son for months and if she needs a little more time I have to be able to wait until she is ready.

Him: That's true, and the longer you wait the sweeter its going to be

Teto: (laughed) Ok.. Bye

Him: Wait, Kutlo came to see me yesterday. She needs extra money to start a company for sweets. She needs startup capital and She tried to apply for funding but she had no luck, I thought I'd just help her but then it seemed wrong to assist her in secret. Can you fund her for company shares or the loan repayment? Strictly under the company name.

Teto: Darling is going to kill me if she finds out, the first thought will be that I want to sleep with her. I don't have a good record with women and I'm trying to change that plus ake bate go tsenya Darling stress because she'll start questioning my love for her. You know women connect things that don't connect.

Him: (sighed) You're right but this young woman needs help.

She hasn't worked a day since she graduated, and it's all because she is deaf. She has great business ideas but no one is willing to help her because they don't believe a deaf person can run a successful business.

Teto: I still can't help her, I have history with her and I want to get married, if I help her this will bring a fight between me and Darling, le nna nkase bate

go utwa gotwe she is business partners with her ex, I'd be jealous.

Him : I know, but she doesn't have to know about this... Do you tell your girlfriend everything? And let's not forget that you played a part in this, if it wasn't for you she'd still have her job.

Teto: I can't, I've had enough love triangles in my life, I just want peace. Having her around

is not a good idea, she will come up with another idea, she wasn't working when I met her, she was struggling and she managed to trick me into hiring her by omitting the fact that she is deaf, I'm sure she can still do that again to get a job. It's not that I don't want to help her, I like her and she is a good girl, I wasn't crushing on her just because I sexually starved, I actually like her and I'm trying

to avoid drama by letting her go because I will end up sleeping with her if I keep seeing her. I will not last long with her and this is as honest as I can be. I have strong feelings for her and had Darling not changed her mind I would be marrying her. That's how deep this is.. I can't help her.

Him: (sighed) If you put it like that I understand and respect

your decision. We will talk about magadi in the afternoon..

Teto: Ok, bye

He hung up and received a call from Cash as he walked down the stairs back to the office..

Teto: Yeah

Cash: Are you free on lunchtime?

Teto: I guess so, why?

Cash: Our little sister is in my Maun and we are supposed to meet for lunch, thought it would be nice if you guys came Luke said he'd talk to Age while I talk to you.

Teto: No problem,

Cash: Sure

He hung up and walked in the office then he sat down and took off his jacket. Kutlo

opened the door and walked in
as the PA walked behind her...

PA: I tried to-

Teto : It's ok, close the door

The PA walked out and closed
the door then Teto turned
looking at Kutlo.

Teto: (sign language) What do
you want?

Kutlo stared at him as tears filled her eyes..

Kutlo: I'm losing hope in life generally...Everything is failing, I thought your grandfather would help me but he said he can't. Please help me, borrow me money I promise I will pay it back because I know this business will prosper. Don't make me beg you... This is

professional, please help me. I don't know what to do anymore.

Teto stared back at her as she rubbed her tears.

Teto: Ok, I'll help you

She jumped up and down then she hugged him while he had his hands in the pockets, she let

go of his neck stepping back as he smiled calmly, she turned around texting her mother with shaky hands while he stood there not sure if he was making the right decision.

She finished texting her mother then she turned around looking at him, she smiled and signed thank you, Teto smiled and signed “you’re welcome”. She smiled even more surprised at

how good he was.. Not as good as his children but for a slow learner he was good.

The door opened then Darling walked in..

Darling: Your PA is not on her seat so I just walked in-

She paused and looked at Kutlo then back at Teto, she shook

her head and closed the door,
Teto walked out and followed
her out..

Teto: Why are you leaving?
Wait... Wait..

She walked down the stairs and
he walked past her and stood in
front of her blocking her way..

Teto: Babe..

Darling: (angrily) Don't do that... You're immature.. You couldn't even wait for my period to pass. 5 days hela?

Teto: I didn't sleep with her, (tried holding her hands) Can we please-

Darling: (angrily) Don't touch me..

He grabbed her hands and she angrily pushed him back, he missed a step and rolled down

the stairs, her heart skipped as
she ran down the stairs
following him.

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At the stairs..

Teto hit the bottom of the stairs and laid motionless as Darling ran down and touched him, one of the employees ran over and stood at the top of the stairs looking at Darling.

Darling: (looked up) Can you call someone? He is not moving...(tapped his cheek)
Babe? Babe wee? Babe..

He slowly opened his eyes gaining consciousness and touched his head, he closed his eyes tightly in pain touching the back of his head...

Darling: Are you OK?

Kutlo and several employees ran down the stairs as he supported himself with his arms but a sharp pain struck the other arm and he used one

sitting up then he flinched
trying to move his feet and
closed his eyes.

Teto: Fuck!

PA: I called the driver

Teto : You're fired! Two people
walked in my office without
appointments. Go pack your
things and go, now

She stepped back and tearfully walked away..

PR: I think we should call the ambulance, we will just injure you if we tried to move you because I think you broke your leg and arm.

She stepped back and dialed the med rescue as Kutlo knelt next to him and signed..

Kutlo: What happened?

Teto: I fell downstairs

Kutlo: You fell or got pushed?

Teto: No I fell

Darling: What is she saying?

Teto: She was asking me what happened?

Kutlo: She pushed you didn't she?

Teto: No

Darling: Why did you say no,
what did she say?

Teto : She asked if I'm fine?

Darling: It doesn't make sense
and if it doesn't make sense it's
not true.

Kutlo reached over to
unbuttoned his shirt and loosen
his shirt so he could relax,
Darling pushed her hand and
turned pushing her back again..

Darling: Don't touch him... I have had it with you, its enough that you touch him you don't have to do it in front of me, you're going too far... Don't act all loving in front of me. O seka wa bata go mphefomela ngwananyana. (Kutlo signed something) And you should stop doing that with your fingers nobody understands you. You're talking to yourself.

Teto: Dee stop, that's enough.
She heard you!

Kutlo looked at her relaxed and
smiled rolling her eyes as she
folded her arms.

Darling: O ipoleletse akere? O
sure

Teto looked at a few of his employees standing by as Darling talked to Kutlo who was standing with one hip up and a mocking smile smirking at Darling.

Teto: (angrily) Darling stop, workers are here! (at them)
Can I have some space, get back to work, I'll be fine

HR: Guys get back to work, I'll wait for the paramedics..
Please lay on your back...

Everyone walked out while Teto laid on the floor, Kutlo bent over and untied his shoelaces then she gently took off his shoes and leaned against the staircase wall holding them. Darling looked at Teto and he put his arm over his forehead laying on his back. Her heart

pounded so hard she could hear it pumping, the voices and footsteps of the paramedics approached as they ran up the stairs and placed their stretcher down before examining him..

Paramedic: What happened?

Teto: I fell

Paramedic: Did you fall or get pushed?

Teto: I don't really remember, I just remember getting up at the bottom of the stairs. I can't move my arm and foot, it hurts like crazy.

Paramedic2: Who was with him when he fell?

Darling put her hand up and stepped over as the others attended Teto, he grunted as they put him on the stretcher and belted him before picking

him up and walking down with him while Darling and the other paramedic talked walking behind them.

Kutlo stood by the car as they slid him inside..

Kutlo: I want to come with you

Teto: I'll talk you

Kutlo: No, it's my fault. I'm coming

Teto: Kutlo you don't understand

Kutlo: I am coming with you.

She jumped in the ambulance holding his shoes and sat on next to the other paramedic.

Paramedic: Should she come or not?

Teto: (scoffed looking away) My God!

Darling walked over and looked at her sitting inside then she looked at him..

Darling: What's going on?

Teto: She is refusing to leave

Darling: Teto I'm not doing this with you wa nkutwa? Tell this girl to get off this ambulance, does she think she is your wife kana omo sologeditse sengwe?

Teto looked at Kutlo so sje can be able to read his lips but she looked away and rested her cheek on her palm.

Teto: I'm in serious pain can we go, I don't have time for this.

Darling: So you're going to let go with you?

Teto: Ke reng? I can't push her out aker wa bona gore wa

gana. She won't even read my lips how do I tell her to get out because she can't hear me?

You tell her, mo reye atswe ee, but don't forget that you pushed me downstairs and I'm in pain.

Darling: It was an accident!

Teto: I need a doctor before I start swelling. I'm in serous pain if I was you I'd be crying...(To the paramedics) can we please go in pain..

The other one pulled the double doors and shut them in front of Darling's face then the ambulance sped off. She closed her eyes and a tear ran down her cheek, she rubbed it and got in the car but she couldn't gather the strength to turn the key. She put her hands over her face crying then she rubbed her eyes and turned the key. She wasn't really going to fight

another woman for him if this is what it was heading to, there was so much attitude Kutlo's eyes and it really hurt, she turned the key and drove back to her house...

At the hospital...

Later on Kutlo slowly opened the door to Teto sitting on the bed with a cast on his elbow and leg..

Teto : Help me out, mphe
phone

She reached for this phone on
the shelf and handed it to him
then he dialed Cash..

Cash: Yeah? I'm heading there
now, Age and Luke are already
with her

Teto : I'm at the hospital, I fell downstairs

Cash: Ok, I'll make a u-turn now
ke go cheka, pain e ntse jang?

Teto: They gave me something for pain, tell Age I was about to call him

Cash: Sure, I'm coming.

He hung up and sighed looking at Kutlo...

Teto: You just got me into a lot of trouble right now, this is what I was trying to avoid.. She is going to chase my children away then ill be back to square one again. Why can't you just walk away from me? Can't you see I'm trying to avoid you?

Kutlo: This woman is controlling you, she wants things done her way or nothing and I know she pushed you downstairs... Let her chase them away, if she is

that predictable then you should prepare for it.

Teto: When are you going? If she comes here and finds you things will get worse for me.

Please go, I'll talk to you..

Please.. (looking in her eyes)

Please, things are hectic give me a moment to think and sort this out. I'll talk to you

Kutlo: Ok.

She stood up and touched his hand before walking out then he dialed Darling's number, it went unanswered for a while then his call couldn't go through anymore, he tried with the other number and went through, she cut the call and blocked him.

He texted with one hand.

Teto: I broke my other arm and its hard to text. Please call me, I'm sorry. I had to help her with something, it's purely professional but ga osa bate I won't help her, it's complicated.

She read his message and blocked him.

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#105

At Darling's House....

Akeelah walked in the bedroom while the girls were watching TV in the living room, she

stopped at the door and looked at Darling as she sat on the bed tearfully breastfeeding her son. Darling looked at her with reddish and more tears rolled down as she turned her head away and rubbed them with her sons blanket...

Darling: I think I'm crazy... He promised me we are done with her and she is out of our lives then I find them in the office. I

didn't say anything I just walked out because there was nothing to explain then he follows me and I was so stressed I didn't notice we are standing on the stairs I pushed him off because he was blocking me and grabbing my hands.

Akeelah: Give me the baby...

Akeelah picked the baby and walked to the chair where she

sat down. Darling put her breast back in the bra and fixed her tshirt.

Darling: That girl has an attitude and he is letting her behave like that.. She touched him in front of me and he said nothing, she folded her arms all smiles a intshwaretse noka....

Akeelah: You're not crazy... He is not supposed to be entertaining her, he is wrong

and you shouldn't feel guilty about it.

Darling: I shouldn't have let him impregnate me, it's so hard to leave the father of your child. I can see I'm not happy but God!

Her lips trembled and she put her hands over her face crying...

Darling: I'm so scared to be a single mother, I just want a

family... I don't want my son to be a step child because I was and its very painful. If he hasn't slept with her I know he is going to... I can feel it and I know I'm not just being insecure. I know where this is going and I don't understand what is so hard about taking this girl out of our lives. Why Teto a tshwanetse go kopana le ene in his office? And he is talking about it's a professional

thing ba paletswe ke bo
professional the first time.

Akeelah: I don't know what to
tell you because le nna mma ke
insecure.. (sadly looking at her)
I'm a broken woman and... I get
hurt when someone talks about
their pain because I feel it and I
know what you're talking
about. I know the pain of being
cheated and getting blamed for
it. His family might be angry
with you and label you

abusive... Be ready for it, ke tswa hoo. A man can change you into something you're not. People only see the change in you and not what changed you but I don't want you to change because of him.. You're not me, you're not crazy and you don't like talking. I think you should just hold your fears back and give him the benefit of the doubt..

Tears filled her eyes as she looked at Akeelah in disbelief...

Darling: But I know he is going to sleep with her

Akeelah: (tearfully) I also feel like he will sleep with her but I am insecure just like you, so I want to go against my fears and say don't jump into conclusions. Believe him akere it's professional, let him be professional and focus on this

boy o santse ole motsetsi Dee
and must o ikilele. I think our
tradition sucks with bo six
months but part of it must be
respected.. Hokotsa go tsamaya
oya kogo Teto, go to work, the
gym and come home to your
baby. Sometimes when you
follow a man too much you get
hurt by things that don't even
exist. Nna Age o ipusitse hela
kesa mmitsa, I followed him
around and fought for him ke

Iwa tota but I reached a point where I was tired and focused on my son. My child changed me I was angry at the world.. Focus on his children.

Darling: Why do I have to pretend I'm ok with him hanging with her? Their history should be enough for him to understand what I'm feeling

Akeelah: Unfortunately it's hard to understand other people's situations..

Darling: (rubbed her tears) Nnadi relationship dia mpalela, maybe I'm not meant to be loved. I've never been happy... I don't want to be happy after being so heartbroken... I just want to be happy

Akeelah: It's very rare but its possible if you meet a man who won't make you compete for his attention, a man who will always put your feelings first but the problem is that most of

these types of men we don't give a chance because we think they're not our types.. I know I've rejected a good man for Age, that guy worshipped me.. He was very very short and he wasn't rich or highly educated like Age.. He was just a simple guy driving matshelonyana but when I met Age I fell for him.. He was tall and handsome, he spoke English fluently and he took me out on dates, he made

me taste the TV kind of love.
I'm not saying Teto is not the
right man... Just that if I had to
do it all over again I wouldn't
choose the pain I went through
to get the love I'm getting now
because you never get over the
pain. You can be sure he won't
do it again but you remember
the past and it's painful when
you do.. A broken heart is like a
coff mug, you can't mend it
after breaking it and if you do it

won't ever be strong enough..

Mme hela don't be afraid to forgive your baby daddy if you want, hey relationships are different Teto might be different. Let's not conclude..

Darling: (sighed) Ok...I'm probably crazy.. I want to go check on him, he broke his arm and leg

Akeelah: The brothers are ther, Age said baya teng so I think

you should go later just to give them time with him.

Darling: Ok..

Akeelah laid down the baby...

Akeelah: I'm going to fill the tub for you so you can bath..

She stood up and sighed looking at her..

Akeelah: Sometimes when you're going through stress especially relationship stress the best thing is to bath, put on your makeup and take pictures maybe change your clothes and just do something fun. Not going out because if you do and meet a man you'll cheat and make things difficult but find your own kind of fun without a man. If it's going out don't meet men just be you..

Darling: Thanks for being there for me

Akeelah: Ke itse stress sa relationship, Age cheated with a girl called Botho, yone bamo lwela le Teto ke lwetse ka lebaka nako ya teng because I don't have a friend or loving sister, I was crying alone going crazy making mistakes.

Sometimes I just needed someone to talk to and pour my heart to but I had no one

and I got depressed. I wouldn't wish that even on my enemy.

Darling: I know Botho, Teto le ene ithela ase comfortable gaa mmona but Teen is marrying her and she is probably over both of these brothers, problem ke ba ba palelwang ke go ipatela banna, kana you should have seen Kutlo's attitude... I've never been given such an attitude and Teto ke ha a ipaa letsogo over the face as

if o tshaba Kutlo.. Ha ele ya
ambulance yone I'm just
shocked..

Akeelah stood there and let her
talk it out, the more she threw
in a little word the more she let
it until they had nothing more
to say..

Akeelah: Take off that tshirt
and come bath while that one
is sleeping. Did the girls eat?

Darling: Yeah, the nanny does everything, she is a hard worker

Akeelah: ok..

Akeelah walked in the bathroom..

At the hospital...

Age and Luke walked in the front while Cash and Amber walked behind them chatting..

Cash: You lost a lot of weight, any particular reason?

Amber: Maybe I'm stressed out by the wedding preparations and saving, I don't know.

Cash: Is he treating you good though?

Amber: Yeah, he is OK... He has his days but we are just like any other couple

Cash: Not every couple fights,
do you fight?

Amber: (laughed) Cash I'm fine,
we don't... Don't harass him

Cash: If you say so.

They all walked in while Teto
was asleep, Age stood by the
bed and touched his hand..

Age: Tee?

Teto turned his head and
locked eyes with Ambrosia..

Age: What happened?

Teto: I fell downstairs, Darling
found me with Kutlo and just
stormed out, I tried to stop her
and missed a step.

Age: Hope you're telling the
truth

Cash: (laughed) She pushed him
either by mistake or

intentionally, you didn't miss a step

Teto: (laughed) Le ta ipona if you don't believe me

Luke: I'll take your word for it, even if she did it if you choose to forgive her you don't owe us an explanation. Why were you with Kutlo?

Teto: Long story, I don't want to talk about it.

Cash: Anyways this is Amber, Amber this is Teto... Now you

have four brothers Age, Luke, Teto and me... O blessed with protection.

Amber: Nice to meet you big brother

Teto: Nice to meet you too..

He looked down embarrassed as she stepped back and sighed..

Amber: How are you feeling?

Teto: (voice trailed off) I'm good..

All of them talked about several things and laughed while Teto could barely look into her eyes but for some reason she didn't seem to give any kind of emotions or if she recognised him.

At the pharmacy...

Later that afternoon Kutlo stood by the shelf reading the information on the massage oils then she picked one and headed to the till and paid on her way out.

She stopped a taxi and jumped in before it sped off.

At the hospital...

Minutes later she quietly opened the door and walked in with his bathing set. He was still asleep, she got in the bathroom and got a bucket with warm water then she stood by his bed and he opened his eyes..

Teto: Hey, what are you doing?

Kutlo: (signed) I'm cleaning you up? Aren't you sweating? I

brought rollon but thought you

might need a wipe since the cast is new.

Teto: Thanks, I was sweating when my brothers were here, I'm sure my armpits smell like a dead rat.

She laughed and begun wiping him soap and cleaning him up, she lowered the sheet and he laughed embarrassed grabbing them with one hand..

Teto : Uh-uh hell no... I'm good.

Kutlo: I brought you a new pair of shorts.

Teto: I'll wipe that side

She pulled the sheets and then his shorts. Her eyes widened as she looked at his dick, he quickly put his hand over it then she begun wiping him all over. She reached in her bag and took out a massage oil which she squeezed on her

palms and gently rubbed on his chest going down..

Teto: What are you doing?

Kutlo? Look at me..

She ignored him and went down his dick, she smeared it with oil and begun massaging it as he got weaker, knowing it had been months since he had sex gave her more confidence, she knew this would paralyse

him within seconds and it did just that...

Teto: Fuck... Please stop, you're making me cheat... Fuck it feels so good...

The pleasure go so intense he curled his toes and closed his eyes as he begun to fuck her hand while she massaged him focusing on that mushroom head until he fired a cum shot

that landed on his chest as he grunted.

Teto: Uhhhhh

He lifted his head and watched her as she calmly continued massaging while he spat all that white cream, the door opened and Darling walked in as Teto grunted, now unable to control it he grabbed Kutlo's soft hand and rubbed it down himself as

he moved his waist. He dropped the last cum and let go of her hand. He looked at Darling and dropped down then he lifted his head looking at the thick cum on his tummy and bellybutton, he dropped it down and put his hand over his face defenceless.

Darling walked in and sat on the chair next to him, Kutlo glanced at her once without

care and carried on now wiping his cum and a bit of it from the tip of his head then she dropped the dirty washing rag in the bucket and walked in the bathroom as Darling looked at him...

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#106

At the hospital...

Darling's heart pounded as she looked at Teto who could barely look at her with his arm over his face...

Darling: How are you feeling?

Teto: I'm sorry.

Darling: For what?

Teto: I didn't want to do it...
She forced me and I couldn't
control it.

Darling: Ok, but how are you
feeling?

Teto: Please I'm sorry..

Darling: I said it's ok... Ntsha
letsogo mo mathong o ntebe (
Look at me)

He moved his arm and turned his head looking at her only for a second then he looked down. He'd never been this defenseless and there wasn't much he could say...

Teto : I'm sorry.

Darling: It's fine

Teto: Just like that?

Darling: I'm sure I'm just insecure and all that means

nothing, I don't want to be a drama queen, this is what a real woman does akere? This is what respect is akere? If I get angry and say hurtful things or push you I'm wrong...

Teto: I didn't mean to do that, I know you don't believe me but it's the truth. She forced me.

Darling: I understand, she raped you.... I'm sure your other arm couldn't press the panic button to call the nurse

to help you. I totally understand Teto, this isn't your fault. You're just innocent and I'm being too harsh on you by expecting some kind of discipline.

Teto: Maybe if you actually cared enough to do this for me I wouldn't be tempted, you can still do this for me while on your period. She didn't have sex with me but you don't even want to do anything. Honestly I

don't regret it that much. I am sorry that I hurt you but I'm satisfied because I couldn't hold myself anymore, now I can finally breathe again... You don't care about my needs, I have to be the one always understanding. I'm sick of you getting all the attention in this relationship.

Darling stared at him and anger built inside her, tears filled her

eyes she just wanted to punch his mouth, but she stood up and walked out. She talked along the corridor with her lips trembling as she cried then she turned back.... She wasn't going to just let it go.

She pushed the door open and aimed for his face with her hand but chose to land that loud slap on the pillow missing his face by an inch. He grabbed

her wrist with one hand, she burst into tears and put her hand over her face crying while trying to pull the other hand off Teto's grip, but he refused to let go..

Darling : (crying) Let go of my hands! I want to go home.

Teto: Stop pulling!

Kutlo stepped out of the bathroom and looked at her, with her facing the other way it seemed she was trying to slap Teto then she pushed her off from the side. Darling fell on her side and got up looking at her as Kutlo pushed her again.

Darling: Why are you pushing me?

Teto grabbed Kutlo's tshirt
pulling her back..

Teto: Go home.. Please!

Darling: I will go home.

Teto: Darling we are still
talking, I'm sorry... I didn't want
to hurt you! I love you!

Darling turned around and
looked at him..

Darling: Do you really love me?

Teto: I love you, I didn't mean for all this to happen.

Darling: I love you too, when you're ready to let go of Kutlo call me. Until then o nne le Kutlo wa gago, gakena strength sago lwa le banyana gotwe ke lwela motho yo kana ka wena yoo itseng se ase batang.

You're not going to have the both of us, I can't compete. I want a man who will teach me

how to love him not go get
what I can't think of doing
instead of suggesting it. Mme
gape if you want Kutlo ska
ipatika, love her and give it a
try just don't make this a battle
for you.

She turned around and looked
at Kutlo..

Darling: I don't blame you for
wanting him but don't ever put

your hands on me o taa
gologala suswana a utwa?

Kutlo smiled calmly and gave
her the middle finger, Darling
turned and looked at him..

Darling: Have a good day.

Teto: I'll tell her to go, can we
talk??

She slammed the door and walked away..

Kutlo: (signed) Let her go, you don't need her.

Teto: I'm angry with you and I don't want to talk to you.

You're making a bad situation worse, why did you do that?

And we are in the hospital for Christ sake! You're making me regret helping you. This was supposed to be professional.

Kutlo: So you don't want me to ever do this to you? (he kept quiet for a sec) Do you want me to stop?

Teto: You need to stop, the next time you pull a stunt like that I'm not helping you. If Darling leaves me I'm not helping you with a business you're going back to being a nanny. Please leave

Kutlo: call me when you're done being angry.

She leaned over and kissed him then she got her bag and walked out.

At Akeelah's House...

Darling knocked on the door and stepped back holding in her tears, Akeelah opened the door then she burst into tears hugging her.

Darling: I'm so hurt!

Akeelah: What happened?

Darling: Nna ke togela Teto waitse... I can't cry like this every day.

Akeelah: Come in...

She walked in rubbing her eyes and they sat down..

Darling: I found Kutlo giving
him a hand job

Akeelah: This girl is on a
mission, she is in it to win it

Darling: I'm not even on her,
my problem is with him
because he doesn't seem to
understand what he wants. I
told him to come back when he
is done with her but deep down
I just want to stay away from
him and her because they're
hurting me. The last thing I

want is a relationship e
huhulelwang.

Akeelah: And I wouldn't advise
you to do that because it's a
rough path but I want you to
give yourself time to calm
down. If you're still done with
him even after cooling down
you can end things peacefully le
ene. A peaceful break up makes
it easy to heal because once he
starts retaliating he will hurt
you akere ene o na le backup

ya ga Kutlo and you don't have anyone so play it safe.

Darling: (sighed calming down)

True...

Akeelah: Gape girl o ithute go tshwara dikeledi, if you let Kutlo see that she is hurting you you're giving her the power to hurt you. Break down in your own or with a friend never before your enemy.

Darling: But part of me wants to let her have him and see

how long it will last. Ke mo mo neele and try to build my life from the beginning. I refuse to believe there isn't one baby mama who is happy without the baby daddy. Ke ta ke ikhansela mo tseleng though I was stressed. Nna tota I don't have the energy to fight this girl, her ego grows big every day and the guts she has...

(sighed) This relationship never started properly, I didn't have

self-esteem ke ineetse mogo
Teto a dira sengwe le sengwe
se ase batang. Now I'm turning
into a lunatic and I don't want
to do that because I have a son
to think about... I want to move
aside and let Kutlo take this
cheating man. Ke bata go ba
sutela ba ratane sente without
my disturbance.

Akeelah: But take your time
and heal then make a decision,
right now you're angry and

stressed. If he calls talk to him nicely... Let time pass even if its weeks, be nice to him and her while seeking clarity from your inner being. Once you have made that decision I'll support you no matter what.

Darling: Ok... But I need counselling, my heart is breaking... I'm losing my mind. Does counselling help?

Akeelah: A lot... It helped me..i know a good one. That lady is

very good... She makes you see what you couldn't see then she let's you make your own decision. She doesn't want you using your emotions to make bigger decisions and she is all about self healing and seeing what you're capable of, loving yourself first before you can think of extending that love to someone else. She keeps saying you can't love anyone if you don't love yourself first, wena

Darling you were never loved
and I don't think you really love
yourself. I think you think
having a family will make you
happy and fill that void in you..
she will help you a lot.

Darling: Give me her number,
my heart is literally thudding as
I'm speaking now but it's better
because I have you, months
back I was just alone.

Akeelah picked her phone and they exchanged numbers..

At Teto's House....

Kutlo unlocked the house and walked in, she put her bag in her room and sat on the bed texting.

Kutlo: Hey, I'm preparing something for you to eat, you

said you might get discharged tonight right? I thought I should stick around for a while until Darling's mood swings get back on normal if at all she is normal. I don't want you to struggle with the children or try to find a new nanny who might abuse them.

Teto: Darling is already angry with me that's why ke tshaba goya kogo ene, don't make it worse.

Kutlo: Just let me help you, if she takes you then I'll go. Is that fair?

Teto: If Darling leaves me you're going to give me a wife because o stubborn Kutlo.

Kutlo: Lay down and rest. I want to clean up.

She cut the line and sighed thoughtfully, this was her family and she wasn't here to play games, she was here to

build a family. Ida did with Evans and he was marrying her after making her wait for so long, this one was hers.

She put down her phone and walked in the kitchen...

At the hospital...

Later that night Teto sat on the edge of the bed pressing his phone and called Darling..

Darling: Hello?

Teto: Just got discharged from the hospital

Darling: OK, are you coming here or going to your house?

Teto: I think my house, considering we are fighting... Should I come get the children?

Are you OK with them being there?

Darling: I have no problem with the children, so you'll be going to your house?

Teto: I think it's best I come there as well. Is that OK?

Darling: Sure, I want to help you heal but I'm still not going to have unprotected sex with you because you're still in contact with her.

Teto: I understand, ke a itse ke dirile phoso and you're not sure about my status again. Are you sure we are good?

Darling: We are fine and it's its that important to continue seeing Kutlo you have my blessings. Should I come get you?

Teto: No, Age is coming. Gone jaana kana she is at my house because she doesn't have accommodation in Maun but

she should be gone within a couple of weeks.

Darling: No, problem. Don't mind me, just do the right thing, see you tonight

Teto : See you.

She hung up then he sighed worriedly. It sounded too good to be true but then this was Darling... She had always been able to put him first, she probably felt bad for pushing

him downstairs. He laid down
and sighed....

TWO MONTHS LATER

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One Night Only

#107

At school...

After work Darling parked at the pickup point, Aisha's friend jumped up and down sipping from her juice box with a straw..

Her: Aisha left with her other mommy

Darling: Which mommy?

Her: The one who taught her sign language

Darling: (scoffed) Ok.... Bye
nana

Her: (waved) Bye!

She rolled up the windows and
drove off dialing Teto...

At Teto's office..

Meanwhile Teto looked back at
the former COO as he sat
across the desk looking down..

Him: The truth is I got tempted but 60K is the amount I can pay if you cut 10K from my salary, it will take only six months. I was getting married and I honestly didn't know things would be that expensive.. Bagolo bane ba mpata se kamoso ba bata se, mosadi le ene a bata dilo tse di turang morena wame intshwarele. I have three children and a wife who talks a

lot, I've only been unemployed for two months but she is already abusing me verbally in front of our children.. Please help me out..

Teto's phone rang then he cleared his throat and answered..

Teto: Hello?

Darling: I was about to pick the children but ke ithetse gotwe Kutlo o ba tsere

Teto: Oh I forgot to tell you that, my mother went to see my grandfather and told him about our argument, my grandfather asked me to be home this afternoon with the children because she also complained that I banned her from seeing my children. He didn't think I'd come so he

probably asked Kutlo to collect them today...

Darling: I don't understand, didn't you say Kutlo moved out of your house? How come she is being sent around like she is part of the family?

Teto: She works for my grandfather not me

Darling: Didn't we agree to hire a different person for him?

Teto: I don't know how she managed to convince him.

Darling: (sighed) I'm going home, go siame rra.

Teto: I love you

Darling: I'm starting to hate you, I can't believe you're going to make me live like this. Wantwaela Teto waitse, o iketile the rra.

Teto: (sighed bored) Gatwe roo itester leng gape re simolle go haver sex like normal people? Nna ke boriwa ke di condom tsa gago mma. {When are we

getting tested again? I'm really
getting bored by your
condoms}

Darling: Nxla!

She hung up then he sighed
putting the phone down and
rubbed his hands down before
fixing his watch looking at the
time.

Teto: I need time to think about what you just said, the thing is we already have a COO

Him: And that's ok, after what I did I expect demotion so even if I can have the old post I'll be ok. I will work hard to pay for the money I owe you.

Teto : I will call you

Him: Thank you.

He walked out then Teto grabbed his suit jacket with one arm and walked out, it had been a week since he removed the cast and it still felt weird walking around without it...

At Sandra's mother's....

Later that afternoon Sandra stepped out of the house and put her daughter in the car seat then she got in Derrick's car

and drove out as her phone rang..

Sandra: Hello?

Derrick : Hey babe, did you check on the progress at the plot? They're supposed to finish today.

Sandra: I'm on my way to pay them if they're done.

Derrick: Alright, how is that doll?

Sandra: (laughed) She is learning how to sit on her own..

Derrick: Tell her that daddy is coming o tile gomo tiisa mokwata le mommy

Sandra: (laughed) Derrick I don't want to fall pregnant, delivering a baby is not a joke

Derrick: You're starting akere?

Sandra: (laughed) The rra wena I'm driving you're disturbing me.

Derrick: (laughed) How is everything?

Sandra: Still job hunting

Derrick: We have a business to run, remember I don't have the desire to be in the bush forever. We should be thinking about our business not stressing about jobs.

Sandra: (sighed) I know. I just want to leave home and be independent, you can't be a woman in your mother's house

and cohabitation le yone will
have her look at ke differently
but I guess if I have my own
money I can just rent.

Derrick: We will figure it all out
when I get there, I love you ok?

Sandra: I love you too, bye

He hung up then she drove
off...

At the eatery...

On the same afternoon Teen parked in front of the pizza eatery and stepped out, he and Botho stepped out and got the children out then made their way towards the restaurant talking..

Botho and took a seat while Teen went to the counter and ordered the pizza before joining his wife back on the

table for four. A waitress brought two children's high chairs then they put the children in and sighed waiting for their order. Teen smiled looking at Botho..

Teen: You look beautiful..

She smiled blushing and laughed..

Botho: You told me that five minutes ago..

The waitress brought the pizza and the drinks as Teen leaned back, Botho begun slicing as the twins jumped up and down anxious and licking their lips..

Teen: Heela re tile go jewa ke batho

Botho: (laughed) Kana they think they're the only ones who can eat

She sliced and put in his plate then hers and, Teen gave the boy a small piece as he sucked on it and bit his finger with his front teeth..

Teen: (laughed and flinched)
Heebanna!

Botho laughed and fed the girl before taking a bite...

Botho: Kante what happened to Amber's wedding?

Teen: Teto said she asked her parents to wait with the preparations but she never told anyone why.

Botho: Ijoo, ok

Teen: Her boyfriend is just not the guy you can get used to. He claims to be a holy man of God but I don't know, just that women always jump in when they hear a man quoting bible scriptures.

Botho: It's a problem now if church brothers are shady..

They continued eating..

At the Bonga family home..

Later at dusk Teto's mother sat down as the old man bent down and put the tray down before sitting on the other couch...

Him: I hope he makes it home,
Teto ene ke mmereko hela...
Who gets angry at their mother
for almost a year..

Her: I understand his anger, his daughter almost got raped and he doesn't understand that I was protecting him, the way he was angry he would have hit him with a car and go to jail... He doesn't understand all these. His frustration now is that its Aisha's word against this man's word since there is no proof he did it and the case didn't go far.

Him: But he should get over it,
family fights and makes up. I
understand he doesn't trust
your man friend I don't too but-

Her: I long left him, I haven't
been with a man since... I am
afraid to be with anyone. I am
very lonely because I don't
even have grandchildren but I
have no choice

Him: You should visit me a lot...
I spend more time alone too

and maybe we could keep each other company.

Her: Will Teto allow that?

Him: He is still a little boy who stays at a girlfriend's house, he hardly comes here.. But we can still spend time at the farm, away from everyone who might raise an eyebrow. Think about it..

Her: I will think about it..

The door opened then the children ran inside as Kutlo walked in with a tray of food and bent over..

Him: This is Kutlo, she used to be a nanny for the children now I don't know what she is because she stays in Teto's house while he is staying with Darling, dilo tsa ngwana wa gago. Oh and she is deaf that's why I'm freely telling you this

Her: Oh ok, gaana go robala nae batho, Darling is a gentle woman he shouldn't be doing this.

Him: I have decided to let him play as much as he wants. I taught this boy everything there is in the book and he still won't learn. I think he is keeping her here in case things don't work out with Darling, I might be wrong but I think they're sleeping together.

Kutlo greeted Teto's mother and she smiled back greeting her then she walked out, Aisha sat next to her grandmother and touched her hair..

Aisha: Granny I can't come to your house because your friend touches people

Granny: I chased him away, now I don't have any friends at the house.

Aisha: Ok... I'm going to get a comb and fix your hair

She and her sister ran out as Ma Teto and the old man looked at one another and continued eating..

Him: Kennedy must have been crazy about you, you're very beautiful...

Her: (looked down) Thank you...

They continued eating as Teto parked in front of his house, the girls bumped on him and ran to the old man's house as the bull dogs followed them. He opened the door and walked in taking off his tie while Kutlo stood in the kitchen doing the dishes in her tiny little dress that revealed her fresh body. He walked over and stood behind her holding her waist as

he leaned down her neck and kissed her softly before turning her around and French kissing her as she reached for his pants and massaged him..

Teto: I have to go talk to the old man first... (kissed her) By the way you shouldn't have collected the children, I was planning to collect them. Now I have to explain myself to Darling

Kutlo: (smiled) 🙏

Teto: (kissed her) I like this dress, don't change it I'm coming back

Kutlo: 😊

Teto: (kissed her again) Bye

Kutlo: 🙌

He adjusted his hard boner packing it and headed to the old man's house.

At the gym...

Meanwhile Darling finished her session and wiped herself with a towel as she reached for a water bottle in her bag then she zipped it and walked out as several men stared at her...

She ran down the stairs with her bag and reached the bottom then headed to the parking lot where one man was

reaching for his gym bag at the top of the car and dropping it inside. He caught a sight of her just as he was sitting down then he smiled and stepped out walking over to her..

Him: Hey

Darling: Hi Craig

He grabbed her from behind and swung her around as she gasped holding on to him..

Darling: (laughed) Stop!! Ota ntiga monna

He laughed putting her down as her world spun around then she punched him on the chest..

Darling: O ntseisa sedidi the rra
Mxm

Craig: Wa reng...

Darling: (laughed) Rra wee I
have to go

Craig: How is Bold?

Darling: He is fine..

Craig: But on a serious note I
want to take you out as soon as
you're single...when do you
think that will be?

Darling: I'm going through a lot right now, I can't handle another relationship.

Craig: I respect that... And I know you're going through a lot that's why here I'm only going to take you out when you finally leave this guy even then you'll need time to heal akere waitse you need breaks between breakups? I wouldn't be pressurising you.

Darling: (sighed thinking about the loneliness of that house)
How about tonight?

Craig: It's not a date so come with Bold so we can just hang around the house and just play around.. O 5 months this guy akere?

Darling: (laughed) O isa kae ngwana wena nna ke bata to be away from the house.

Craig: (laughed) You want to take advantage of me? No

thanks...bring Bold so he can help me in case you jump on top of me, o mmala wago ntheipa wena

Darling: (laughed) wa ntwaela waitse Craig

Craig: (they laughed) nna Bold wa nkgatha... (they laughed) he makes me want to be a father... Katswa gole monate go nna le ngwana.

Darling: (sighed) OK, I'll go take bath and come over..

Craig: Alright, I'll see you guys later..

Darling: Sharp..

He opened the door for her then she got in and started the car, he stepped back smiling and saluted with two fingers above his forehead with a cute smile as she smiled and drove off. He got in his Mercedes and drove off...

At the Bonga family house...

After a long talk with his grandfather and mother Teto stepped out of the house and walked towards his as the girls followed him..

Teto: Hey guys, can you go do granny's hair? I'll come get you

Both: Ok

They ran back to the house then he walked into his and locked the door. He walked towards Kutlo's room and stopped looking at her through the partially open door as she applied body lotion on her body. He walked in and closed the door then he leaned over and French kissed her as his hand got between her legs.. He pushed off the pillows dropping them on the floor then he

dragged her on the middle of the bed, he knelt between her legs and pulled out his tshirt then he leaned over kissing and #removed...

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He walked in and closed the door then he leaned over and French kissed her as his hand

got between her legs.. He pushed off the pillows dropping them on the floor then he dragged her on the middle of the bed, he knelt between her legs and pulled out his tshirt then he leaned over kissing as he rubbed her clits..

She reached down to his hand and helped him guiding his fingers up inside of her.. Her moans were luxurious and

deep, and his eyes ran over her body as he slid his fingers gently in and out of her. He reached his other hand up to her breast, cupping it in his hand, reveling at how perfectly it fit and how her rigid nipple pressed into his palm.

Kutlo grabbed his wrist, forcing him to move faster inside of her. Her moans were guttural now, and her whole body was

moving against his hand. He massaged her breast, watching his glistening fingers move in and out of her at speed. Finally, he felt her pussy lips tighten on his fingers, and felt her body shake and quiver as an orgasm hit her.

Kutlo: (moaning) Mmmmh...
Mmhhh

Teto sat on the edge of the bed and quickly grabbed her around the waist and pulled her to sit on his lap. Kutlo wrapped her arms around him and kissed him deeply as she slid down his dick.

She slowly started grinding against his dick as he grunted then he laid on his back and grabbed her waist, he fucked her from the bottom as their

bodies clapped against one another.

He flipped her down and got on top holding his dick as he directed into her wet pussy and begun fucking her all over again, he wrapped his arms around her knees, bucking and humping her fiercely then he suddenly felt her go stiff and the soft running juices of her cum wet his dick.

Teto : (moaned) Fuck!

With her cum on his dick, it slid easier, and the soft friction was brought him to the edge. He pushed Kutlo's legs apart and held himself above her. She looked up at him, staring into his eyes as he made forceful, heavy thrusts inside of her for a few more moments, then

stopped as his dick spurted inside of her.

Kutlo's eyes closed, and he could feel her milking his dick with her pussy again. His dick throbbed, and he could feel the last drop draining out of it. He released her feet and leaned over kissing her, he'd always thought having sex with a deaf person would be different but each time like any other

ordinary sex he had before. He
kissed her one more time and
slowly pulled out.

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At Teto's House...

He slowly slid out of her pussy
and got off the bed as she
sighed and laid there looking at
him... There was nothing

satisfying like knowing he was going back to her bed a satisfied man....here he got a real pussy and fucked it as much as he wanted without condoms like miss perfect was making him wear rubber knowing very well it leaves him hungry...

He went to the bathroom and washed his dick then he walked back in and put on his pants,

she blushed watching him zip his pants then she laughed and hit him with the pillow, he turned around and threw himself on top of her kissing her as they both rolled on the bed, he stopped in top of her and kissed her..

Teto: I'll see you tomorrow...

Kutlo: 🙄

Teto : (smiled) Come on, at least I came today... Give me a smile

Kutlo: 😬

Teto : (laughed) This is not a smile

Kutlo: 😬 😁

He laughed and kissed her then he got up and dressed up..

Teto: Tomorrow we are going to get tested for HIV again, I think this is just Darling's excuse for not having sex with me.

Kutlo: But you already tested 2 months back, why don't you show her the test we did together again a week after so she can see you're negative.

Teto : She'll wonder why I got tested and suspect I tested with you then she'll know we started

having sex around that time.
She is good at jumping into
conclusions..

Kutlo: ☐ 🤔

Teto : Bye

Kutlo: 🙌

He walked out and called the
girls standing at the door, he
was surprised his mother was
still home but he brushed it off

and put the kids in the car
before driving off.

At Age's House...

Later that evening Age chopped
the vegetables while AJ sat on
the counter counting green
peas..

AJ: Mama was sick in the
bathroom, yakes! She was like

uhhhh uhhh throwing up all over.

Age: (laughed) When was this?

AJ: Yesterday, she said she has a baby in the stomach

Age : (stopped chopping)

What?

AJ: Yeah, but I didn't see no baby. I think she ate too much. I throw up when I'm too full

Age dropped the knife and hurried to the bedroom leaving him on the counter..

Aj: Dad!? You forgot me... Dad!
Uhhhh....

He slowly let down his foot and jumped down running to the TV as Age walked in the bathroom where Akeelah was lying asleep on the bed. He sat next to her and kissed her cheek..

Age: Babe? Hey..

Akeelah got up and turned around looking at him as she yawned..

Akeelah : mmh?

Age: AJ said you're pregnant, is that true?

She reached in the drawer and handed him the stick..

Akeelah: Yeah, (yawning) I was going to tell you then I forg-

He hugged her and kissed her face all over as she laughed and pushed him off..

Age : I love you so much...

AJ knocked on the door and walked in...

AJ : There is someone at the door

Age stole another kiss and walked to the door where his mother and husband were standing..

Age : Good evening..

Her: Good evening, I could have called and asked to have dinner with you but I was afraid you'd say no and thought you wouldn't say no to your mother..

Age: Please come in

She stepped in, Age and her husband shoulder bumped and chatted as he led them to the couch where AJ was lying watching cartoons. Akeelah

walked in the living room
yawning and greeted everyone
while Age headed to the
kitchen to switch off the pots..

Age: Babe come here...

Akeelah sat next to him and
reduced the TV volume...

Mmagwe Age: I am sorry for
blaming you for something you

didn't even know happened, I was wrong and I must admit that you're a responsible young man. For someone who grew up the way you did you turned out good.. I'm sorry for making your life so difficult... I don't know what's wrong with me but I'm starting to understand myself... You're a blessing in disguise but I was too blind to even see it. I hope you forgive me so we can try to build this

relationship. God blessed me with three children who are loving just like their father, I don't think if it wasn't for them I'd be here. They opened my eyes.

Age: (smiled) Thank you but I'm sorry is enough, you don't have to explain yourself because I also understand that I didn't exactly come the way other children do... I'm sorry you had to go through all that. If I ever

have a daughter I'll take good care of her.. These situations are lessons, don't be too hard on yourself..

Her: Thank you...

Akeelah rubbed his hand as he continued talking to his mother...

At Craig's house...

Darling parked in front of the garage door and switched off the engine as he took a deep breath. Craig stepped out of the house in sweatpants and flipflops then he opened the back door and picked Bold from his seat while Darling stepped out leaving her phone in the car. He hugged her holding the baby on the other side and smiled at him..

Craig: Uh we have two front teeth already? Two!

Bold cracked laughing as he played with her all the way to the house where he closed the door with his foot.

Darling: I really love your carpet..

She took off her shoes and walked on the fluffy carpet as Craig followed her..

Craig: I'm done cooking, you have to dish for us..

Darling: Later akere? I'm tired, just want to rest...

Craig: No problem... A movie? Choose a movie...

Darling sat on the carpet
leaning against the couch while
Craig sat down lifting Bold over
his face making faces for him as
he laughed... Can you sit...

He put him down and watched
him sitting without falling..

Craig: Wow... Ok... Dee come
here, tare iphithe re bone gore
o taa reng

Darling: (laughed) Uh rra...

Craig: Crawl over here...

Darling and Craig each crawled away as Bold sat there holding his toy, Craig peeked behind the couch and he cracked laughing, Darling peeked from the other side and he cracked even more laughing until he fell on his back. He got up and sat waiting for Craig, he peeked again..

Craig: Boom!

Bold: (laughing) Khikhikhi.....

Darling: Boooo!

He laughed so hard he made
them laugh....

Craig: Does he even know what
he is laughing at?

Darling: (laughed) Nna ithela a nkgatha gore a ingata ka ditshego....

Craig got his phone and recorded Bold who was smiling with his tiny front teeth out smiling at Craig..

Craig: Boom!

He cracked and laughed as Craig pulled him over with his feet, Darling picked the phone and recorded as Craig leaned over blowing on Bold's stomach as he cracked laughing even more making them both laugh...

Darling: Uh bathong Bold rra

Craig picked him up and headed to the kitchen while Darling followed them..

Craig: We are tired of laughing right buddy?

They dished and begun eating while watching a movie until Bold fell asleep on Craig's chest, Darling got him and laid him on the other side of the carpet before they watched the

romantic comedy laughing
loudly..

At Darling's House...

Meanwhile Teto tucked in his
daughters and walked to the
servant's quarters where the
nanny was sleeping, he
knocked on the door and she
opened standing behind the
door yawning..

Teto: Hi, Darling o kae? I'm trying to call her but she is not picking my calls.

Her: She said she is visiting a friend

Teto: Female or male? Ngwana o kae?

Her : I don't know which friend she was referring to, she took the baby

Teto: If she left with the baby
it's probably Akeelah.

Goodnight

Her: Goodnight

She closed the door and went
to bed while Teto headed to
the bedroom and took off his
clothes. He hung them over the
chair and sat down then his
eyes fell on the floor where
several of her shoes were
lying..

He got his phone and called
Akeelah..

Akeelah: Hello

Teto: Hi, can I talk to Darling?

Akeelah: Call her phone

Teto: She is not answering

Akeelah: Then wait until she is
ready to talk to you.

Teto: So she is with you?

Akeelah: Bye Teto.

He hung up and called his brother...

Age: Yeah

Teto : Is Darling there?

Age: No, why?

Teto : I thought she is with Akeelah, I wonder where she is

Age: At this time? Kana ke past 11, have you called her sisters?

Teto: I called the youngest, she is not there.

Age: Eish

Teto : Sharp

He hung up and sighed texting..

Teto : O ile go jola ka ngwanake? You have guts. I admire your confidence.

He switched off the lights and
and laid down letting a few
minutes pass then he deleted
the previous message and sent
another one.

Teto: It's almost midnight and
you're not home, it's unlike
you. I'm worried, I love you
please talk to me.

Teto: (an hour later) You're
unbelievable, after everything
we been through you leave me

in the house with children and you don't even pick my calls, wow ok.

Teto: I never thought you'd do this to me, I am willing to test and show you I'm not cheating. I'm working on us and you're busy destroying our family. I will get rid of Kutlo if this is what this is about? Just don't cheat on me because I'm not leaving you. I love you and I have frustrations too.

He put the phone down and laid there thoughtfully, just the thought of her out there with a man and knowing how gentle she was whoever the guy was would probably fuck her and she wouldn't say no. He tossed and turned throughout the whole night until morning...

Just when he was about to doze off he heard a car and stood by

the curtains looking out as Darling got the baby and walked towards the house pressing her phone and unlocking the door then she walked across the passage as her phone rang in the back pocket.

Darling; Hello?.... (laughed) Just arrived actually... Alright, no don't worry about it...bye

She hung up and laid the baby down in the cot while Teto sat on the edge of the bed. She took off her clothes and got in bed while Teto sat there looking at her.

Teto: Where are you coming from? Le gone ka 5 in the morning, what kind of disrespect is this?

Darling: I don't feel like talking, I'm sleepy. We will talk when I get up.

She closed eyes then Teto pulled the duvet and turned her around.

Teto: (angrily) Where are you coming from? Don't make me do this..

Darling : Teto gaoka mpetsa wago lala ko seleng, touch me and watch me send you to jail for assault.

Teto: (angry) Where are you coming from?

Darling calmly looked at him and that calmness angered him as he glared right in her eyes..

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At Darling's house...

In the morning Teto leaned
against the headboard
watching Darling as she sat in

front of the dressing table
getting ready for work.

Teto: Are you ever going to tell
me where you were?

Darling: I was at Olivia's house.

Teto: Who is Olivia?

Darling: You don't know her,
you don't know everyone in my
life. Anyway, there is something
I want us to talk about...

(blending her foundation with a

sponge) I'm no longer interested in this relationship, what happened yesterday when I was about to collect your children only to realise that your friend Kutlo has already collected them made me realise that I'm fighting a losing battle. Kutlo will always be in your life and I have to accept that and move out of your life. In my books keeping a woman whom you know your

girlfriend isn't comfortable with
is wrong, if a man can't get rid
of a woman like that then you
have to make that difficult
decision as a woman. I have to
choose my sanity, it doesn't
even make sense for me to
fight a deaf person because u
don't know what she is saying
all the time, so please pack
your things and leave before
5pm. When I knock off I don't

want to find any of your belongings in this house.

Teto: I said I will get rid of Kutlo.

Darling: How many times have you said that? Gape didn't you say she was hired by your grandfather? I'm really not interested in this relationship even if you get rid of her. We don't make each other happy, tota sale re nna happy last before I fell pregnant. Go and

give things a try with Kutlo, she seems to care about you more than I do akere she gives you the best blow jobs!

Teto got off the bed and sat at the end of the bed behind her, he looked at her on the mirror while she gently put on eyelashes and pressed them together with a clamp..

Teto: Gone mme why is it that every time there is an argument you dump me? Can't we solve our problems like adults? I'm willing to forgive you for what you did and I know I was wrong to let Kutlo in our lives that's why kere I'm going to kick her out.

Darling: And I don't believe you! I don't even care anymore, you'll still continue to meet her

akere ware omo thusa
business?

Teto: (angrily) Kare I'm taking
her out of our lives o bata ke
reng?

Darling: I don't believe you!

Teto : When are we going to
get tested? I also think we need
counselling.

Darling: Ka 10.

Teto: Ok... She'll be gone by
then. I'm putting a tenant in my

house, your nanny is professional you can ask her if she knows anyone whom we can hire for my grandfather.

Darling: Ok.

Teto: I'm really sorry about what happened yesterday, I know I pushed you to do this and I'm sorry.

Darling quietly finished getting ready and picked her handbag..

Darling: Tell Kutlo to pick the girls again, I'm not dropping them because nna ke bata gore ga ke dropa bana abe ke boa ke ba tsaya. Let's not confuse these children, let there be one person who drops and picks them.

Teto: But I said it will never happen again, can't you just forgive me? Why do you have to be like that? Ke dirile phoso.

Darling: I'm not dropping them
Teto, you take me for a fool. Ke
chaisitse nna mo baneng ba
gago let them be picked by
Kutlo, you don't respect me
and my presence.

She walked out and drove off,
Teto put on his casuals and
took the children to school...

At Teto's house...

Kutlo put on her gown and walked to the kitchen where she made herself breakfast, her phone vibrated in the pocket.

Mama: Have you bought the equipment for the sweet business? Last time you said you will find office space.

Kutlo: I will do it month end.

Mama: Every time I ask you say month end, do you enjoy being a maid? I thought you had a vision when you left here and you said you will get a fund. What happened?

Kutlo: Teto and I are seeing each other, we are going to start the business but a lot is still going on. He wants to leave that abusive woman so we can be a family.

Mama: Batho ngwana yo o batelang go ntsenya heart attack! Kana when a man promises you money or something you should make sure he gives it to you while he is still on the mood because men change their minds like the weather. Ha monna ago sologetsa selo se nne hela o pharame, what if he changes his mind? How sure are you that he wants to leave her

because men say bad things about their women when they want you to feel sorry for them and give them sex? Tota o dira gohe? Start that business and be safe in case that other woman wins his heart. Don't you know that the third wheel always ends up as obstacle a couple went through? Very few women like you get married. Tell him to deposit that money so that if he changes his mind

you're safe. Your brick bed and collapsing wardrobe are still waiting. Just because you connected the power doesn't mean you should relax, secure your future. Don't underestimate the power of a shaky relationship, couples fight and even break up temporarily but when they get back together you'll wonder if they ever broke up... You're

playing a dangerous game
without even a plan B.

Kutlo: I will talk to him when he
gets back, I understand what
you're saying because even
though we are together he is
still stressed out that this
woman is not having
unprotected sex with him and
he says he is going to get her
pregnant the first time, but he
made me get an implant for
prevention.

Mama: Exactly, why is he trying so hard to prevent a baby if he loves you? Men don't care about such things unless he is not sure about you. He is probably enjoying being with you because he is not getting sex from her. What happens when she finally decides to give it to him? He will be gone. I am open with you and I'm not judging you, I want you to think very hard and tell me if he

really loves you. Why does he want to impregnate her again?

Kutlo: Are Darling is growing too confident and he wants to have as many children with her as he can so she can stop running her mouth and respect him.

Mama: Men will never say I love my wife or the mother of my children, but their actions will show you. They never leave and yet they talk trash with

you, they will say how they married them for their children yet their women keep falling pregnant, it's not the holy spirit, they're having sex, good sex they paid magadi for... I'm giving you an example because I consider them married. Their families know each other but wena? Get that start up capital ere ago latha jaaka segothola abe o tshwere sengwe ngwanaka. Akanya

sesadi o seka wa nna excited ka lenyalo... Nyalo gaete mothogo jalo.

Teto walked in and put his arms around her waist, she put her phone down and turned around putting her arms over his shoulders. He leaned over and kissed her..

Teto: We need to talk about something..

He grabbed her hand and sat by the couch as she sat on his lap looking in his eyes. Her heart started pounding slowly..

Something wasn't right and after her conversation with her mother she was panicking. This would be her biggest blunder ever..

Kutlo: (signed) I need that money to start the business, I

want to go pay for that office space we saw last week.

Teto: Listen, I'm going through shit with Darling... This time I don't want to lie to you. It looks like Darling is planning to leave me, that scares the hell out of me because that is the most gentle woman I've ever met. We have been through hell and she forgave me over and over. She is now tired... I love her and I want us to raise our children

together. The only way to get back into her good books is by coming clean and fixing everything. We can't do this anymore, I can't do it because she met someone... I can feel it and if she leaves me I'll have a heart attack, I love her that much. Ke kopa gore o thaloganye because this time I won't be patient. I will drag you out of here if I have to... That's how serious I am this time.

Pack your things and leave,
don't even contact her or tell
her we have been having sex
because I will kill you. I know
you're full of games Kutlo don't
test me!

Kutlo: What about the business
start up capital?

Teto: I don't want to be tied to
my ex girlfriends that's why I
wanted us to prevent. I can't
help you start a business

Darling will kill me. Go apply ko

CEDA or something, the government helps a lot of youth. Just update your profile. (looked at the watch) I have to go...we are going to get tested.. Tshaba ke emelle!

Kutlo stood up then he walked out, she slowly sat on the couch as tears burned her eyes.

At Darling's office...

The receptionist knocked and walked in with a bunch of flowers, Darling stopped typing and looked at her shocked..

Darling: Uhu!

Receptionist: (laughed) They have just been delivered, I signed for them... It's flowers and a breakfast pack..

She put down the fresh flowers
and the wrapped box.

Darling: Thank you.

Receptionist: You're welcome,
lona batho le ratiwa semmuvi
rona we only see it in movies.

Darling: (laughed) Your day will
come....

She walked out and Darling
stood up in her heels and

smelled the flowers, then she reached for the note inside..

Note:

Dear friend,

Good morning, thank you for visiting me with your son last night. I'm still smiling thinking about the time we had. I must admit I never knew children

laugh so hard because Bold
made me laugh so hard. Thank
you for the friendship, I don't
know if I'm asking God for the
impossible but I wish you two
were mine. Have a productive
day, a good day starts with a
good breakfast so have that
and get back to work ðŸ˜‰

Love,
Craig.

She smiled blushing then she looked at the empty vase by the window, she put the flowers inside and poured her bottled water inside before sitting down opening her breakfast pack..

She started mixing and dialed her friend..

Akeelah: Hello?

Darling: Hey, ne mma how do you get a restraining order? I want to break up with Teto but I have a feeling he will lose his temper. I broke up with him last night but he is not having none of that. I want a safe way of doing this.

Akeelah: And di baby daddy di a bolaya, I've heard so many stories of guys killing a woman for walking away from the relationship, Teto is that type.

Age says he almost killed Botho choking her until she passed out, monna wa gago o na le seboko mo thogong.

Darling: You're scaring me, does a restraining order work? E teng mme mo Botswana kana ke dilo tsa ko America?

Akeelah : It's there but the thing is Botswana men don't care about a piece of paper, if he decides to kill you and kill himself a piece of paper won't

stop him especially when he thinks you're leaving him for another man.

Darling : No, I have been planning to leave him for two months you know that akere you're the one who told me not to rush so I can be sure now I'm sure I don't want him. I'm scared he might act crazy though.

Akeelah: OK, I'll talk to Age, he respects Age if he talks to him

baka utwana, he also respects Luke... But go to the police and enquire about the restraining order and how one can get it.

Darling: Ok, I'm going to get tested with him because I already promised him I'll go, after that I'll pass by the police because mo guy o bata go itira nkare gaa utwa gore kare it's over gore kamoso a mpolae a ipolae, I just want to be happy.

Nkaswa ke stress kere baby
daddy etaa ikaga.

Akeelah: Today I'm busy in the
office but let me talk to Age.

Darling: Ok, bye.

She hung up then her phone
rang..

Darling: Hello?

Teto: Hey babe, I'm at the testing centre, I have been queueing, it's our turn.

Darling: I'm coming.

She hung up and sighed...

At the testing center...

Later on the two of them quietly listened to the counselor while their silver

platters sat on the table in front of the assistant..

Assistant : Sometimes couples test positive together or negative but sometimes results come different the other positive and the other negative... Teto what would you do if hers came positive?

Teto: It wouldn't make any difference, I love her... We have been through a lot to be parted

by an HIV status.. I'd be there and help her take her medication properly.

Assistant: Darling? Hey mma leina la gago le monate gore!

Darling: (laughed) Thank you... (cleared her throat) I don't know what I will do if he comes back positive, I will cross that bridge when I get there.

Assistant: If you're positive what do you want or wish for?

Darling: I don't know, I just want the results but however he responds it's fine.

Teto looked down rubbing his hands together, her response was scary but knowing he tested two months back gave him assurance at least from here he'd never cheat again.

Assistant: (sighed) Ok bagolo... I also don't know the results..

I'm going to lift the lids so we can all see the results.. Nekere two lines means what?

Both: Positive.

Assistant: One line?

Both: Negative..

Assistant: Thank you..

She lifted the lids and they looked at both testing sticks. Darling's stick had one line and

Teto's had two. His heart skipped and he swallowed a big lump..

Teto: It's impossible, I tested negative two months back.

Assistant: Were you having sex with anyone? There is what we call a window period... Maybe by then it was too early for the virus to be detected. Have you had unprotected sex with anyone?

He kept quiet and rubbed his beard then he put his hands over his face..

Teto: God please.... (sighed tearfully) Fuck I'm so scared!

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At the testing centre...

Teto: (sighed looking down) I had sex with someone... She caught gonorrhoea from her boyfriend and tested for HIV same day, but she was negative I guess she was still on window period because they had sex

two weeks before.. I totally forgot about the window period when we tested again. Three months has not passed so she had the virus it was just undetectable. I made a mistake and forgot about the window period, I should have known because I took her to see her boyfriend...

Darling stared at him heartbroken, for some reason it

wasn't about the cheating but how easily he got the virus from someone he least expected it from. The pain in his eyes and how he was suddenly honest about how it came about brought tears to her eyes. She wiped her tears and sniffled as Teto looked down rubbing his shaky hands together..

Assistant: From here you'll go to the hospital, nowadays when you're positive you get into the treatment immediately. They will also counsel you.. HIV is not a death sentence if you take care of yourself. Don't beat yourself up akere we are human we make mistakes.. Darling does he have your support?

Darling: I have a lot to think about, I don't want to make

promises I can't keep but I
don't hate him.

Teto looked at her quietly and
looked down. Minutes later
they walked out of the building,
Darling held his hand and he
looked at her quietly..

Darling: (softly) You'll be fine..

Tears burned his eyes and he looked away, he wasn't going to cry but this was the moment he learnt the price of patience. He opened the door for her then she got in and he closed the door.

Teto: I should have taken your offer ya condom and stayed away from Kutlo. I would be negative and I'd be having unprotected sex with you for

the rest of my life as my wife. I don't blame anyone and if you hate me I'll understand... I don't even know what to say. It's funny because I don't even love Kutlo. I chased her out this morning and she left me with HIV.. I'm scared... I feel like I'm going to lose you and I'm going to lose my mind. (tearfully)
Please promise me you won't leave..

Darling: I can't... I have been planning to leave you for two months when you were going crazy with Kutlo. I meant what I said last night, I don't want to be with you anymore and don't get this wrong I'm not leaving because you're HIV positive, I'm leaving because you didn't respect me or our relationship. You had to choose between having sex with me using a condom and having

unprotected sex with someone who had gonorrhoea... That just shows how little you care about yourself and me... Gake akanya gore one o gana condom jang ke a tshoga because we would be positive. Ke tsenwa ke mogare waga Kutlo! O boata Teto mme ibile go hedile ka rona, o seka wa lora go nteletsa ore babe, only call if it's about your baby.

Teto: I love you...

Darling: I used to, not any more...

Teto: (tearfully) I give my life to you.

Darling: An HIV positive life? No thank you, ago neela Kutlo akere ene o thoughtful and gives you blow jobs with massage oils. Don't ever call me, go take your ARVs because your son needs you. No man can replace you in his life but in mine? You're already gone...

She reversed the car and drove off as he stood there with tears blurring his eyes, then he smiled and rubbed his nose before walking towards his car.

At Toteng...

Later that afternoon Kutlo stepped out of the bus as the

conductor helped her by taking out her bags.

The bus drove off as she picked the handbag and hung it over her shoulder. Children from the family ran over barefooted with dusty feet and helped her carry the bags as she handed them sweets.

As she walked along the dirt road Ida and her sister walked

towards her chatting, as tradition dictates for the newly married women to wear their tšale for a weeks soon after the wedding, she was still on hers, clearly it hadn't been long since she was officially taken to Evans's family...

Anger brewed inside her as they approached chatting, she couldn't hear them but she could tell they were talking

about her as Ida flaunted her ring talking with her hands..

Kutlo: (stopped and signed) Are you happy?

Ida: (stopped and signed back with a hearing aid on her ear) Very happy, you didn't want him and chose a job so I took him. He found a job at the mine now. You thought he will forever be poor?

Kutlo: I forgive you, one day you will look back and see what you did.

Ida: Just go get tested for HIV and take care of yourself, trying to trick Evans into taking you back didn't work.

Kutlo: What do you mean get tested?

She walked away then Kutlo continued walking thoughtfully, they did tell her to get tested

again after three months and three months hadn't elapsed. Her joints got weaker with every step she took...

At Age's office...

Meanwhile Age received a video from Luke...

Luke: (sent a video) Isn't this Bold? I got this from timeline ya

director ya Craig Techs,(sent another picture of Craig) that guy ke director wa company ya teng.

Age downloaded the video and watched as Bold cracked laughing while this guy tickled him.

Age : It's Bold

Luke: His caption was “ My new buddy, 🤪 malaitaka gale sa mpone le itse gore ke kgobile le laitenyana e.” I also saw Bold’s pictures on his Instagram

Age: Serious?

Luke: (sent a screenshot) Here.

Age: I’ll ask Teto but if he knew him I’d know him.

Luke: I think o bata Darling, he also goes to the same gym with her. I saw them once at the

mall but I brushed it off because it didn't seem romantic plus I know Darling works for her father so I thought maybe her father knows the guy because he makes serious money with big companies. This guy o direla government di system and websites, stuff like that...he designed most of the systems that the government uses...he is very big. He is a tech guru

Age: I'll ask Teto maybe they know each other but it sounds like he wants Darling hela with this

Luke: Bothe le Bold, bua le Teto maybe we are just worried for nothing.

Age : Let me forward it to him ke mmotse..

Before he could send Teto knocked on the door as he

walked in, Age looked at him and frowned confused..

Age: What's up?

Teto stepped in and sat on the chair then he pinned his elbows on his knees and buried his face between his hands. Age put down the phone and stood up, he walked around the desk and squatted next to him taking his hand off his face..

Age: Fuck, are you crying?

Teto frowned and rubbed his face crying out loud...

Teto: I'm HIV positive, got it from Kutlo

Age: You slept with Kutlo after telling me she has an STD?

Three months hasn't passed since you told me this, why

didn't you wait to get tested after window period? Kana go raya she got the HIV and gonorrhoea at the same time, Gonorrhoea usually shows after 2 weeks and HIV takes three months...

Teto: I totally forgot about the window period.

He tearfully looked at his brother and burst into tears crying, Age pulled him up and

they hugged standing as he cried. Tears filled Age's eyes and a tear rolled down then he secretly rubbed it and held him tight...

Teto: Darling dumped me, just when I decide to act right everything falls apart..

Age reached for his phone and handed him the video..

Age : Do you know this guy?

Bona his caption

Teto slowly sat down looking at the video and screenshots then he gave back the phone..

Teto: Who is he?

Age: Gatwe director wa Craig

Techs

Teto: I know that company, they designed our system but I didn't meet their director.

Age: He owns the company

Teto: (stood up) I'm going to talk to him

Age: You can't! If you do that he will shut us down with the tip of his finger.

Teto: I don't care, he is not supposed to even post my son on his social media accounts.

Age: Tee listen to me, if you
piss this guy off wa go kopanya
dilo tsa rona kamoso system
tabe ele down and we won't do
anything. Talk to Darling first!

Teto: She'll lie to me.

He walked out and shut the
door...

At Craig Techs..

Minutes later he rolled into the parking lot as he read the reserved parking spaces and noticed Craig reversing out of the director slot. He stopped behind his car and stepped out.

Craig rolled down his tinted window and looked at him approaching then he switched the engine off and stepped out unbuttoning his suit jacket..

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At Craig Techs...

Teto stopped in front of him
and looked at him in the eyes
as Craig looked back at him.

Craig: Hi, (gave him a hand but Teto ignored it) I don't think we personally met... I'm Craig

Teto: Delete my son from your account right now.

Craig reached in his suit jacket and pressed his phone as he deleted both posts and showed him.

Craig: Done, my bad. I didn't know it would be wrong, Darling reacted on my post so I didn't think it was a big deal. It won't happen again. I apologise for stepping on your toes brother...

Teto stared at him, clean and smart... Knowing Darling was probably under his chest the night before called for that

sharp pain underneath his breast.

Craig looked in his eyes and for some reason he sensed his frustration which was expected, he knew he was taking his girl and he wasn't sorry about that... But he sympathised with him, his heart was probably breaking. As much as he felt sorry for him he wasn't backing down just yet...

Craig: Is there anything else? I have a meeting with a client

Teto: Darling and I are about to get married, do you understand that? What's going on between you two?

Craig: Darling and I are just friends, you have nothing to worry about. The rest you can ask her because I don't owe you any explanation but if you need one that's that.

Teto: If I find out you're lying me, you are going to have a problem

Craig: What kind of a problem?
Bona if you're sure about your story you have nothing to worry about. Get out of my property before I have security throw you out. I'm being as polite as I can

Teto: Stay away from my family, I will shoot you between the eyes and turn myself in.

Think very hard before you carry on with whatever shit you two are doing. I will burn down this building and leave you with nothing, do you understand me?

Craig: You're a Bonga laiteaka, the only heir so I heard, I'm sure you can afford to compensate me... Try me. I will sue you down to the last thebe.

Teto: So you think I'm playing with you?

He pushed Craig as he staggered back and smiled...

Craig : (laughed) O na le stress saan, ago robala. O taa siama.

He got in his car and started the car as Teto walked over to the window but he rolled up the window.

Teto: Stay away from my family!

Craig turned the wheel and screeched the tyres as he drove off. Teto watched his car drive off and walked back to the car where he sat down and leaned back. His heart pounded different at times it felt like it was vibrating. He sat there for a minute and calmed down as his

breathing relaxed then he
drove out.

At Age's office...

Age dialed Teto walking down
the stairs..

Teto: Hello?

Age: Where are you?

Teto: I'm fine, I went home. I
want to lie down for a few

hours, I have a headache. Ke na
le stress

Age: O ska ipolaya the monna

Teto: No, its not that deep.

Age: Alright, see you later.

Teto: Shap

He hung up and walked out...

At Teto's House...

Later at dusk Luke knocked and walked in switching the lights on as he passed to the bedroom where he switched the lights, Teto closed his eyes tightly in response to the light and slightly opened his eyes sitting up, Luke sat next to him and touched him on the head pushing him playfully...

Luke: Wa reng? Sa reng stress laiteaka?

Teto: (laughed in disbelief) Uh..

Luke: I'm HIV positive if you didn't know... Ke bona ekare mogo wena o tsaya gore ke death sentence, I know its very stressful when you find out. You're scared, am I going to die? Am I going to be sick? What will people say? The stigma, all that shit but the truth is there is nothing scary about HIV if you take your meds, eat healthy and live a

healthy lifestyle ya condom.
HIV ke self discipline hela
nothing more..

Teto: Its not just the status, eo
ke e amogetse, monna o
bolawa ke se ase jeleng and I
accept that I was irresponsible
with my health but to lose
Darling?

Luke: But do you blame her?

Teto: I have tolerated enough
shit from Darling, not that I
blame her but she never

considered me... I know she was pregnant but she was too much from there onwards...

What about what I went through? Kana le nna ke dirisitswe ke stress.

Luke: I understand that but if she doesn't want you let her go gape dilo tsa status tse di bata same status because it will be very painful if she got angry and said something hurtful about your status after taking

you back. Just let her go...

Sometimes when people reject us it's for our own good.

Teto: No, that's the mother of my child, I'm not letting this guy take what's mine just because I made mistakes in the past. I can love Darling better than I did in the past.

Luke: You'll commit a crime if don't accept her decision, I'm helping you....its this kind of mentality that makes people

commit heinous crimes of passion. Ke kopa gore o amogele both of these situations, you have children around here, where are they?

Teto: Sleeping

Luke: These girls only have you, at least Bold has both parents. I've heard how you worked hard to raise these girls, don't fail them now, you might have failed in relationships but you're their hero and without

you they'll be miserable. Ikage laiteaka... There was Botho and Sandra, Darling too shall pass... The good thing is that the next woman will find you ripe. Don't fight Darling, the truth is your relationship won't be the same with different statuses that were brought by cheating...let's be realistic.

Teto: OK..

Luke: I'm going to work but I want to make sure I leave you in a good state.

Teto: Ke siame, gone ke a thaloganya. (sighed thoughtfully) Tsame will be disappointed in me if I failed our children... For her I'll carry on. At times like this I miss her so much and I wish she could just show up and tell me I was dreaming and she never died, I

never caught the virus or did all I did in the past.

Luke: You're strong enough to do it on your own... Cry and sleep but never beg a woman to take you back especially in a situation like this. We fall to raise....

They continued talking for a couple of minutes before he left....

At Darling's House...

Later that night Darling's phone received a message..

Craig: Hey, I'm at the gate.

Darling: Coming

She walked out of the bedroom carrying her son and put him in the walker by the nanny and walked out..

Darling: I'm coming

Nanny: Ok

She closed the door and walked towards the car. Meanwhile inside the car Craig waited looking at her and smiled as she got in then they hugged and let go of one another.

Craig: Hey, how was your day?
Sorry to just pop up like this, I
was just worried about you.

Darling: I'm fine, why would
you be worried about me? Did
something happen?

Craig: No, nothing happened

Darling: Please tell me...

Craig : Nothing happened, Teto
came to see me but we talked
like men, don't worry about it.
Just call me if you need help

Darling: What was he saying?

Craig: He complained about Bold's post so I deleted it because he had a point, if he has a problem with it I shouldn't do it. I don't want to worrying about little things like this, I can handle him besides we talked peacefully and bumped shoulders.

Darling: Ok..

Teto parked behind him and stepped out walking towards the gate, the window rolled down as Darling looked at him..

Darling: What do you want?

Teto: I'm here to pick up my things, you can stay there I know where they're.

Darling: I already packed them, they're in the children's room.

Teto: Ok

He went to the bedroom and got his bags then he walked past them again put everything in the car. He started the car and reversed as he received a message from Kutlo.

Kutlo: Go get tested. I tested positive.

Teto: Delete my number. Gake bate go bua sepe le wena.

He blocked her and continued driving...

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At the counselling centre...

Craig waited in the car holding Bold, he tickled him on the nose and neck. Bold laughed and touched Craig's head. His father called then he leaned back and answered...

Craig: Hello....

Him: I need fuel, the car stopped on the way to the filling station... Kana your mother drives the car until it's empty.

Craig: (looked at the time) I doubt I'll make it in time, ask Tumi to help out, I brought a friend over for counseling....

Him: I'd really like to meet this friend of yours, you seem to be with her all the time. What is she getting counselling for?

Craig: (laughed) Just breakup stuff with her ex, we are friends we haven't moved to that stage yet.

Him: (laughed) Ok, is she a good girl?

Craig: I think so... She probably needs time to get her act together and work out a parenting plan before we can do all that. I'm willing to wait because I don't want to get hurt again.

Him: I was about to say that, take your time and don't rush things we don't want a repeat of last year. I want you to have a family and stop wasting time sitting in front of a computer. I don't know what you hire people for if you do all the work.

Craig: (laughed) I don't want to drop everything on the employees just because I'm the

boss, I want to lead by example.

Him: Alright, let me call your brother.

Craig: If he can't make it let me know and I'll come right over.

Him: Alright.

He hung up as Darling walked out of the building and got in the car, she got Bold and put him in his seat.

Craig: How was it?

Darling: It was OK... Next week will be my last session.

Craig: Ok..

He joined the main road...

At Teto's house...

Later on Teto laid in bed with a blanket over his head even

though it was a sunny day. He closed his eyes thinking back, if only things could happen all over again and he'd stop entertaining her. Going back to how he boldly told his grandfather he wouldn't be able to help Kutlo then came a moment when he said ok...Tears filled his eyes and he bit his lower lip as the tears wet the pillow. Seeing Darling with Craig in the car added onto his

frustration. He pressed the pillow over his face screaming...

His phone rang then he rubbed his eyes and cleared his voice.

Teto: Hello?

PA: I'm calling to remind you about the meeting again, if you're not well I can reschedule but I need time to inform

everyone so they don't come all the way for nothing.

Teto: I'll be there, thank you.

He hung up and walked into the shower. Minutes later he walked out all wet and dried himself as his phone rang..

Teto: Hello?

Age: It's 2pm right?

Teto : What?

Age: Your Medication tutorial or something.

Teto: Shit, I forgot all about it, I thought it's tomorrow.

Age: It's today, I set a reminder last week when you told me.

Teto: (Luke's call came through)
Luke is calling.

Age: It's probably about it, see you there.

Teto: Let me cancel my meetings and rush over there.

Age: Sure!

He hung up and picked Luke's call..

Teto: Hello?

Luke: I'm pulling into the parking lot.

Teto: I'll be there in a minute, I'm leaving home.

Luke: Alright.

He hung and called back his PA before getting dressed and driving off.

At the hospital...

Minutes later the brothers walked into a room full of people and took a seat, it was awkward knowing he was there to learn about ARVs... He hadn't made peace with it yet and a part of him was still worried

but with his brothers sitting on either side of him he relaxed..

Woman: Gentlemen you're welcome, we were just about to start.. You didn't miss much. We are here to teach you about ARVs and how you should take care of yourself as an HIV positive person. You were asked to bring someone who for support and I believe each person came with one person

they trust with their lives.
Ladies and gentlemen I
welcome you. It's not easy
being HIV positive and having
to tell anyone about it, for
these people to reveal their
status to you means they truly
trust you, enough to let you be
here with them. You will also
be taught how to handle
certain situations your loved
one may find themselves in...

With that being said let's open with a prayer..

They took a short prayer and begun their session which went on for almost an hour.

Later on the brothers walked across the hospital heading to the dispenser where they queued together until Teto walked in with his card and waited while they prepared his

medication. Minutes later the man walked back and handed him the capsule container, Teto picked it up and looked at his name printed on it..

Man: They already told you that whatever time you choose will be the same everyday right?

Teto: Yeah.

Man: Sure.

He put his pills in the pocket and walked past his brothers heading to the car as tears blurred his eyes. The brothers paced behind him, he pulled the door handle several times time trying to open a locked door until it broke down. Luke grabbed his shoulder and looked at him..

Luke: What is it?

Age looked at Teto tearfully and unlocked the car then he got inside and sat at the back.

Teto got in and placed his ARVs on the dashboard, Age looked at them and leaned over putting his hands over his face rubbing his eyes.

Teto: (shaky voice) I never thought ke taa nwa di ARV...

Luke: There is nothing wrong with it.. Stop stressing.

Teto: Darling told me to stop, she told me to stop and I got impatient and cheated... I should have said no.

He leaned over rubbing his reddish eyes as Luke looked back at Age..

Luke: Age? Kana le wena wamo tshosa why are you crying?

Age: I failed him...

His lips trembled as he rubbed his teary eyes..

Age: I was too busy to even know what he was up to, I feel like since I've fixed my marriage

I have been ignoring him. I feel his pain..

Teto: (rubbed his eyes) I'm a grown man Age, you did your best and I'm the one who failed you. Tota hela I've never been a faithful person nor have I appreciated a woman. It has nothing to do with you... Koore hela I can't believe ke tsenwe ke mogare so easily because I let my pride use me. I could

have used condoms and stayed faithful to Darling but then...

Luke : I'm just happy that you started medication on time, it's normal to be stressed, I went through that... But overtime you accept yourself and learn to live with yourself. Ke kopa gore o amogele seemo mr...

(looking at Age) Age? Are amogeleng seemo, we can blame each other all we want it won't change anything. If there

is something I've learnt about life is that there is no point in crying for something you can't change... Status se tsile majentse, garena choice we have to live with it..I'm fine with mine, my wife and I are supper happy and we have had 2 more children after this, they're negative.

Age: (sighed) Ke a go utwa.

Luke: Unless I look like I'm dying, ke skelton?

Teto : No.

Luke: Yeah, I have muscles and I'm healthier than most negative people... Stop stressing o new dipilisi and never in your life reach a point where you have to skip them because you're chilling with negative people who might judge you. Take your time and accept yourself, this time let love come to you and your pills. Don't go chasing anyone, let

God bring that girl next to you then you can go ahead and make your move. Don't hunt, you're not a good hunter.

Teto: (laughed) Ok.

Age: (laughed) And stop saying wa nyala, just don't mention marriage. That shit just comes when it's time.

Teto: (laughed) Ok...

Luke: Before I forget let me set your alarms for ARVs, what time is good?

Teto: I think 9pm when I sleep?

Luke: 9pm is the common time
ya di ARV, yoore e lela motho
abe a itse gore keya di ARV.

They burst into laughter as Teto
thoughtfully looked around..

Teto : (smiled) You're right, let
me say 7am.

Luke: Great

Age: Phakela motho ago bona o
tikela mo ganong o taare ke
compral.

They laughed as Teto set his
alarm...

At Derrick's house....

Sandra finished watering the
plants and closed the tap then

she walked towards the car, the neighbour stood by the fence...

Her: Hi mmagwe mankhibi!

Sandra: Hi, how are you?

Her: I'm good... I want that foundation again.

Sandra: I'll have to place an order for you, the same one ya last time akere?

Her: Yes, I'll send the money just now.

Sandra: OK..

Her : Bye!

She got in the car and drove off
as a call came through...

Sandra: Hello?

Voice: Hi, I wanted to buy a few
vintage pants from you but
your car is not here, ke mme
wa di bale akere?

Sandra: Ee mma I'm on my way there, 5 minutes hela.

Voice: Alright, I'll wait.

Sandra: Bye!

She joined the main road and sped off...

At the BnB....

Darling approached Akeelah as they walked around the building...

Darling: This is beautiful...

Akeelah: Yeah, after Age found a job we decided to take our time renovating it... Official opening is on the weekend.

Darling: It's beautiful..

Akeelah: How are you doing?

Darling: I'm alright, I like Craig and I'm falling in love with him... There is nothing satisfying like your crush loving your child... I was like gosh take me now!

Akeelah: (laughed) Craig is really nice... You deserve a guy like that, most of the time us women hold on to a relationship that doesn't give us happiness and actually stop the real happiness. We can't be

too excited because we are yet to know him but he seems nice.

Darling: He is and I'm falling for him, he is so patient and he is not rushing me, he is more like a friend and he wants to make sure I'm emotionally ready for him.

Akeelah: I'm happy for you.

Darling: How is Teto?

Akeelah: I think he was taking his pills for the first time today and they had like a session

where they're taught about the medication and stuff. Age is really stressed out too but I think they'll be fine. Ba siame just do you.

Darling: I'm glad he is ok, at least he won't cheat on his next girlfriend..

Akeelah: Akere!

Luke's wife parked the car and stepped out as Ambrosia sat in

there quietly pressing her phone with a long face...

Amber: Do you still need time to think about us? Kana people are asking me why I'm not married and it's embarrassing because I don't know what to say. Ga osa mpate why osa bue?

Babe:. I don't know if I'm ready to get married.

Amber : What does that mean?

Babe: You can move on with your life because I don't think I'll ever marry you. It's not you though it's me. Promise you won't break down.

Amber stared at her screen in disbelief then she stepped out and followed her sister in law towards the ladies where they greeted one another....

Mrs Luke : Hi ladies, Dee this is Amber, she is Luke's little sister... Amber this is Darling, she is the mother of Teto's children.

Amber: Didn't he have children with Tsame? She was short ale montenyana jaana..

Akeelah: She passed on.

Amber: I didn't know that... She was so nice.

Mrs Luke: You knew Teto before this?

Amber: Well, I used to pass by their house when I was a student. I didn't know Teto that much I used to see Tsame and the little girl.

Akeelah: Oh ok.

Amber: Nice to meet you.

Darling: Nice to meet you too..

They walked inside the BnB...

At the Bonga family house....

Later that afternoon Teto walked in and found his mother standing by the stove cooking while the old man leaned over the counter peeling an apple as they chatted.

Teto : Dumelang..

Mmagwe Teto: Hi, get your food in the microwave. I fed the girls already..

Bonga: She offered to take care of the girls while you're searching for a maid, since they had a traumatic experience at her house we thought she'd just visit them every day to cook and clean for them. Is that ok? We are just trying to help.

Teto smiled gratefully with an unsuspecting smile..

Teto : Thank you, I really appreciate your support...

He looked down as emotions got the best of him, he really hated it when he got emotional and his nose itched.

Teto: I know I'm not the best son or grandson but I'm grateful to have you both in my life. It makes all the difference, I have supportive people in my

life I just never appreciate them enough.

The old man stopped chewing and looked at his sad face..

Him: Son are you OK?

Teto: (flashed a smile) Yeah, thank you both.

Ma Teto: You're welcome..

He walked out and towards his house as his daughters jumped playing blocks..

Aisha: Daddy come here, come play with us...

Teto: (laughed) Guys I'm tired.

Naya: Daddy come on...

Teto: OK, let me change my clothes first..

They continued playing while he changed then he reached in his pocket and looked at his pills. He placed them in the wardrobe and checked if his alarm was correct then he put on his sweatpants and sneakers before walking out. The girls jumped excitedly as he joined them.

Aisha: (grabbed his tshirt pulling him) Come, you start here.. Watch me ok?

Teto: OK.

He smiled watching as Aisha folded her skirt into her panty legs and jumped the blocks using one foot, two then one and so on and forth. She completed the blocks and Naya clapped as Teto clapped too..

Naya: Your turn..

Teto started and missed and the girls laughed at him. Naya jumped and completed then he figured it out watching their legs...

Teto : Alright... Now the master is coming in... Let me teach you how this thing works... Watch the master at work..

The girls burst into laughter throwing their heads back, he begun and actually jumped until he completed correctly. They excitedly ran over to him and hugged him..

Aisha: Uh daddy waa itse!

Naya: I thought he will fall.

Teto: I am a master, give me any game and I'll win.

Aisha: Alright, re tshameka ready anong... You have to dodge or else I hit you. If I hit you you lose.

Teto: I know ready, girls used to play it at the orphanage when we played football.

Naya: We should go to the orphanage, I want to see the kids there.

Teto: We should visit, uncle Age visits every month and gives

them toys. We should buy toys and take them there.

Aisha: Can they give us a baby of our own? Not mama's baby, like the one we stay with forever.

Teto: Babies are a lot of work maybe one who can stand.

Aisha: Yeah, a girl so we can play together.

Teto: Guys let's play, we will talk about that later.

Aisha: Ok, take cover!

She stepped back and threw a ball at Naya who threw it back while Teto laughed anxiously, just when he relaxed Aisha threw the ball and he dodged but it hit him.

Teto: That was a cheap shot, shame on you. I didn't even start counting

She jumped excitedly and got in between as Teto and Naya threw and caught the ball. Naya hit her as she jumped high..

Aisha: Uh at least ke itsheletse daddy, wena gao kake wa nkgaisa.

Teto: (laughed) Mme kana you won't hit me again..

They started again and tried to hit Naya but she dodged and clapped hands for herself as she counted loudly stepping on an old teddy bear....

FIVE YEARS LATER....

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At Darling's mother's....

Amber drove through the gate
as Aisha removed her seat
belt..

Aisha: (pointed) Park over
here..

Amber: Why are there so many people?

Aisha: (sighed rolling her eyes)

Apparently Bold's mother is getting married, so boring!

Amber: (laughed) Why is it so boring?

Aisha: Why would anyone leave my dad, he is a great guy. She is not fair... I don't even know her boyfriend. I thought we would be a family because we visit her. I have never seen a man at

her house when we visited, she played me.

Amber: (laughed) But your father doesn't care, does he?

Aisha: I don't know but I know he likes her, he always said one day she will change her mind and we will be a family.

Naya: I'm going to get Bold.

Naya got out of the car and ran towards the children who were

playing on the swing, Bold saw her from a distance and dropped the ball he was holding as he ran towards her.

Meanwhile Amber and Aisha greeted the elders in the house..

Amber: Rragwe Bold sent us to collect him.

Mmagwe Darling: His bag is in the bedroom, go get it Aisha.

Aisha walked to the bedroom where Darling was sitting on the bed pressing her laptop, she smiled closing her laptop but Aisha didn't smile, instead she got the bag and hung it over her shoulder.

Aisha: We came to get Bold.

Darling: Are you OK?

Aisha: I'm fine, bye.

Darling : Heee.... Aisha?

Aisha: Maa?

Darling: How come you don't look happy? Is everything OK at home?

Aisha: Everything is fine, thank you.

Darling: I saw your WhatsApp status before you deleted it..

“Never ever love a woman who

is not your mother, they will always walk away unlike your real mother who will die before abandoning you” was that about me?

She shrugged her shoulders looking down with a long face...

Darling: Come sit down.. You can talk to me about anything.. (she checked her date on the

calendar) Are you on your period?

Aisha: Why are you getting married to someone that we don't even know? I thought we are going to be a family and you'll be my mother.

Tears burned her eyes and she rubbed them with her outer hand....

Darling: You and Naya are the only ones who don't know my husband, I didn't want him to visit me whenever you guys came over because I want you guys to be free. Not that he is dangerous.. Your father knows him and he is fine with it, he is happy for me. I'll also not stop being there for you girls but of course things will be different because from here I'm going to my husband's house and you

can't visit me there, but I'll visit you when I drop Bold.

Aisha: Why can't you just marry my father? Don't you like him? He is very nice...

Darling: You'll understand when you're old enough.

Aisha: I am old enough, I know about dating, boyfriends and everything. I'm just disappointed that you don't love us.

Darling: I'm disappointed that you're hurting about things I can't change. The problem is when you saw your father and I being nice to each other you thought we are a family. I don't know what he told you but he should have told you that we will never be together. I'm just being there for you just like aunt Akeelah and Ma Luke.

Aisha: Ok.

She got the bag and stood up..

Darling: (smiled) And I like how you're always honest to express yourself.. Keep doing that.

You're a strong girl. I heard your mother was just like you. I'm sure she is proud of you.

Aisha: (smiled) Thank you

She walked out and closed the door. Minutes later they all got in the car and drove off.

At Teto's house....

Amber drove through the gate just as the old man and Teto's mother were driving out. They waved at them and drove to the farm. Amber stopped in front of Teto's car then Aisha led the children to the door.

She got the keys from around her neck and unlocked the door..

Amber: You guys will be fine right?

Aisha: Yeah, we are good.

Thanks auntie.

Children: Bye!

Amber: Bye!

Aisha walked into the house and waited for them to get in then she locked the door and headed to the kitchen where she warmed their food and gave it to them..

Aisha: When you finish eating you're bathing...

Naya: (sighed) Uhhh I hate bathing!

Aisha: (laughed) Mxm nkare legwaga la gago la left le nkgajaana!

Naya: (laughed) It's because I was sweating, I'm not sweating today.

Bold: My mouth smells if I don't brush.

Aisha: Ee that's why you must bath... I'm going to my room.. Let me get the key I don't trust you wena Bold.

She got the key and went to her room where she threw herself on the bed and played games on her phone. She received a message from an international number..

Number: Hi

Aisha: Hi

Number: My name is Micah, we met at the tombstone unveiling of the wife of my grandfather's family friend or whatever, I

never get elders when they explain these things.

Aisha: Oh I remember, she is my great grandmother, you stay in America right?

Number: Yeah but we visit Botswana at the end of each year to check on the family business and stuff like that.

Aisha: Ok

Micah: How old are you?

Aisha: Turning 13.

Micah: I'm 16.

Aisha: Ok.

Micah: I gotta go, my dad just got home

Aisha :

Micah : I meant to say stepdad.

Bye

Aisha: Bye....

Micah: Delete our conversation

Aisha: OK

She deleted then continued playing games before receiving a call from her father..

Aisha: Hello?

Teto : I'm going to be a little late, there is a little party at the BnB, have you locked the door?

Aisha: Yes.

Teto: Ok, le thape.

Aisha: We did.

Teto: Ok, bye.

She hung up and clicked on Micah's picture then she smiled blushing. He was so handsome he looked like a guy from a high school movie.

At AA Bed and Breakfast....

Later that evening Teto parked the car and stepped out

heading to the braai stand as
his phone vibrated...

Message: Hi, please meet me at
your company parking lot. In 15
minutes.

He paused confused for a
minute then he called...

Her: Hello?

Teto: I saw your message, was it meant for me?

Her: Yes.

Teto: I don't understand

Her: Just come, I don't have a lot of time.

Teto: Ok.

He hung up looking at everyone, they were standing by the bonfire holding drinks and chatting loudly with their

partners. He walked backwards,
turned back to the car and
drove off..

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At the BnB...

Age walked towards the bonfire and stood behind his wife kissing her while holding a drink on the other hand...

Age: (whispered in her ear) I love you

Akeelah: (blushed and turned her head whispering in his) I love you more...

He leaned back and put his arms around her standing next to Luke whose arms were over his short wife's shoulders with a cap on his head as he laughed chatting with the guys kissing her hair.

Cash: Heelang where is Teto?

Amber: I saw him pulling over then he turned back again and drove off.

Luke: I thought I saw his car too

Age: Maybe he forgot something or maybe we went to collect Cardo

Cash: Cardo is at the braai stand le majita

Age stepped aside and dialed him but there was no answer...

At Sandra's mother's...

Meanwhile Sandra's mother looked at her watch and glanced at the door... Sandra looked at her wondering and figured she probably had an appointment..

Her : (Faked a yawn) Uuuuu....
I'm so exhausted, I just want to lie down..

Sandra: (looked at her children)
Dolly take your brothers to the car

Her: come say goodbye to
grandma my babies

She bid them goodbye and they
ran to the car as Sandra stood
up...

Sandra: Goodnight

Her: Goodnight my girl, tell
Derrick I said thank you... He
sent me P500, I called him and

thanked him but tell him I'm thankful.

Sandra: I'll do that... Go shapo
mma re itisitse le wena today..

Her : Bye

She walked them out and tied the gate as Sandra drove off then she opened the gate again and walked back to the house where she locked the door and took a bath before jumping into a lingerie and laying down..

At Derrick's House...

Later that night Sandra pushed the door open as all three children ran inside and headed to their bedroom, she locked the door and sat down as Derrick got up from the couch with a remote on his hand as he lowered the volume of the soccer game, he grabbed her feet and put them over his lap

taking off her shoes and
massage her..

Sandra: Ng ng mama wa jola
bathong, its so awkward

Derrick: (laughed) Your mother
is young... Leave her alone. Just
because you're a married
woman with a lot of children
doesn't make her old she is
approaching 50, santse ale
monnye... Lesa ngwana a jole

Sandra: (laughed) Babe the rra she even pretended to be asleep and I'm like this lady has forgotten that I'm ab adult too? (they laughed loudly) O mpeile haatshe ka di buttocks

Derrick: But on a serious note your mom is hot, they say if you want to know how a woman will age look at her mother and right now I'm quite happy with our future.

Sandra: (laughed) Don't say that I'll start walking around like I own the world..

Derrick: (massaging between her toes) Have you talked to the tenants about using the electric stove? They're fighting because their power finishes before month end. I think you should do a surprise visit and find out if any of them is using it

Sandra: (sighed) I'm so tired of these tenants, it's like dealing with kids. Someone's gas is probably finished and they shoved a hot plate under the bed..

Derrick: You're the boss, I'm responsible for maintaining the building nothing else..

Sandra: Ba ntena gore..

Derrick's team scored then he punched the air in victory

before getting on top of her
kissing her.

At Teen's House....

On the same night boy twim
walked in the living room and
laid his head on Teen's chest,
he jumped from his sleep and
yawned putting down the
remote.

Teen: What's wrong?

Him: I see monsters in the dark

Teen: It's that movie we
watched... Let's go...

They yawned their way to the
bedroom where he laid him
down..

Teen: Let's close our eyes and
pray, when you get a nightmare
you pray then it goes away.

Him: Ok

They prayed for a few seconds..

Both: Amen...

Teen: Goodnight

Him : Goodnight daddy

Teen walked out leaving the
lights on and the door opened
then headed to bed where he

switched the lights on and laid down texting..

Teen: Babe? How long does a weave installation take sale o
ile, I'm falling asleep

Botho: I'll be home in a few minutes. Sorry babe

Teen: It's ok.

He put the phone down and dozed off...

At Darling's mother's...

On the same night Darling's sister walked in her room wearing the heels she'd wear tomorrow..

Sister: Dee look at my sho-

She stopped and stared at the empty bed..

Sister: Darling? (looked behind the door) Dee?

She walked out to the toilet and still didn't find her then she walked to their mother's room.

Sister : Where is Darling

Her: Sleeping in her room

Sister : She is not

Her: Maybe went to the toilet

Sister : Not there either..

She walked out and looked around, with less movement due to everyone getting in bed it was pretty obvious she wasn't home. She got her phone and sat in her room..

Sister: Hey Dee where are you?

Darling : Ke a batiwa?

Sister : Yes by me, o kae?

Darling: I stepped out for air, ke
lapile ke go tswalelwa mo
ntung gotwe ke monyadi... I
ended up at Masego's house.
We were just watching a
movie.. I'm not far... Just
wanted to get away from the
noise. I'm coming..

At the BnB...

More people begun leaving as Age stepped aside and dialed Teto...

Teto: Hello?

Age: Where are you? I been trying to call you for hours.

Teto: I had lost my phone, is the party over?

Age: Yes, we are about to leave.

Teto: I'll see you guys tomorrow

Age: Where were you?

Teto: I got stuck in the sand somewhere after picking a friend so we can come there, I was using the small car then I lost my phone, it was a mess.

Age: ok, Shap

He hung up and walked towards everyone as they put out the fire..

At Teto's House...

Just before midnight Teto parked the car and unlocked the house then he checked on the younger ones before knocking on Aisha's door...

Aisha: You just got back?

Teto: Yeah...did you guys eat?

Aisha:Yeah, we ate.

Teto: Anything interesting
happen

Aisha: Nope, I need money for
the school trip, don't forget
tomorrow

Teto: I'll try not to forget, your
teacher will kill me this
time...borrow me your phone.
You know the drill

Aisha: You check my phone
even at midnight? Isn't it too
late for fathers to be touching
their daughters phones

Teto: Just bring the phone. You shouldn't even be having a phone, I either check it everyday or no phone, which one do you prefer?

She sighed rolling her eyes and put it on his hand, he clicked on a secretly instilled notisave app and searched for all deleted conversations and her Google search history, he took a few screenshots of this

international number and forwarded himself the screenshot before deleting them then he handed her the phone. He had an idea of who he was from their conversation and his family history of uncontrollable anger and abuse of women got him boiling but he calmly gave her the phone.

Aisha : I don't search anything wrong or talk to people I

shouldn't talk to. You have to trust me

Teto: I'm sleepy, I'll talk to you tomorrow. Goodnight

Aisha : (Laid down) Goodnight..

He switched off her lights and got in his room.. He took off his clothes and switched off the lights before collapsing on the bed exhausted, he sighed facing the ceiling in darkness

then he took out his phone and texted.

Teto: Thank you so much for this, it was a surprise and I appreciate it.

He put down the phone and dozed off until morning when rough knock on the door woke him. He grabbed his pants and headed to the door where he

opened the door to two police officers...

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At Teto's house...

Teto: Good morning.

Officer: Good morning... We are following some foot tracks....

There was a break-in next door.

Teto : (dropped his face looking around) He came in here?

Officer: It shows he jumped over the stop brick, we are trying to find out if you heard something or saw something because it seems they broke in before midnight...

Teto: I didn't, we usually have two dogs but the old man took them to the farm. And it was just my children at home but they didn't say anything... Fuck you're scaring me. I wasn't home, they were just alone!

Officer: (pointed) I saw the tracks at the gate, it seems he jumped and walked to that side to the gate..

Teto looked at his other car and noticed the door wasn't properly closed then he walked over and leaned in..

Teto: The radio is missing...

The police officers walked over and leaned in looking at the car....

At Darling's mother's...

Darling sat in the middle of the room as her in-laws finished dressing her and closed the wedding gown luggage. She rubbed her hands together anxiously as they bid everyone goodbye and left...

Her beautician put her things down and started working on her face while the camera man stood by taking pictures...

Aunt: (laughed) Such a long face, are you scared?

Darling: Just a little..

Aunt2: You'll be fine...

Aisha's words rang in her head as she sat there relaxing her lips for the beautician to apply lipstick. It wasn't just her words but the pain in her eyes, the pain in Teto's eyes and his

words too... “I’m happy you found love, enjoy yourself and don’t hold back, I believe one day I will find one for myself too and I will love her the right way. You have my blessing”. If only he had listened to her, she wouldn’t be here, things could have turned out differently... Knowing from this day onwards she wouldn’t be staying with her son made it impossible to be excited... Of course she

didn't expect Teto to let her go to her marital home with his son, but knowing she was choosing marriage over her son had her feeling guilty...

The beautician finished then her hairstylist did the last touches, she reached for her phone and texted..

Darling: Hey, are you coming to the wedding?

Akeelah: No hun, remember we are travelling. The brothers wanted to distract Teto so he wouldn't think about the wedding, so I'll be shopping all morning but I'll pass by and say hi.

Darling: Where are you going? He didn't tell me more about it, he just said he is taking the kids on a drive.

Akeelah: We are doing a 3 day mini country tour.

Darling: Ke mang le mang?

Akeelah: Age and I, Luke and his wife, Cash and his 2 seconds girlfriend then Teto and the children.

Darling: Ok, I hope you drive safely.

Akeelah: We are flying, imagine my excitement kana ke podi hela I've always wanted to fly with my father on his business trips but he was always too busy. Enjoy your wedding, I

bought a serious present to
compensate for not coming.

Darling: Thanks.

Akeelah: I hope you're not mad
at me for not coming, ke
bogisiwa ke gore this is a family
decision. Age feels strongly
about it aka mpolaa.

Darling: Love I understand.


Akeelah: Bye!

She sighed and put her phone down then she quickly put on a smile as one of the elders looked at her.

At Teto's House...

Later that morning Teto pressed his phone heading to the car..

Teto : Little boy, this is Aisha's father. Give me your mother's number

Number:  I'm sorry, I will delete her number. We only talked on WhatsApp. I'm in schooling in Texas.

Teto: Number

Number: (sent the number) I'm sorry, I'll never talk to her again, I don't want to be a registered sex offender.

He tapped on the number and forwarded her a screenshot of the children's conversation.

Teto: Tshwara ntšanyana ya gago e toga e golagala.

He got in the car and sat there for a minute trying to get his thoughts together then Aisha walked over and knocked on

the window, he rolled it down and looked at her...

Aisha: Dad is it true every Orphan gets an ATM card?

Teto: Yes, well its not an ATM card but you swipe food and clothes in shops. Why are you asking?

Aisha: Where is mine and Naya's?

Teto : I didn't register Naya but yours was taken by your mother's uncle. I never really followed them after, I just wanted you.

Aisha: Well I want it back

Teto: I give you money for toiletries, what do you want with it?

Aisha: Because its my card daddy, the government gave it to me for a reason. I want to buy things and keep giving

them to the children at the orphanage, I don't want my card to be used by an old man I don't know

Teto: You don't need that card,

Aisha: Can we go and get it?

Teto: I don't have time for that and I'm taking your phone because you're talking to boys on WhatsApp. We agreed that you would behave but you're not doing that. I am not going to be a grandfather at my age

She stopped talking and looked down..

Teto: Didn't Darling tell you that you can be pregnant if you have sex?

Aisha: She told me

Teto: So you want to be a mother?

Aisha: No

Teto: I'm really disappointed in you, I'm sure your mother is too. You don't understand how much your safety and happiness mean to me... I owe it to your mother... You're breaking my heart because I never thought you'd talk to boys. You're 13 years old. You're a baby and that boy is bad news. It's important to me that you turn out good, that dream of America in a good day

not visiting a boyfriend, you have to go abroad to school or work... Boys always think about themselves, it doesn't matter how nice they're they will get you pregnant and they won't handle you being pregnant, you'll cry alone... Is that what you want?

Aisha tearfully shook her head..

Teto: Give me your phone... I'll use the telephone to call. I thought you're responsible enough to have a phone, the next thing you'll be sending nude pictures and talking to older men who will post you on Facebook.

Aisha: Only one boy sent me message last night, I'm sorry.

Teto: Just go. I'm not happy with you and you've spoiled my trip.

Aisha: Can I clean your room
and wash your car?

Teto: Please get back in the
house..

She walked in the house crying
then he drove off...

At Age's House...

Teto parked the car and walked
towards Age while he washed

the car with AJ as the daughter picked the mud smearing it on the other side while they cleaned the other..

Teto: She is messing up this side lona le le busy..

He laughed and picked his niece with muddy hands, Age's mouth dropped then he walked around the car and put his hands over his head, AJ walked

over with a bucket and cloths
and dropped his mouth..

AJ: Are you kidding? (to Age)
Dude look what he did? That's
why I said you get a boy but
you just went ahead and got a
girl...

Age: Can't believe this... (to
Teto) did they get the radio
only?

Teto: Yeah, apparently he was
collecting radio's in the

neighbourhood. That freaked me out, my children were home alone

Age: You have to up your security, put the electric fence at the top or something

Teto: Yeah..

Akeelah stepped out of the house shining and took out her keys..

Akeelah: What happened to your hands? Babe why let her touch mud

Age: I didn't know she was behind the car Akeelah picked her up and wiped her hands..

Akeelah: I'm going to the mall

Teto: Pass by my house and talk to Aisha ka teenage pregnancy.

Did you get my messages

Akeelah: Yeah, I'll get them and drop Bold then go girl shopping le ene.

Teto: OK.

Akeelah got in the car and drove off as Teto dusted his hands looking at his brother..

Teto: (sighed) Something weird happened last night, that's why I left before the party even

started. I thought I'd keep this to myself but I can't..

Age dried his hands on his pants looking at him..

Age: I knew something was going on, what happened?

He put his hands in the pockets and looked at him...

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At Age's House...

Age stared at him as he spoke...

Age: Please tell me you're kidding

Teto: I'm serious

Age: Did she use protection?

Teto: No, she came with condoms but she didn't use them and I was just shocked, I didn't do much le go cummer ke cummile ka pela because I didn't understand what was going on. What does that mean?

Age looked at him and sighed then he leaned against the bonnet folding his hands..

Age: Did she say anything when she was fucking you, I can't even picture this..

Teto: She didn't say anything.... Nothing at all.. I parked next to her then she got out of the car and opened the door for me, told me to get in the back... And she was looking fine too.. I

went to the back then she joined me and closed the door. She sat on my lap and kissed me grinding on me, I was even afraid to touch her but she lowered her tank top string and pushed my hands on to her breasts while she unhooked her bra then she leaned over and kissed me. She took out my dick and started sucking on it then she slid down and started fucking me.

Age: Without a condom?!

Teto : Without the condom, I asked to put a condom but she said Shhh to me like I'm some kind of a kid. I still think I'm dreaming

Age: Are you sure it happened? Maybe you were just dreaming, she knows your status...

Teto: I wasn't dreaming, that's why I went home and slept because I was confused but then I sent her a message

thanking her, she didn't reply. I don't know if she is trying to make me think I'm crazy

Age: Have you asked her about getting a pep or something? I know when you're faithful to your medication you're less likely to infect anyone but what is she planning kana she went to the clinic already?

Teto : I don't know.. I'm even afraid to ask her.

Age: You need to ask her before she accuses you of infecting her. Send her a message

He took out his phone and texted her...

Teto: Hey, have you thought about going to the clinic?

Beautiful: I'll go tonight, there is no time gone jaana besides

when you're taking treatment faithfully and with your cd4 count you won't transmit it. I've done all the research I need to know about HIV.

Teto: Still you need to go just to be sure, how are you going to explain taking ARVs for 30 days?

Beautiful: We have a privacy policy, that's why I can freely text you, we don't touch each

others phones or go through one another's things.

Teto: Ok, so why did you do it? I'm confused, after all these years? What am I supposed to do?

Beautiful: I wanted to have sex with you for one night only, just one night before I can finally move on.

Teto: But what about my feelings

Beautiful: I didn't consider your feelings. Last night never happened...I'll count down to 1 then we are done with this conversation. If you carry on I'll block you. 3,2,1...

The brothers leaned back and sighed looking at one another..

Age : Wow... Its like a scene from a movie, why would she do that?

Teto: I don't know but now I'm hooked, I was forgetting but this... She grinding my heart and I can't do anything about it.

Age : She basically did a hit and run on you.

Teto: And she didn't even ask me

Age: I wish I could get raped like that... I mean on the bright side you got served really good.. How many rounds?

Teto: Two, lantha ke rotile hela ditoga gape ne ke tshogile hela kesa heme sente moriri wagwe ole mo facing yame ke tshaba go buwa kere gongwe o toga a somola, gape monna woman on top ele eish...

Age: (laughed) Abe o rota hela botakala wena monna!

Teto: Ar don't judge me, it happened so fast and she wasn't giving me a break enough to hold my

ejaculations. Round 2 abe ke ba tsaya, she called my name and cried holding me abe a gogela panty a tswa mo koloing to hers and drove off.

Age: (laughed) Uh waitseeeee... She cheated and you were raped but we won't report it, next time be careful though..Men kill for their wives .

Teto: I know I'm just shocked, it's unlike her and I still don't

understand why she would do that to me and what's shocking is that she didn't use a condom yet she knew she called me out there to fuck me. Not that I'm complaining that shit was awesome...it was awesome and when she cried holding me I got tears and got emotional, I held her in my arms and almost ran away with her.

Age: You'll be alright, you'll meet someone on this little trip

and we will have fun... In fact
ask one of your fb friends so we
can just have fun.. No strings
attached just fun to breath a
fresh air

Teto : I'll see what to do...

Age: Uh o bonye story sa go
jewa hela without a warning..

They laughed and continued
chatting...

At Four senses PTY Ltd...

Kutlo parked the car branded with her logo, she put her foot out in a high heel and paused replying a client who decided to call.

Kutlo: I am deaf, you can't call

Client: Oh I'm sorry

Kutlo: (sent a number) But you can call the office and talk to my assistant

Client: No, it's ok. When can I pick them?

Kutlo: Within an hour

Client: I'll send payment.

Kutlo: Thank you

She stepped out and closed the cat then she walked through the glass door and waved at a

few customers standing by getting assisted, Aisha gasped widening her eyes and waved at her excitedly then she ran over and hugged Kutlo who smiled hugging her tightly..

Kutlo: (signed excitedly) You're big... You even have breasts and you put on lip gloss!!

Aisha: (laughed) I'm not big...

Kutlo: You look so beautiful...

They hugged again..

Aisha: You work here now?

Kutlo: It's my shop

Aisha: Noooo! (turned around and read the logo on her pamphlet) Oh... Four senses!
Oh my gosh, this is so great... I want to see your office

Before Kutlo could respond she ran to Akeelah..

Aisha : Auntie I'm coming, koo bona office yaga mama

Akeelah: You don't have to call her that anymore

Aisha: (laughed) I know mathata ke twaetse, I tried to say her name and it sounded weird because we called her mama.

Akeelah: Yeah but you're old enough to teach your tongue, if anything say auntie. That's what she was anyways kana you were young by then but now you understand.

Aisha: Ok, ke kopa goo bona office ya gagwe

Akeelah: Ene mang?

Aisha: Auntie Kutlo

Akeelah: We will wait in the car...

Akeelah got the kids and walked to the car as Aisha joined Kutlo who put her arm around her shoulder as they walked in her office.

She gasped looking around then she walked to the glass side and stood watching people pass outside talking then she remembered Kutlo had to see

her lips and turned around
looking at her..

Aisha: Can they see me? (shook
her head) Ok... Wow... I love
your office...

She sat on Kutlo's chair and
swung around laughing..

Kutlo : Your body is too big for
you, you're so childish!

Aisha: I forgot sign language,
I'm just guessing.. Are you
asking if we have a new baby?

Kutlo laughed and took out her
phone, Aisha walked over and
read as she typed then they
laughed.

Aisha: Borrow me... Let me
surprise daddy. Let's take a
selfie

She lifted the phone and took a picture smiling...

Kutlo: He blocked me, but you can use the business number

Aisha: Ok

She took several pictures and sent.

Aisha: I met mama at the mall when inwas shopping with aunt Akh. From Aisha.

She sent the message and sat down sighing..

Aisha: I'm going to visit you all the time... Your office is so cool.

Kutlo: Come get the sweets and go, auntie is waiting..

Aisha: How come you never visit us?

Kutlo: I found a new job

Aisha: I understand... I want to see how you make sweets.. I always buy these sweets, I didn't know you made them.

Monday I'm taking them to school and I'm going to brag to everyone.

Kutlo laughed and shook her head then she handed her a

plastic and walked her across the street to where Akeelah was parking, she waved at Akeelah but she pretended not to that wave and started the car. Kutlo looked down embarrassed and smiled at Aisha before turning around and getting back in the shop....

At Craig's father's....

Later that afternoon Darling's family women took their seats as Craig's aunt got her and sat her next to her mother in law..

Woman: Darling's father says she is just a girl, teach her home chores and treat her like one of your own. Her uncle says she is as smooth as you can see, if things don't work out kindly return her home unharmed. Her mother says

there you go, but let the groom know that a son in law is a son in law by their works. May we have the way?

Craig: You may...

The women stood up and slowly walked out as Darling got tearful and begun sniffing with a veil on her face. After an hour o talking Craig and his uncles joined the family as everyone stared, the

photographers stood a few feet with cameras and took a picture as Craig kissed her in front of his family who cheered loudly...

At Kutlo's House...

On the same evening she walked out of the shower and laid on the bed checking her messages..

Teto: 😂 Nice pictures, I bet she forced you to take this

Kutlo: She is so big

Teto: I know right. She couldn't stop telling me about your office. I've passed by that shop several times, I just didn't know its yours. Congratulations

Kutlo: Thank you.

Teto: By the way I don't blame you for my status, we both got

tricked. I just don't want to be tied to my exs

Kutlo: Thanks, I've been feeling guilty.

Teto: Don't be, you also didn't know. I'd be angry if you refused to test

Kutlo: Thank you.

Teto: Alright, cool.

Kutlo: OK

She closed his message and clicked on another message..

Annoying clown: I still want to fuck you

Kutlo: 🤪 o hemile the, ware wago ja mang o bua dilodisele jaana?

Annoying clown: 🤪 Tsek aker wa nkgana go setse gore ke kopw kuku hela

Kutlo: Ncheka rete go apaya rothe. I like the way you cook morogo.

Annoying clown: Coming

She smiled blushing and put down her phone then she fixed herself and put on simple yet sexy clothes..

At Craig's room....

Later that night Craig walked in the room while Darling threw a pill in her mouth and drunk bottled water sitting on the bed, he sat next to her and smiled holding her hand then she smiled back..

Craig: You look beautiful Mrs

Darling: And you look handsome..

He leaned over and kissed her putting his hand between her legs and touched a pad..

Craig: What?

Darling: It must be letshogo, I heard a lot of married women saying they got their period on their wedding day because of all the emotions..

He French kissed her and sealed it with a baby kiss..

Craig: I understand... You're so beautiful.....

He smiled looking in her eyes and kissed her again then she flipped him down and laid on top smiling..

Darling: I can't believe we are finally married... I have a husband and it feels weird in a good way though...

Craig: I wish we had Bold, I understand that Teto officially got him but even if a ntshedit swe magadi I still wish he could stay with us just to keep us company.

Darling: Teto gaa kake a dumela, but at least we agreed on holiday visits. It's fair

Craig : (sighed) Alright..

She kissed him then she slid back and unzipped his pants then she leaned over and gave him a blowjob...

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At Akeelah's House...

Later that night Akeelah laid across the bed pressing her phone, Darling's wedding picture popped then she reacted and commented.

Akeelah: Congratulations my love!

Darling replied: Thanks bestie

She received a message via
WhatsApp...

Darling: How is the trip?

Akeelah: 🙄 Trip kae, the guys
dropped it. Apparently Teto has
a big meeting or whatever and
he is fine.

Darling: 😂 He is fine? Did he
say why he is suddenly fine?

Akeelah : Don't know, don't care, I was excited about this trip. The way I enjoyed Mozambique I just want something similar to that.

Hanne ose Craig's wife I'd say we should do a couples retreat. Lenao lame le a baba

Darling: We will never have such, Craig doesn't like Teto or Age or Luke or anything linked to Teto whatsoever.

Akeelah: Except his son

Darling: And I love that about him. There is nothing satisfying like someone who loves your child. Now I understand why Teto would always come to me begging. When your partner loves your child go monate and I appreciate that Craig loves my son like he is his.

Akeelah: I will give him that, he is a gentleman. Chat later

Darling: Night

She got off the bed and dialed Teto as she picked clothes around and begun packing with the phone trapped between her head and shoulder.

Teto : Hello?

Akeelah: Hi, are you free to talk?

Teto: Yeah, I just got home. Is everything OK?

Akeelah: Yeah, I spoke to Aisha and she understood me. She is also frustrated that you took away her phone. I told her she is on punishment but I wanted to talk to you as the father now.

Teto: I don't like the sound of that

Akeelah: (laughed) Aisha is growing and her feelings for boys won't die just because her father is angry. When you're

raising a teenager you have two choices... Either you're open minded and realise that they have feelings and they will definitely act on them at some point, by being open you'll always be the first person to be told about these little things. Anything worrying her, if a boy slapped her or if she is stressed and she won't commit suicide. That's option number one, option number two is that you

can become a strict parent who flips and get angry each time they find out something, take a belt and beat her for chatting with boys then she will learn how to avoid getting beaten, she will be a good little liar be so good at hiding everything. She will wonder how you find out what's going on in her inbox then she will find a way around that. Bo Aisha were born into technology and I

promise you you're on top of your game now, in the next 3 years she will even have a secret phone where she chats with boys. I don't have a teenager but if I had one I'd want to be close to her so I can know who she likes, if she visited a boy and he forced himself on her I'd want her to tell me as soon as possible rather than keep quiet because she'd have to explain why she

was there in the first place.
Nowadays you can't raise a
child with the anger our
parents had on us, we have to
be different especially to a girl
child because girls go through
hell on their own because
they're afraid to be judged and
crucified.

At Teto's House...

Meanwhile Teto switched the engine and leaned back listening to her...

Akeelah: Wena mme o siame, o rata Aisha and you never scream at her but she is at the stage where you have to also start understanding her. I'm not saying a jole, hell no I'm just telling you the reality. 13 now, by 16 she will definitely have a boyfriend especially

because Aisha grows faster than her age mates, that's why a hositswe ke rape gabedi at such a young age. You did good, don't fail now, this is another stage where you also try to be her friend enough to be told things that will save her life.

Teto: Sounds so awkward for a father but I'll try... (smiled) I think this is something Tsame

would say. Thanks for talking to me

Akeelah: (laughed) That woman could talk, nkabe santse a bua. Go shap

Teto: Bye

He hung up and walked in the house, a delicious aroma caught his nose just as he stepped in and closed the door.

Teto: Hey guys

Aisha ran in front of him and bowed opening the bedroom door for him..

Aisha: Thank you your highness

Teto smiled looking at his rearranged bedroom, she opened his wardrobe doors showing him sorted clothes..

Aisha: You're welcome, thank you very much.

Teto: (laughed) Thank you...
How did you move the bed?

Aisha: I pushed it with my butt, put my feet on the wall and pushed with my butt.

Teto: (laughed) Still not giving you the phone madam

Aisha: I know, I was just cleaning to say I'm sorry. I

didn't give him my number but I was wrong to chat with boys. Auntie told me that you will never trust me with a smartphone and you'll buy sedilame, I don't want that. I will be on punishment until I get my phone back then we can take out WhatsApp and leave me with games and stuff.

Teto: I'll think about it, but thanks for cleaning my room. Maybe after waking up in a

clean room I'll give you the phone in the morning..

She jumped and punched the air then she ran outside, he laughed and took out his phone then he checked that woman's response.

Angel: Hi, sorry. I just spoke to my son. He is definitely going to get punished for this. I didn't raise him to hit on 13 years old

ale kana. I am very angry and I can only imagine your anger as the parent of a girl child especially at times like this when girls are being raped, taken advantage of killed. I am sorry, it will not happen again.

Teto: Ok, thanks

Angel: Please keep my number and talk to me if he continues, I'll be watching him. I'm scared because we are coming to Botswana in a couple of

months. My son is a bit stubborn but his father knows, I told him and he almost smacked him. We are in this with you motho wa modimo le rona gare bate go bitswa grandma rele kana.

Teto: Haha true, I'm glad reba tshwaraganetse. Thanks for your positive response. Do thank your husband for me, gatwe ke Jones? I don't think I

saw him at the tombstone unveiling.

Angel: He is an American, due to work he hardly has time to travel.

Teto: OK, Thank you.

Angel: Bye

He put the phone down and went to the kitchen to help out with the dishes while Aisha cooked..

Aisha: (laughed) Uh daddy just leave them, I'll clean. Naya is doing the dishes from here

Teto: Ok, let me go bath..

He went to the bathroom and laid in a tub full of warm water as he leaned back and sighed relaxed going through what happened the night before..That was an awesome fuck!

At the farm...

On the same night Bonga walked in the house with a torch and closed the door then he put it on the table and sighed..

Bonga: These solar panels need fixing, they're not supposed to keep going off like that..

Teto's mother : (fixing the bed)
Yeah, It's worrisome now..

He took off his shoes and walked over looking at her young body, the body his son his son loved, the lips he kissed and the pussy he fucked. He turned her around and tilted his head French kissing her as she relaxed and let go of the duvet. He put her hand over his hard dick and she swallowed...

Bonga: Touch that dick babe,
ska tshaba sepe...

He kissed her and slowly laid
her on the bed then he gently
pulled out her panties and
kissed her pussy before kissing
her neck.....

At Kutlo's House...

Meanwhile Kutlo walked towards the couch with a tray of food while her companion followed her with drinks and glasses.. They sat on the couch and each took their plates..

Kutlo took a bite from his plate and chewed as he laughed...

Him: Thanks for having me over.... But seriously let's put our cards on the table.. Why

are you shutting me out? I
learnt sign language for you, do
you know how hard this shit is?
I took a month just to know
ABC and short words. I didn't
even know there is American
sign language, South African
sign language, etc, this shit is
hard but I got a tutor and paid
lots of money to learn. I
deserve at least one date, don't
you think?

Kutlo: (blushed signing) And I appreciate that but I'm not lucky in love, I always get hurt and I'm on medication

Him : Medication for?

Kutlo : I'm taking ARVs,

Him: So what? You're talking like it's a bad thing... I Don't care about that. Can I please have a chance with you? Rago nna bannabagolo ntse o nkgana?

Kutlo: (laughed) I'll think about it... Ok, I thought about it

She got up and sat on his lap whispering in his ears as he laughed at her inaudible hissing, he poked her waist with middle fingers and she jumped as they laughed.

Him: Have you thought about buying a hearing aid? And you

have good sounds, you could practice and actually do good.

Kutlo: I used to want it growing up but now I'm used to not having it.

Him: We should follow through and see how it goes, I love the sound that comes out when you're signing, bet it sounds even better when you something inside you

Kutlo: You're completely rotten... Jesus

They laughed as he reached for her jaw and pulled her down softly kissing her...

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At AA bed and breakfast...

After sharing big birthday
Disney princess birthday cake
the children ran across the
green grass holding threads
with a cloud of colourful

balloons while others screamed jumping up and down on the jumping castle.

Akeelah and Luke's wife picked up the disposable cups chatting while other parents helped out on the other side...

Mrs Luke: I thought Darling would be here

Akeelah: Me too, I had invited her though

Mrs Luke: Ok... By the way I need to visit a friend but I'm going to tell Luke I'm visiting you so you'll have to go somewhere so he can think we are together.

Akeelah stopped picking the trash and paused looking at her while holding the black plastic bag...

Akeelah: You want me to be your alibi in your cheating?

Mrs Luke: I'm not cheating.

Akeelah: Don't ever ask me to do something like that, especially to a man like Luke, are you serious right now? Why cheat on such a good man.

Omo ruta gore mo lenyalong goa chitiwa and when he starts fucking around you'll be crying

again.. Why invite the devil in your home?

Mrs Luke: Luke has been so busy at work, he is expecting a promotion so it's like he is focused on that. I feel a bit lonely.. I just wanted a little fun, tota it's not that I don't love him. He is knocks off late so we hardly have sex the way he does when he isn't tired.
Nna kana ke addicted to sex,

gakea go lobela, I have a big problem... I need sex regularly.

Akeelah: Then talk to him, cheating will hurt him. Imagine Luke loves you and already you've hurt him in the past...

Trust me this will end your marriage. I know this because I'm the Luke of my marriage...

Don't hurt him, talk to him and he will see what to do. This guy is working hard to give you money, the least you can do is

to keep this pussy for him
alone. Knowing your spouse
doesn't cheat gives so much
peace...

Mrs Luke: You're making me
feel guilty...

She took out her phone and
texted while Akeelah lectured
her..

Mrs Luke: Hi, sorry for giving you my number. I can't meet you bye.

She blocked and sighed then they continued picking trash while chatting.

Akeelah: Luke indirectly saved my marriage so you can't hurt him, he is my brother. If anything let's find a way around that... I can babysit the

kids... It's a weekend and I'm sure he'd just want to rest then you can fuck him. Men need to be fucked too.. Be crazy nyana and wake that beast inside him.. If he tired rape him, that will give him energy..

Mrs Luke: (laughed) O sala le bana ee, I'm going to fuck him

Akeelah : (laughed and moved her waist in a funny way) Ore uh uh look at me.... Look at me boy... Who is your mama?

They laughed and continued cleaning.

At Craig Techs...

Later on Darling slowly parked the car and switched off the engine getting ready to step out then her phone rang..

Darling: Hello?

Akeelah: Hey... I didn't see you
at my daughter's party

Darling: Yeah, I wanted to come
but Craig doesn't think it's a
good idea for us to continue to
be close because we were
brought close by the brothers
and now I'm not with the other
brother so it's kind of conflict of
interest. I just want to stay
away from anyone in my past
life so I can move on.

Akeelah: But you could have told me when I was giving you the invitation, nowadays mma wa ntathella hela. Did I do something wrong?

Darling: (sighed) It's not that... I just don't want people in my past on my present

Akeelah: (touched her chest holding the phone with the other hand) People also includes me?

Darling: Everyone

Akeelah: Ok, I understand. At least you're honest, I appreciate that.

Darling: Ok, thanks

She hung up then she walked towards Craig's office, he stepped out dialing her and smiled hanging up as soon as he laid eyes on her. He put his hands around her waist and kissed her..

Craig: Hey.. Picking me up?

Darling: Yeah.

Craig: Thanks..

He held her hand as they walked towards the parking lot..

Craig: What's going on with you? You have been acting really weird lately.. You know I'm not cheating on you right?

Darling: Yeah..

They got in the car then she handed him the car keys..

Craig: Talk to me... You look sad..

She looked at him tearfully then she rubbed her tears looking away..

Darling: I am so scared that you're going to cheat on me... I'm pregnant but.... I don't want to go through what I went through with my first experience. I just want to be happy.

Craig: You're pregnant?!

He stepped out of the car and walked around it to her side where he opened the door and

pulled her out burying her
between his arms..

Craig: Oh my God... This
explains the weight gain and
the tummy, ntse ke tshaba go
buwa kere ke mokhamba...
(they laughed) and then the
crazy mood swings.. Wow

He let go of her and cupped her
cheeks bending down to her
height as they came eye to eye

Craig: Babe I love you, I'd never hurt you. I can't believe I'm going to be a father. I was honestly beginning to worry even though you said the problem might be you for using injections for a while..

He kissed her and hugged her..

Craig: This is worth celebrating..

He laughed and picked her up swinging her around as she laughed shyly hanging on to his neck...

Craig: I love you..

He put her down and kissed her against the car..

Craig: We have to celebrate...
Where do you want to go?

Darling: (laughed) Anywhere is fine... (looked at the time) We have to wait for Bold, Teto is dropping him off, remember it's a weekend.

Craig: Ask him to have him for the weekend so we can celebrate this just the two of us.

Darling: I miss him, let's just wait for him.

He stopped smiling and sighed then he kissed her..

Craig: Ok, whatever you want...
Let's go..

They got in the car and drove off...

At Teto's House...

A Range Rover parked at the gate then a girl jumped out while the big brother waited in the driver's seat...

Her: So I just I want Aisha?

Him: Yeah, make sure you speak Setswana if you meet an adult, your English will give away who I am.

Her: My Setswana is not that good, you know mama is always saying that.

Him: Ke kopa go bona Aisha, o kae? Try that. It's simple

Her: (slowly) Ke.... Ke a....

Him: Just speak English! Go, they don't have dogs.

Her: OK

The girl stood by the intercom pressing it then she noticed it

wasn't working and opened the sliding gate. She walked towards the open castle and knocked on the door..

A familiar face she'd seen on a photo appeared holding a kitchen cloth..

Aisha: Hi...

Girl: Hi, my name is Wanda.

Micah is at the gate.

Aisha's heart almost dropped to the floor as she looked at the car parking at the gate.

Aisha: He can't come here, my father will kill me. Shouldn't he be in America?

Wanda: We on holidays and we came to see our grandparents.

Aisha stepped out and paced to the gate, Micah rolled down the window as she approached.

Aisha: (whispered) Are you crazy?! My dad could be here any minute he went to drop off my brother.

Micah: He is at the mall, I have been stalking him since morning. My cousin is keeping an eye on him... Get in the car. Wanda just stand there..

Aisha got in the car and closed the door then Micah hugged her..

Micah: You look beautiful... I hope you don't cheat on me because if you do that I will shoot you.

She stopped and fearfully looked in his eyes then he

leaned over and stole their first kiss before reaching in the back and handing her an iPhone.

Micah : I got you a phone we can free chat on.

His phone rang..

Micah: Yeah... Ok, cheers (he hung up) Your dad just drove

out of the parking lot. I have to go. I'll see you tomorrow..

He leaned over and baby kissed her then he reached for her little breasts and squeezed them gently.

Micah: (caught his breath)
shuu... Go home...

She stepped out of the car then the little sister got in and he drove off. She put her hand over her mouth and walked back to the house, she could smell him from her lips but then the way he said he'd shoot her without blinking. She brushed it off and opened the plastic looking at her phone then she jumped up and down celebrating..

At Craig's House....

Teto parked the car, Bold got down and closed the door then he ran towards the house. Teto knocked and stepped back...

Darling opened the door in her silky sleep dress and Teto's eyes fell on her bump..

Darling: Hey Bold...

Bold: Hello... I got you cake
from the party...!

Bold ran inside as Teto looked
at her..

Teto: You're pregnant?

Darling: Yes, my husband and I
are pregnant. Is there anything
else?

She closed the door before he could respond, he stood there for a few seconds and finally got in the car. As he drove along the road he found himself going down the memory lane then he made a uturn...

At Gladys's House...

Minutes later Teto took a deep breath as he lifted his hand and

knocked on the door. A young girl opened the door and looked at him...

Her: Dumelang

Teto: Hi, I'm looking for Gladys. We used to work together. Is she home?

Her: Mama died last year....

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At Glady's house.

Teto: I didn't know that, I'm
sorry.

Her: Ok.

Teto: I also didn't know she had a daughter. Do you have siblings?

Her : No.

Teto: What do you do?

Her: I'm a preschool caregiver.

Teto: What did you study?

Her: I am not gifted academically.

Teto: Ok...

There was an awkward moment, he looked at her speechless. She had no makeup on but she was beautiful, she was light skinned and she seemed to have had quite an acne in her teenage years...

Teto: What's your name?

Her: Linda.

Teto: It's a beautiful name.

Linda: Thank you.

Teto took a deep breath and looked around the yard, there wasn't much around. Just the tree and the one house in the yard..

Teto: Do you stay alone?

Linda: I was staying with my cousin but she went to school in UB.

She paused for a minute and sighed uncomfortably at his million questions realising she had just given him way too much information..

Linda: But my father visits me regularly, he doesn't stay that far... (pointed) Just this side, is there anything else I can do for you?

Teto: No, can I have your number?

Linda: Why?

Teto: I'd like to take you out?

Linda: I'm just 19.

Teto: Are you trying to say I'm an old man?

She chuckled looking down...

Teto: Linda?

Linda: (looking down) Rra?

Teto: Bua le nna.

Linda: Uh, gankake kale neela
number yame ne le bereka le
mama gape le tsala le mama. (I
can't give you my number
when you were mama's friend)

Teto: Your mother and I were
coworkers. Gape oska bua le
nna ore le, bua hela sente.

She looked down
uncomfortable as Teto pierced
her with his eyes...

Teto: Linda?

Linda: Rra?

Teto: (smiled) Gakea go utwa,
bua gape.

Linda: Le isa kae numbera
yame?

Teto: I want to call you this
evening and take you out on a
date...

Linda: Uh, nna ke a le tshaba le
batona. (With all due respect
you're too old)

Teto: O motona kana Linda
waitse tota? (but you're
enough too)

Linda: Mme eseng go jola le
batho bane ba bereka le mama,
gongwe le batona le mogo
mama. Nna ke a tshaba. (but I
can't date people my mother's
age)

Teto put his hands in the
pockets looking at her then she
remembered the bucket she

left at the tap and paced to the other side of house. She closed the tap before the bucket could fill up and walked back to the front of the house barefooted. She then sat on the bucket blocking the sun with her hand...

Teto: Doesn't this house have water inside?

Linda: There is a blockage.

Teto : Can I have a look at it?

Linda: My father said he will fix it tomorrow.

She stood up and took the bucket inside then she stood at the door.

Teto : (calmly) O gana ka numbera? (don't want you want to give me your number?)

Linda: Nnyaa rra.

Teto: Tisa ee.

Linda: (kept quiet)....

Teto: Ok, let's do this... Put your number

He took out his phone to give it to her but she looked down without taking it.

Teto: I just want to be friends with you.

Linda: I can't be friends with my mother's friend.

Teto: No, you're getting it wrong. I wasn't friends with your mother like that. That's why it's been so many years since we talked, we were just colleagues and today I just remembered her and thought I'd see how she is doing. Please give me your number... I promise your mother and I were never those kind of friends. Tsenya numbera ya gago.

Linda: I need time to think.

Teto : OK, I respect that..

He walked back to the car and took out his business card then he put it on top of the bucket with a P50 note.

Teto : That's for the airtime in case you decide to call me. Bye.

Linda: Thank you.

He walked back to the car and drove off....

At Tsame's uncle's...

Later on a taxi stopped at the gate then Aisha stepped out and closed the door.

Taxi driver: I hope you won't take forever because I'm working.

Aisha: I won't take long.

She ran towards the house and knocked then she walked in to a smelly house, an old man laid on a torn couch.

Aisha: Ko-ko!?

Old man: (shaky voice) Tsena...

She slowly walked over, the old man with a cataract on the

other eye slowly got up and looked at her.

Aisha: Dumelang... My name is Aisha, I am Tsame's daughter and I'm here to collect my card, the one the government gives to orphans for their monthly expenses.

The old man looked up at her with one eye and looked down...

Old man: You're so grown you look like your mother when she was your age. Do you know that I'm your father?

Aisha: I know my father, I need the swiping card.

Old man: I am your real father, your mother was staying here with me and my wife when she got pregnant with you. I raised her and we got close. She ran off when she thought her late

aunt would find out about me being your father. You need to help me, I'm very sick my daughter...

Aisha froze staring at the old wrinkled smelly man. She pictured all of Tsame's photos her father had shown her, it didn't make sense for her to agree to do that with this kind, it wasn't possible. The taxi honked outside then

interrupting her thoughts she
ran out and got in the taxi. She
sat in the back with a long face
as the taxi drove off..

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At Teto's House...

Aisha walked in her room and closed the door then she sat on the bed and put her hands over her face crying. Her phone vibrated in her back pocket then she rubbed her eyes and picked..

Aisha: Hello

Micah: (smiled) Hi, let me know if your dad steps out. I got you a little present you might like.

Aisha: I'm really stressed out, I just found out something really bad... My mother was raped and she had me. I wish I never found out now I don't like myself.

Micah: I don't think you should worry about things you can't change, besides you have a

good dad already so who cares
about the sperm donar

Aisha: (crying) You don't
understand, the man who
claims to be my father is an old
dirty wrinkly man, he looks like
a witch doctor and the other
eye is white. This same man
almost raped me, I was very
young and my memory is fuzzy
but I know he tried to rape me
then my dad's girlfriend at the
time took me. Her name is

Botho, what happened today made me remember everything... I remember that house... I even remember my mother going to the hospital and not coming back. I never saw her after but there was a lot of people gole leso laga mama. My dad and his girlfriend took me, she later left us and then we met my dad's family that's when I started having a normal childhood with

my grandmother, but then she died and we started the back and forth with dad's girlfriends.. The point is... (tearfully) This man raped my mother and I don't think she told anyone, the same man tried to rape me....I remember him trying to do the same on me. He didn't penetrate me but he rubbed himself on me and his things would drop all over me, I used to have rush down

there and I wouldn't walk properly. I want to kill him...Will you help me?

Micah: Well, I could kill him for you by myself with my cousin but you're a girl, one day we will fight or maybe you'll tell your girlfriends thinking you trust them then I'll be fucked. How about you talk to someone, like a counsellor? I don't know if that thing works.

Aisha: I can't talk to grownups about such things. I don't even have friends

Micah: Ok... I wouldn't too so.. What should I do?

Aisha: I'm going to drink my dad's wine, I can't handle this. Maybe I should be dead just like my mother...

Micah: Ok, you're not doing that... What about me? I love you, I didn't even kiss you yet

Aisha: (tearfully) I am that old man's child...I can't believe my father would do this to me.

Micah: Maybe he was protecting you by not telling you, look at you now all crying. Don't drink alcohol, you're too young for that.

Aisha: I am a product of incest and child abuse.

She hung up and burst into tears, Naya and her brother

walked in and stood at the door
looking at her..

Naya: Aisha? Are you OK?

Aisha: (rubbing her tears) Yes,
I'm fine. Go watch TV..

She got up and headed to the
kitchen where she poured
alcohol in the glass then she
left the fridge open and walked
to her room with the bottle and

the plastic cup, she locked the door and sat down drinking.

At Teto's office....

Teto ran upstairs and stopped at the top as he caught his breath then he walked towards his office, he unlocked the door and grabbed two files on the table and walked down the stairs as his phone received a message. He probably needed

to work tonight just to distract his mind and stop thinking about Linda... She probably had a point, she was pretty young but she was mature enough. If she could clean that yard like that and actually run a household she was fine.

Besides he wasn't looking for a maid or a baby sitter, he wanted a woman he could just be himself with and she was just perfect. That naturally

damn... She had big eyes and when she shyly looked at him pressing those lashes up her socket it was just irresistible... That body looked like a sculpture, she was fresh, just got ripe. His phone vibrated then he excitedly took it out....must have been Linda, dammit! It wasn't her. Just an airtime promotional message.

At Teto's House....

Later that evening Aisha walked out the gate staggering and dialing Micah...

Micah: Hello?

Aisha: Hey, I'm walking towards the gate. You can find me on the way

Micah: You don't sound too good, Stay home. I'll come

there, you're going to get me in trouble if you leave

Aisha: I want to kiss you

Micah: That's it, I'm coming.

Don't walk any further, stand at the gate. Someone will pick you up and you won't remember anything, is that what you want?

Aisha: I want to die like my mother. Maybe I can be happy.

He cut the call, minutes later the car approached and stopped next to Aisha, she smiled wide and got in the car without closing the door, Micah leaned over her closing the door then she grabbed his cheeks and kissed him with a breath of alcohol, he leaned back and sighed..

Micah: You're drunk, who is home with the children?

Aisha: Alone

Micah: You can't leave them alone...(sighed and shook his head) Man! My dad is going to kill me, I swear he is going to take my PlayStation for months... (sighed) Aisha why did you drink?

She leaned over and threw up on the carpet and dashboard...

Micah : Fuck! This is my uncle's car and he is going to kill me... I'm so dead.

Aisha leaned back on the seat catching her breath and closed her eyes humming a song before passing out leaving him shocked then her head slipped over to his side, he laid her properly and sat there for a few minutes then he video called his father.

Him : Hello?

Micah: Dad?

Him: Why are you behind the wheel? In Botswana driving age starts with 18 not 16

Micah: But I have a driver's licence

Him: You're in Botswana! I thought wr talked about staying out of trouble.

Micah: Anyways there is a girl in the car.. (moved the camera showing him Aisha)

Him: What have you done? Is that the little girl wr talked about?

Micah: She is drunk, she told me her mother was raped and that the old man is her father, it's a long crazy story but I'm scared because she passed out in Uncle Ray's car and he will need soon. She also threw up

but I can take it to the car wash, my problem is her and her dad could be here anytime..

Him: Take her home, you didn't have sex with her did you?

Micah: I didn't

Him: Are you sure?

Micah: Dad!

Him: Fine, take her inside and tell her father what happened.

Micah: No, I will get in trouble and no one is home except the kids.

Him: Micah! Go inside

Micah: There is no one inside, it's her siblings.

Him: Take her inside then wait in the car until her father comes, then tell him what happened and that I told you to wait and make sure Aisha doesn't go anywhere in that state. Go!

Micah: (tearfully) And if they say I defiled her and I go to jail or maybe her father punches me. I'm scared he is a big guy

Him : Please tell me you're not going to cry next to a girl you say you like, are you stupid?

Are you gay?

Micah: No!

Him: If you don't do this her father will never trust you and he will know you were there. This is your only chance of ever

showing that man that you're a different kind of Zimona, show him you respect girls because I raised you to respect them and take responsibility. I'm hanging up, the choice is yours.

He hung up and there was silence as that disconnection tone dinged. Micah rubbed his eyes and slid the phone in his pocket then he drove inside the yard. He picked Aisha up and

walked in the house as the kids looked at him weird..

Micah : Where is her room?

Naya: (pointed) There

Bold: Why is she sleeping?

Naya: Shhh

He walked in and laid her down then he cleaned her up with a towel, pulled a duvet over her

and walked out pulling his jeans.

Micah: Watch TV, I'm waiting for your dad outside.

Naya: Ok

Micah: My name is Micah by the way

Naya: I know

Micah: (smiled) You know?

Naya: You're her boyfriend

Micah: (smiled even wider) She told you that? (Naya nodded then smiled blushing) Ok... Bye

He closed the door and got back in the car, he sat in there with a smile on his face and actually laughed then he put his hands over his mouth in disbelief, she actually liked him and it felt so good to finally have such a beautiful girl call

him hers. Uh fuck! His dad was right.... Girls are the treasurer.

He eyes fell on her vomit then he stepped out of the car and started cleaning up. Minutes later Teto drove through the gate and frowned at the Range rover parkin in front of his house. He parked and stepped out as Micah stepped out, he recognised this boy and his blood started pumping. The

guts of this boy.... To park right in front of his house?

Teto: (angrily) What do you want?

Micah stepped staggered back as Teto walked up to him and grabbed his throat...

Teto: What do you want in my house?

Micah: Aisha found out who her father is then she got drunk and called me. I picked her up at the road so I didn't want to leave because I didn't want her walking out drunk aga-

He released him, Micah caught his breath and coughed massaging his neck...

Teto: She found out what?

Micah: Something about her mother being raped by her uncle, the old man told her when she went to collect her card... Orphans ATM card or whatever, I don't know much about it. She said they got her card and she wants it then the old man told her, then she remembered them trying to molest her. It's a long story and she was acting crazy. I called my father because I was

confused and he said its not safe to leave her.

Teto turned and walked in the house where he sat on the bed and shook Aisha's shoulder..

Teto: So you went ahead with this card issue? Am I not giving you enough? What do you want? Am I not treating you good? Where am I failing, why are you digging up the past?

Why can't you respect me as your father?

She slid up looking at her father as tears filled her eyes all over again...

Aisha: (crying) I remember him.... I know what that old man used to do over me... He used to rub himself over me and now I know he raped my mother. He says he is my

father, I'd rather die than be his daughter.. My mother would never sleep with her uncle...

Teto: I am your father, ok?
What did he tell you?

Aisha: He told me, he said I'm his daughter and I should help him. I know he is telling the truth because I'm different from Naya and Bold. I don't have your complexion, my eyes

are different and I'm just different..

Teto: You never told me he rubbed himself on you Aisha, we asked you during that time

Aisha: I didn't remember, I was a child and I rubbed it off my mind but now I remember... I remember everything and I can't live with myself.

Teto: The truth is I don't know if he is telling the truth or not but from my conversation with

your mother he might be right, when I told her I hated my mother for abandoning me she asked me not to judge her mother because girls are taken advantage of, she talked for a while and got teary. She even rubbed her eyes and from that moment onwards I knew you didn't come properly and I didn't press the issue. I claimed you as mine and loved you. Now because you don't listen

to me you went out there and found out this hurtful information I was trying to protect you from because I loved your mother and made a promise I'd love you and never let anything harm you. You had to be stubborn and go after a card that gives P600 per month kana ke bokae made a teng...

Now you got what you wanted and you have to be a big girl and live with it too. One thing I

know now is can't protect you anymore Aisha, you're a stubborn child... Just because you're tall and you have breasts doesn't mean you're a woman and you go around demanding things... That's what happens to a child who doesn't listen... I don't feel sorry for you. Deal with this and believe me, the next time you touch a bottle of alcohol I'll beat you so hard and step over neck do you

understand me? I will you
before you turn into something
I didn't raise.... You even bring
boys home, Aisha I will kill you,
do you really want to test me
like that?

Micah walked in and sincerely
stopped at the door with his
hands respectfully together.

Micah : Is it ok if I leave?

Teto: Stay with here, your mother has to come over. I need to talk to her because I'm getting sick sick and tired of dealing with you. I'm this close to beating you and you don't want my punch on your cheek because I will break your jaw. Stay there until I come back (paused and pointed at him) and if you touch her-

Micah: I won't. I won't disappoint you.

Teto: And you're not going to be her boyfriend either, this isn't America.

Micah: I understand, I just didn't want my crush getting picked up by grownups and getting raped then wake up with no memory of it. I'd rather you hit me and hate me... My dad told me to treasure a girl, and I'm proud of myself for protecting her today.

Teto paused looking at him for a moment and he knew he had a point but he wasn't going to admit that at least not to his face.

Teto: I'm coming. I'm going to get her something to detox...

At Tsame's uncle...

Minutes later Teto in the cover of the darkness Teto walked through the gate putting on his gloves as tears burned his eyes. He swallowed and took a deep breath as his tears dried...

He knocked on the door and opened as the radio played, the old man responded sitting on the torn couch as Teto stood in front of him looking at him.

Teto: Do you remember me?

Him: Teto

Teto: Why did you do that to her? Get her pregnant and kick her out, convince the whole family that she was a rebellious child then try to rape Aisha?

You're sick... Tsame and Aisha are going to be the last thing on your mind. I wish I could stab you with a knife but I don't want to mess up this scene...

The old man's heart pounded and he tried to stand, he tripped a cup and it shattered on the floor, Teto grabbed him from behind and put his hand over his mouth and nose with his hand hooking his arms behind him. The weak old man struggled for a breath of air while Teto tightly put his hand over him until he got weak and finally succumbed. Teto released him as his body fell

down then he took a deep breath of satisfaction, he positioned his body and stepped back observing the scene then he took out a cloth and wiped the old man's face just in case but this is Botswana. Who puts energy into investigating the death of an elderly.

He walked out and wiped the door knob then he closed with

the cloth and walked away.

Wouldn't it be great if he is found weeks later when the body is rotten.

He walked out the gate and put on a cap walking to a spot he had parked. Once in the car he leaned back and sighed thoughtfully...what if someone saw him walking in there, what if he dropped something during the struggle, was it really

possible to get away with murder? What would happen to his children if he got caught? He probably had to call Age... Nah, not this time. He wasn't dragging him into his mess, if he was going down for this he was going down alone. Maybe he had to go back just to make sure he didn't leave anything incriminating on the crime scene...

He stepped out of the car and took a few steps then he went back in the car, he sighed and leaned over the steering wheel as his heart pounded then he started the car and drove off.

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At Teto's House...

Later that night he parked next to the Range rover and leaned back closing his eyes trying to get it together. He stepped out and walked in the house where

Micah was playing a TV game with Bold.

Teto: (sighed taking off his sweater) Get out of my house..

Bold : He is my friend!

Teto : He is not your friend

Bold: He let's me win!

Teto : (to Micah) Boy get out of my house.

Micah stood up and sighed pulling up his jeans..

Teto: Why don't you use a belt? Your boxer briefs are literally out

Micah: It's swag, girls like it like that... (Teto glared at him)

Other girls not Aisha... (Teto frowned) Not that I have girls. (stammered) I don't know why I said that. Girls don't like me

that much...it's just fashion, you have to go with the flow.

Teto: Just get out and stay away from my daughter, you're uncultured and I don't like your accent.

Micah: Sorry...

He walked out then just as Teto turned around he ran back inside and past by him..

Micah: I forgot my phone, they wanted to take pictures..

He walked in the bedroom and got it from then he walked out..

Teto : Bring it here..I'm deleting their pictures

Micah: I'll delete them

Teto: I want to make sure they're deleted.

Micah: It's an iPhone, they don't exactly get permanently deleted and I can still retrieve them from the trash can, files just pressed-

Teto: Bring it

He got it and clicked on the menu then his eyes scanned through lots of apps...

Teto: Where are they?

Micah: Let me teach you, this are new phones so old people can't just use them. My father also can't do anything on my phone in my absence.

Teto: Who is old people?

Micah: (laughed) Ne kesa reye lona, ke raya batho hela ba sele koo

Micah ran his fingers around highlighting the pictures and

deleting them while he watched.

Micah: Done but I can still retrieve them, I won't though, I'm just saying in case you have an old phone that can't retrieve deleted files.

Teto: Get out of my house.

Micah: Ok, thank you.

He walked out as Bold waved at him.

Bold : Are you coming tomorrow?

Micah: I can't, bye

He closed the door then Teto walked towards Aisha's room and stuck his head in looking at them sitting on the bed.

Teto : I will talk to you
tomorrow.

He closed the door and walked
in his room as he unhooked his
jeans, dropped his clothes on
the chair and jumped in the
shower. He stood under the
shower head as water washed
down his body, now that he
was alone he couldn't imagine
what life had been like for
Tsame, if he'd only respected

her more and appreciated her more... Be her happiness but instead he acted like a jerk and brought complications for her pregnancy. Tears filled his eyes and he looked down at his feet as the water washed down his tears.

Teto: I love you... I'll never find one like you and I don't think I'll get over your death. Rest in peace babe I got him... Our girl

is safe... I'll love her for you. I will make it up to you...

He turned around and washed then he turned the water off and stepped out with a towel. He sat on the bed and wiped himself then he put on his sweatpants and went to the living room to lock the doors and chase Bold to bed, he switched the TV off and went back to his room where he

switched off the lights and laid on his back like a dead person staring at the dark...

He thought back again to the old man's house, something didn't feel right, it felt like he left something in that house...

He retraced his steps and he still couldn't find out what it was. Just the thought rushed his blood.... Wouldn't it be tragic if this night ruined his

whole life. Talking about his life, Micah's words came to mind.. "Old people" he really was an adult now and there was no denying his children were growing up. Who would have thought Aisha would have feelings for boys, it was just awkward having a boy over who wants to sleep with his daughter. Was he that old?

He probably was... Everyone around him was married or in a serious relationship and though this bothered him throughout the years now it was eating him alive that he couldn't find a partner. Sleeping alone was not fun, this was all he did...

Thinking and thinking hoping to fall asleep. Hours would pass as he tossed and turned... Was this depression or insomnia? He wasn't sure either but he

reached over for his phone and checked the time, it was a few minutes after 1am and the whole house was silent.

He got up and went to the kitchen where he got some snacks and came back to bed where he ate while pressing his phone to get rid of all the thoughts, maybe he'd fall asleep.. He searched Linda with

her mother's surname and
tapped on her pictures..

God, she was so beautiful.. But
also so young.. So young he felt
guilty, he scrolled through her
pictures and smiled looking at
her advertisements for
crocheted clothes, her work
was actually beautiful... He
clicked on the things she made
and smiled surprised then he
paused at a picture of her

holding two of those sticks
crocheting..

Teto: Fuck!

He went through her adverts
and came across her number
then he copied it down and
dialed it.

Linda: (softly with a sleepy
voice) Hello?

Teto: Wow

Linda: (rubbed her eyes) Hello?

Teto: It's a wrong number. I'm sorry

Linda : Ok, bye

Teto: You have a very nice voice

Linda: Go siame motho wa modimo o ntsositse ke robetse.

Teto: I'll make it up to you

Linda: You sound so familiar, do I know you?

Teto: I don't think so.. Robala re taa bua kamoso.

Linda: O wrong number kana wa ntshamekisa?

Teto: It's Teto (there was silence) Linda?

Linda: Rra?

Teto: I'm looking at your Facebook account and I think I underestimated you. You're mature and more talented than I could have imagined.

Linda: Thank you

Teto: You should make something for my son, a jersey, how much is it?

Linda: How old is he?

Teto: turning 6

Linda: P400

Teto: I'll make payment now, he likes blue...

Linda: I'll have to measure him

Teto: I'll come get you tomorrow

Linda: No, I don't go to people's houses. Ale mo tise kamoso

Teto: Can you do me a favour, don't say words like "ale mo tise" don't refer to me as "le" it makes our conversation weird, makes me a paedophile and I don't like that.

Linda : (laughed) Akere le bagolo bathong

Teto: (laughed) Ke taago shapa kana Linda

Linda: (laughed) Then I'll use English because ka Setswana I sound disrespectful talking to you like you're my peer. Nkare gakena maitseo, nere shapelwa go bua le batho ba ba tona jalo. Go riana nkase go bitse hela ka first name o malome Teto

Teto: (laughed) Linda wee?

Linda: (giggled) Rra?

Teto: (laughed) Robala re taa bua phakela, ke dule mogo tsa marato, e padile ha ele gore ke

malome. I'll just be your customer.

Linda: (smiled) Ok, Goodnight

Teto: (smiled) Goodnight

He hung up smiling and shook his head then he put down his phone and yawned pulling the duvet over as he closed his eyes and slept peacefully.

While deep in his sleep Tsame walked over in a white long dress and stopped by the bed smiling, he turned laying on his back and looked at her...

Tsame : (softly) You have to forgive yourself babe... I died because of labour complications.. You're a good man with flaws, you're a great father and a good brother... You'll never love again if you

don't think good about
yourself...

She leaned over and kissed him
then she stood and stretched
her hand back to where she
was coming from as if she was
calling someone. Linda walked
over naked as her teen breasts
pointed, shy and
uncomfortable she took
Tsame's hand then they walked
over.

Tsame pulled off his duvet and helped Linda get on the bed..

Tsame: Come

She sat on the bed and put Linda between her legs as they both faced him leaning against the headboard.

Tsame: (kissed Linda's neck)

Relax nana...

Linda: Ok...

Teto got off the bed and slowly took off his boxer briefs as his dick got hard, Tsame touched her breasts and flicked Linda's bean for him. Linda's eyes fell on his dick and she gasped panicking..

Tsame : Shhh... You have to get used to it... You'll be serving him until death do you apart. Learn to live with it

Linda: Uh... Bathong..

Teto crawled over and French kissed Linda, he got between their legs and kissed her again, Tsame moved up and laid Linda's head on her lap then she leaned over and spread Linda's legs exposing her

smooth shaved pussy. Teto
kissed Linda again and rubbed
his head over her smooth wet
soft pussy. For a moment it felt
like just a wet dream but it felt
so real and if it was he didn't
want to get up. He kissed her
again and caressed her...

Tsame: Babe don't hurt her..

Linda: I'm scared..

Tsame : Don't be... I got you my
girl... Tell me when it hurts ok?

Linda: Ok...

Tsame: It will hurt the first time but I promise you as your body learns to accept its fate you'll enjoy it. This pussy was made for him, he will fuck it and it may hurt a little but that's because he is a big guy you're a little girl, but we can't stop him from fucking you hard. You lay there and take it like a big girl. Let him enjoy your pussy because that's what it was

made for, enjoy this dick too...
He is going to make you taste
the most pleasurable feeling a
woman can experience, this
dick will give you so much
pleasure you'll moan his name.
I know what I'm talking about
because I been there nana
ok....(pushed her legs apart)
Let's open this legs wide....

Teto leaned over and kissed her
nipple before holding his dick

over her little opening then he slowly #removed.

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Tsame: (pushed her legs apart)
Let's open these legs wide....

Teto leaned over and kissed her nipple before holding his dick over her little opening then he

slowly pushed in splitting through her soft flesh, she flinched and clamped him with her thighs but Tsame gently pushed them wide...

Tsame: Shhhh... Relaxed...

Linda: (moaned) Ohhhh...

He had only put the mushroom head only and she was frozen holding Tsame's arms tightly,

Teto pulled out then he polished his dick looking in Linda's eyes as she caught her breath then he placed his big head over her clit so he could just slid into her soft closed flesh then he pushed in stretching her little pussy to the fullest as she moaned. Just her pussy sticking on his dick like a glove felt so good... So good he groaned slowly pushing it all the way until he ran out of

space leaving half of his dick
out...

Teto: Fuck....

Linda breathed in and out as
she put her hands over his
chest pushing him as he pushed
his dick further down though
there was no more space.

Linda: Uh.... It hurts. Don't put it all in there

Tsame kissed her forehead and rubbed her arms helping her to relax as Teto begun moving his his waist rhythmically enjoying that little space while Tsame put her hands over her head turning her to watch as a big dick disappeared inside her back and forth....

Tsame: Look at that.... He is enjoying you... Doesn't it feel good?

As he increased speed her pussy got used to his dick and every tap brought pleasure and she relaxed on Tsame's lap while Teto fucked that little pussy. She turned her head and Tsame tangled their hands while Linda moaned softly...

Linda: He is so good... I love it

Tsame: (caressed her forehead)

He is good.... I know baby... And he is enjoying you too, look at his waist moving so good...

His dick greased up with her cum and he now pushed further to fit his whole dick, just one push broke tore that hymen and leaped up screaming..

He apologetically leaned over and kissed her now using half of his dick again but it felt so good he couldn't hold back anymore. He leaned over and French kissed her then he moved his waist and looked at his dick disappearing between her tiny flaps. He put his arms around her so she would move a muscle then he shoved it all inside her cutting her breathing as she whimpered then he lost

control and fucked her even
harder and pumped his cum
inside her as her pussy
spasmed milking him...

Teto : Fuck! *#1#-@^~...

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At Teto's House...

He put his arm around her so
she would move a muscle then
he shoved it all inside her

cutting her breathing as she
whimpered then he lost control
and fucked her even harder and
pumped his cum deep inside
her as her pussy spasmed
milking him...

Teto : Fuck! *#1#-@^~...

His voice snapped him out of
his dreams as he opened his
eyes to his dick pumping the
last drop into his boxer briefs.

Teto: (caught his breath and dropped his head putting his hands over his face) Fuck Linda...

He laid down for a moment then he got up and walked in the bathroom where he grabbed a towel and wiped himself as his six pack muscles and biceps maneuvered. It had been years since he had such a

serious erotic dream, shit felt so good he went back to bed and pulled the duvet over his head closing his eyes so he could carry on...Fuck man this was so good... And the way Tsame held her down... Damn, sleep come back! He calmly closed his eyes and tried to go back to sleep again and carry on with the dream but it was gone.

He sighed and walked in the bathroom where he took a shower and smiled as water ran down his head.

At Darling's House....

The next morning Darling sat by the dressing table and fixed her makeup while Craig walked in the bedroom fixing his tie and kissed her cheek, she rubbed her cheek and leaned back..

Darling: You're messing my
makeup

Craig: It was just a kiss

Darling: You could have done it
before I started my makeup

Craig: Alright, clearly you're not
in the mood so let's drop it

Darling: I was just telling you
the truth..

Craig quietly put on his shoes and tied his laces while she continued talking..

Darling: It wasn't even that much of a bigger deal but if o ngadile that's fine.

Craig: Ga nke ke ngala nna, kopa o togele go bua. You're just being unnecessary

Darling: I just said you should have kissed me before I put on

makeup because now you've messed up everything.

Craig: Whatever..

He walked out into the kitchen where he made a cup of coffee then Darling walked in holding a makeup brush with banana powder on her cheeks..

Darling: Why do you always walk away when I'm talking to you?

Craig: You really need to stop this, it's not funny. I apologise for kissing you does that make you happy? Kante how much you never visit your friend Akeelah? What happened? I'm really getting sick of this attitude ya gago. Mood swings are not a mental disorder, you can see you're being a being

petty. If it makes you happy I'll never kiss you again, how is that?

He walked out with a cup of tea and put it on the dining area and opened his laptop as Darling walked over..

Darling: So this is how you solve conflicts? By walking away?

Craig: Darling I'm not really in the mood for your nonsense today ok? I have feelings too, can we drop this and talk about something else?

Darling: You're being selfish

Craig kept quiet and zipped his laptop then he walked out...

Craig: Have a good day.

He closed the door and drove off then she sighed and walked to the dressing table where she carried on with her makeup...

At Kutlo's office...

Later that morning Kutlo stepped out of the building with her car keys and phone, she rocked her high heels to the parking lot while busy pressing her and when she

lifted her face she laid eyes on her annoying friend. He flashed a smile leaning against his car then she blushed smiling. He reached in his car and handed her a bunch of flowers...

She always thought women who got flowers were acting up but there came that feeling, she got all red and blushed smiling as she got. They looked so beautiful you'd think they're

fake... She never thought real flowers could be so beautiful and they smelled fresh. She looked inside and noticed a small box inside..

Kutlo : (signed) What is this?

Him: (signed) Open it, let me hold the flowers for you..

She opened the box and for a minute it looked like an

engagement ring but then no, it was too thin and too long perhaps a necklace... Her lips dropped as she looked at the hearing aid she'd been thinking of ordering..

She looked at him and tears filled her eyes then she hugged him, he kissed her and rubbed her eyes..

Him: It's ok babe... Don't cry...
Put it on, I don't know if they
gave me the right one. I just
sent them your information.. So
I'm not sure if I did the right
thing.

Tears rolled all over as she
struggled wiping then then he
handed her the flowers and
took the aid which he gently
placed on her ear and fixed it
then he smiled looking at her...

Him: So what do I do now? Do I speak louder or what?

She got the distant sound waves and face changed as she curved her lips with tears blurring her eyes then she put her hands over her face crying. He kissed her and hugged her then he rubbed her tears again...

Him: Babe come on... You're making me sad... Why are you crying?

Kutlo: (signed) I can hear you but it's not enough... But I can hear sound... Thank you 🙏. You're the best thing to ever happen to me, you're annoying and amazing at the same time and I love you.

He smiled and slowly leaned over kissing her..

At Teto's office..

Later during lunchtime Teto walked downstairs talking to the phone...

Age: (laughed) You're that horny?

Teto: Man it felt so real.... It was so good, have you ever had a sweet dream and want to

continue with it? It was that good...

Age: (laughed) I've had wet dreams laiteaka but yours sounds very strong... I've never dreamt of a threesome ako the bogolo ke e lore ka live go impossible ke ikanne koga molaodi.

Age: (laughed) But seriously I really do like her and I feel like I should wait and let her grow up

a little but when I think of Gontle I'm not letting her go.

Age: (laughed) Age is just a number except if it's illegal, if she is a certified adult that has been given a go ahead to have sex by the constitution of the Republic of Botswana who are we to dispute with that? If you do what you did with Gontle playing a good boy o taa ja go jelwe gongwe re bua ka motho o nang le di boyfriend tse thuu,

👉 thuu wena ore o monnye.

Thwaagala hela o bone gore o dira jang, to me age is just a number young or old is fine as long as you're not committing any crime. There are people who want to marry people 20 years younger than them because that's what turns them on then there are those who love older women, old enough to be their mothers, ke raya gore goa jewa hela as long as

you're not breaking the law
don't be scared.

Teto: (laughed) Women old
enough to be their mothers...
Hahaha... Ehe mr... Nnyaa kaa
utwa the rra... Hahaha

Age: (laughed) O tshega eng
yaanong?

Teto: (laughed) Ae no ke
gopotse mongwe hela. (Cash
called) Cash is calling, I'll talk to
you

Age : Sure

He hung up and picked..

Cash: When can I talk to you?
I'd like to tell you something

Teto: Tell me what?

Cash : (reluctantly) Uh ha go
bate phone...

Teto: Alright, I'm going
somewhere, I think I'll be done
within an hour so I'll talk to
you.

Cash : Sure

Teto : O shap mme akere?

Cash: Uh ke mnate

Teto : OK

He hung and drove off....

At Linda's crochet stall..

Teto parked the car and stepped out with a plastic of food and drinks then he walked

over while Linda was busy crocheting listening to music in her phone and popping her gum.

Teto : Hi..

She jumped and looked at him then she spat the gum on her hand and put it on the wrapper before throwing it in the bin then she stood up.

Teto : I brought you lunch...thought you might be hungry.

Linda: Thank you, I had a very busy day today. I got a lot of orders

Teto: I advertised you at our company group,

Linda: (smiled) Thanks, they said someone shared my work with them I just didn't know it was you, I have 4 orders..

Teto: You're welcome... Don't you have an assistant?

Someone to help you for a minute so we can buy something in the shop

Linda: I'll talk to my neighbour, we always look out for each other. rekisetsana ga yo mongwe a dule.

Teto: Ok..

He walked back to the car and sat inside then he watched her

as she walked over, man she was so little she didn't wear a bra...Teto what are you doing?

He took a deep breath as she got in the car and closed the door then he reversed and drove into the mall. He stopped the car and stepped out..

Teto : Let's go...

She closed the door and they walked in the shop as it it was father and daughter, he grabbed a shopping basket and walked to the ladies section..

Teto: Pick any clothes you want, don't look at the prices but pick decent clothes that make you look like a lady.

You're not supposed to wear bo mickey mouse le high school

musical o motona ke dilo tsa
bananyana bo Aisha.

Linda: Ok..

She picked about 5 pieces of
clothes and looked at him..

Teto: Fill the basket..

Linda: (smiled) Really?

Teto: Yeah... And you can get a
few of those tsa di popae but
not a lot. I want you to dress

like a lady. My daughter is a bit taller than you but she is younger so if you dress small you'll look younger than her and people won't look at me right.

Linda: Ok

Teto: You never look at me...

Look at me

She looked in his eyes and blushed looking away then he laughed...

Teto: Tsenya dilo...

She walked around picking things and eventually warmed up to him as he quietly followed her around while she picked clothes, turned putting the hangers over her chest asking for his opinion. Anything she picked looked good on her and he didn't mind anything except the few that his

daughters owned, yeah those were out.

Minutes later they walked out of the shop carrying plastics as she paced behinds him excitedly..

Linda: I want to go home, I'm knocking off early. I want to go and fit my clothes.

Teto : (laughed) Nnyaa o toga o diga business

Linda: (laughed) Au-uh ke a tsamaa... Eseng yalo ke tile go shwega shwega...

Teto: Alright, I want us to go to another shop but I'm going in, you're remaining in the car...

Linda: OK...

He turned and drove to a lingerie shop while she

remained in the car on the parking lot. Another car parked and a pregnant lady stepped, she caught her sight and walked over to her side of the windows while she pressed her phone.

Lady : Hi... Is Teto with you?

Linda: Ee mma

Lady: Where are the children?

Linda: I don't know

Lady: Ele gore o eng sa gagwe
ke sago itse?

Linda: (looked down) Sepe

The lady held her waist in
disbelief and raised her
eyebrows..

Lady : Ngwananyana o robala le
batho ba batona? O taa tsenwa
ke malwetse waa itse? O ratana
le Teto?

Linda: (looked down) Nnyaa

Lady: Do you know that he takes ARVs? And that he has a daughter your age? He has three children... Three! Gao boi jaa! Get out of the car and run for your life, you look 16 are you crazy? Didn't your mother teach you to stay away from grown men?

Linda: She did

Lady: Out of the car

Linda: I'll wait for him first

Lady: Unbelievable... I hope you won't tell him what I told you because I was helping you.

She walked in the other shop for a few minutes and came out with a plastic then she drove away. Teto stepped out and got in the car as Linda looked down.

Teto : Are you OK?

Linda: Yes..

Teto : I want us to pass by my house so I can drop off something for my kids to eat after school.

Linda: Ok..

He reversed and drove off..

At Teto's House....

Minutes later he and Linda walked in the house and put food on the counter then he took her hand and led her to the bedroom where he threw the plastic on the bed..

Teto: Fit those... I'm not going to touch you. I just want to see you in them before you go fit yours.

Linda: Ok... Can I use the toilet?

Teto : No..

She picked the plastic and walked around the bed to stand behind him then she took off her clothes before putting on the first lingerie then she stood there uncomfortably with her hands over her shoulders.

Linda: Ke heditse, you can look

He turned around and smiled, she actually looked sexy.. Very sexy almost as if she was a model but she hadn't shaved.

Teto: Lingerie ya shavelwa

Linda: (laughed looking away) I know, sorry.

Teto: Can I shave you?

Linda: No

Teto: If I wanted to rape you I'd just rape you because you're in

my house, you don't have to be afraid of me and I'm not after sex only. Lay down...take off everything..

Linda: You won't rape me?

Teto: No, you're already in my house. I wouldn't ask you..

Linda: True

She slowly took off the lingerie and laid on the bed, Teto brought a towel and laid it

underneath her butt then he sat between her legs with a hair remover, she shyly closed his legs then he smiled calmly and spread her legs then he carefully applied the cream and moved up to her armpits..

Linda: (embarrassed) I always shave, just that I didn't know you'd take my clothes off.

Teto: It's ok.. Let's wait a few minutes then I'm going to rub it

off it will go off with all your hair.

He sat there staring at her face admiring her and his stare got her shy as she pulled the pillow and put it over her face giggling.

Teto: Ke a go rata Linda..

Linda: (still under the pillow) I love you too.

He smiled and pulled the pillow as she blushed looking at him with her big eyes.

Teto: Bua ne ke sa go utwa sente..

Linda : I love you too

Teto : Ao nna malome?

They laughed as Teto moved and sat between her legs as if

he was delivering a baby then he gently wiped the cream as it left her pussy extra smooth, his heart pounded as he looked at it.. It looked so innocent he wanted to kiss it then he leaned over and baby kissed it as Linda clamped him as they laughed then he wiped her armpits...

Teto: Ago thapa cream... The bathroom is here

She got off the bed and walked in the bathroom then he cleaned up the bedroom and disposed the empty cream bottle. He waited sitting on the edge, a bit of guilt struck him again though now he was falling too deep for her with every minute he was spending with her, she stepped out of the shower wrapping her towel around herself and smiled when he looked at her.

Linda: I feel fresh... Shower gel
ya gago e nkgga monate

Teto: Thanks..

He went quiet as she walked
over and stood by the bed, he
stood up and got a body lotion
for her. She sat on the bed and
applied while squatted in front
of her and touched her thighs...

Teto: Can I look at it...

She slowly laid on her back and relaxed as he spread her legs and looked at her pussy. He leaned over sucked her pussy cheeks then sucked her clits..

Linda: (softly) Teto?

Teto : Maa?

Linda: I'm taking ARVs, I was born with HIV

Teto: I'm taking ARVs too..

Come here

He helped her get up and
looked in her eyes as she
looked back at him..

Teto: I am so glad we have the
same status

Linda: Me too... That's why I
didn't have a boyfriend, even
friends start telling people your

status then everyone distances themselves from you.

Teto: (opened his hand) I am going to respect you despite your age and I won't hurt you...

Linda's eyes itched with tears and she looked away..

Linda: I hope you mean it because I want to be happy and I think I can make you happy

too if you teach me a lot of things..

He emotionally looked in her eyes then he sat next to her and reached for her cheek as he slowly leaned over and French kissed her, he squeezed the flesh of her breast and kissed her even hard laying her down, he took her arm and put around his neck and kissed her as he rubbed himself against

her. He slowed down the kiss and sealed it with a soft pat on the the top of her lips and got off the bed. He grabbed one of the new panties and bent over holding it for her as she put her feet in and pulled it up.

Teto: (cleared his throat) Let me go put everything in the fridge, finish dressing up re tsamae wego lenyaka matakala a o reng ke diaparo ale.

Linda: Those clothes are the best, thank you very much.
Jealous ke ya eng

He laughed and walked out repacking his hard boner. There was a knock at the door then he opened to the police...

Officer : Teto Bonga?

Teto: That's me

Officer: Do you know an old man called Jona Mareko?

Tsame's uncle, his heart thudded so hard he thought they could hear it from where they were standing.

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At Teto's House...

Teto: Yes, I know him. He is my daughter's great uncle. What's this about?

Officer: He says you attacked him and tried to kill him.

Teto: Me? That's not true. Is he sure it's me? Kana bagolo ba na le go kopanya dilo

Officer: He is sure, he says you suffocated him and left him to die.

Teto: But why would I want to kill him? What would he have done to me?

Officer: Do you mind coming with us to a police station to give a statement?

Teto: No, problem at all. Can I follow you?

Officer: No problem..

Teto : Ene mme o siame?

Maybe he was attacked by a different person and didn't take a good look.

Officer: He is just fine, he was taken to the hospital and there were no bruises, he is back home but akere dilo tse di na le protocol.. We wouldn't want to be blamed tomorrow.

Teto: Yeah, true... Let me get ready and come over... I'm just shocked, are ke mmolaelang?

Officer: He didn't say, tota ke mogolo but his children were following it up so we have to do investigations.

Teto: I understand, it makes sense. Let me get ready

Officer: You'll find us there...

They headed to the car then he went back to the bedroom and leaned over kissing Linda...

Teto: Hey, let's go.. I'll drop you home

Linda: Ok

He stood up then he yanked her up and walked outside carrying her..

Teto: How much do you even weigh?

Linda: Don't start with me, I weigh 55kg

Teto: No, this is like 12kg..

He put her down then they got in the car and drove off...

At Craig's office...

Later that afternoon after work
Craig remained in the office
and sighed leaning back
thoughtfully, he tapped on his
phone and texted his brother..

Craig: I know that women's
hormones don't balance during
pregnancy but I've just had
enough of Darling and I think by
the time the baby gets here I'll
be hating her. I can't deal with
this anymore

Him: What does she do?

Darling's call came through but ignored it and continued typing..

Craig: She is controlling me yet she hates me, we are not having sex... 5 months pregnant and we are not having sex. I won't reach 9 months plus botsetsi, faithfulness e taa pala if this is what people go

through. I always thought we hit it until last day.. If I got it until last day I would definitely survive 2 months but this is crazy.

Him: That's a serious issue, nna kwano ha motho a imile ke neelwa sex gore ibile o kgona go lela ga kere I'm tired.

Craig: I wish I was you, she has changed.... Totally changed the house is boring and I don't want to go home because I'm

just thinking about her attitude and moods. Is this even normal ne banna? Kana nna ke gone ke imisang.

Him: (laughed) I've never heard one like her, ogo direla makgakga hela and using the pregnancy as an excuse.. I have 2 kids and I've never heard of such... Sex kana e bothokwa, yoo wago tshameka yoo

Craig: Gaa mbore! Uh lenyalo ke nonsense monna. We were

boyfriend and girlfriend, she was so nice and calm and now she is just ferocious dog... This morning she got angry at me for kissing her... Can you imagine that? A kiss... I've decided ill never kiss her but WOW.

Him: (laughed) Be patient, only 4 months left then three months confinement. So you'll have sex in like 7 months

Craig: (laughed) O tsaya dilo
simple the rra

Him: (laughed) But seriously
now.. Just try to be
understanding, take one day at
a time...

Craig: (sighed) Alright, let me
go to that boring house. Can't
wait to have my son, at least
then I'll have a reason to come
home.

Him : (laughed) Shap

He hung up and dragged his feet to the car where he stayed in the car for a while before driving home.

At Darling's House...

Darling tearfully shook her head and dialed Akeelah...

Akeelah: Hello?

Darling: Can you believe Craig is cheating on me? He is doing the same thing that Teto was doing to me when I was pregnant... Its quarter past five now and he is not home, I'm calling and he is not answering the phone. After everything I have done for him so we can be happy, this is how he thanks me

Akeelah: Calm down, wena
mma kana o ilwa ke mpa

maswe, quarter past five?

What about the traffic? What if he stopped somewhere to buy something.. Tone it down

Darling: So it's my fault?

Akeelah: Ee it's your fault, you did this to Teto and I thought he was unfair but if it continues with Craig o itsee stock.

Otherwise you'll have children with different fathers and not know why men keep leaving you or cheating. You do the

same to me, one minute we are friends the next I'm people from the past. I just think you can't control yourself, tsena mo Google mma and find ways to deal with your obsession before you chase everyone away. You tortured Teto ka sex and I hope poor Craig won't be sucked into your victim mentality and end up making stupid decisions a lopela sex konte. Laa haver? (she kept

quiet) Destroy your marriage
nana a utwe? Ee... Destroy it....
You're now a professor of
destruction. I have been
pregnant twice and I know I can
control myself. I can be
insecure but I'd swear not to
call 10 times in 2 minutes.. You
can control yourself. You just
think people should bow down
to you because you're
pregnant.. Mosadi yoo ntseng
jalo o bora monna gore

kgantele monna o tsamaya
wago bowa o tswa botsetsi a
tela bo bona ngwana hela
girlfriend ae bonye. Itsee stock
mma. When Craig gets home
don't ask him why he is 15
minutes late, be nice, be
welcoming.. Make your house a
place your husbands craves
when he is out there eseng
ngwana wa batho a wa morale.
Uh!

Darling: He parked outside

Akeelah: Don't say anything negative... Keep it to yourself until go wela, those thoughts can be controlled hela sente.

Darling: Ok, bye

She hung up and put the phone down then she warned his food. Craig walked in the house and pretended he didn't see her standing in the kitchen as he passed by.

Darling: Hi, I'm warming your food

She was in a good mood, he stopped then he walked over to her and hugged her from behind kissing her, she smiled and turned her head kissing him on the cheek..

Darling: I made meat balls..
Have a taste..

Sha gave him a taste then he smiled and kissed her..

Craig: Delicious, I love it...

He got the plate then she followed him with his laptop as they chatted updating one another about work. Although she had no interest in sex whatsoever, she leaned over

and kissed him then she touched his dick getting it hard.

Craig : Babe you can't play like that if we won't do anything, nopa e tsenya stress

Darling: Who said I won't do anything about it? (kissed him) I'm sorry I have been selfish.

He slowly put down the plate and kissed her laying her down

as he got between her legs and
made love to her...

At Cash's House...

Later on Teto stepped out of
the car talking to the phone..

Age : (laughed) Waayaka
monna, that old man would
never just say you for no

reason.. Just out of nowhere?

Hell no

Teto: (laughed) I'm telling you, apparently the doctor didn't

find any bruises or anything to confirm his story so they think

he is just losing his mind. I

didn't do anything to him, he is

imagining it because he can't

even give them a reason as to

why I would do that...

Apparently he didn't that's why

the police ended up just losing

interest in the case. I can't go there now because apparently he is terrified and asked his kids to take him but they don't stay in Maun so he asked a relative to stay with him.

Age: (laughed) You're risking, monnamogolo wa teng le ene ke motandha, o paletse leso.

Teto: (laughed) I'll never do it again, from here I'll just remind him that Aisha can be tested and he would go to jail, that

will silence him and he will tell people a different story to clear my name gape nna kea jola anong I'm busy loving.

Age : How is Linda?

Teto: We have the same status, I couldn't be more relieved...

When I'm with her I'm free and I don't look down on myself as the sick one or that kind of thing. She is also fun to be with, lantha ne a ntshaba but rea

twaelana and I'm taking my time.

Age : I'm happy for you..

Teto: Alright, ill talk to you. I'm at Cash's house.

Age: Sure

He hung up and knocked as he walked in, they bumped shoulders by the couch then he sat down facing the screen.

Teto: You sounded pretty serious earlier... What were you saying?

Cash looked at him and sighed...

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At Cash's House...

Teto: You sounded pretty serious earlier... What were you saying?

Cash looked at him and sighed..

Cash: I know about you and Amber, how long are you going to act like nothing happened?

Teto: Because it's the past Amber and I have buried, the past we see no need to talk about it or even acknowledge it.

Cash: Just like that?

Teto: (stood) Was this the thing you were worried about? You got time to be worried about nonsense. Have you even

consulted Amber? Does she know we are talking about this?

Cash: (stood) OK OK

OK.....wait.. There is something else... I met a girl.. She is deaf... I kinda like her but before I can say anything to her I thought I should ask for your blessing as my big brother. I don't want to ask her out without your permission. If you say no I'll stay away from her but I'm

hoping you don't say no
because I think I love her...

Teto: Are we talking about
Kutlo?

Cash: (frowned)
Unfortunately...

Teto: You can have her if you
want, I don't mind. She and I
were never serious....

Cash: So you don't mind?

Teto: No, I have something better so nothing else matters now... Not that kare Kutlo o-

Cash: I understand what you meant...

Teto: Yeah, but I never expected this from you. After preaching about the perfect brotherhood and how I wasn't loyal for falling for Botho

Cash : This is different, you dumped Kutlo and you never really loved her. Age loved

Botho and they dated, they were still arguing back and forth then you jumped right into middle of it. That was wrong bro... This doesn't come near it because I never thought about her like that until she came into my office and I assisted her filling in her business forms. I didn't even have feelings for her throughout, I leant to love her when I spent time with her and

got to know her as more than
just a deaf girl.

Teto: Whatever

Cash: (laughed) I'm right admit
it

Teto : Bye

Cash laughed and blocked him
looking at him..

Cash: I'm right isn't it?

Teto: (laughed) Move out of the way.

Cash: Say it

Teto: (smiled pushing him aside) Ok, you're right.. You have a point.

Cash: Thanks.... And sorry for mentioning Amber, I just wanted to guilt trap you into agreeing. I didn't know you'd just easily agree.

Teto : How did you know about Amber?

Cash: I heard you two talking about it at Age's house in the kitchen, you were apologising to her and she kept assuring you.

Teto: Ok...

Cash: Tsame must have been one hell of a woman

Teto : She was.. (received Linda's pictures and smiled) I have to go..

Cash: Alright sure

Teto walked out clicking on Linda's pictures as she fitted all the clothes, he smiled and dialed.

Linda: Hello?

Teto: Can I check on you tonight? I miss you already

Linda: OK

Teto: Alright bye

Linda: Bye

He hung up and drove off...

At Craig's House...

Later that afternoon Craig and Darling relaxed on the bed chatting as she laid on her side with her thigh on his back...

Craig: So what are we going to name him?

Darling: (smiled) Oh her

Craig: I'll name him it's a boy
and you'll name her if it's a girl,
every gender for itself.

Darling: Mmh

Craig's phone rang then he
looked at the screen and
laughed...

Craig: Ke clinic, I went to the
clinic before I knew about the

baby... I was convinced something is wrong with me plus le bone after a week they call me again for another sample for further tests so I thought something was wrong.

Darling: Don't answer it ee

Craig: It will be rude of me.. Let me just answer.. (picked) Hello?

Voice: Hi, this is Dr Neil, we talked a whole back. When can you come, your results are back.

Craig: Uh I'm good, I don't think that will be necessary. My wife and I are pregnant

Voice: Ako o lese go itsapa by telling me lies, you did good by coming here in the first place...why do we as men always make excuses when we have to come to the clinic. I know your wife is not pregnant because that's impossible, you didn't get your wife pregnant

because you have
Azoospermia.

Craig: I have what?

Dr: Please come to the clinic so
we can help you. Don't make
jokes with your life, are you
coming?

Craig frowned and looked at
Darling who was equally
shocked...

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At Craig's house..

Craig's eyes shrunk in anger
and he glared at Darling, he got
up talking to the phone and

stood by the window looking outside and continued with the doctor. Darling grabbed a pillow and put it behind her back then she leaned back and waited for him. Clearly there was no need for her to keep it a secret, she had to give in now. If God chose to forgive her, her marriage would survive. If not then it would still be ok. Craig hung up the phone and turned looking at her for answers...

Craig: Start talking..

Darling: I suspected you're infertile the first two years of our relationship, I knew for sure I wasn't the problem and when I realised that you had no idea this might be the problem I came up with a plan. I have been planning this for over three years ke tshaba, wondering if it's worth it. When you started getting worried o

buetse ruri ka ngwana I got motivated. One night I called Teto to a secluded spot. There is no other reason why I chose Teto other than the fact that I needed an easy man and he was the only person I could think of. He came to meet me then I had sex with him and left. He didn't understand why I did that, I just said it was goodbye sex so I never wanted to talk about it. I had been

taking pills prior to that to prevent any infections so by the time I met him my immune system was ready. I have tested negative after that.

Craig slowly sat on the chair pinning his elbows on his knees looking at her sadly...

Darling : Teto didn't want us to stay with Bold but I could see you badly wanted a child and I

did too, but by then I knew you were infertile. I didn't want to see you break down so I stole another man's sperm so we could be happy. He doesn't know anything, I'm not interested in Teto in fact I'm the one who left him because he is self centered. Believe me he was still hopeful until on our wedding day. I love you and I brought you happiness through deceit. I'm sorry. O taa bona

gore wa intshwarela kana jang.
I want you to forgive me but if
you don't I will understand and
gakena go go buwa leswe
because you did nothing
wrong.

There was silence for a while
then he sighed and rubbed his
beard...

Craig: Miss genius when you
were planning all this did you

think that when he found out he'd trouble us?

Darling: He doesn't know anything and no one knows you're infertile so he has no reason to even suspect this.

Craig: Besides that you're a liar you just had sex with a man... Cheated on me like that?

Darling: I didn't even enjoy it, to me it was artificial insemination but I understand what you mean, I'm sorry.

Craig: I love you Darling, does that mean anything to you? Didn't you think we could see a doctor and solve this? He literally just told me azoospermia can be treated and I can have children... So what are we going to do now? And have you seen how Bold looks like his father, what makes you think this one will be any different? People are going to think I'm dumb.

Darling: I didn't think it will look like him gatwe first borns are the only ones who look like their fathers.

Craig: Now you sound dumb!

Darling: Don't call me dumb!

Craig: You had sex with a another man in order to make me happy, you don't think that's dumb? I mean let's say my wife hasn't had sex with me for five months so I went to her sister and we have been having

sex, would that sound logical to you?

Darling: No.

Craig: So what do we do?

Darling: You're not leaving me?

Craig: I wasn't kidding when I said I love you, I married you because I love you and I understand that you'll make mistakes. I kind of understand this one... Dumb as it is and I'm glad no one knows about it so it's easy to rectify it.

Darling: What are you suggesting?

Craig: Abortion, I love Bold but I won't lie to you kere I'll be happy about this one. I wouldn't abuse the child but I will be hurt. Worst thing will be us lying to the child then growing up to this or Teto finding out that it's his and then he comes for us. You know how stubborn he was about go ntshetsa ngwana magadi a gana

o tsená mo lenyalong ka ene.
He won't just let this slide ibile
hanne o tsere a little boy out
there, but him? That was just
brilliant of you, everyone is
going to know because the
baby will look like him and he
will remember your last sexual
encounter, then calculate the
age of the baby. I don't need
such drama... Do you mind
doing an abortion?

Darling: No, but I want a safe one, done by a real doctor not the ones who give you pills then you bleed.

Craig: We will go to South Africa, abortion is legal there and I'm sure we can find a professional.

Darling: Ok, let's do it...

Craig: Are you sure about it? I don't want you to do something you're not sure about.

Darling: I don't mind, I want to be happy and I'm glad we can get you fixed. It's not worth it to have Teto's child gone mme ha ngwana aka tshwana le ene tabe kele mo mathateng, he will harass us.

Craig: So it's set, we are going to South Africa for abortion? Should I talk to my personal assistant so she can book the flights and accommodation?

Darling: Yeah..

He got his phone and talked to his PA before turning over to her..

Craig: Gone mme to be honest if the doctor said I can't have kids at all it wouldn't have been such a bad idea provided we planned this together nna le wena then we choose a loser out there who isn't positive. I understand you took

precautions but the risk was not worth it. Next time we face a similar situation let me in on it, don't underestimate my love for you. Don't ever hurt me like this, I am in pain knowing he had sex le wena le gone asa kopa kooteng wa ipoka but I forgive you and I hope I won't regret it.

She hugged him then he put his arms around her and kissed her.

At Sander Accommodation

The next day Derrick parked the car then Sandra stepped out while the children were busy singing in the back..

Sandra: I swear to God I hate doing this!

Derrick: (laughed) I'll just be here enjoying games in my phone.

She sighed and walked towards the houses. She knocked on the first house and checked what they were cooking with. After checking four houses, on the fifth and eighth ones she came out with two electric stoves.

She called a meeting on the flowered circle in front of all the houses.

Sandra: I thought we agreed that no one will use an electric stove, by now I know how much power this whole yard uses. I could just leave you le bona gore le dira jang but I can't because there are tenants who are innocent. From now on if I find out you're using this

stove I will evict you without notice. I am going to draft an agreement that says you will not use this stove and if found with it you'll be evicted with immediate effect. I can't take this anymore, le imetsa barenti ba bangwe.

Tenant : (clapped hands) Nnyaa gae thoke ruler landlord, oe heditse.

Tenant2: Bring the agreement.

Tenant3: Yes, reka lapa ke batho ba ba sa rekeng gas.

They wrapped up their meeting then she walked back to the car, her mother called...

Sandra: Hello?

Her : When are you coming?
Sale o rile weeta your cousins are here...

Sandra: We are coming now.

Her: Ok.

She hung up and put the stoves in the boot then she got in the car and closed the door as Derrick drove out.

Derrick: (laughed) So you're keeping them?

Sandra: They will take them when they move out and after signing the new contract.

Minutes later Derrick drove through the gate, Sandra smiled at the cousins she grew up with..

Sandra: Wow people are grown shem...

She quickly stepped out and her overseas cousin ran over. They hugged and laughed

loudly. The husband shook hands with Derrick and the cousins ran off together without introducing their hubbies to one another..

Derrick: I'm Derrick.

Him: (British accent) I'm Lincoln, (laughed) I guess we have to sort ourselves out, she told me I'll be on my own when she meets Sandra.

Derrick: (laughed) Let's get some beer, she's been looking forward to meeting her..

The guys walked back to the car and drove off, the children ran around playing and screaming.

Sandra and her cousins stood in the kitchen and chopped vegetables, their mother stepped out with a former teacher of theirs. All three girls

looked at one another and back
at their mother...

Her: Gale dumedise tichara wa
lona?

The girls laughed and walked
over to greet him, he laughed
shaking their hands.

Him: You're all so grown...and married with kids. I'm proud of you.

Sandra: Thank you.

Cousin1: Thank you sir.

Overseas cousin: Lona ga lea nyala sir?

They all laughed..

Him : (he smiled looking at their mother) I'm still waiting for your mother's answer..

Her: Girls I thought I'd use this time to tell you that Mr Matlho wants to marry me.

Sandra: Tsená dimumzo!

They all laughed and hugged her....

At Maun Magistrate Court...

Meanwhile Botho and Teen held hands as the magistrate finalised their adoption.

Botho's eyes filled with tears and Teen turned around hugging her.

Teen: (whispered) I love you...

Minutes later the magistrate stepped out and everyone got

out as Teen and Botho hugged their family and friends...

Botho: (rubbing her tears) Babe let's go.... Batho we will see you soon.. (blowing kisses as she staggered on her heels) Thanks for coming...

Teen grabbed her hand and they ran out towards the car..

At the orphanage....

The caregiver pushed the six months old baby girl over in a pram while Botho and Teen waited. Botho put her hands over her mouth as tears rolled down. The baby smiled putting fingers in her mouth as she crackled with no teeth. Botho bent over picking her and hugged her...

Botho: Hey Bofelo.... Mama has been looking forward to this day.

Teen: Come to daddy...

Teen got her and kissed her cheek and they walked towards the office. They signed a few papers and shook hands with the staff members..

One of the caregivers brought over the baby's bag..

Botho: Give those to the other babies, my husband and I have been saving for her for months. Her big brother and sister are waiting at home, auntie wa bone just called me telling me the twins are asking about the baby...

Social worker: (laughed)

Kooteng ba eme ko gating..

Botho: Those twins are crazy,
nxu stru ba palame gate ba
letile ngwana..

They chatted for a while and
later left...

At Teen's house...

The twins opened the door
slightly and quietly watched the

nanny sleep, then they held hands and tiptoed outside.

Twin boy: (put his finger on his lips) Shh!

Twin girl: Shhh!

They ran towards the sliding gate and struggled trying to pull it open..

Twin boy: Uh it won't open,
let's go get out chairs and wait
here..

They got their little bright
coloured chairs and sat at the
gate chatting and playing. The
gate opened and they jumped
up and down...

Twins: Mama! Mama! Daddy!
Daddy! The baby is here..

Teen slowed down as their chairs blocked the way then they ran to the doors..

Twins: Mama where is the baby?

Botho laughed and opened for them while Teen gave up and got out of the car to move away their chairs, then he got

back in the car and drove in as the twins surrounded the baby. Botho's phone rang then she leaned back and answered..

Botho: Hello?

Voice: Hi, it's the woman you bought the plot from. Is it possible for me to have it back? Leha kesa itse gore ke taa duela ka eng.

Botho: Not possible, my husband and I built two houses

in it and put tenants to help us raise our children.

Voice: My husband got us in debts and his plot was taken, he lost his job and started drinking now I'm staying with in-laws and it's really hard. My husband is now having an affair with a woman who works in the bank and he is hardly home, he stays at a girlfriend's house and I'm left with in laws. I cook and clean ke tshaba le

gore ke lapile because I don't bring food home.

Botho: The plot is now in my children's names, it's not mine or my husband's, we put it up for the children. Sorry.

Voice: Ee mma... Eish!

She hung up and stepped out of the car with the baby as the twins followed her. Teen walked over and smiled at the baby touching her tiny hands...

At the Bonga family House....

Aisha walked into the house with a tray of food and bent down putting the tray on the table as Mmagwe Teto and the old man sat by watching TV..

Her: Thank you my girl..

Aisha: Ee mma..

She walked out as her secret phone vibrated in the back pocket, then she looked around and picked the call blushing..

Aisha: Hello?

Micah: Hey, how are you
Feeling?

Aisha: I'm good, sorry for getting you in trouble.

Micah: It's ok, I think I like your dad. He is kinda cool. He is like

my dad, he hardly gives compliments but I know he liked that I kept you safe.

Aisha: (laughed) Yeah, that's my dad... Anyways he is taking me for counseling. I don't think it's necessary because I just decided to focus on my family and not that old man, but if he thinks it's good I'll do it.

Micah: Yeah, shit happens. I once went for counseling too because of my dad's death

issue. One day when you're Mrs Micah Hunter Jones you'll understand but you'll be ok.

Aisha: (smiled) Ok

Micah: My dad says we have to do face love for a while so I can't see you until end of this year.

Aisha: Ok

Micah: But if you cheat on me I will shoot you, you have to only talk to me not other boys.

Aisha: That's easy.

Micah: Ok, I love you.

Aisha: I love you too.

She hung up and walked into the house and served her siblings with food...

At Age's house...

Age walked into the house and found no one, he dialed his

wife as he opened the fridge and took a sip out of the juice. His phone rang then he picked walking out..

Age: Hello?

Akeelah: Hey babe, my car won't start... I'm at your mother's house. Can you come get me?

Age: Alright, I'm on my way.

He hung up and walked out....

At Age's mother's....

Later that afternoon Age stopped at the slide gate and got out of the car. He pulled the sleeves of his shirt back and slid the gate open..

All: SURPRISE!!!!!!!

His heart skipped as he turned and smiled looking at everyone, he looked at Teto in disbelief then he laughed and punched him on the chest..

Age: You know I don't like surprises! (laughed) Now I look stupid...

Teto : Your mother did it, how can I say no to my mother?

He turned around and hugged Akeelah..

Age : Oka bolaya motho wena!

Akeelah: (laughed) Happy birthday...

He bumped shoulders with Luke then his step father. He took a deep breath looking at his mother and she tearfully looked at him smiling...

Rragwe Luke: Let's listen...

The noise died down as Age's mother looked at him while friends and family recorded with phones and cameras...

Mmagwe Age: When I gave birth to you on this day years ago I was just a little girl, I was terrified and I thought my

parents would kill me or think it's my fault so I dropped you in the toilet. Later that day when you were rescued I thought I was finally free, but throughout all these years I'd wonder what you think about me, but my pain would stop me from doing the right thing. Five years back my husband asked me to forgive and it was then that I saw the light... I thought I was a christian, but I wasn't until I

forgave because then I started living. Now I miss you, I wish we could be close but you're afraid of me... I know it will be ok but i6 just wanted to say happy birthday my little boy. You introduced me to motherhood and taught me that love is forgiveness... I love you.

Age stepped over and hugged her as everyone clapped hands.

Cash and Kutlo walked in through the gate. Cash and Teto bumped shoulders then he waved at Kutlo who waved back at him.

Teto received a message and took out his phone as Age greeted everyone..

Wifey: I'm done getting ready.
Can I take a taxi?

Teto: I'll come get you.

Wifey: OK

He put the phone back in his pocket and bumped shoulders with Luke whispering in his ear. They both laughed then he walked out through the crowd.

At Linda's house...

She stepped out in a long decent dress as her hips stretched the dress the right way. She got in the car and closed the door then Teto leaned over and kissed her..

Teto: Hey..

Linda: Hi...

Teto: You look gorgeous...

Linda: Thank you..

Teto: Are you ready to meet my family?

Linda smiled and nodded then he smiled admiring her and kissed her before driving off. His phone rang as he joined the main road..

Teto: Hello?

Darling: Hi, my husband and I are going for a little vacation. I

know 6i was supposed to get
Bold but I'll be gone for a few
days.

Teto: No problem.

Darling: Thanks..

He hung up and continued
driving..

At the party...

Minutes later Teto walked over arm in arm with Linda. The brothers naughtily lifted their eyebrows and looked at one another..

Teto : Babe this is Age.. He is the oldest followed by Luke and the youngest is Cash.. Those are their wives-and girlfriend-she is deaf.

Linda shook their hands and signed at Kutlo..

Age: Ng ng... Nnananyana wa modimo batho!

Luke: Shems....

Cash: Bo Teto bone that's why it doesn't rain in Maun... (to Linda) Nana wago tshwenya? You can run now re ta mo tshwara!

Teto: (laughed) Guys come on!

Akeelah: (put her arm around Linda) Did he say he will beat you if you run away?

Mrs Luke: (put her arm on her too) You can tell us nana, we will rescue you.. His big brothers will hold him then we will help you escape this big mean man. (baby voice) Did he scare you?

Linda: (baby voice) But he is my daddy!

They all burst into laughter, the guys laughed so hard they clapped hands. The ladies laughed and high fived Linda then Akeelah noticed Kutlo was getting left out while the boys were busy laughing. She poked her and smiled waving her over. Kutlo smiled and joined them...

*****THE END*****

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