

[Introduction]

Dad: "Anathi baby listen to me, get under that fucken bed and no matter the circumstances don't come out yezwa..."

I nodded with tears in my eyes as dad pushed me under the bed

"The diamonds Bruce"

"I ain't giving you shit"

Two gunshot sounds followed and thereafter my fathers pricing cries were heard. It took a lot in me to not cry.

"Where are the fucken diamonds?"

"You'll never find them" There was grunting then three loud bangs were

heard,I felt a hand me and I froze. I slowly turned towards the hand and it was dad's hand. He had a bullet hole on his fore head. I silently cried...My pillar was gone. My everything Gone.

[Insert 1]

-Anathi💕💕

I switched off my phone alarm, Nokia phones are so loud they force you to wake up. I got out of bed, took a quick bath then got dressed in my school uniform. Stockings, an above the knee skirt, shirt, pullover and blazer. It was winter so imagine the cold. I made 8 slices of cheese and butter bread, packed it in the fridge along with two bananas, two packets of nik nas and two danones.

I got a bursary to study, so the money I earn from working at restaurants help me get a meal for the night. You see, ever since my dad died, I've stayed

alone in his house. My home. People have tried to take me away from my home, but I plainly refused. Social workers, community mothers, churches, family members, all of them. But I wanted to hear none of it. I wanted to be with dad period. So because of this the community mothers sometimes come sleep with me to make sure I'm safe and my aunt usually comes 4 times a month.

When I was done with the lunch, I shoved it into my school bag, then I dished the phuthu and fish I made yesterday into an ice cream tin, wrapped it in plastic then stuffed it in my bag. I tidied up a bit, locked then

made my way to the shack section. I knocked on the door and Katlego opened. He was half dressed.

Me: "Really dude, silate vele"

Kat: "Ha, blame your prince Thato"

Me: "Nx, is Ma home"

Kat: "You just missed her"

Me: "I brought y'all food, for when you come back from school"

He looked at me with anger and I just pushed him aside. I took out the plastic and placed it in the fridge.

Kat: "Anathi"

Me: "Yini Katlego?" I knew a fight was coming because we always fight about this His mother is a domestic worker

and her pay is nothing more than just peanuts and with those peanuts she has to pay Thato's school fees and also buy food stocks so they can sleep with their bellies full, on top of that she has to have taxi fare money. Whenever I came to a study session at Kat's place, Thato would complain and say he's hungry. So I decided to help. Mme Katlego, refused countless times, but I always blackmailed her and she ended up agreeing. It's Kat who is hard headed

Kat: "You know I don't like that"

Me: "I won't have this argument with you again" He huffed then took his bag.

Kat: "Asambe" I took my bag and we walked to the rank, caught a taxi, which

dropped us at the school gate. Kat also got a bursary which is why he goes to my school.

We went to our different classes, Kat was in grade 12 doing Physics and I was in grade 11 doing I.T and not to brag, but I'm a pro. Lunch time came.

Boni: "Hawu babes, come spend lunch with us"

Me: "Already have plans"

Boni: "Mxm, why you always with that loser vele? Are y'all dating?"

Me: "I don't think that's your business"

The class made 'ohh' sounds. I rushed to Kat, he was under the tree where we

usually sit and they were people around laughing. Yazi, I didn't get these people. Kat wasn't someone worth laughing at, not that it's okay for that to happen. But ke Kat is tall, well built, has an amazing smile. He's eyes are sexy as hell, not to mention his slow deep and husky voice. He's a dream if you ask me, but ke maybe it's the situation at home that makes them laugh, cause it cannot possibly be his looks. I tapped his shoulder

Me: "Let's go"

Kat: "Where to?"

Me: "Just follow me please" He took his bag, then followed me to the back of the

school. I took out my lunch box. We ate in silence until I broke it.

Me:"Still doing what I told you to do?"

Kat:"Yep,don't pay them any attention"

Me:"And keep your head held high...You constantly lowering your head is what give them the fuel to bully you further. You showing them that they strike a nerve"

Kat:"That's because they do" He chuckled. I took his hand into mine.

Me:"You don't have to show them that Mr Mokoena" He laughed

Kat:"You making me sound old now"

Me:"Vele you old,look at these grey hairs. You should dye it or better yet

shave your hair. Uvele ube nechiskop"

He punch pushed me and I gasped

Me:"Abuse,help! Help" I moved a bit and je laughed. I just smiled at him.

Me:"Now that's what I want to ses Mokoena. Your head held high and a smile on that ugly face of yours'

Kat:"Oh please...You know you want to lick this handsome face" I love his cocky self. Pity that self hardly shows. I punched him.

Kat:"Ha! You punch like a girl"

Me:"That's because I am a girl genius"
He laughed.

[Insert 2]

-Anathi💕💕

Thato:"Mamela Anathi,I'll buy you a car one day. You may not like it,but trust me it will be hella expensive"

Me:"Thato baby,how old am I?"

Thato:"17"

Me:"And how old are you?"

Thato:"8"

Me:"I would've bought a lot of cars by the time you start working"

Thato:"But still Anathi"

Me:"Okay fine. Now accompany me to the shops"

Thato:"Will you buy me apple munch?"

Me: "Of course baby" I gave him his flops and helped him wear his tee.

Kat: "Where are y'all going?"

Me: "The shops. There's no knorox"

Kat: "I'll buy it"

Me: "No, you are studing remember?"

And you gotta ace the exam. You can't fail Matric phela" Yeah, Kat is writing his finals which he started the previous week. He had 5 more papers to write and he'll finish in two weeks. As for me, I was only going to write for a week and I was starting the following week which was in 3 days.

Kat: "At least let me accompany you"

Me: "No. You'll accompany me when I go home"

I took Thato's hand and we went to the shops with him busy narrating his day to me. I bought knorox, fanta pine apple and two apple munches, then we walked back home. If ears could bleed from hearing a person talk, then I would've lost a litre worth of blood. Yoh shame, Thato talks.

I got to Kat's home, cooked then washed the dishes. It was 6:45pm and that's when Mme Katlego came. She looked tired, but still managed to smile.

Me: "Ma, how are you?"

Mme Katlego: "You know you didn't have to cook right" I smiled

Me: "I wanted to ma. I knew you would come home tired and Kat is studying, so I thought I should help out."

Mme Katlego: "God bless mntanami"

Me: "Amen"

Kat: "Are you ready to go?"

Mme Katlego: "Isn't she staying?:"

Me: "No"

Mme Katlego: "At least take a lunch box"

Me: "I'll eat yesterday's left overs ma"

Kat and I walked to my house, and we were talking about general stuff nje.

Me: "Bye ke" He cleared his throat.

Kat: "Can I talk to you?"

Me: "We already talking nje Katlego"

Kat: "Mft, look... At first I didn't know what it was. I couldn't explain it, but look I... Anathi, I I... Never mind" He smiled, hugged me then kissed my cheek and walked away.

Ok that was weird. I got into my house, ate my food then slept. Vele that was my normal routine and I loved it. The only time I would sleep late is when Kat slept over.

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-Anathi💕💕

Me: "Why do you have to be so weird kodwa Katlego?"

Kat: "What did I do?"

Me: "Nx,bye. I'll see you when I get back from school" I hugged him then went to School. Zee came to me wearing the biggest smile ever. Honestly I was bored instantly.

Zee: "Hey girl"

Me: "Ya"

Zee: "Okay...How you doing?"

Me: "As you can see I'm alive and well"

Zee: "Aren't you gonna ask how I am?"

Me: "Umh...I don't care" I smiled.

Zee: "Why are you so rude?"

Me: "Because you are rude to Kat"

Zee: "I've never said anything about Kat"

Me: "I didn't ask you"

Zee: "Oh...Good luck with your paper ke" She walked away but honestly I felt bad. I made a mental note to apologize to her after the paper.

I quickly ran outside and waited for Zee, she was with Lukhona.

Me: "Zee!!" She looked at me then carried on with her conversation. I ran to them and tapped Zee's shoulder

Zee: "Yini Anathi?"

Me: "Mft, I'm sorry about earlier. What I did was uncalled for"

Zee: "Are you done?"

Me: "Come on Zinhle"

Zee: "Anathi cela ungiyeke"

Me: "Mft..."

Lukhona: "Leave the girl alone. She doesn't want to talk to you"

Me: "Wena Lukhona nobody invited you to this conversation so stay in your lane, before I destroy that thing you call a face" She gasped.

Lukhona: "Are you threatening me?"

Me: "I ain't here for you so bitch shut the hell up"

Lukhona: "Nx, I don't know what my brother ever saw in you"

Me: "Zee, can we please move away from the skank... Her voice is more irritating than a mosquito" Zee giggled.

Zee: "You owe me for making me cry"

Me: "Ice cream?"

Zee: "Sure"

Lukona: "Nx" She stormed away and we just laughed. Zee and I went to kfc and got some ice cream.

Zee: "So you and Kat?"

Me: "What about us?"

Zee: "You dating right?"

Me: "Oh hell no"

Zee: "Why? You'll make the ultimate power couple, I'm telling you"

Me: "No, we just friends and we'll stay friends. We'll never date"

Zee: "Never say never"

Me: "Let's not talk about him anymore"

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-Kat♥

#Ntate Mokoena

Me: "Let me take you out today. Let's go to Gateway"

Thi: "I don't mean to be rude, but with what money?" I chuckled.

Me: "I started work a week ago".

Thi: "What do you do?"

Me: "Umh I...I'm a garden boy to some dude in the burbs"

Thi: "I hope it's legit Ntate Mokoena" I smiled nervously

Me: "Of course Anathi"

Thi: "Did you buy groceries at home and is everything sorted for the month"

Me: "I wouldn't have initiated taking you out without sorting things out at home Anathi"

Thi: "Ohho, when?"

Me: "Now"

Thi: "Okay" I smiled nervously

Well, the job I had wasn't legit, cause I sold drugs. You see it was one day, Mom had sent me to town and whilst I was there, I was approached by a man. It happened over 2 months ago.

Man: "My boy come here"

I slowly walked to his car

Man: "What's your name?"

Me: "Katlego" He smiled

Man: "You wanna make a quick buck?"

Me: "Sure"

He had a dark aura around him. It took a lot in me to not piss my pants when he spoke, he was that intimidating. He gave me his card and told me to call him.

And I did a week ago, he sent me an address. When I got to the place, they were guns everywhere, girls twerking and drugs.

I passed by a room and that's when I saw a man being shot. He told me my

job and I was too scared to turn down the job, now I sell drugs for a living. He makes sure I'm protected and that I don't smoke the coke. He's like a father I've never had honestly.

Back to the story.

She dried her hands, then went to her room. I woke up that morning with an intention. I had made a promise to myself, I promised to make Anathi mine by the end of the day. I've had feeling for her for over 3 years. I couldn't take it anymore. I needed her to be mine. To be my love. I needed her in my arms.

She came out wearing an above the knee, open back dress with black Vans old Skool. She looked utterly amazing.

Thi: "Let's bounce"

I gave her a goofy smile then we left.

We were eating. Okay, she was eating and I was just staring at her beauty.

Me: "Thi"

Thi: "Mhm"

She picked up her head and looked at me.

Me: "I need to tell you something"

She swallowed her food then looked at me.

Thi: "I'm listening" I took a deep breath.

Me: "Thi, I don't know where to start and if I'll make sense, but Anathi. I've loved you for a while now. I've tried to fight these feelings believe me, but it seems the more I try the more they grow. I've never done this before, but it would be an honour if you were my first. Please Thi, make me the happiest soon to be first years student and be my girl. I promise to make you feel special and I promise to not hurt you, at least not intentionally." I took her hands into mine.

Tears instantly dropped from her eyes
and I wiped them off

Thi: "Kat I..."

Me: "Please Anathi, I need you"

Thi: "I guess it wouldn't hurt... Okay Kat
I'll be your girlfriend"

I squeezed her hand and smiled.

Me: "You don't know how much this
means to me Lerato laka" She smiled.

Thi: "Now can I eat?"

I let go of her hand while laughing.

Me: "I'm jealous, you choosing the food over me?"

Thi: "shut up and eat, jealousy doesn't suite you babe" I smiled.

Finally she finished eating, I settled the bill then we went to buy some ice cream then went home. I slept with a smile on my face because the love of my life was holding tightly onto me. I had her in my arms and that's where she belonged. She belonged in my arms. I kissed the top of her head.

Me: "I love you MaMbhele"

Thi: "Thanks you Ntate Mokoena"

Me: "And then?"

Thi: "Keng?"

I laughed. This chick loves my language

Me: "Nothing, Mosadi waka"

Thi: "Hhayike Moshemane... Ngathi usuthathela phezulu manje"

Me: "I'mma wife you MaMbhele trust me... You'll be Mrs Mokoena pretty soon"

Thi: "I highly doubt that but okay... Whatever you say"

Me: "I love you Future Mrs Mokoena"

I kissed the top of her head, I could feel her blush and that alone made me sleep with a smile on my face

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-Kat 

#Ntate_Mokoena

My phone vibrated in my pocket. I answered it without checking the I.D since I was pissed.

Me: "Yah"

Caller: "Woah, someone was starved yesterday"

He laughed

Me: "Who's this?"

Caller: "Its Ntokozo" I kept quiet for a while trying to ramen the name then it clicked...He was one of the people that works for Trigger, my boss.

Me: "What's up?"

Ntokozo: "What's up is that you are an hour late for your initiation"

I removed my phone from my ear and checked the time, it was 4am.

Me: "What initiation? At this time"

Ntokozo: "Ya, the boss wants to see you and I'm outside so make fast"

Me: "Moja"

I dropped the call, took a quick shower then got dressed in my jeans, a vest and black hoodie. I wore some basket ball socks and some flops. I kissed Anathi's forehead then left and really Ntokozo

was waiting for me. He was leaning on a Volkswagen G.T.I...As to how he knew of my whereabouts I'm totally unaware, but then again he's a gangster. They probably had someone follow me or something like that.

He shook my hand then gave me a bro hug.

Ntokozo: "Sup man"

Me: "Hi"

We got into the car and he drove off like a maniac. We got to the den, as they call it and yet again they were girls twerking, weed smoking and drug intake. When do these people sleep

cause according to my knowledge they are students in the crew, but then again it's the holidays.

Me: "Do you also do coke or whatever that drug it is?"

He chuckled

Ntokozo: "Narh bru, I only do weed and drink beer"

Me: "Oh"

He pushed the door open and there he was, the big man, sitting on his chair, smoking a cigar and enjoying the show. He was staring at a girl, a stripper may be and she was working the pole, with 'Money' by Cardi B playing in the background.

Trigger:"Ahh,my boy. My boy K,how are you?"

Me:"I'm good"

He got up from his chair,spanked the girls ass then walked to me. He took a can of Hunters and handed it to me.

Me:"I'm good"

Trigger:"Nonsense boy,go ahead"

Me:"I don't drink"

He looked at me for the longest time,then placed the can back where he took it from.

Trigger:"We'll revisit that some other time"

Me: "Okay"

He chuckled

Trigger: "Walk with me boy"

He lead the way and I followed behind me.

Trigger: "So, last time you told me about a boy you hate. Lungelo right?"

Me: "Yeah"

Trigger: "Would you say he's your enemy?"

Me: "Yes"

Trigger: "Ahh, well, here in my crew, an enemy of one is an enemy of all. So that Lungelo is our enemy, and do you know what we do to our enemies, pests that just won't go away?"

I swallowed hard.

Me: "What do you do?"

He smirked, then opened a door and there I was welcomed by a sharp scream. A boy possibly my age was being electrocuted. I looked at him and he smirked.

As we walked closer, I saw that it was Lungelo and my eyes popped.

Trigger: "Untie him"

The guy did as he was told, Lungelo stood up but not straight.

Lungelo: "Katlego man, please don't do this to me. At least not for that bitch please man"

I instantly got angry. Trigger gave me an already corked gun. I looked at him.

Trigger: "Shoot him" He blankly said, then sat on the chair. Lungelo looked at me with pleasing eyes.

Me: "I can't do this Trigger"

Trigger: "You just gonna let him go?"

Me: "I can't do it"

Trigger: "Think back K. Remember when he talked shit about your girl?"

Remember when you found him on top of your drunk girl. Remember boy"

Immediately when he said that, I felt my anger boil up. I imagined the thing he would've done if I didn't come soon.

Within seconds, I was beating the shit out of him. His blood was all over me, I looked at him. I was breathing heavily, while he was on the floor coughing blood. I wasn't satisfied. I took Trigger's gun and fired all the bullets at Lungelo.

Trigger: "That's my boy, now your anger is out and you've passed your initiation"

He patted my shoulder.

-Anathi 

It was Christmas Morning and I was spending it with Kat. His mother and Thato went to Matatiela, Kat didn't tag along cause of some family beef. I didn't search any deeper. And I told my aunt I wouldn't come visit cause I didn't want to leave Kat alone.

I was stirring the beef curry when he hugged me from behind. I knew it was him, because of his scent which was I fused with the smell of weed. It smelt amazing honestly.

Kat: "Hi"

Me: "Hey"

He sucked on my neck, making me feel spme typa way.

Me: "Aha Katlego, I'm cooking"

I tried to push him off, but his grip on my waist was too strong. He switched off the stove, then turned me around. Before I could say anything, his lips

were already on mine. I mine became weak at the knees. He picked me up and I involuntarily wrapped my legs around his waist and let out a soft moan.

He placed me on the bed. I was ready for him to rip my clothes off, to sex me hard, but no. He placed me on the bed, his lips left mine and he pecked my forehead.

Kat: "I love you" He smirked then walked out of the room. I screamed in frustration, but used the pillow to block the noise. My underwear was moist, I took a pad and went into the toilet, thinking that it was my period, but

no. There was a white while odorless liquid on my panty. I took it off,washed it then wore another one. I took off my apron,then went to the lounge. Kat was sitting on the couch watching a movie on his phone.

Me:"What are you watching?"

Kat:"Us"

Me:"The movie that stars Lupita N'yongo?"

Kat:"Yeah"

Me:"I hate horror though"

Kat:"We'll watch another one later"

I finished up on the pots,dished up for the both if us and ate. We washed tge

dishes together, then spent the entire Christmas in the covers eating Chips and watching movies on Kat's phone.

I loved being in his arms. It felt great, to be loved. Oh, how I wish dad was alive, so he can see the man I love.

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-Anathi💕💕

♣️5 Years lateR♣️

I got out my rental car. I stood by door as I took in the fresh and cold foreign air.

Sihle: "We've come to shake the grounds of Thailand baby!!" She screamed

Us: "Yass bitch!!" We shouted back at her, then we broke into laughter.

It was a bit chilly, we all had those huge chinchilla coats. I took off my shades. There was no sun yet we were wearing shades, we that dramatic. I took my white luggage bag out of the boot, then locked the car. We walked up the driveway pulling out luggage bags.

These past 5 years have been great shame. Kat and my relationship grew each day. He loved me and he's been very loyal and boy his dick game was getting better everytime we do it.

I studied my four year course...Criminal Law, but after completing my Course, I didn't get a job, so I put my design knowledge to use...Ever since Kat

started working,he has never allowed me to buy my own stuff so I saved the money I get and that money was used into buying my workspace. I dress myself and the rest of the gang.

Kat on the other end was a very successful Architect...He even has a logistics company...That's how successful my baby is.

Back to the story.

Sbusi was in the front so she opened the door,there was music blasting out the house. It was Body Party by Ciara that was playing.

We got in and what I saw shocked me. The guys were all sitting on chairs, while 5 girls were giving them lapdances while there were 5 other bitches working the poles. The guys were enjoying the lap dance too much that they didn't notice us.

Sbusi went to the stereo and cut the music and that's when one of girl's screams were heard. Sihle was pulling her by her hair and by this time the guys were all up. I noticed they all had boners and I guess they notice too cause they covered themselves with cushions. The bitches were still doing the thing.

Vuyo sat on the glass table with her one leg hanging and the other spread out. She lit her joint and looked at the girls.

Sena: "By the time I come back from the kitchen, your skinny selves better not be here."

She dropped her bag then went to the kitchen.

Vuyo: "Disappear"

One of the girls: "But our money"

Sbusi chuckled coldly then took out her gun.

Vuyo: "Don't make repeat myself"

The girls all got out crying. They was silence.

Me: "Follow them"

They all looked at me with there eyes popped out.

Me: "I said follow them. Or do you want an ass beating first?"

Ntokozo: "Anathi Respect!" He half shouted and all the girls looked at him with questioning faces.

Me: "Oh hell no...Ntokozo respect is earned and oh,you sure as hell don't have the slightest right to shout. If I were you,I would keep my trap zipped"

Sbusi: "Aibo anizwa yini... Get the fuck out"

They all got out, busy mumbling under their breaths.

Sihle: "I nerve of the hoe... Our money"
She mimicked the girl's voice.

Sena: "So this is the business they came for?"

Vuyo: "Bloody arses"

-Kat 

Luyolo: "Nigga, did you leave without feeding the little one? Yoh, she has never spoken like that to us in her entire life"

Ntokozo: "Tell me about it. I think I got a brain malfunction trying to process the way Thi spoke towards me"

Sethu: "Shit, why did they have come here unannounced and to that?"

Tumi: "Okay cut that, we'll see to it later... Lets focus on the fucker that stole our merchandise and brought it all the way to Thailand.

Me: "And I'm gonna make him pay, he got me into trouble with Anathi"

Sethu: "But on the real bro's those bitches know how to do it. We should bring them to S.A so they can do the ish at the club.

Ntokozo: "How long have we been away from the house?"

Luyolo: "2 to 3 hours"

Me: "That's more than enough time for the ladies to chill out. Lets bounce"

We all got into our cars and drove back to the house. We were expecting to see the girls laughing and drinking, but no, they were busy stripping for an unknown Asian. Sbusi and Vuyo were all over the guy, while the other three worked the poles.

I felt my veins popping. Tumi destroyed the stereo. We got the girls attention

for a few seconds but then they proceeded.

Ntokozo: "The fuck are y'all doing?"

Sbusi: "Ain't it obvious?" She then smashed her lips on the guy and that fuelled Ntokozo's anger, he matched to Sbusi and put her over his shoulder. He opened the sliding door then threw Sbusi in the pool that was just outside.

Sihle: "YOU HIT HER AND YOU ARE DEAD NJALO WENTOKOZO!!!"

She screamed then did a stretch. We watched in silence hoping it would stop, but it didn't.

I grabbed Anathi, threw her over my shoulder and went into the room. I threw her on the bed and she just laughed

Me: "Are you high?"

Thi: "Why you asking?"

Me: "Cause I know you'll never do that nonsense in your right mind."

Thi: "I'm perfectly sober baby"

She got up, kissed my lips then went into the ensuite. After sometime I heard the water running. I stripped then got in the shower with her.

She had her back faced to me,so I pulled her close and started sucking on her neck. I pushed her braids aside. She moaned as my other hand cupped her pussy. She placed both her hands on the wall,bending over a bit,that's when I entered her from behind. The sound of the water,her moans,my groans and the sound of her ass colliding with my dick area filled the ensuite and possible the whole room. She came way before I did,so I used the shower door as support and I gently pulled her hair allowing me to go faster. After a few strokes,I collapsed on the tiles floor and she dropped on top of me. We were staring into each others eyes. I gave her a goofy smile while she gave me a smile

of a kid who got sweets. I kissed her
nose and she giggled.

Me: "Hey"

Thi: "Hi"

[Insert 14]

-Kat💕💕

We walked the lounge giggling. Sihle and Vuyo were giving us dirty looks. I kissed Anathi's cheek.

Kat:"Hello ladies:

Vuyo:"Nx wena"

I laughed then headed to the kitchen,then came back with two glasses of orange juice,then went back and sat next to my lady.

Vuyo: "Yazi the three of y'all are traitors." She said pointing to Sena, Sbusi and Thi.

Sbusi: "How so?"

Sihle: "You gave these fuckers pussy"

Me: "So y'all were not sleeping, y'all were busy listening to our private matters?"

Sihle: "Shut up wena... You were not invited to join this conversation"

Sbusi: "Babe, we never said we ain't gonna give them sex. We said we'll do them how they did us and did that... So smoko?"

Vuyo: "Traitors nje"

They all looked at each other then
broke out into serious laughter.

Luyolo: "Are y'all high?"

They laughed even more.

We as the guys all looked at each other.

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(We back in S.A)

I pulled up the sleeves to my white
shirt, then grabbed my baseball bat.

Me: "Is he in?"

Tumi: "Delivered kid"

Me: "I hope he's untouched"

Luyolo: "I managed to resist the urge"

I chuckled, then walked into the room.

He was chained to the chair and I didn't get why.

Me: "Sledge"

He looked at me then laughed.

Sledge: "What do you want kid? Do you know who the fuck I am?"

I chuckled coldly.

Me: "I know exactly who you are. You are an old, dried up fucker, who killed my father"

He appeared to be studying me, then his eyes popped out.

Sledge: "Maximise's child?"

I smirked

Me: "And that's a green light"

Sledge: "What do you want from me?"

Me: "Simple. You pathetic life:

Sledge: "Don't kill me, I'll give you whatever you want:..

I hit him a couple of times with the bat and he cried.

Me: "I would kill you, but nah... I'm going to make you feel my pain"

Sledge: "You'll see" I smirked then walked out.

My phone rang and it was ntwana

Me: "Kid?"

Thato: "Mom and I are on our way to your house"

Me: "Why are you telling me?"

Thato: "She wants you there"

Me: "I'll see her after work"

Thato: "Is Ausi Anathi home?"

Me: "No... No... No. You making my woman sound old"

He laughed.

Thato: "I gotta respect her moss"

Me: "I'll see you bro"

I dropped the call.

-Anathi 

I drove up the driveway, parked then got out. I opened the door and I was welcomed by an amazing aroma. It was Mme Katlego and she was cooking up a storm. I kissed her cheek.

Me: "When did you get here ma?"

Mme Katlego: "A few hours ago:

Me: "But you didn't have to cook...I could've done it"

Mme Katlego: "No baby. You probably had a long and tiring day at work, you should come home, relax and wait for Katlego to come back so you too can make babies"

I popped out my eyes.

Mme Katlego: "When will you give me grandbabies? Ke batla setloholo.

I literally choked. She gave me water and drank it while she looked at me

Mme Katlego: "Go rest baby. I need to talk to you and Katlego"

Me: "Let me help you ma"

Mme Katlego: "You can help me by going to rest."

I kissed her cheek then went upstairs. I took a quick shower then slept naked.

I was woken up by cold lips on my lips. I opened my eyes and I was met by his eyes. His lips left mine and he smiled.

Kat: "Hey"

Me: "Hi"

Kat: "Get dressed. Dinner is ready"

Me: "Baby, your mom was talking about us having kids"

He smiled

Kat: "Good. I hope she convinces you to give me a Katlego Jnr"

I gave him a bored look.

Me: "Kat, we won't talk about it...at least not now"

He sat on the bed then made me sit on top of him...His member poked me and I giggled. He kissed both my boobs.

Kat: "Please babe. I need a child with you. Something that binds us. Please babe"

I pecked his lips.

Me: "I wasn't planning to have a child for at least two more years, but because I love you, I'm willing to give it to you"

Kat: "I'm not forcing you to do anything"

Me: "We gonna have a kid sooner or later...So"

Kat: "Let's have a quickie"

Me: "You are disrespectful wena. Your mom is downstairs and you want us to have sex"

He gave me a goofy smile

Me: "No" I got off him then wore my dress and went downstairs.

After dinner we washed the dishes and Thato went to his room. We were with ma, in the lounge. She smiled, then took our hands into hers.

Mme Katlego: "My children"

Us: "Ma?"

Mme Katlego: "I've already talked to Anathi about giving me grandchildren'.

I cleared my throat.

Kat: "But Ma, why so suddenly? We still have a lot of time to give you grandbabies".

She sighed.

Mme Katlego: "Unfortunately I don't... I have a weak heart. Doctor said I have 5 months to live... I at least want to gk knowing that you are pregnant"

Kat: "Excuse me"

He got up and headed upstairs

Me: "Babe"

Mme Katlego: "Let him process it"

Me: "Ma, why didn't you tell us sooner?"

Mme Katlego: "Honestly I don't know"

[Insert 15]

-Kat💕💕

I dialled Ntokozo's number and he answered almost immediately.

Ntokozo:"Sup kid"

Me:"We killing Sledge sooner then planned"

I heard some shuffling,then he spoke.

Ntokozo:"I thought you were gonna make him suffer a little more"

Me:"Change of plans"

Ntokozo:"Why?"

Me:"I urgently need a heart"

Ntokozo: "What do you need the heart for? Are you okay kid?"

I took a deep breath

Me: "My mother needs a heart"

Ntokozo: "Can't she get it from the hospital?"

Me: "If she could, it would be in her chest by now"

I snapped

Ntokozo: "Okay. I'll have the heart ready by midnight"

Me: "I'll do it myself"

He dropped the call. I threw my phone across the room and it broke. I was beyond angry, as to why, I didn't know.

I felt someone hug me from behind. It was Thi, I could tell from her scent. She placed her head on my back.

I pushed her off me and she looked at me with a confused face.

Thi: "Babe"

I ignored her and went out to the balcony for a smoke. She followed me.

Thi: "Baby please talk to me" I ignored her again. She was seriously pissing me off.

Thi: "Kat Mokoena talk to me"

Me: "I don't want to talk about it"

Thi: "But baby you h..."

Me: "ANATHI I SAID I DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT. SO LEAVE ME THE FUCK ALONE WOMAN!!!"

I stomped on my half smoked joint then pushed her aside since she was blocking my way.

I went to mom's room and I found her praying.

Me: "Ma, what's the name of your doctor?" She continued to pray and she raised her voice. I didn't get why she was praying to this God. He has never done right by us. After what felt like

forever, she looked at me with a disgusted look.

Me: "What?"

She looked at me then clicked her tongue.

Me: "What's the name of your doctor and which hospital is he at?"

Mom: "Who are you?"

I looked at her confused.

Mom: "Who are you cause you ain't my son. Since when do you shout at Anathi? And you shouted at her for what? Because she cares about you?"

Me: "You were eavesdropping?"

Mom: "Yes I was eavesdropping and for your sake, you better apologise"

Me: "Who's your doctor?"

She lifted up her hands in surrender then pulled the bed cover over her head"

Me: "Mom, I'm talking to you"

She ignored me. I got out her room and ran downstairs, then got into my car. I raced to the den. And like everyday, the place was full of hoes and coke. Even after Trigger's death, things still were done his way.

Before his death, he gave the five (Ntokozo, Luyolo, Tumi, Sethu and I) us the business. Told us to run his operation, which we did. We made it better and we went international.

Well, I wanted to make a few changes, but I was outnumbered, cause my fellow partners wanted to keep Trigger's methods.

I got into the slaughter room and Sledge was strapped onto the bed. I got closer to him and he was awake. I went out and came back with my tools and a packet of ice. I dropped all the ice on his face and he woke up screaming.

Me: "Shut the fuck up"

He did as told.

Me: "It seems like your death will benefit me in two ways. The first one is

that I'll avenge my father and secondly your heart will make my mom live for a few more years. Pity I can't make you feel the pain you made me feel."

Sledge:"Please son,don't..." I shoved the sock in his mouth,then tore his shirt apart. I took a marker then threw dashes lines on his chest,next to the heart area. I took a knife and started cutting him open. Nigga died before I even reached the heart. I took his heart out then put it into a coolerbox,stuffed it in the fridge and I cleaned up. After that I went to my car and called Tumi.

Tumi:"Kid?"

Me: "Where you at?"

I could hear music playing in the background.

Tumi: "We at Black Diamond, Ntokozo said you were dealing with something"

Me: "Ya, I'm on my way there"

I dropped the call then drove to the club.

-Anathi 

I was woken up my phone vibrating under my pillow. I spread my arm to Kat's side and as I feared, it was empty and cold. I couldn't help but think that he was out there cheating. He's never cheated, yes. But he is a man and he can start anytime. So I was worried.

I looked at my phone screen, it was Sihle.

Sihle: "Biiiiitchhh!!!" She screamed, or should I say them, cause it didn't sound as if she was alone.

Me: "Who you with over there?"

Sihle: "The squad"

Me: "Aren't you supposed to be asleep?" It was just after past 9pm.

"Girl, get ready we coming there in 30 minutes"

That was Sbusi

Me: "For what?:"

Vuyo: "Habe, the boys are out, so nathi syaphuma out"

Me: "Where exactly?"

Sena: "There's this new hot and most talked about club... Black Diamond, so we going to check it out:"

Me: "Okay" They screamed then dropped the call. I just laughed to myself. These girls know how to revive someone's mood.

I got out of bed, took a quick shower, spent about 15 minutes in my walk in closet and after a while of searching, I decided on a short off shoulder dress. I paired it with 6 inch denim block heels, I took my bag then I was off. As I got out, Sena's black G-Wagon drove up the driveway. Lil Bebe by DaniLeigh was playing really loudly and it was even louder when they opened the door. Sihle came out with two bottles of wine at hand and the other girls had glasses, even Sena, yet she was the one driving.

Them: "BIIITCH!!!"

The shouted possibly waking up the entire neighbourhood.

Me: "Shut up, Kat's mom is sleeping"

Sena: "Opps" And they all laughed.

Sbusi: "SORRY MOTHER IN LAW!!"

I just laughed as they got into the car.

Sena was about to get into the drivers seat.

Me: "Nope"

Sena: "What?:"

Me: "I'm driving, I don't want to die"

She pecked my lips and I could taste the alcohol. They were all very drunk. I

drove, suprisingly they could still see the road, cause they were the ones directing me. I parked and honestly, I was amazed by the exterior of the place.

We got into the club and Work by Rihanna was playing. My eyes automatically landed on the VIP section. There were two girls working the pole and Tumi, Luyolo and Sethu were throwing money at them. For a second, I was happy that Kat wasn't there, but then as my eyes continued to wander the VIP area. I saw a girl grinding on Kat's dick, while Ntokozo was getting a lap dance.

I took Sihle's full glass of wine.

Sihle: "The fuck Anathi?"

I ignored her and marched to the VIP section. I walked through, before the security could stop me.

I stood next to Kat and pour the wine on his head. He looked at me with his eyes popped out and he pushed the girl away.

Me: "Screw you" I slapped him then catwalked away. I was heading away from the VIP section, while the girl were headed straight to the guys. They

seemed to be sobber all of a sudden. I went to the bar and immediately started ordering shots.

Kat: "Anathi"

Me: "Don't you dare"

Kat: "Anathi please"

Me: "If you don't leave me the fuck alone, I'm telling you Your mom will lose a child"

He tried to touch me but I yanked his hand away. He sat 3 stools away from me

Drunk in Love by Beyonce came up and I ran to the dance floor and started dancing. While I was vibing to the

song,I felt hands on my waist. I turned around thinking it was Kat,but it wasn't. It was an unknown yet hot guy. He smiled showing off his dimples.

Him:"Hey"

Me:"Hi"

He removed his hands from me. I looked for Kat in through the corner of me eye and he was still at the bar,staring right at me and I could tell he was angry. His body language said it all.

Me:"Dance with me"

I started dancing with him. When I started grinding on him,I was pulled

away. It was Kat. I pushed him away from me.

Me: "Leave me the fuck alone"

Him: "Hey man, leave her alone"

Kat: "Don't fuck with me. Just because I let you dance with her, doesn't mean I'll take your bull"

Him: "Do you know this guy?"

Me: "No" Kat gave me the look and I returned it. Somehow the music was off and all eyes were on us. The gang was also surrounding us and I received looks from the boys.

Kat: "Anathi"

Him: "Man, leave her alone" The guy touched Kat, then Kat pushed him away.

The guy punched Kat. He just laughed then gave the guy a hard Punch that sent the poor guy crashing on the floor.

Me: "KATLEGO!!"

Kat: "Go to the car Anathi"

Me: "No" I knelt next to the guy but before I could touch him, I was pulled away. Kat tossed me over his shoulder and left the club with me punching his back. He threw me in the backseat, got in and sped off. Nobody said a word. He pulled up the driveway and I immediately got out of the car and into the house. I took off a piece of clothing as I went up the stairs. I got to our room and got inside the covers. A few minutes later, the door opened.

Kat:"Babe"

....Ignore

Kat:"Baby"

.....Ignore...

Kat:"My love"

Me:"Katlego Mokoena please,I want to sleep so shut the fuck up"

He sighed. There was shuffling for a while,then he got in behind me. He placed his hand over my side and he cupped my cookie.

I got out the bed and got out clicking my tongue in the process. I went to the spare room,got into the covers and immediately slept.

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I woke up in the morning and I was suffocated. There was something poking my butt. I clicked my tongue

I kicked his feet severely and he woke up.

Me: "Get off me"

Kat: "Good morning to you too baby"

He said letting me go. I got out the bed.

Me: "You just couldn't give me my space?"

Kat: "Nope" He smirked.

Me: "Yazi nje...Ouch"

I cried as I felt a sharp pain on my stomach and abdominal area. Within seconds he was next to me.

Kat: "Are you good?"

Me: "Yes, now get away from me" I pushed him aside then went to our room and took a shower. I got dressed and went to my car then went to work. I was still in pain and the pain was actually becoming severe but I went to work anyway

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-Anathi💕💕

Sam:"Are you good?"

That was my assistant. I looked at her and faked a smile

Me:"I'm good babe"

Sam:"You face and constant moving says some thing else though boss lady"

Me:"I'm okay"

She stared at me for a while,then carried on with her work. My phone rang

Me:"Hello"

"Baby"

Me:"Yes Katlego?"

Kat:"Look baby,Baby I'm sorry for lashing out on you yesterday. I'm sorry for letting that girl grind on me. I don't know why I did it. I shouldn't have done it and I can't really blame my mother's condition for what I did. I'm sorry Baby"

Me:"Are you done?:"

Kat:"Baby..."

Me:"No Katlego...Fuck ouch...FUCKKK"

Kat:"Anathi are you..."

Me:"Awungiyeka wena" I dropped the call,Sam had her eyes clued on me. I tried to get up,but that only sent me crashing on the floor and I cried loudly.

Sam quickly picked me up and carried me to the car. She got into the car.

Sam: "I'm calling Kat"

I heard the phone ringing and then Kat's voice followed.

Kat: "Hello"

Sam: "Hey, I'm taking Anathi to the hospital. She's been experiencing pain since she got to work. I'm taking her to St Augustine"

Kat: "Shit, okay I'll be on my way and thank you"

He dropped the call. After a while, she parked the car. I was taken in with a stretcher.

I was taken to the Gynecologist, she did her thing and surprisingly the pain subsided. She made me drink some pills, did tests, including an ultrasound, I didn't get why. While the doctor was busy Kat walked in and held my hand. I could've fought him but I just didn't have the strength to.

Dr: "Can I talk to you alone?"

Me: "Why?"

Dr: "Its for your results, I'll give you the blood results a little later"

Sam: "I'll go to the office" She kissed my cheek then left. The Dr looked at Kat

Me: "He can stay"

She smiled.

Dr: "Well, mam, I'll just tell you the results once the blood ones are back"

Me: "Okay"

She smiled once more then left.

I pulled my hand away from Kat.

Kat: "Baby"

Me: "Nx, awungiyeka"

Kat: "Mom is going into surgery tomorrow"

Me: "Okay"

He sighed.

Kat: "Anathi, I'm sorry okay. I apologised, what more do you want from me."

I looked at him.

Me: "Well, Katlego. An apology is not enough. You lashed out on me when I asked you how you were. I get you were hurt, but I'm your woman Katlego, you are supposed to talk. We said we would communicate. But when I tried to communicate you blew me off, on top of that, you let another chick grind on you. You let her grind on something that belongs to me. What if I didn't come, where you gonna sleep with her?"

Kat: "Hell no"

Me: "I just don't know Kat. These days you've changed. You cause me stress and you've turned me into an alcoholic, angsazi Katlego"

Kat: "I'm sorry baby"

Me: "I'm sorry, I'm sorry. That's all you ever say. Katlego I need some space:

Kat: "What do you mean?"

Me: "I mean, we should see other people. It's clear you no longer want part of this relationship, cause it ain't the first time seeing another bitch grind on you. Who knows maybe you've cheating on me?"

He chuckled

Kat: "You crazy... I know I acted like a dick. I shouldn't have done the things I

did. But the shit you saying right now, saying we should see other people, that's bull shit. That's some smelly bullshit, that I won't entertain"

Me: "Katlego"

Kat: "I'm going to get you something to eat. Sleep that craziness off"

He kissed my forehead then left. I sighed as I slid down the bed and slept.

I opened my eyes and I was met by Kat's red puffy eyes. I sat up.

Me: "Were you crying?" I asked jokingly.

Kat: "Why wouldn't I? Ankere you want to leave me. We said we'll die together

but you want to leave me, before we even get married"

I just looked at him. He gave a Nandos takeaway bag and a carton of 100% juice

Me:"Thanks"

I opened the bag took out the boxes and started eating. The doctor came.

Dr:"I see you are enjoying"

Me:"Yah"

Dr:"Well, I have your results"

Me:"Give them to me"

Dr:"Well, the pains you were experiencing were caused by your miscarriage"

I looked at her with a shocked face.

Dr: 'You were 18 weeks pregnant and with twins, but unfortunately due to your high B.P and alcohol intake, the twins didn't make it'

I looked at Kat and he had an unreadable face. I was emotionless.

Dr: 'I'm sorry' She then walked out.

Kat tried to touch me but I moved away.

Me: 'Don't touch me Mokoena' I hissed. He sighed then silence filled the room. I didn't know whether to be angry at Kat, sad cause My babies are gone or happy that they died before I

got attached and that when I leave Kat
nothing would tie us to each other.

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-Anathi💕💕

I tossed and turned on the bed. I was feeling guilty. Guilty because I was much to blame than Kat. Sure, it was because of him that I drank all those Scotch shots, but I chose to drink them. It was my fault too. I looked at Kat, who was sleeping peacefully, yet so painfully on the chair. I called out to him severely but he didn't answer. I took the spoon that was next to my bed then threw it at him. He jumped, but became calm when he saw me.

Me: "Can we talk?"

Kat:"Umh,yeah sure"

Me:'Come closer phela"

He smiled then did as I said. I took his hands into mine and I smiled.

Me:"I'm sorry for making you cry. What I said must've hurt you badly if I made you cry"

Kat:"You leaving me is the most hurt I could ever feel"

Me:"Okay...Babe,it was wrong of me to put all the blame on you. I didn't say it out loudly,but my mind and heart placed all the blame on you. I blamed you for making me drink and lose our babies. But then I realised,you didn't buy me those shots,you didn't force

them down my throat,we are both at fault here”

Kat:”Thank you baby” He kissed my forehead.

Me:”Katlego”

Kat:”Yes?”

Me:”I think we should rewind”

Kat:”What rewind?”

Me:”I think I should move out. Like I feel like the spark we once had is gone”

Kat:”Are you breaking up with me Anathi?”

Me:”No,I can never break up with you. I don't think I'll survive”

Kat:”Then what are you saying to me?”

Me: "I'm saying lets go back square one. Like go on dates, weekend sleepovers, movie nights and all."

Kat: "You've always had that in mind huh?"

Me: "No. I just realised that we don't have time for each other and plus we need to breath. We always together and that's not on. Babe please understand"

Kat: "Okay"

Me: "So you agree?"

Kat: "It doesn't matter. You've already made up your mind"

Me: "Please don't be like that"

Kat: "Don't be like what Anathi?"

Me: "Katlego please"

Kat: "I'll be back, I have to be there for mom's surgery"

Me: "Are you angry?"

Kat: "No" He kissed my forehead then left

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I crashed on the sofa...Kat and I have been working the whole day. He was helping me move into a bachelor home. It consisted of one ensuite bed room, a large kitchen and lounge. It was beautiful.

He got on top of me, with his knees on either side of my body.

Kat:"Hi"

Me:"Hey"

Kat:"I'm Katlego Mokoena and who is this beautiful lady in front of me"

Me:"I'm Anathi Mbhele"

Kat:"Soon to be Mokoena"

Me:"Are you asking or telling me?"

Kat:"I'm telling you. And right now I'm telling you that I'm gonna kiss you"

I was to speak, but he was already sucking on my upper lip, I took his bottom lip.

He pulled out, then pecked my nose.

Kat:"I'm hungry"

Me: "Get off me and I'll cook"

He bit his bottom lip, then squinted his eyes.

Me: "Not now Katlego"

He placed his hand on my back, then softly bit on my ear. He knows that, that is my weak spot.

Me: "Katlego marh..."

Kat: "You still don't want to feed me?"

Me: "Ka...mmmm" He blew cold air into my ear.

I managed to slip under him. I stood up and looked at him. He looked at me then laughed, I looked at him confused.

Me: "What?"

He didn't stop laughing. I followed his gaze then saw that he was looking at my legs and my colourless juices were dripping down my leg. Why did I have to wear a dress?

Me: "Nx" I rolled my eyes, then went to my room. I stripped then got into the shower. Luckily there was hot water. I was still enjoying the water when he came in, wearing his clothes.

Me: "Firstly what do you want in here? And secondly why are you dressed?"

He gave me a smirk. I clicked my tongue the left, leaving him laughing. I wore my underwear then wore a gown.

I started with the pots. I cooked macaroni and mince meat, something simple and quick. I serve him his food with a beer. We ate in silence. He finished eating then looked at me.

Me: "What?"

Kat: "Now there's one thing missing"

Me: "What?"

Kat: "My cake" He squeezed my thigh.

Me: "Ngisadla"

Kat: "You can skip"

Me: "No" He went to the room. I washed the dishes, locked the door then went to my room. He was inside the covers, with his head towards the

ceiling. I took off the gown, then got on top of him.

Kat: "I want to sle..."

I shut him up with a kiss, when I felt that he was in the zone, I went under the covers, pushed down his boxers then took him all in. As soon as I started moving he groaned, then placed his hands on my head.

Kat: "Shit...Anat..hi...baby"

I increased the pace, he offloaded all his cum in my mouth, the shit was nasty as fuck, but I chose to be a big girl and I swallowed it.

I kissed him, then sat on his man. He placed his hands on my waist and I started moving. My boobs were jumping up and down while Kat groaned uncontrollably and his grip getting tighter on my waist. I placed my hand on his chest and started moving faster. I already came, but I carried on until he came. I collapsed on top of him. He squeezed me tightly.

Kat: "You still wanna be away from me?"

Me: "Yes"

He chuckled then made me kneel on the floor. He entered me from behind and the rest is history

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-Anathi❤️

(2 months later)

I took my car keys, then opened the door. I was met by my aunt looking at me. She had a troubled face.

Me: "Ma"

I took her bag then went inside.

Me: "Ma, why didn't you call?"

She sat down and I went to the kitchen, quickly made her some tea and warmed some muffins then gave them to her.

Aunty: "Baby, I'm really troubled. I have tried for a while, but I couldn't anymore"

Me: "Yindaba manje ma?"

She sighed

Aunty: "Umalume wakho nje"

That's her husband, my dad's brother and I hate him. He's always been troublesome. Like he's wife, someone who's not related to me by blood loves

and protects me more than him, my own blood. He was one of the reasons why I refused to stay with my aunt when she offered.

I looked at ma, then I noticed her swallowed cheek. She followed my gaze then hid it with her scarf.

Me: "He did it again?" She shifted uncomfortably

Me: "Ma, you said he got help"

Aunty: "It's my fault, I kept pestering him about Nelisiwe's Umemulo"

Me: "That's not an excuse for him to hit you. He shouldn't do it at all"

Aunty: "Baby, I have something urgent to tell you"

Me: "Yes ma"

She sighed loudly.

Aunty: "When you were still 15, your uncle borrowed a huge sum of money from a dangerous and feared taxi owner. He was given 5 months to pay it back, but your father drank and gambled every money he got. The man came, he beat up Simphiwe (my oldest cousin), causing him to run away and they gang raped Thobeka. Luckily Neliswa was at my mother's home, so nothing happened to her. Still that didn't make your uncle at least pay some of the money. One time, I managed to get half the amount cause

they were terrorising my children and I, but when I wanted to go pay, the money was gone, I confronted him and he just beat me up. There was this one time, they came and turned the house upside down. He... he told the man that he can't pay the money, so he'll give you to his son for marriage when you turned 21. I fought, I even went to the man with the full amount but he didn't listen. He said he wanted you to be his daughter in law."

She was in tears, but as for me. I was angry, pissed, enraged. I wanted to kill my uncle with my bare hands.

Me: "How much did he borrow?"

Aunty:'1,5 million rands"

Me:"What was he gonna do with so much money?"

Aunty:"What else mntanami?"

Me:"Why did you leave the girls behind and have y'all looked for Sim?"

Aunty:"I didn't want to burden you baby and How would I have searched for him. I could've searched at his friends home,but he didn't have friends"

Me:"Okay,ma get in the car. We going to fetch the girls. Y'all will never go to that place again. No"

Aunty:"But Anathi"

Me:”No,ma. I can't let y'all suffer while I'm alive and very much capable of taking care of you. No"

She wiped her tears and faked a smile.

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-Anathi💕💕

Yazi lelikhehla liyanginyela. I was close to my aunt's home, whe Kat called. My phone was connected to the Bluetooth so I answered.

Kat: "Lerato laka?"

I swear, I melted that very instinct. I loved the way he called me and his sexy voice wasn't doing any justice.

Me: "Mokoena?"

Kat: "I came by your place and you wasn't home. Called Sam and she said you didn't come in. Why?"

Me: "Something came up"

Kat: "And you didn't tell me?"

Me: "It was urgent baby"

Kat: "Where are you now?"

Me: "On my way to Newcastle"

Kat: "What?"

Me: "Yah babe. I'm sorry but we'll talk when I come back later"

Kat: "Okay. I love you baby"

Me: "I love you too sthandwa sami"

Kat: "Yazi, I miss my friend"

Me: "What friend?"

Kat: "My caramel african cake, that I love to devour"

I literally choked.

Me: "Mft I'll call you"

I cut the call and that's when Aunty laughed.

Aunty: "Children of today"

Me: "Ma please don't"

Aunty: "Don't what?"

I turned a corner then pulled up by the street, I wasn't gonna enter shame. No.

Aunty: "He loves you nerh?"

Me: "Let's go. The sooner I leave this place the better"

She got out, then we walked into the yard and to the main house, there was broken dishes on the floor.

Aunty: "Nelisiwe!!! Thobeka!!"

"Ma!!"

Aunty: "Nikuphi?"

They came to us and they just hugged Aunty.

Me: "Back your bags, we are leaving and don't pack too many, we'll shop for them in Durban."

Nelisiwe went away, then came back with a bag. She gave Thobeka so flops then we left.

Me: "Did he hurt you?"

Nelisiwe: "Those men came and tried to take Thobeka"

Me: "Did they hurt you?"

Nelisiwe: "No they just back slapped me, and pushed me to the floor"

Me: "Okay"

The rest of the drive was silent. We arrived at Durban somewhere around 7pm,so I stopped by Debonaires Drive thru and then went home. Aunty and the girls were eating,while I changed the sheets and covers,phela my aunt can't sleep on the sheets I have sex on.

I took 4 blankets and 2 pillowed,then spread them on the lounge floor.

Me:"So,Ma nawe Neli y'all will sleep in my room while I sleep with Thobeka. I'll sort out the living arrangements later.

Aunty:"We can sleep on the floor"

Me:"No mah"

I kissed her forehead, then I went to the ensuite. Took a quick shower then changed into my short nightdress. They were all sitting on the couch.

Me: "Are you not tired?"

Neli: "Thank you Anathi"

I smiled.

Me: "It's okay"

Thobeka got into the covers while Ma and Neli went to the room.

I was about to sleep when there was a knock. I quickly answered it. When I opened the door it was Kat and he just attacked me with a kiss. He was about

to come in, but I pushed him outside. I pulled out.

Kat: "Babe"

Me: "My aunt and my cousin's are in there"

Kat: "Aunty Jane?"

Me: "Yes, she's the only aunt I can talk about. Now let's go to your car, I'm cold"

He took my hand then we got in the backseat of his car.

Kat: "Talk to me"

Me: "My aunt and my cousins are gonna stay with me this side"

He smiled

Kat: "That means you'll finally come back to me and leave this place for them"

Me: "Just shut up"

He laughed.

Kat: "Don't get me wrong but why are they moving here?"

Me: "It doesn't matter"

Kat: "Oh, but it does baby... How does this matter affect you?"

Me: "It makes me angry and sad"

Kat: "It does matter. Nobody hurts my baby and gets away with it" I blushed

Me: "I'll tell you some other time"

Kat: "Why not now?"

Me: "No, I said later"

He squeezed my bare thigh. He spread himself out on the seats, so I got on top of him, placed my head on his chest and listened to his heartbeat.

Kat: "It beats for you alone and it will beat like this forever" I smiled.

Kat: "Baby, if I were to die tomorrow, I need you to move on from me. Don't

mope around and turn yourself into a hideous creature just because I died. I need you to be free, love someone else, but always keep me in your heart yezwa"

Me:"Don't talk like that...You will die and you do,I'll join you"

He pecked my nose. I took his lip in and sucked hard. When we pulled out we were both breathless.

Kat:"I love you...Ke a orata,lerato laka"

Me:"Nami ngiyakuthanda sthandwa sami"

I placed my head back on his chest and slept while his heartbeat was my lullaby.

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I opened my eyes and I was in my room, as to how I didn't know cause last time I checked, I was with Kat. I got out of bed and went to the lounge; only to get the shock of my life. Kat was washing dishes.

Me: "Morning"

Kat: "Look who decided to wake up. Its 10am and you only waking up

now,then you expect some one to wife you"

I gave him an intense stare and he just laughed.

Me:"How did I get to the bed?"

Aunty:"Your man brought you in,at around 8:30."

I choked on my own saliva.

Me:"Malumekazi,he's not my man"

Aunty:"Don't make me old wena. I know that this is your man. Why didn't you tell me that you and Katlego were together"

Me:"You still remember him"

Aunty: "How can I forget this handsome flower"

I looked at Kat and he just smirked.

Me: "Neli and Thobeka, Go bath, we going out okay?"

Neli: "I don't think I wanna go"

Me: "Okay, you can tell me your sizes yezwa:

Neli: "Yebo and please don't buy dresses"

Me: "Sure"

Thobeka and I got ready and we went out. Kat was still around.

Kat: "I'll see you later"

He kissed my cheek, got into his car and left. Thobeka and I did the same. We found ourselves at Galleria Mall.

Me: "How old are you?"

I knew her age, I just wanted her to talk to me cause she was very quiet.

Thobek: "15"

Me: "School?"

Thobeka: "What about it?"

Me: "What grade are you doing?"

Thobeka: "I'm supposed to be doing grade 10"

Me: "You are suppose to? Did you fail yini?"

Thobeka: "Not exactly"

Me: "Tell me what's happening exactly"

Thobeka: "I stopped going to school on the second term of last year"

I looked at her with my eyes popped out and she shyed away.

Me: "Does your mom know about this?"

Thobeka: "No"

Me: "How does she not know?"

Thobeka: "I'm very good at hiding it. I wake every morning claiming to be going to school"

Me: "And the report?"

Thobeka: "There's a guy who fakes them for me"

Me: "This is the same guy you bunk school with huh?"

She remained silent and that's when I got my answer.

Thobeka: "Please don't tell ma Anathi...Please"

Me: "I'll have to tell her. You are wasting your life away for goodness sake"

Thobeka: "I'm sorry"

We went to at least 5 stores and bought clothes, thereafter we went to Spur for some lunch. I couldn't believe who my waiter was. I was shocked to the core. She tried to hide her face but it was too late.

Me: "Lukhona Davis, long time no see"

Lukhona: "Oh hey Anathi, sorry you had to see me like this. I have shares here and they are short staffed being the good hearted Samaritan that I am, I helped out."

Me: "I don't send asking you that doll"

Her smile vanished.

Me: "I'll have pork ribs, 600g and a lot of fries and red wine. Tee what do you want?"

Tee: "The large beef burger and bubblegum milkshake"

Lukhona: "Coming right up" She said with a huge frown.

Me: "When you come back with our order, you better have a smile on that face or else"

She walked away.

Tee: "That wasn't very nice"

Me: "Trust me, I was nicer than she was to Kat"

Tee: "Whose that?"

Me: "The man who was at home this morning"

Tee: "Why would she be mean to him?"

Me: "Something that happened in high school"

Tee: "Why would she be mean to him? He seems to be rich and plus he's hot."

She smiled. I slightly hit her arm.

Me: "You better not be catching feelings for my man"

Tee: "Oh, no. I'm just complimenting my soon to be brother in law"

Me: "You better"

She laughed.

Lukhona came with our orders.

Me: "Karma is really a bitch Lukhona. You were the rich girl in high school, made my man feel small. You always bullied and criticised him because of his situation at home. But look at you now, waiting tables at Spur, while Kat is doing the most. He's filthy rich but look at you"

She clicked her tongue then walked away.

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He pulled me to sit on top of him.

Kat: "Babe"

Me: "Mhm?"

Kat: "What's up with you? You've been distant this past week. Is something bothering you babe?"

Yeah, this past week my mind has been on this mashonisa guy. I was thinking of

how not to marry his son. The best solution was to run away since Aunt said he doesn't want money. I'm just lost.

He brought back to Earth by a soft slap.

Me: "Mhm"

Kat: "You did it again. Your body is here, but your mind is somewhere else."

He rubbed our noses together.

Kat: "Talk to me Mphemba wami omuhle"

I smiled. I loved it when he spoke Zulu.
A language he learn just for me.

He pecked my lips.

Kat:"Talk to me"

He slid his hands under my tee and they made their way to my boobs. I wasn't wearing s bra so he started squeezing them,making me moan a bit.

Me:"Mhm...Aha...Kat"

Kat:"Yes baby talk to me"

Me:"Apparently 8 years ago...my...mhm...Uncle took a loan from some notorious taxi owner. For 2 years

he refused to pay. My cousin Simphiwe was beaten up by the Taxi owners men and he ran away. Thobeka was raped, but still my uncle didn't care to pay it. My aunt took matters into her...fucckkk...hannnds and decided to pay at least half the money. When she was ready to send the money, it was gone. She confronted the man and he just beat her up. Kaaat marhnnn...My uncle told the man that since he can't pay the money, he'll give me to his son for marriage when I'm 21"

He stopped squeezing my boobs.

Kat:"Repeat that"

Me: "He told the taxi guy that I'll marry the taxi owners son when I turn 21 as a debt settlement."

He chuckled coldly, then continued squeezing my boobs.

Kat: "Continue with the story"

I wrapped my hands around his neck.

Me: "Mhmmm... My aunt managed to raise the money. She went to the man to pay it but he refused and he said he wants me to be his daughter in law"

Kat: "How much?"

Me: "Mhm?"

Kat: "How much money does your uncle own that nigga?"

Me: "1,5 million rands"

Kat: "I don't ever want you worrying about that, okay? I'll sort it out"

He sucked my neck, while dick pocked my thigh.

I was ready to have more, but he pulled away.

Me: "Babe"

Kat: "Yes?"

Me: "I want you"

I unbuckled his belt then pulled out Jnr and started massaging him. Kat groan.

Kat: "Shiiit, Babe"

Me: "Yes Mokoena?"

Kat: "Leave my dick alone" He groaned

Me: "Why, its my property njena"

Kat: "I'm not bout to sex you in the car, in the streets and in broad day light"

Me: "But I want to do it"

Kat: "And I said no. Lets go to my house"

Me: "Okay"

I buckled his belt, then he went to seat in the drivers seat.

He drove off to his house. As soon as we got inside, he atracked me with a kiss. We fell on the floor, he got in between my legs and the rest is history

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-Kat 

Me: "Look, I need you to find Anathi's uncle, Zwelibanzi Mbhele"

Luyolo: "Is he missing or something?"

Me: "Narh, I need something from him.

A name"

Luyolo: "Whats the relevance of this name?"

Me: "Just get me the name and I'll explain after... Ask him for the name of the Taxi boss, he sold Anathi to"

Luyolo: "He sold Anathi? That nigga has a death wish"

He laughed and I joined him

Luyolo: "Can I hurt him a bit?"

Me: "No. I still need him for Anathi's lobolo negotiations"

Luyolo: "Ya bru, when are you popping the question anyways"

Anathi screamed and I laughed

Me: "Right about now"

He laughed then I dropped the call.

Anathi came downstairs running.

Before I could say something she threw herself on me, almost hurting my crotch

Thi: "Babyyyyyy!!!!" She screamed in my ear then kissed me all over my face.

Me: "So will you?"

Thi: "Yesssss!!+"

We shared one passionate kiss, then she pulled out.

Thi: "I love you"

She got off me and left me laughing. I noticed a red stain on her dress, which meant it was that time of the month.

I took my keys then drove to clicks. I got her always pads, the one I always see her using. I was receiving glares from women but I didn't mind them. I came to the till and the cashier smiled.

Her: "Are these for your daughter?"

"What's it to you?" That was mind.

Me: "No, they are for my woman"

Her: "She's one lucky lady. My boyfriend would never do that for me"

The fuck... What do I care? I frowned

Me: "Are you done?"

She packed into a plastic, I gave her the money, then left. Nx bloody vultures.

I got home and went straight to the bedroom. She was nowhere to be seen so I screamed for her.

Me: "Baby!"

Thi: "Shower!!" She shouted back.

I got into the shower and found her sitting on the floor of the shower.

I opened the shower door and some pf the water hit me, making me a bit wet.

Me: "I got your things"

She looked at me with a raised eyebrow and her head slightly tilted. I did the same thing and she laughed.

Thi: "What things?"

Me: "Pads"

Thi: "How did you know I needed them?"

Me: "I saw a stain on your dress"

Thi: "And you didn't tell me"

Me: "Cause I went to get your thing"

Thi: "Please make me some coffee"

Me: "Coming right up. Wait, since you are my fiance, does that mean you'll live with me again?"

Thi: "No"

I chuckled

Me: "Was worth the shot"

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She came downstairs wearing my shirt.

Thi: "Why aren't you at work?"

Me: "Why aren't you at work?"

Thi: "Cause you are not at work duh"

Me: "Babe, I need your uncle for the lobolo negotiations"

She rolled her eyes.

Me: "Babe, we need him"

Thi: "No we don't, my aunt can do that"

Me: "I can't do that babe. It's only her. We can't carry out the negotiations with just one person"

Thi: "Okay Katlego. Ish"

Me: "We can't avoid this"

Thi: "Okay, ngyakuzwa. Now can you let me be"

She half shouted, so I let her be. She took her coffee and left me alone. I took my phone and called Aunt Jane

Her: "Yes boy boy?"

Me: "Ma, I need you to do something for me"

Her: "Which is?"

Me: "Is there any other family members Anathi has except for you and the girl, along with her uncle?:"

Hre: "Yeah, she has her grandparents."

Me: "Shit... Can you get her uncle to be prepared, for the lobolo negotiations?:"

Her: "Umh, when?"

Me: "I want to marry her in two months, so we can make the date for the negotiations 2 weeks from now, I'll send all the money needed"

Her: "Does she know about this?"

Me: "She knows about me marrying her, but she doesn't want you hear anything about her uncle being in charge of the negotiations."

Her: "Okay"

She dropped the call.

[Insert 19]

-Narrated♣♠♥♦

Luyolo parked outside Bheki Dlamini's house, that was the name of the man Anathi's uncle owed. The house was big and full of security, its true when they said he was a dangerous man.

He called Kat

Luyolo: "Kid?"

Kat: "Is it done?"

Luyolo: "No, we still outside. How do you want all this to play out Kid?"

Kat: "No shooting. Unless necessary, I don't want any bloodshed"

Luyolo: "Okay...The place is pretty secure,these security people are fully armed"

Kat: "That's why you brought the men along,in case shit happens"

Luyolo: "I'll talk to you later"

He dropped the call.

Luyolo: "Gents,we do a clean job. Attack when threatened"

Them: "Sho bozza"

Luyolo drove up the driveway,he parked out the gate and one of the guards came out. He knocked on

Luyolo's window indicating for him to open it, which he did.

Guard: "State the reason for your visit"

Luyolo: "We've come to see Bheki Dlamini"

Guard: "Man, I didn't ask who you came to see. What's the reason for your visit:

Luyolo chuckled a bit

Luyolo: "Anathi Mbhele is the reason for my visit"

The security guard took out his phone and punched some buttons, then placed it on his ear.

Guard: "Boss, A man is here to see you. He says he's here regarding a Anathi Mbhele....Are you sure?....Okay"

He dropped the call, did something with his head, which was a signal for the other guard to open the gate. The door opened and he drove in.

He pulled up at the top of the driveway and they all got out.

They got in and they were directed to the lounge and they were 5 men standing with guns in their hands.

Bheki: "Ah, finally decided to bring my daughter in law, I see"

Luyolo: "About that"

He was to sit, when Bheki stopped him.

Bheki: "Weapons"

A guard came with a bag and placed it in front of Luyolo.

Luyolo: "I have no weapons on me"

Bheki: "Boy, I may be old, but I'm not stupid. Place your weapons in the bag, and tell you goons to do the same. Co-operate and we won't have a problem"

Luyolo took out his guy while laughing.
And so did his men. Bheki looked at
Luyolo.

Luyolo: "What?"

Bheki: "Boy don't play with me.
Surrender the other gun"

Luyolo gave him the gun then sat back
on the couch.

Luyolo: "Can I say my shit now?"

Bheki: "Go ahead"

He took the bag and placed it on the
table.

Luyolo: "10 million rands, cash. Leave Anathi the fuck alone"

Bheki laughed.

Bheki: "Boy, I don't want your money... I've held much more money than that. I want Anathi"

Luyolo: "Man, is your child that ugly, that he can't get a wife for his own?"

Bheki: "No, I want Anathi to be my daughter in law, for personal reasons and I'm gonna let her suffer, badly"

Luyolo chuckled and reached for his phone. Bheki's goons quickly pulled out

their guns and so did Luyolo. They had back up guns hidden.

Luyolo smiled.

Luyolo: "Whats up with your boys? They were gonna shoot me for just taking my phone out? Y'all niggas trippin"

He laughed then fiddled with his phone.

Luyolo: "Take the money and no one gets hurt"

Bheki looked at one of his guys. The guy corked his gun, but Luyolo was quick. He

shot Bheki a couple of times in the chest. And so the shooting began. 3 of Luyolo's men were dead, while only one of Bheki's men was alive but badly injured.

A woman quickly came downstairs, she screamed when she saw them. Luyolo took her and got out while pointing a gun to the girl's head.

Luyolo: "Fuck up and she dies"

He screamed. The guards withdrew their guns. Luyolo and his remaining men, along with the girl, got into the car.

He got outside the gate and pushed the girl out then he sped off.

Meanwhile at Zwelibanzi(Anathi's uncle) house

Anathi:"Please Zweli,don't embarrass me with your drunkard tendencies. I need you sober"

Zweli:"Yey wena. Don't call me by name,I'm not your friend"

Anathi:"Nx,You don't deserve that kind of respect from me. I'll call you whatever the fuck I wanna call you,oka"

Jane: "Anathi, please mntanami. Don't be so disrespectful"

Zweli: "Uhlaza vele lo...Ufana noMama wakhe. She wasn't properly raise...Wayefeba nje loyo. She dumped you with my brother right after she gave birth to your disrespectful self"

Anathi: "You better not embarrass me otherwise we'll have a problem"

Zweli: "Don't you dare threaten me"

Anathe: "Fuck you"

She walked out, got into her car and drove to the BnB she has been using for the past 4 days of her arrival at Estcourt

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-Anathi💕💕

I was woken up at 3am, God knows how much I hated it, but ke. By 4am, I was done with every thing. Aunty dressed me up in a long skirt, with the Sesotho print, white long sleeved tee and a doek with the same print. She topped it off with a blue blanket and Gogo shoes. Hebana, we are not getting married njena.

I sat on the bed, Neli, Sbusi and Sihle were with me and of course Sihle had a bottle in her hand, that she was forever sipping on.

Sihle: "Ngeke phela...Kanti when are we eating?"

Sbusi: "Hhayi wena. Abakongi abakafiki ngisho nokuza"

Sihle: "Mina I'm hungry, I'm going out for some food."

"Mbhele!!...Godide!!...Mphemba!!...Ntuli!!...Ndlela ka Sompisis!!!...Sothole!!...Gudukazi uyiNcwayo!!...Khuboni!!!..."

A voice screamed. Sihle and Sbusi ran to the window and Sbusi just screamed.

Sbusi: "That's my man right there"

I rolled my eyes.

Sihle: "Tumi looks so sexy in that suit. I just want to be in his arms"

Sbusi: "Sis man wena. Just go take pur food before they come in"

Sihle: "Whatever"

She placed the bottle on the mini desk then walked out laughing.

-Narrated    

Abakongi baKat were

Tumi, Sethu, Ntokozo and Luyolo. They were all seated on the couches. Zweli was quiet, so Ntokozo placed R1000 on the dish as 'Imvulamlomo'

Luyolo: "Mphemba, siyabingelela"

Zweli: "Yebo"

Sethu: "Khona imbali yalayikhaya.

Umfowethu uthanda ukuthi lihlobise kwakhe"

Zweli: "Thobeka"

He screamed, then Thobeka came running in. He whispered in her ear, then Thobeka ran to the passage and came back with the four girls.

Zweli: "iyiphi imbali enezoyikhetha?"

Ntokozo: "Le embhethe itshali elihlaza"

Anathi Smiled.

Zweli: "Kulungile. Go back to the room mantombazane"

The girls did as they were told. The negotiations went smoothly. Although Zweli was a bit difficult by asking for another R5000 on top of the R500 000 that was paid. But all in all everything went great.

Anathi was in her room, when her phone rang.

Anathi:"Hey"

Kat:"Just one more month my love."

Anathi couldn't stop blushing.

Anathi:"I miss you...So fucking much"

Katlego laughed hard.

Kat:"We'll see each other soon and I'll sort you out"

-Back at The Dlamini residence-

Bhekani(Dlamini's eldest son) squeezed hard on the small ball. He had his eyes fixed on his laptop,where there was a

picture of Anathi and the whole gang. He took a marker and drew x's on all their faces. He was fuming. The day Luyolo killed his father, he had come back from work and he was welcomed by his wife crying next to her father in laws corpse. She had a bruise, and that pissed him off even more.

He took a vow, on his father's funeral. A vow to do Kat and his friends, the way they did, with 10x interest. He was ready to kill them all. He even had a full proof plan, but he was uncertain as to how he would carry it out. And that's when a notification from Face book came. It was post that was posted by Sihle. It was a picture of Anathi with the caption 'Mrs Mokoena in just a month'

A smile crept on his face. Bhekani is a very skillful I.T wiz,so he pressed on his keyboard for hours,trying to hack Sihle's phone through the Facebook account,and he did it successfully. He smiled. His plan was falling into place effortlessly.

Bhekani:"Soon...I'll kill you all. All of you. You'll die like the cockroaches you are"

[Insert 21]

-Anathi💕💕

We were in a beach house, I don't know where it was located exactly, but I knew it was in Durban.

We were all dressed in black lingerie, difference is that mine had pink details and some kind of feathery thing at the back. We legit looked like we were gonna be in a music video.

Sihle had 5 cocktails spread on the kitchen counter.

Sena: "So babe, today we bid you farewell, because you'll be on another world, while we stay on this cruel, cruel Earth"

Me: "Why you making it sound as if I'm dying and why are they five glasses. Vuyo is pregnant njena"

Sihle: "Nx, that dick Sethu chose the wrong time to score. Look our girl can't enjoy"

Sena: "I straight up told Luyolo that I wanted no baby"

Me: "And how did he take it?"

Sena: "Horribly"

Sihle: "At least y'all get to choose. I'm starting to suspect that I have a problem, cause it can't possibly be

Tumi,he has a child that's an exact replica of him"

Sbusi:"Must be hard babe hey"

Sihle:"You have no idea. But somehow I survive"

Vuyo took the cocktail and downed it in one go. We all looked at her with our eyes popped out.

Vuyo:"Yini?"

Sena:"You are pregnant woman "

Vuyo:"Leave me alone wena. Yazi I might die tomorrow,so please don't be like that. And plus,I to be at the venue in the early morning. Consequences of being the wedding planner njena"

We all laughed. The doorbell rang, and the girls smiled.

Sihle: "Hambo vula sfebe"

I giggled then ran to the door. There was a big muscular man dressed in a fireman costume. He looked at me and did the 'shamunca'

Him: "Is there a fire here, cause honestly girl, you smoking"

The girls screamed behind me, while I looked at the guy with a bored face. I opened the door wider and he came in.

Music was played while the guy did his thing. He was a really good dancer and he's looks were to die for, but ke I had eyes for only one man.

While the dancing was going on, my phone rang. It was hubby to be. I smiled to myself and answered it out in the balcony

Kat: "Lerato laka"

Me: "Sthandwa sami"

Kat: "10 more hours"

Me: "I'm counting down the hours babe. Soon I'll be Mrs Katlego Mokoena"

Kat: "I can't wait to make you mine and we'll be making love till forever. We be fucking like rabbits"

Me: "Do you ever think about anything apart from sex?"

Kat: "With you body? No"

Me: "What's wrong with my body?"

Kat: "Its not what's wrong, its whats right with your body"

I blushed

Me: "What's right about it?"

Kat: "Everything. Your unnoticabl small firm ass. Your small tits. You smooth natural skin. And more especially my little friend, that's locates in between"

I laughed hard.

Me: "You dirty yazi"

Kat: "Only for you baby"

"Hey man, You will talk to her for a lifetime, let's enjoy"

Kat: "Hey man. This could be my last time talking to her. I might die tomorrow"

Me: "What is it today and people talking about dying tomorrow?"

Kat: "Babe...can you hear me?"

Me: "Kat"

Kat: "B...ler...ar...lak..."

There was an annoying sound then the call cut off.

-Kat 

Ntokozo: "Tonight we say goodbye, to the bachelor Kat"

Them: "Yeah!!!"

We toasted, then started drinking. I couldn't wait for my baby to be lawfully mine. Ntokozo pulled me aside.

Ntokozo: "Remember, no fucking any hoes. You don't wanna lose Anathi right?"

Me: "Of course not"

Ntokozo: "Them do the right thing"

My phone beeped. It was a video message. I viewed it. An unfamiliar face popped up. His smile sent chills down my spine.

Guy: "So, you leaving the bachelor life. Tomorrow at 9am, you'll be marrying your girlfriend for 5 or 6 years. That's great hey"

He smiled, but it quickly disappeared. Ntokozo was staring attentively at the screen.

Guy: "Well, you did some real stupid shit by killing my father, with that you've started something, and you can't stop it, cause it's already in place. You are dead. All of you

He laughed then the video ended. Ntokozo and I looked at each other. We called the boys over.

Ntokozo: "Boy, track that number"
He directed that to Tumi.

Tumi took out his laptop. The nigga takes the thing everywhere he goes.

He sat on the floor, connected my phone to his laptop and did his thing.

We watched him while he fiddled with his laptop.

Tumi: "Done...45 Zimbali Avenue"

Luyolo: "I'll sort him out tomorrow"

Me: "What if it's a trap?"

Sethu: "We go in prepared"

Luyolo: "Dude, I got this. Just focus on marrying Anathi okay?"

Me : "Sure"

[Insert 22]

#Wedding_Day

#Thee_Day

#Happy

-Narrated ♠♥♦♣

Vuyo was already at the Venue, busy barking orders. Sena and Sbusi followed after her. While Anathi stayed Sihle, who was the make up artist for the day.

Anathi looked amazing in her white mermaid dress, with lace long sleeves, which was paired with black

block hills. She twirled in front of the mirror quite a number of times.

Sihle: "We get it, you lool beautiful, get over it"

They both laughed.

While the girls came, Jane walked in. The marriage talk came.

Sihle left the room, then The bride sar down.

Jane: "Baby, I won't advise you, cause my marriage failed, but what I advise you to do is to persevere baby.

Perseverance is Key. So please"

Anathi: "Thank you for being a mother to me. Thank you for all that you've done for me. I'm happy you came into my life"

Jane: "I'm happy too baby now, get your ass out of her. Mokoena wants his wife"

Anathi: "Where are the girls?"

Jane: "Neli went to the Venue, and Thobeka is outside with Thato"

Anathi: "Isn't Thato supposed to be at the venue?"

Jane: "He chose to stay over. Lets go"

Anathi looked at herself in the mirror one more time. She couldn't get over how the dress suited her so much.

-At the venue-

Kat and 3 of his groomsmen were already standing at the alter. The bride was already 20 minutes late and she hadn't even left her home. All the guest were present and making a fuss. Especially Zweli, who was right at the front

Kat took out his phone and called his Queen.

Kat: "Lerato laka?"

Anathi : "Babe"

Kat: "O kae? I can't wait any longer. I wanna wife you as in yesterday"

Anathi: "Patience my love. I just left the house and I'll be with you shortly"

Kat: "I can't fucking wait"

The pastor cleared his throat.

Kat: "Apologies"

Anathi laughed at him.

Kat: "Angaz why you laughing wena"

Sihle: "Ya ya, phela that enough. You'll see each other at the venue.

Sokhathala phela ilabo lovey dovey benu"

Kat: "Jealousy is eating your friend up"

They shared a laugh.

Kat: "Baby, I can't wait to make you mine. I I...."

All of a sudden there was an explosion and it knocked Kat out. The booming sounds continued.

Anathi was listening to the explosion sounds and the few fading screams. Tears streamed down her powdered face.

Anathi: "Katlego!! Katlego!!!Katlego!!"
She screamed over the phone, but there was no answer. Not even the sound of breathing.

Anathi: "Drive faster you idiot!!"

Sihle: "Babe what's up?"

Anathi: "Katlego...explosion..."

Was all she managed to say.

They arrived at the Venue and the place was crowded with paramedics and police also.

Anathi ran like a mad woman, but they stopped her before she could cross the red tape.

Anathi: "LEAVE ME THE FUCK ALONE, I WANT MY HUSBAND!!!"

Police: "Mam, only 7 people in the entire hotel survived. The first bomb was at the altar, if your husband was there then he's dead"

Anathi threw weak punches at the police officer. She searched for her husband amongst the 7 people but nothing. She started removing the silver coverings searching for Kat. She came across the bodies of Mme Katlego, Vuyo, Neli, Zweli, Ntokozo, Tumi, Sethu, Sbusi, Sena. All the people she cared about. But she didn't mind them, her focus was on Katlego. She collapsed next to his burnt body.

Katlego was burned yes, but it was still visible that it was him. Anathi slapped Kat's cheeks repeatedly but nothing.

Anathi: "Wake the fuck up wena. You promised me forever. This is not forever. Wake up. Wake up Katlego marh!!!"

She screamed.

As for poor Sihle. She was just a statue. Frozen to the spot as she looked at her Tumi's lifeless body in that body bag. She didn't even shed a tear. Everything in her body was frozen ice.

No one could comfort anyone. They were all crying for some one.

Thato cried for his mom. Tee and Jane cried for Neli while Anathi cried for Kat.

It wasn't a pleasing sight to see. Over 30 dead bodies were scattered on the ground, one of the officers even threw up.

[At 45 Zimbali Avenue]

Luyolo had his boot on Bhekani's crotch. He kept rotating his boot while The Dlamini first born cried in agony.

Luyolo pointed the gun on Bhekani's head.

Bhekani laughed which pissed Luyolo.

Bhekani: "Killing me won't bring back your friends. I've won as far as I'm concerned"

Luyolo's phone rang. It was stone, one of their men

Luyolo: "Ya?"

Stone: "Bozza, kushube blind. News live"

Luyolo: "Sure"

Luyolo dropped the call then accessed News live on his phone. The sight horrified him. There was a video of a lot bodies lying in body bags at the same venue that was meant for the wedding.

There was a caption 'Homicide takeover at La Lucia Resort'

As he continued to look at the video, he saw Sena's body. Tears immediately dropped from his eyes. Bhekani laughed.

Luyolo then emptied all his bullets into Bhekani's chest. Bhekani's blood had stained Luyolo.

#The End

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-Anathi💔💔

A week has passed since the horrific events of my wedding day. We wanted to join the funeral of all our loved ones. But Sbusi's, family along with Tumi's, Ntokozo's and Sethu's refused. Apparently I was to blame.

We had 6 coffins. Sihle wanted to be at Tumi's funeral, but his mother refused. He called her all sorts of names and even said she's the reason for his death.

Luyolo, had both of us in his arms, while Thato comforted Aunty and Tee

They were also some family members of our friends.

Pastor: "Dearly beloveds. There is always one certainties in life and that certainty is death. We can control it nor can we stop it. Death does not mean you've done something wrong in the eyes of the Lord. They are people who have sins much greater than these 6 deceased people, but they are still alive. The departure of your spirit from the flesh, simply means that your assignment on Earth has been carried out. Then your spirit joins the Lord in paradise. You see life, life is not meant

to be taken for granted. The things you do on Earth, determines your home after death"

The Pastor carried on talking, then the M.C came up.

M.C: "Now I call for Thobeka Mbhele for the song"

Thobeka and Thato hugged, then she went up on stage. She took a deep breath and started singing.

Thobeka: " (singing) I fought for you
The hardest, it made me the strongest
So tell me your secrets

I just can't stand to see you leaving

But Heaven couldn't wait for you

No, Heaven couldn't wait for you

Heaven couldn't wait for you

No, Heaven couldn't wait for you

So go on, go home

We laughed at the darkness

So scared that we lost it

We stood on the ceilings

You showed me love was all you

needed

But Heaven couldn't wait for you

No, Heaven couldn't wait for you

Heaven couldn't wait for you

No, Heaven couldn't wait for you

So go on, go home

But Heaven couldn't wait for you

No, Heaven couldn't wait for you

Heaven couldn't wait for you

No, Heaven couldn't wait for you

So go on, go home

But Heaven couldn't wait for you

No, Heaven couldn't wait for you

Heaven couldn't wait for you

No, Heaven couldn't wait for you

So go on, go home

She sang with tears falling hard and fast. I was utterly amazed. She sang it like a pro and in her own version. I never knew she could sing.

She exited the stage and I quickly ran to her and squeezed the living daylight out of her. She squeezed me back.

Speeches were made. We went to the burial sights then came back for lunch.

Luyolo: "I'm sorry kid"

That's the first time he's actually spoke to me after the incidentm

I looked at him and nodded. He took my hand and Sihle's, then he squeezed them.

Luyolo: "I'm here for the both of y'all okay?"

Sihle: "You also lost someone"

Luyolo: "I know and I'm hurting. But my life won't be on hold because of that. And I don't expect y'all to do the same"

I faked a smile. He kissed both our foreheads.

Luyolo: "Now eat. Y'all look like corpses"

He blurtly stated then dug into his food.

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-Anathi💕💕

I looked at myself in the full length mirror. I was wearing sweatpants and a plain tee. I tied my braids into a bun. I took my keys and my already made Banana smoothie.

I got into my car and drove to Doctor Miya's office. She's a therapist I got.

Dr Miya: "I'm so glad you decided to come"

Me: "Its for my own good right?"

She smiled.

Dr: "Be comfortable. You can spread yourself on the couch if you want."

I smiled then sat on the couch with my legs folded.

Dr: "Talk to me"

Me: "Where do I start?"

Dr: "Okay. How do you feel about this whole predicament?"

Me: "I'm broken, I'm hurt, I feel alone, I'm angry. I'm angry because he left me when he promised me forever"

Dr: "Which feeling dominates you? Anger or Hurt?"

Me: "I'm at a crossroad doctor. I just don't know"

The session went on for another 30 minutes and honestly it rejuvenated me.

I got out of the building and I was met by Sihle standing by her car. She was wearing a white dresslike swimsuit and she had a class of champagne at hand. Flawless by Beyonce was playing loudly. She placed her class on the floor then came to me with her arms wide open.

Sihle: "I missed you babe"

Me: "Its only been two weeks"

Sihle: "Yeah yeah. We going to the beach ke"

Me: "I'm good"

Sihle: "I wasn't asking you babe"

I rolled my eyes.

Me: "I don't have a swimsuit:

Sihle: "Bought one for you"

We got into our cars and we drove off.

We got to Zimbali Resort.

Me: "I thought we were going to the beach"

Sihle: "Nope"

We checked into a room, I changed then we went to the pool. We sat at the pool edge with our feet dipped inside the water.

Me: "So how are you after the whole incident?"

Sihle: "Honestly its hard, but I'm surviving. Strong walls shake but never collapse. Each day I grow strong and plus I'm dealing with it. What about you?"

Me: "Its very hard. I try to forget but I can't, every inch of the house reminds me of him. It reminds me of the times we made love. The times he confessed his love to me. I moved into the apartment thinking it would help, but it

was more or less the same. I cry myself to sleep every night. Hopefully this Therapist will help me, to at least move on"

Sihle:"Sorry love

She gasped.

Sihle:"12 o'clock"

Me:"Why are you stating a time?"

She pointed towards the pool with her head.

Sihle:"Look at that hunk"

I looked at the guy, he was fine and all, but I was still stuck on Kat. He will forever be in my heart.

Me: "Whatever"

He splashed into the water and started swimming.

Sihle: "Take a picture"

Me: "No"

Sihle: "Anathi take the picture"

Me: "Hell no"

Sihle: "Anathi Mbhele take the fucking picture"

Me: "Aha"

Sihle: "Take a picture of the hunk"

She pinched my thigh

Me: "Fuck, okay"

I took my phone and took a picture.
There was a flash and the guy
immediately looked our way.

Sihle: "He's coming over, look natural"

Me: "My flash was on"

Sihle: "What?"

Me: "My fucken flash was on"

Sihle: "Shit act natural"

He came in front of us.

Guy: "Did y'all just take my picture?"

Sihle: "Hello to you too"

He gave Sihle a very intimidating look, then directed his attention back on me.

Me: "Come on dude, it was just a picture"

I rolled my eyes. He smiled revealing his perfectly straight teeth.

Guy: "Can I see that pic?"

Me: "No"

Guy: "Well it is a picture of me that you took without my permission, so I think it's best you show me"

I looked at Sihle and shrugged. I unlocked my phone then gave it to him.

I looked at it and smiled.

Guy: "Not bad"

He held it above his head and he dropped it into the water.

Guy: "Oops" He said then swam away laughing.

Me: "Fuck you dude. What the fuck did you do that?"

Guy: "Cause I wanted to!!!" She shouted.

Sihle: "Babe.."

Me: "Its all your fault kokqala. You are lucky my things are backed up on the cloud"

I clicked my tougue and walked to the room.

☆10 months later☆

She looked at me and smiled, while my aunt squeezed my hand.

Dr Miya: "Congratulations, you've completed your sessions and it's safe to say, you have let go of Kat."

Aunty: "I'm so happy baby. You looked like a zombie before now"

I rolled my eyes and we all laughed.

Me: "Thank you Doc. The sessions I've had with you have been amazing. Thank you"

She fixed her glasses then smiled.

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-Anathi💕💕

Me:"You've already sent the invites for the launch right?"

Sam:"Yes boss lady. The seamstresses have finished sawing the dresses. All that's left now is for the head seamstress to get your dress design, then all is set for the launch on Friday"

I smiled.

Me:"Thank you Sam. You've ran this place well in my absence"

Sam: "I hope I won't have to do it again. You make being a boss lady very easy, where else that shit is hard. I hope I never do it again"

I laughed.

Me: "If something happens to me you'll have to step in njena"

Sam: "Pity"

We shared a laugh. She looked at her watch.

Sam: "Its 4pm, bye babe"

Me: "Hawu, can't you stay with me?"

Sam: "Unfortunately nope, I gotta a date with the Boyfriend"

Me: "Oh, say hi to him for me:"

Sam: "Of course mam"

She blew me a kiss then left. I touched up on my paperwork. At 5:15pm I was done, I took my things, locked up the boutique then left. I was really tired, so I stopped by Steers for some food.

Honestly my life without Kat has been really boring. Sihle is out there living her life. One day she's in Cape Town, then she's in Joburg, the next she's in the U.K... She's a model after all, so they have her crossing borders.

Luyolo on the other hand. I last saw and talked to him a month after the funerals. I felt really bad for not checking up on him. For all I know he could've killed himself. I've been a horrible friend and baby sister

I got into my car, connected my phone to bluetooth then called Thato. My aunt took him in after the funeral and he's happy there. I don't know why, but I always get the feeling that there's something going on between Thato and Tee. Sure Tee is a year older than Thato, but something's off. Aunty Jane tells me that they are always together. Whenever I call Thato, he always has to talk about Tee.

But maybe I'm imagining things. I mean like, most people said the same thing about Kat and I. They said something was happening between us, when we were only friends. Maybe that was the case with Thato and Tee, and I was like those people.

Thato: "Aus' Anathi?"

Me: "I said quite calling me that. You making me sound old"

He laughed

Thato: "Okay, hello Anathi"

Me: "Your voice does not sit well with me. You're still a child Thato. I don't get why you have a bass voice"

He laughed.

Thato: "Sis, I'm 14, puberty has hit so yeah. Quit trippin"

Me: "How are you?"

Thato: "I'm surviving. How are you? Kat's dead hit you hard"

Me: "At first it was hard. But at least I got help. Now I'm good"

Thato: "That's great. And remember, he's dead so don't dwell on him forever. Move on, I'm sure that's

what he wants. He'll send a guy who'll make you happy"

Me: 'I hope so baby"

Thato: "Okay bye now. Tee and I are about to make dinner"

Every conversations we have, has to have Tee's name. I can't help but be suspicious.

Me: "Stay in school kid"

Thato: "Of course Sis. I'm still gonna buy you the most expensive car. Whether you like it or not"

I laughed.

Me: "I love you kid"

Thato: "I love you too Sis."

I dropped the call, then stopped at the red robot. Immediately when I stopped, there was a loud bang behind me.

I instantly got mad. Oh hell no. The person crashed my car. I opened my door and out. The person was still in the car. There were two of them. The girl was in the passenger's seat, while the guy was the driver.

I opened the driver's door. He came out. I immediately threw weak punches at him.

Me: "The fuck was that for? Where you driving with your eyes closed? Do you know how much this car costs? Will you be able to cover the repair costs?!!"

I was shouting. Honestly if I was a cartoon character, my face would've been red and I would have had smoke coming out my ears.

In the midst of my ranting, the nigga did the unthinkable. He slammed his lips

onto mine. He's hand was on my neck for support.

I pushed him off and gave him the mother of all slaps.

Me: "Why the fuck did you do that?"

Guy: "You wouldn't shut up. You just kept on ranting and ranting. Honestly that got on my nerves. I couldn't slap you, cause I ain't no woman beater, so I kissed you"

Me: "I pray for your sake you have insurance. Nx"

I clicked my tongue.

Guy: "I like you!!"

He screamed as I entered my totalled car. I drove home breathing fire. If anyone was to piss me off now, I really feel for that person.

I got home, filled the tub with hot water, I threw in all the bath salts. I stripped then got into the water. I grabbed my phone from my jean pocket and went through my social media sites. That guys face occupied my mind, and before you think it, not in that sense. I knew his face from somewhere, but I couldn't make put from where.

I chose to forget about him, cause clearly he had no relevance in my life. I got out the tub, wore a gown, then drained the water and rinsed the tub.

I went downstairs warmed my Steetr takeaway. I sat on the two seater couch. I was watching Suicide Squad while eating my food and downing it with wine. That was basically me every night.

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I locked my door and as I was about to get into my car. A Mercedes G63 drove

up the driveway. A guy got out. He looked at me and smiled.

Him: "Are you Miss Anathi Mbhele?"

Me: "Yeah"

Him: "Great. I was sent to deliver this car"

Me: "I looked at him with an arched brow"

Him: "My boss sent me"

Me: "And who's your boss?"

Him: "The man who smashed your car two days ago."

Me: "No, take it back"

Him: "Please mam, you have to take it"

Me: "No"

Him: "At least talk to him"

I looked at his pleading face

Me: "Okay"

He smiled then dialled a number. He placed the phone on his ear.

Him: "Yes sir....No..."

He gave me the phone.

Me: "You bloody idiot. Who said I want your car? Do I look like a gold digger to you? Typical men..."

Guy: "Do you ever shut up?"

Me: "Huh?"

Guy: "Your mouth is forever working. It works over time. Blah, Blah, Blah."

Me: "Fuck you"

I dropped the call.

Me: "Take this thing back to where it came from. I drove to work.

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I locked up, then drove to Luyolo's house. I knocked a couple of times, but there was no answer, so I pushed the

door open. I was welcomed by moaning sounds. I walked towards the sounds, if you asked me why, I would say I don't know, cause I don't vele.

The sight I saw was really a traumatic one. Luyolo was having a threesome with two other bitches. One of them saw me and she smiled.

Her: "Wanna join?"

Luyolo looked towards me and his eyes popped out.

Luyolo: "Shut up Trixy"

Me: "I'll come some other time"

I got into my car and drove back home.
I don't know if I'll ever unsee that. I'm
forever scared.

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-Anathi💕💕

When I arrived at my house. The G63 was still there and the man was still sitting outside the car.

Me:"I thought I told you to leave"

Him:"Mam,my boss told me that I shouldn't leave until you accept the car. He said I leave when you take it"

Me:"I don't want it"

Him::He never takes no for an answer. Please mam,if you don't take the car,I'll be stuck here. You don't have to use it please"

Me: "Call him"

He didn't hesitate. He dialed the number then gave the phone to me.

Guy: "Mthobisi?"

Me: "Yini inkinga yakho vele?"

Guy: "Oh, it's you"

Me: "Yah, it's me and please stop harrassing me. I don't want your stupid car"

Guy: "You were busy ranting about me fixing your C-class, I gave you something. Take the damn car and stop being difficult please."

Me: "I don't want the car"

Guy: "Then my man, Mthobisi will be camping outside your crib until you take it. If not for yourself then take the car for Mthobisi's sake... Please Anathi"

Me: "How do you know my name?"

Guy: "Connections"

I instantly got scared. What if he's a stalker?

Guy: "Chill. I saw a post on Instagram about a Anathi Mbhele hosting a fashion launch and plus I know you from the past. You are Katlego's queen"

I froze. Now I was really scared.

Me: "W...who are you?"

Guy: "Take the car Anathi. See you soon"

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The bastard dropped the call.

I looked at Mthobisi.

Me: "Give me the car keys"

He smiled. He took his phone then gave me the keys.

Me: "Come in for some food. I'm sure you hungry"

Mthobisi: "Thanks but I'm good"

He jogged away. I got into my house and did my norm. The doorbell rang, I answered and it was Luyolo.

Luyolo: "I'm sorry for what you saw"
I smiled.

Me: "Its cool. Good thing you came, come in and let's hang"

He smilef then got in. The hang out session was amazing.

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I did some breathing exercises. Sam walked in and smiled.

Sam: "Relax Boss lady. You gonna kill this"

Me: "Are you sure?"

Sam: "Positive. Now go crush this shit. Your guests are waiting"

I fixed myself up a bit. I was wearing a white open back dress. It hugged my body, it was made of thin linen so its tightness didn't suffocate me.

I catwalked to the runway, while Ntabezikude by Simmy played softly in the background. People started applauding and they were a few whistles. My eyes landed on that guy. He was seated at a table next to the run

way. Our eyes met, he smiled, but I just rolled my eyes.

Me: "Ladies and Gentlemen, y'all are looking fabulous tonight"

The guests made sounds and I just laughed.

Me: "Well as y'all saw the posts on social media, we relaunching Kathi's Clothing. Well I'm not much of a speaker so the only thing I can say, is enjoy the show and please don't be stingy with the money. See something you like, place an order. See something

your girl would like,bye it. If you don't see something you like,please do buy"

The laughed.

Me:"Enjoy the show"

I blew a kiss then exited the stage. I sat at the bar and the show started. Luyolo came and he had a girl on his arm.

Luyolo:"I'm proud of you kid. You've made it. Look at it"

Me:"Yeah"

He cleared his throat.

Luyolo: "This is my girl Nothando"

Me: "Mhm, does she know about the thing?"

Luyolo: "What thing?"

I looked at him and he smiled nervously.

Luyolo: "No:

Me: "Mhm, nice to meet you

Nothando, I'm Anathi by the way"

Nothando: "Like wise. I like your dress"

Me: "Thanks"

They left me alone.

“What is a beautiful lady doing all alone?”

I rolled my eyes.

Me: “Oh its you”

Guy: “You were expecting something else yini?”

Me: “What do you want?”

Guy: “Lets ditch this place”

Me: “No”

Guy: “I wasn't asking for your permission”

Me: “Well its still a no”

Guy: “Lets go or else I'll throw you over my shoulder and leave with you”

He hissed. I swallowed hard cause I was shit scared.

Me: "This is my even, I can't just up and leave"

Guy: "They won't mind"

Before I could say anything. He dragged me to a black Ferrari outside.

Me: "What kind of a person drives a Sports car to a classy event?"

Guy: "The me kind, now get in"

I did as I was told and he drove off. The nigga started taking off his blazer, waist coat and Shirt while driving. I couldn't

help but stare at him. And no I wasn't staring at his well built body but In my mind,I was murdering him. I was stabbing,burning,poisoning and shooting him all at once. The nigga dared changed while driving with me in the fucken care. Like the fuck?"

He smirked.

Guy:"Like what you see?"

Me:"Nx,as if"

I looked out the window.

Guy:"Girl,I know I'm hot and you can't control yourself,but please try to

contain yourself. You clit is probably vibrating by now"

I looked at him and just laughed.

Me:"You've got to be fucking with me right now"

He smiled,then silence fell. He stopped in the middle of the road.

Guy:"Get out"

Me;"No"

Guy:"I wasn't asking you. Get out"

I folded my arms. I will not die like this.
I've seen it before. No

He got out and pulled me out of the car. He pinned me on the car and looked at me from top to bottom. I balled up my fists ready to attack him if he tried anything.

He took my left hand that was balled up into a fist. He smirked.

Guy: "Cute"

He quickly took a knife inside his car and before I knew it, there was a big hole in front of the dress.

Me: "Why would you fucken do that?
Do you know how much it costs?"

Guy: "Does it look like I care?"

He pulled the hanging part and it
ripped. He smiled.

Guy: "Great, now get in"

I did as I was told, one because I was
lowkey scared of him and I was in the
middle of nowhere so yeah.

He drove away faster then lightening.

We arrived at a big washed up field behind an abandoned building. The place was packed. Girls were walking around half naked. Almost every parked car we passed had some sort of drug spread out on the car roof. Another car we pass, the people were fucking. I just covered my eyes and bowed my head. The sound of car engines roaring and screams were heard.

Guy: "What you scared of?"

Me: "I'm not talking to you"

Guy: "You stay with me. I don't need you wondering around. There are vultures here and they do some serious

shit to innocent and fresh meat like yourself”

We finally parked. He got out, opened the door for me then hooked his arm onto mine.

Guy:”You with me all night”

We walked to a Gusheshe. There was a couple making out in the backseat, while there was a guy sitting on the roof and the other leaning on the car.

Talk about ukubamba ikhandlela.

Guy on top of the car: "The Bongz...I see you brought a fresh mami today. Pass that freshness to me when you done"

Guy: "Sorry my man, but she's a no go"

Guy on top of the car: "Skabhora muthu"

Guy: "Legit brvh, I'm not even tapping it"

The couple stopped kissing and looked at us. All eyes were on us. The guys who were outside just laughed.

Guy leaning on the car: "Yeah right"

Guy: "I'm being for real bro"

Guy on top of the car: "Stop spewing bull and introduce us"

Guy: "Oh, Anathi these are my friends Don, V, Ndu and his girl Xoli. Guys this is Anathi"

Xoli: "Just Anathi?"

Me: "Yes, Just Anathi. You want my surname too?" I rolled my eyes.

Xoli: "I like her. Too bad she'll just pass like the others, I honestly like her"

Ndu: "And I like your top lip in between my lips"

Xoli giggled then they kissed again.

I leaned on the car and then a girl in only a tee came to the guy.

Girl: "Hello stranger"

He placed his hand on her waist and they kissed and was I bothered? Hell no.

Guy: "I missed you"

Girl: "But you never hit me up. You the only guy who can give me a good fuck. All these fuckers are useless"

Guy: "Ain't no dick like mine. This is magic"

He said pointing to his dick. I honestly wanted to puke.

Girl: "And I want thay magic now"

He smiled.

Guy: "I'll be back"

He took the girls hand and walked away.

V: "So what's the ish between you and my dickhead bestie?"

Me: "Why you calling him dickhead?"

V: "Cause we cool like that, now answer my question"

Me: "Nothing"

V: "Yet you are here with him"

Me: "Angithi he forced me. He just couldn't understand the term 'no'."

V: "Let me guess, when you said no, he said I didn't ask you?"

Me: "Yeah"

V: "Classic Bongwe"

Me: "I don't even know the guys name"

V: "Malibongwe"

Me: "Excuse me?"

V: "His name is Malibongwe"

Malibongwe, Malibongwe. I know that name. I've heard that name before, but from where.

Don: "So, Bongz legit left to bang that Mbali bitch while you here. .My boy is on another level"

He fist pumped with V.

I continued conversating with the boys and honestly they were fun to be around. The nigga came back and there was a think weed smell that covered him.

Guy: "Get in the car"

Me: "You taking me home right?"

Mali: "No, I'm racing"

Me: "I'll stick with the guys"

Mali: "I wasn't..."

Me: "...Asking you. I know"

Mali: "Now get inside"

Me: "I'm not getting into a car that possibly reaks of sex"

Mali: "Chill, I didn't bang her in my car. My baby is to precious to even let

some random bitch ride in it, fucking one is totally out of the question”

Me:”But I'm a random bitch”

Mali:”Get in”

We both got in. We parked at the start line. A girl wearing a silk pink bikini stood between the cars with two flags at hand.

Girl:”The rooms are clear y'all. 3 rounds...Start your engines”

Mali's Engine roared.

Girl:”5...4...3...2...1....Gooooo!!”

Mali took off. I was holding onto my seat for dear life, while the nigga didnt even have the seat belt on.

Me: "Are you afraid?"

Mali: "Of what pudding?"

Me: "Of getting hurt. You have no seatbelt"

Mali: "I'm fearless when behind the wheel. So don't worry your pretty little mind. I got you"

I shut my mouth and closed my eyes. Soon after we came to a stop and there was cheering. I got out and there he was with the other racers.

Mali: "Lay it on me"

They each gave him a large sum of money.

Mali: "Pleasure doing business with you bitches"

He laughed.

Mali: "Get in the car. We going"

I did that and he drove off. During the drive I dozed off.

-Narrated♠♥♦♣

Malibongwe pulled up on his driveway, then carried Anathi in. He laid her on his bed, took his shirt, buttoned it on Anathi, then took off the dress with Anathi dressed in the shirt.

He tucked her into bed, then he went out to the balcony for a smoke.

Thereafter he took a shower, then went to sleep in his guest bedroom.

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-Anathi 

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I opened my eyes and I was hit by a very amazing and unfamiliar scent. My eyes scanned the room. Where was I and how did I get here? My eyes landed on my dress that was nicely placed on a couch. That's when I panicked. I looked at myself and saw that I was wearing a shirt. Probably his shirt. I started crying.

Me: "How can you let this happen Anathi?"

What baffled me is that I don't remember having sex with the guy, yet I wasn't drunk and there was no pain down there. Maybe he has a small dick

“Why are you crying?”

I looked at him. He had a tray of food in his hands. I ignored him. He placed the tray on the side cupboard then got into the covers. I moved away.

Him: “Why are you crying?”

I ignored him

Him: “If you don't tell me why you crying, then I'll lock us both here and you won't go home”

I looked at him and he was dead serious. I swallowed then sighed.

Me: “Umh did we...”

Mali:"Go on"

Me:"Did we....you know"

Mali:"No I don't know. That's why I'm asking"

Me:'Did we fuck last night?"

Mali:"Is that why you were crying?"

Me:"Just answer the question"

Mali:"If we did,you would feel it"

Me:"So that's a no?"

Mali:"Yes...Now eat,while I prepare you bathing water"

He got off the bed and disappeared inside the ensuite. I ate the breakfast. It was bacon,eggs,cheese and white bread. Typical breakfast. Suprisingly it was edible.

While eating he passed and walked out the room. I finished my food then went to take a bath. I wrapped my body with a towel then got dressed in the dress he ripped.

It came back to me. Its him. He's the guy that dropped my phone in that pool. I lost my pictures,my contacts. It was him.

“You done?”

I looked at him

Me:”It was you”

Mali:”Huh?”

Me: "You destroyed my phone. Kat's photos went away. You destroyed the only memory I had of Kat...I hate you"

I was screaming

Mali: "I'm sorry. I can get you a new phone"

I chuckled

Me: "I don't need you to buy me the fucken phone. Its not about the phone. Its about the videos and photos you destroyed. Those were the last things I had as a reminder"

Mali: "I'm sorry"

Me: "Fuck you. Just call me an uber"

Mali: "I can drop you off"

Me: "Call the damn uber"

He fiddled with his phone for a while.

Mali: "He'll be here in 5 minutes"

I took my phone then went out the house. I sat outside the gate and called Kat's number. I have been using it from time to time so the number was still active.

"Sup, this is your boy Kat and his girl Thi (giggles) you have reached my voicemail, so don't bother trying again

cause I'm busy with my girl...so
yeah...Bye(laughs)”

I held the phone close to my chest and
cried. I was fooling myself. I wasn't over
Kat. I wasn't. I wanted to be with him.

The uber came. I got in and it drove me
home.

I got in and after so long the memories
started flooding back. The day we had
sex on the floor. The day of our fall out.
It all came back.

The tears continued gushing out. I took
a knife from the kitchen then went

upstairs. I filled the tub with water then stripped. I drank a whole bottle of sleeping pills, well they were only five tablets left. I needed to join my love. I needed him. I thought I could forget, move on, but no. I still remembered. My body and heart still yearned for him.

I got into the water and slit my wrist. I laid back, as the water became red and I slowly lost conscience.

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Mali fought the urge to follow Anathi. He wanted her to give her some space, but the way she was messed up when she left, convinced him to go to her place.

He knocked and rang the doorbell, but there was no answer. He pushed the door open.

Mali: "Anathi. Anathi!!"

He screamed but there was no answer. He went to the kitchen and he noticed that the knife drawer open and that's when his mind went wild.

Mali: "Anathi where the fuck are you?
You better not do some stupid shit"

He ran upstairs and checked every room. Finally he arrived in a room that had a huge framed picture of Kat and Anathi.

He went into the ensuite and that's when he saw Anathi, floating on the blood red water. He saw the slit, so he quickly took her out of the water, he covered her up and ran downstairs.

He drove off to V's surgery. He called him.

Mali: "Dude are you at the surgery?"

V: "What's up?"

Mali: "Are you at the surgery?"

V: "I was about to leave why?"

Mali: "Please stay there. Anathi did some stupid shit"

V: "Which is?"

Mali: "I'll tell you when I get there"

He dropped the call then increased his speed. He arrived and carried Anathi in, without even closing the doors.

He ran into one of the wards and placed Anathi on the bed, V came in and did his thing on her. He stitched her cut

and pumped the pills out of Anathi's system

-Anathi💔

I opened my eyes. My head was hurting and my eyes were hurting. I smelt pills, which meant I was in the hospital. Last thing I remember was slitting my wrist, which explains my paining wrist. I sat up and my eyes landed on Mali.

He was sitting on a chair and looking me straight in the eye. He was angry, it was quiet visible. But why? Why was he

angry and looking at me so awfully. I should be angry. Why did he save me? I was gonna join my man. I don't get why.

Me: "Why did you save me?"

He just chuckled, coldly.

Mali: "Why are you so selfish?"

Me: "Excuse me?"

Mali: "Why are you so fucken selfish Anathi? I get that you are hurt and shit, but what you did was utterly selfishness. Do you know what this could've done to your family? Did you even think about them? Did you

consider their feelings? Thato has just lost his fucken brother and mother. You're his only hope. His only family, your death could've killed him"

I was in tears cause all that he said really hit home. I was selfish.

Mali:"I don't know why the fuck you crying"

He clicked his tongue then walked out. Someone cleared their throat and it was V. I looked down.

Me:"Are you also angry at me?"

V:"Do I have to be?"

I shrugged.

V: "Look, I don't know anything about the guy you almost killed yourself for. I don't know your history or anything for that matter, but what I know is that you should move on. It may be hard I get that, but you holding on to this dead gut, will only make you lose out on any chance at love. 10, 20 years down the line. You'll be a lonely cat woman"

I laughed at the last part and he joined in.

V: "On the real though"

Me: "Okay...When am I leaving this place?"

V: "Tomorrow, I still wanna keep you in for observations"

Me: "Cool"

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The ride was silent. He was still angry and I wasn't about to mess with that situation. We finally arrived at my house.

Mali: "I'm picking you up at 5pm"

Me: "What did please ever do to you?"

Mali: "Huh?"

Me: "You never ask. All you ever do is dictate. I feel for the woman you'll marry. They'll be no democracy in that marriage, but dictatorship"

I got out, banged the door then got into my house. I was tired, so I took a bath and slept.

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I was woken up by my ringing phone

Me: "Yah?"

Caller: "I'm outside"

Arg Malibongwe.

Me: "So?"

Mali: "I said I would pick you up"

Me: "Ask. Manners are gold

Malibongwe"

Mali: "Can I please take you
somewhere?"

Me: "I'll agree, cause I owe you for
saving me. Thereafter there ain't
nothing that's gonna make us cross
paths, are we clear?"

Mali: "Sure"

Me: "Give me 15 minutes"

Mali: "Wear something comfortable"

I dropped the call, made my bed then took a quick shower. I lotioned then got dressed in black sweatpants and a black tanktop, with a sweater on top and I finished the look with my flops. I left my hair uncombed. It had major growth so yeah.

I found him leaning on his car smoking.

Mali: "Hey"

Me: "Let's go"

I got into the car, he did also and he drove away. He drove until we came to my ex hood. The place brought back so many memories.

Me: "My hood"

Mali: "I know, its my hood too"

I looked at him.

Mali: "I'm Zee's brother, the guy who called Kat when Lungelo was about rape you on the day of the bash"

Me: "Oh"

Mali: "Yeah"

We ended up at Joes Boxing Mania.

Me: "What are we doing here?"

Mali: "Therapy"

Me: "Huh?:"

Mali: "You need Therapy and this is gonna be your therapy"

He pulled me in. We stopped by a punching bag, He held the bag and I looked at him puzzled.

Mali: "Punch it"

I put the gloves on then punched. He laughed and I sulked.

Mali: "You call that a punch?"

Me: "I'm a girl hawu"

Mali: "Even my mom punches better than you"

Me: "Do I look like your mom?"

Mali: "Nope, but she's a woman older than you. So yeah"

Me: "Yazi, ngizoyeka this whole thing:

Mali: "Okay, okay, okay. What makes you angry? What drives your anger?"

I shrugged.

Mali: "Come on Anathi, I'm sure there's something that makes you mad. Is there someone you want to avenge. Give it to me. Think baby... Think"

I closed my eyes and thought back. I remembered the day. The day, I've always tried to forget. I remember. I remember when the gunshots were

fired and my dad crashed on the floor. The bullet hole on his forehead and that's when I started punching the bag like crazy.

Mali: "Lay it all out"

I screamed and that's when he pulled me away.

Me: "I want to kill him...rha!"

Mali: "That's enough for today"

He took off the gloves then pulled me to the car.

Mali: "You have so much anger in you"

Me: "I want to kill him"

Mali: "Kill who?"

Me: "When I was 12, my dad was shot in our home. I remember seeing the bullet hole on his forehead"

Mali: "So you want to kill this guy?"

Me: "Yes"

Mali: "Do you know his face?"

Me: "No"

Mali: "Yet you wanna kill him?"

Me: "Yeah"

Mali: "Do you know his name?"

Me: "Yeah... Its Sledge"

I've kept it in my mind. The day I heard dad call it.

Mali: "He's dead"

Me: "What?"

Mali: "He was killed a year ago. He was found on the side of the road with no heart"

Me: "Good"

He looked at me shocked.

Me: "What? He deserved it. He took away someone's father."

He started the car then drove off.

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-Anathi 

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-I arrived at my office and Sam screamed. I looked at her confused.

Sam: "And she decides to come back 2 weeks later. She didn't call or text, she just disappeared"

I smiled.

Me: "Morning Samantha"

Sam: "So, you ditched your own launch. Left me to do an unprepared speech"

Me: "And I'm sure you killed it"

Sam: "Well yeah, but that doesn't mean you should've disappeared like that"

Me: "I had some stuff to take care of babe. Sorry"

Sam: "Yeah, stuff with that hunk"

She wiggled her brows and I just laughed.

Sam: "But, babe. I'm glad you managed to move on from Kat. Plus the hunk is hot"

Me: "Move on? Hunk? What you talking about child?"

Sam: "I saw that guy drag you away from the launch"

Me: "Oh hell no, we ain't a couple and we'll never be a couple"

Sam: "You sure?"

Me: "Positive babe. He's too arrogant for my liking"

Sam: "Well in that case, hook a sister up"

Me: "With pleasure babe"

She screamed, then hugged me. She gave me some paperwork then walked out. I took my phone out and called him.

Mali: "What do I owe this pleasure of being called by you?"

Me: "Hi"

Mali: "How are you?"

Me: "I'm awesome, you?:"

Mali: "Great. So what do you need?"

Me: "Can't I just call you?"

Mali: "I know you wouldn't do that. So lay it on me"

Me: "Lets meet up for lunch at 2pm"

Mali: "What do you want?"

Me: "I'll tell you there. We'll meet at Wimpy"

Mali: "What ever happened to please?"

Me: "Monkey see monkey do right?"

He laughed slowly.

Mali: "Which Wimpy?"

Me: "Gateway"

Mali: "Sure, see you"

Me: "Okay"

I dropped the call and continued with my work. I had missed so much and I was deep in my work. My phone rang.

Me: "Yes?"

Mali: "You stood me up"

Me: "What?"

Mali: "2pm was 30 minutes ago"

Me: "Shit, are you still there?"

Mali: "Nope"

Me: "I'm sorry, it's just that work kept me busy"

Mali: "Okay"

Me: "We can still meet now"

Mali: "I decided to bring wimpy to you. I'm on my way"

Me: "Okay"

Mali: "Sharp"

He dropped the call and I continued working.

"Delivery for Miss Mbhele"

I looked up and it was him, he had a Whimpy takeaway bag.

Me: "Don't you knock?"

Mali: "Nope"

I cleared the desk, while he spread the food on the table. He took a fried and ate it.

Mali: "So, ufuna ntoni ntombi?:"

Me: "You Xhosa?"

Mali: "My mom is, cut to the chase"

Me: "Well, my assistant and second in command, has like a crush on you and ufuna ngimzamele ama angle"

Mali: "Ngigrand"

Me: "Come on, you haven't even seen her. She's really beautiful"

Mali: "It ain't about looks. I'm just not interested"

Me: "Why?"

Mali: "Because I have eyes for someone else"

Me: "Does she have eyes for you?"

Mali: "I don't know"

Me: "You love her?:"

Mali: "Love nerh? I don't know if it's love, cause I've never felt love. But I do feel some typa way for her. The feelings are foreign to me"

Me: "So its lust?"

He chuckled

Mali: "Its not lust. It's a feeling I cant explain"

Me: "Does she know?"

Mali: "No"

Me: "Why?"

Mali: "She's still broken and very much in love with another guy"

Me: "You eyeing another niggas girl?"

Mali: "They are no longer together and there's no way they'll get back together, but she still love him, that I can see"

Me: "Tell me more"

Mali: "Well, I had these feelings 6 to 7 years back. She was doing grade 11 while I was doing my 1st year in varsity. I asked my sister to befriend her, so I can get information and that's when I found out that she was with someone else. Everytime I saw her, the feeling grew, so I relocated to Joburg and

finished my studies there. I couldn't continue to have feelings for her, well cause she was with another guy and I were close. So I couldn't do him like that. I managed to forget about her, but when I saw her a year ago, the feelings came back. I don't think she even wants me or had ever thought of me that way because I've behaved like an ass"

Me:"And you are one shame. If I was that girl, I wouldn't even breath the same air as your dickhead self"

He gasped then laughed.

Mali:"That's harsh"

Me: "Does it look like I care?"

Mali: "Okay. Tell me what I can do to get into her good books"

Me: "Change your stinking attitude. You said she still loves her ex, do things that will make her forget. Take her places, show her that you care, that you can treat her better. Make her feel special and trust me she will be yours"

Mali: "Would this work on you?"

Me: "Yep, there's nothing more amazing than having a sweet guy, who also knows how to be bossy at times. He must have authority"

He smiled like a retard.

Mali: "Thanks"

Me: "No problem. Now go, since you don't want my friend"

Mali: "We were vibing so well"

Me: "Well the vibe is over."

He laughed, then got up.

Mali: "Bye"

Me: "Byeeee"

He jogged out and I cleaned up my desk and finished up my work.

N.B: I wanted to continue but I couldn't. I have Sinus,so when I'm experiencing flu,sinus shows me flames. My head is paining and my eyes are teary so yeah...Sorry

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-Anathi 

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I pulled up on my aunt's yard. A little girl, probably 2 years old was playing outside. She immediately ran inside

when she saw me and that's when a girl came out. She was younger than me, that I could see.

I got out the car then walked up to her.

Me: "Hi"

Her: "Sawbona"

Me: "I'm Anathi, you?"

Her: "Sphumelele"

Me: "Nice to meet you. Where's my Aunt?"

Sphume: "Oh, she's in her room sleeping"

I looked at her. She was prettt shame.
And she had a good soul.

Me: "Can you please help me with the
plastics?"

Sphume: "Sure"

"Mama"

The little girl pulled her dress.

Me: "Is she yours?"

Sphume: "Yes"

Me: "Where's the father?"

She kept quiet. OhKay.

Me: "Its okay, you don't have to tell me"

Sphume: "Siya baby, go back inside.

Mama will be back"

Surprisingly the child listened.

We carried the plastics inside and we cooked while waiting for Aunt to wake up.

Thato and Tee walked in hand in hand laughing, but they quickly let go of each other when they saw me. Thato was looking everywhere but at me where else Tee was looking down.

Thato: "Umh...I....Sis Anathi Hi"

Me: "How was school?"

Thato: "It was awesome"

Me: "Thobeka?"

Tee: "It was okay"

Me: "Okay"

The left. Sphume moved her doek a bit and that's when I noticed that's she's an albino. When my eyes landed on her I suspected it but I didn't want to focus on it that much.

Me: "So where's your family?"

Sphume: "I don't know"

Me: "What?"

Sphume: "I don't know my family. I was raised by an elderly woman who worked at hospital. Apparently my mom left me in the hospital and ran away. The woman who took me in, died 2 years ago and her family kicked me out, saying my albinism is the cause. They said I'm cursed. I moved in with my boyfriend, I fell pregnant. He told me to abort but I refused. When I was 5 months he kicked me out. Since then I've lived in shelters, then Aunty Jane found me sitting with my child on the side of the road 7 months ago"

Me: "It was hard nerh?"

Sphume: "Yah, if it wasn't for Siya, I would've killed myself a long time ago"

I thought back to the time I tried to kill myself. I was really selfish. Mali was right.

Me: "I'm sorry"

Sphume: "I'll survive"

Me: "What about school?"

Sphume: "I was doing grade 12 when MaGumede (the nurse that took her in) died. So I decided to look for a job"

Me: "Did you pass your matric?"

Sphume: "Yep"

Me: "The documents?:"

Sphume: "Always with me. For the C.V's"

“Anathi, why didn't you wake me up?”

Me: “Ma, I wanted you to rest”

Aunty: “I see you've met Sphume”

Me: “Yes ma. I was thinking of taking her and Siya to live with me so that She can go back to school, while Siya goes to creche”

Sphume: “Really sis Anathi”

Me: “Wait how old are you?”

Sphume: “19”

Me: “Just call me Anathi then”

Sphume: “Umh okay”

Me: “So ma?”

Aunty: “If she wants then okay”

Sphume screamed.

Sphume: "Oh thank you thank you thank you. When are we leaving?"

Aunty: "You want to leave me already?"

Sphume: "Its not like that Ma"

They both smiled

Aunty: "Don't worry"

Me: "Umh, we can leave now. No stress"

She disappeared into the room. I dished up for everyone. After we all ate, Sphume and I said our goodbyes then headed to my house.

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-Anathi💕💕

Its been 3 months and it was a week before Christmas. It was really great having someone around. Sphume is great company and I love her so, but as for Siya, she's an amazing ball of energy. For a 1 years old she's very troublesome

But I absolutely love her cute self.

I was gonna pick Tee and Thato the following day, cause they wanted to visit.

It was 9:45pm and Siya was still up and very active. So we decided to bake some cupcakes.

Me: "Aha Siya, its time for you to sleep now"

I said placing her on the counter.
Sphume laughed.

Me: "Uhlekani?:"

Sphume: "You talking to yourself"

Me: "She can hear me though"

The doorbell rang, followed by a hard knock. Sphume and I looked at each other.

Sphume: "I'll get it"

Me: "No, I'll get it"

I don't want Sphume to be in danger. I don't know who could've been knocking like a maniac.

I opened the door and that's when I saw Mali. He was leaning on the wall and his eyes half closed.

Me: "What do you want?:"

Mali: "Anathi..."

He burped then an alcohol smell puffed.

Me: "Are you drunk?"

Mali: "Anathi..."

He tried to get in but he almost fell.

Mali: "She's gone Anathi...I...I..."

Tears rolled down his eyes and honestly I felt bad for him. Maybe it's the girl he loves.

I pulled him inside. Sphume looked at me.

I struggled to pull him upstairs cause he was stumbling and falling. Finally we arrived in my room, I got him in the

shower and opened the cold water tap. He groaned as the cold water hit him.

I closed the door and went to the room, to prepare the bed for him. I wasn't gonna able to carry him back downstairs.

After about 30 minutes I went back to the shower, I took him out, took off his clothes then looked at him. I gave him a towel.

Me: "Will you be able to cover yourself up with this?"

He just mumbled some shit. I rolled my eyes then pulled him to the bed. He was gonna sleep in his wet boxers...Ngeke.

I tucked him in, I was about to get out away from him, when he pulled me.

Mali: "Pl...mhm..mhmm...please stay"

Me: "Malibongwe"

Mali: "P...please"

I sighed, then got under the covers. He pulled me to him and I slept.

I woke up and Mali was still asleep, luckily he wasn't holding me anymore, so I slipped out of bed and into the ensuite. I brushed my teeth and washed my face then went downstairs.

I found Sphume in the kitchen feeding Siya.

Me: "Hey"

Sphume: "How is he?"

Me: "He's still asleep"

Sphume: "Okay... Your breakfast and his is in the microwave. There's a hangover reliever in the jug over there"

She pointed a jug that was on top of the dishwasher.

Me: "Thank you"

I smiled then took the jug.

Me: "What's in here?"

Sphume: "Stoney, lemon juice and viniger"

I frowned and she laughed.

I got to my room and he was curled up into a huge ball. I softly slapped his cheek and he swayed it away. I countinued slapping him.

Mali: "Aha Makhulu. Andiyi eskolweni"

Me: "Malibongwe wake up!!"

I screamed but still the nigga didn't wake up. I took a wine glass, filled it up with water then splashed it on his face. He got up as fast as the flash. He looked at me with his eyes popped out.

Mali: "The fuck? Wait, why are you here?"

He then looked around.

Mali: "I'm sorry for invading your home and your room"

Me: "Sit up properly"

He did as he was told. I took the jug and placed it in his hands. He took the jug and sniffed it. He looked at me with a frown.

Me: "Finish it"

Mali: "Why? It smells awful and I know the test will be worse"

Me: "Its your hangover. Angithi you chose to drink. These are the consequences"

Mali: "I don't have a hangover"

He looked at himself then at me.

Mali: "Did we?"

Me: "Oh hell no. No, No, no we didn't"

He took a breath of relief

Mali: "That's good. But where are my clothes?"

Me: "Piled up in the ensuite"

Mali: "In that case let me get dressed and leave. Thanks for the hospitality"

Me: "Oh no Mr. You made me carry your heavy ass up here, so as pay back you'll drink this jug dry. And besides your clothes are soaked".

Mali: "You could've let me crash on the couch and why are my clothes wet?"

Me: "I got you under the shower, hoping to numb the alcohol, but I failed"

Mali: "Okay... Thanks anyway"

Me: "Drink up, I'll get you breakfast"

I ran downstairs, warmed his food, then served him. He had drunk half of the thing. At least he tried.

Me: "Bon Apétit"

I said placing the plate next to him and taking the jug away.

Mali: "Thanks, but I don't eat eggs"

Me: "For real?"

Mali: "Yep"

He said taking a bite of the bacon.

Me: "So, what's up?"

Mali: "With what?"

Me: "Who is that she you were talking about? The she that made you drink that much"

His face fell.

Mali: "No one"

Me: "Try again"

Mali: "Leave it. It doesn't matter"

Me: "I will not leave it and it does matter cause you came to me, so what's up?"

He sighed loudly and remained quiet for a while. If he thought his loud sigh would make me drop this whole thing, then he's mistaken. I want to know, I've always been curious.

Mali: "My grandmother"

Me: "What about her?"

Mali: "She's the she I was talking about"

Me: "Continue"

Mali: "Yesterday, I was at home and I received a call saying she died in her sleep"

Me: "You were close with her, right?"

Mali: "She practically raised me. I stayed with her in Durban while my parents were in Joburg. I lost my very

first friend. She was a mother to me more than my mom. She was my pillar of strength and now she's gone.”

A tears escaped his eyes. I wiped it off while trying so hard to fight my tears which were threatening to fall, cause I felt his pain. I know how it feels to lose your strength and it aint sugar, spice and everything nice.

I hugged him and brushed his back while he soaked my tee.

Everything happened in a blink of an eye. He's lips were on mine. I cupped his face as I savoured the kiss. He

arched my back. He tried to pull out but I help onto his lips tighter. He stopped sucking my lip, but I didn't. He mumbled in my mouth and that's when I came back to my sense. I popped out my eyes and looked at him. I pulled.

Me: "I'm sorry"

That's all I said then I ran into the ensuite. I locked the door and cried.

I cheated on Thato. I kissed another man, in the room we used to make love in. Tears were falling uncontrollably, I couldn't contain myself.

There's was a loud knock on the door. It was him. God, how was I gonna face him now? But its not my fault, its been almost two years without being touched like that. I'm a woman and I have needs, but no I should've contained myself. I shouldn't have kissed him. I know he kissed me first, but I should've stopped it.

“Anathi please open the door. I'm sorry okay?”

Me: “Leave me alone”

“Anathi, look. Please don't anything stupid. It was a mistake, I shouldn't have done it. I was emotional and the emotions just took control. Please MaMbhele”

I ignored him. I stripped, got into the shower and I let the water hit my naked body. Images of the kiss clouded my head. His touch was all I could feel. His heavy breathing, is all I could hear.

What was happening to me? Why am I feeling this way? Should I feel this way? Is it wrong that I feel this way?

[Insert 33]

-Anathi💕💕

When I got out of the,he was no longer in the room. I threw myself on the bed,I took my phone and 5 missed calls from Thato. Shit,I was meant to fetch them,but then again it was still 1pm,so I could still fetch them.

I dialled his number and he answered immediately.

Thato:"You ain't fetching us no more?"

Me:"You don't great no more Thato?"

Thato:"Hello Sis Anathi"

Me:"Hi baby. How are you?"

Thato: "I'm good, you?"

Me: "I'm alive"

Thato: "Whats up?"

Me: "Nothing you should worry yourself about"

Thato: "You know I can't not worry. If you not good, I ain't good too. Who's the fucker that's making you cry?"

Me: "Language Thato Mokoena"

Thato: "Askies, but tell me what's up"

Me: "I miss Kat"

He sighed.

Thato: "You know you have to let him go right?"

Me: "I know, but..."

Thato: "But nothing. He's dead and gone. He's never coming back, stop holding onto him. If you keep holding onto him you'll never be happy. You'll never find someone who's alive who will make you better. You'll start seeing ghosts I'm telling you"

Me: "Okay"

Thato: "Move on Sis. Sphume tells me that there was a guy there. Is he your..."

Me: "So nikhuluma ngami nino Sphume?"

Thato: "Ahaa, its not like that. You see I asked about you and she slip. And I

grilled the information out of her. You know how I am nje”

Me:”You are a nosy kid wena”

Thato:”That's why Tee loves me”

I blinked a couple of times. I was trying to process what I heard.

Me:”What?”

Thato:”Ah...Umh...Sis Anathi,you still coming right?”

Me:”Mhm,yes”

Thato:”Okay...A....Bye”

He dropped the call before I could say anything.

I knew some shit was happening between Thato and Tee. I knew it. I fucken knew it.

While talking to myself, my phone rang. Malibongwe's name flashed on the screen. I panicked. After a while of the phone ringing, I swallowed hard then answered. I placed the phone on my ear and didn't speak.

Mali: "Anathi are you there?"

Me: "Umh Hi"

Mali: "You good?"

Me: "Umh yeah"

Mali: "Look, don't beat yourself up for what happened in the morning okay"

Me: "Sure. Are you good considering your grandmother and all?"

Mali: "I'll survive. I actually need to drive down to Mthatha, cause the funeral is on Saturday"

Me: "That's 3 days from now"

Mali: "Yeah... Look Anathi, I need to see you before I leave"

Me: "Mhm"

Mali: "Okay. Can I pick you up at 5pm?"

Me: "Umh, sure"

Mali: "Bye"

Me: "Bye"

Mali: "Oh, Anathi. I'm not sorry about the kiss"

He said then he dropped the call. I took a deep breath, then lotioned and got dressed in a black mini umbrella skirt and a white tanktop. I wore my flops, tied my weave into a bun and wore gold loop earrings. I grabbed my car keys and phone then went downstairs. Sphume and Siya were sleeping on the carpet and Sofia the First was playing. I smiled, took my water bottle and drove off to my aunt's home. I saw Tee and Thato under the tree and they were all lovey dovey. I smiled to myself, then got out.

Me: "DON'T YOU DARE GET HER PREGNANT!!!"

I screamed and they quickly let go of each other and came to me.

Tee: "Umh...Anathi hey"

Me: "Uma ukhona?"

Tee: "Nope, she went to work"

Me: "Okay, go get your bags ke"

I got back into the car. They went inside, then came back with their bags. They loaded their bags in the boot then they got in and I drove off.

We got some food at McDonald's drive thru then some snacks at Spar.

The kids were busy laughing with their phones and I knew they were talking to each other.

I pulled up the driveway, took one of the bags and the takeaways the got inside.

My phone rang. It was him.

Me: "Hey"

Mali: "I'm outside the gate"

Me: "I'm coming"

I dropped the call and Thato looked at me

Me: "What?"

Thato: "Jolani asinamona"

I laughed

Me: "You crazy"

I walked out. I got out then gate and I found him leaning on his car, smoking a blunt. He threw it away when he saw me then opened the door.

He got in on his side then drove off.

Me: "Where are you taking me?"

Mali: "Somewhere we can talk"

Me: "We can talk anywhere njena"

Mali: "I don't want any disturbances"

Me: "We could've done that with you car parked outside my gate"

Mali: "Anathi, we going somewhere private and that's that. Now stop fussing"

I zipped my mouth.

He parked his car at a Park. He got out ran to my side and opened the door then he locked the car. He took my hand and made me sit on the bench. He sat on the support part of the bench.

Mali: "You good?"

Me: "Yes"

Mali: "Look Anathi, I don't like beating about the bush so I'mma tell it to you straight"

I swallowed.

Me: "Umh okay"

Mali: "Remember when I told you about that girl"

Me: "The girls that's hung over her ex?
Yep I remember her"

Mali: "Well that girl is you"

I swallowed hard, then closed my eyes.
As to why I did it, I don't know that

Mali: "I've tried to bury these feelings Anathi. I wanted to ask you out, but I couldn't do Katlego like that. He wasn't my friend, but he was a great kid. Look Anathi, I wasn't sure about these feelings, I wasn't sure what they meant, but now I'm sure. Anathi I love you okay. I love you and I can scream it so the world can hear too. I need you Anathi and I don't need you as a friend or whatever. I need you to be my queen. I need you to be my wife, the mother of my kids. I love you Anathi"

He had his hands on my shoulders as tears fell down my cheeks. Why was I crying? I don't know, but I just did. We stayed in silence for a while.

Mali: "You don't have to tell me now. You can tell me when I come back okay"

Me: "Okay"

He got off the bench, took my hand then got me into his car. He drove me home and it was silence.

He opened the door, and as I got out he attacked me with a hug.

Mali: "I love you" He kissed my forehead, closed my door then got in the drivers seat and drove away.

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I placed the bouquet of flowers on his grave and then I started plucking the weeds that were growing there.

Me:”Katlego, you know that you'll always be my first. I've held onto our love for too long, but it's time to let go. I've struggled to accept your death, but now I should move on right. There is a guy, by the name of Malibongwe, I'm sure you know him. He confessed his love to me 2 days ago. He makes me feel a type of way. A way I can't explain, I think I should give him a chance. I love you Katlego and because I love you, I'm setting you free. I'll start

my new life without you still occupying
my heart. Goodbye"

I got up dusted off my self then got into
the car. I took a deep breath,it was
done.

[Insert 34]

-Anathi💕💕

Thato:"So we are watching Fate and the Furious"

Tee:"We ain't watching that,we watching Everything Everything"

Thato:"I wasn't asking"

Tee:"And I wasn't suggesting"

Me:"Yazini? I'm choosing the movie"

Tee:"But Anathi"

Me:"But nothing,angithi y'all chose to fight,so I'm choosing the movie so deal with it"

I sat down with the popcorn.

Me: "We watching Super Fly, so y'all leave the room"

Thato: "Why?"

Me: "Because the movie is not for kids"

Tee: "Come on now Anathi"

Me: "There is a sex scene in this movie and the language is totally off so no"

Tee: "Are you being for real?"

Me: "Yep, now leave"

Thato smiled as they got up.

Me: "And oh, don't you dare sex each other. I'm too sexy to be a grandma"

They just laughed and ran upstairs.

I poured my wine and watched the movie. I've watched it a gazillion times, but I still love it.

My phone rang and I answered without checking the I.D.

Me: "Yah?"

"I'm back"

Me: "Umh, Mali..."

Mali: "I'm outside"

I dropped the call then went outside barefoot. He was inside. Okay today he's not opening the door for me.

I got in and we stayed in silence.

Mali: "So?"

Me: "Yes"

Mali: "Yes what?"

Me: "Yes I'll be your girlfriend"

He looked at me for a while then sighed.

Mali: "You ain't forced to do this yazi"

Me: "No, I wanna do it. I want to have us a chance"

Mali: "Look Anathi, I want you to date mr because you want to date me, not because you want someone to replace Kat. I don't wanna take his place. I want my own place"

Me: "I've let go of Kat. I want you for Mali. I don't want a replacement for Kat, because no one can replace him. I'm giving you a chance to make your own place in my heart Bongwe"

He squited his eyes.

Mali: "Are you sure?"

Me: "Yes Mali"

Mali: "If you sure then kiss me"

I popped out my eyes

Mali: "If you are sure about being with me then kiss"

I froze and looked at him. I was stunned, I just didn't expect that. He chuckled

Mali: "I knew it. You not doing th..."

I smashed my lips onto his and he immediately responded. I wrapped my arms around his neck and his hand went up the short skirt I was wearing. He firmly squeezed my ass.

He pulled out, with a retarded smile. I rolled my eyes.

Me: "Does that convince you?:"

Mali: "Yep"

Me: "You satisfied?"

Mali: "Very"

Me: "Okay, now can I go?"

He held onto my thigh tightly

Mali: "I wanna spend some time with my girl"

Me: "I'm not your girl. I'm your woman"

Mali: "More like my wife"

He smiled and I blushed.

He lifted up my head with his index finger.

Mali: "I love you. Okay?"

I looked away.

Mali: "You can say it when you ready"

He pecked my lips then he let me go.

Me: "Let me go tell the kids that I'm going"

Mali: "You call them"

Me: "My phone is in the house"

7Mali: "Okay, I'll wait"

I smiled then went back inside. I got to Thato's room and I heard some giggling. I tried to open the door but it was locked. I knocked.

Me: "I'm going out, tell Sphume and don't wait up"

They didn't answer and well, I didn't care.

I changed into some sweatpants. My phone rang.

Me: "Bongwe?"

Mali: "You still taking your phone"

Me: "I changed into sweatpants"

Mali: "Pack an overnight bag"

Me: "Why?"

Mali: "You spending the night at my place"

Me: "Its Christmas tomorrow nje"

Mali: "I'll get you back by the morning"

Me: "But Mali, we..."

Mali: "Chill babe, we won't do anything"

Me: "Oh"

Mali: "That's if you want us to"

Me: "Okay, Okay. I'll be done in 5"

I dropped the call then packed an overnight bag.

I ran downstairs and he was outside. We hugged then kissed and all of a sudden it started raining, which shocked me cause the sun was out and blazing hot just a second ago. We ran into the car and we laughed.

Mali: "This is fuckery"

Me: "Habe, it happens. Drive man"

He kissed my cheek then drove on. We passed by Debonaires then we went to his house.

Mali: "Movie?"

Me: "Sure"

I looked for the plates, then dished up. We sat on the couch and my legs were on his lap. He looked at me and I smiled then took a huge bite of my pizza.

We were watching superfly and the kissing scene came up. I looked at him. He licked his lip and I bit mine and that's when the fireworks exploded.

He placed me on his lap and kissed me. I cupped his face while his hands went up and down my back. His lips left mine and he started sucking on my neck. His member was up and my pussy was wet and hot.

He let go and looked at me.

Mali: "Its too early. You don't even know my surname"

I tried to get off, but he held onto my waist tightly.

Mali: 'Hi, my name is Malibongwe Sivuyile Dlamini. I'm the 3rd born of 5 children and I'm in love with this girl named Anathi. Both my parents are very much alive and they care and love me. I have 2 brothers and 2 sisters."

Me: "Nice to meet you. Don't you wanna know anything about me?"

Mali: "Umh lets see. You are Anathi Mbhele aged 24. You are an only child, I'm your second boyfriend. Your dad is dead and you never knew your mom"

Me: "Are you a stalker?"

Mali: "Nope, I just know"

Me: "Mhm"

Mali: "Now where were we?"

Me: "I was gonna get myself a drink"

He smiled then kissed me.

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-Anathi💕💕

Mali:"Too bad you are leaving me"

Me:"You come spend Christmas with us"

Mali:"Tempting, but I can't. I'm spending the day at my sister's house so no"

Me:"Ok, bye"

Mali:"My kiss?"

Me:"You got enough of them yesterday"

He laughed.

Mali: "Just one kiss please"

I pecked his lips. He frowned.

Mali: "What was that?"

Me: "A kiss njena"

Mali: "Do I look like a 5 year old kid?"

Woman kiss your man"

I smiled then kissed him. After a long while we stopped.

Mali: "Now that's a kiss"

Me: "Bye"

Mali: "I'll see you"

I got out the car with my things then ran inside. The house was already cleaned. There was a burning smell in the kitchen. Sphume was by the stove staring into space while her the dishcloth that hung on her shoulder touched the hot stove plate and her pots were burning

I quickly pushed her aside and cleared the pots from the stove.

Me: "Are you trying to kill yourself and the rest of us too?"

Sphume: "Anathi I..."

Me: "You know what Sphume, go rest. You clearly tired. Go rest and I'll finish up here"

She slowly walked away while I emptied the pots, washed them then placed them in the heat. I shoved the marinated chicken in the oven while I marinated Thato's lamb chops, since he doesn't eat chicken for some reason. I cooked yellow dyed rice and all the works. I made the desert and by 12:15pm I was done. The kids came down with Siya.

I switched off the stove.

Me: "Please set the table, I'll be right back"

I smiled then went up to Sphume's room. She was sleeping, but she was twisting and turning. She was mumbling and had a frown on her face.

Sphume: "No, I will not marry him. I'd rather die. Please don't do this"

I shook her really hard and she woke up sweating and screaming. I looked at her with my hands on my hips.

Sphume: "Anathi

Me: "What's up?"

Sphume: "I don't wanna talk about it"

Me: "But talking helps Sphume. Why don't you go out and have fun? You are always cooped up in this house and room, you've gone to the mall and done stuff"

Sphume: "I good here"

I sighed.

Me: "Lunch is at 1pm"

With that I went out and got to my room. I played my favourite jam, Medicine by Queen Naija. It filled the room. I unzipped my dress and

unhooked my bra while the dress
dropped slowly. I untied my hair, then
got into the shower.

-How would you like it if I do the things
you do?

Put you on do not disturb then
entertain these dudes

I'mma ride em crazy and you'll never
have a clue

Give another guy everything that
belongs to you.

I'mma call up Brian

I'mma facetime up Ryan

I'mma text Lorenzo and I'mma leave
you crying

Don't get it twisted I can this game too

How would like it if I did the same to you,same to yeah? >Medicine by Queen Naija

After sometime of enjoying the water,I got out,dried myself,lotioned,then got dressed in a pair of blue and really ripped boyfriend jeans paired with a white tank top and flops with silver loop earrings. I tied my hair into two buns,applied purple lipstick and I was done.

I went downstairs and found Sphume already dishing up. This is why I love her. She's hands on.

We ate,washed the dishes then chiled.

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New years came. It was great,I spent it with family then with Mali and no we didn't have sex. It was a slow process,but whenever I would want to initiate it,he would stop me.

It was March and Sphume had started Varsity and Siya was at Creche so I was at work. I haven't been with Mali for 2 weeks and really I didn't mind cause I was very occupied with my work. I was busy in my office when Sam walked in.

Sam:"Boss lady,your 2 o'clock is here"

Me: "Send her in"

Sam: "Okay"

He went out and then a woman, came in. She was so beautiful. She was curvy in all ways and she had glowing skin.

Woman: "Afternoon"

Her English was on point but you could sense the Xhosa accent somewhere there.

Me: "Morning mam, Mrs Dlamini right"

Mrs D: "Yes"

Me:”Great. What can Kathi Events and Design do for you today?:

Kathi? I made mental note to rebrand and change the name. I need to let go of Kat,cause I think I'm falling for Mali and I can't let this name thing come in between us.

Mrs D:”Well dear,my husband will be having his 54th on the Saturday,two weeks from now and I need you to organise everything. I also need a tailor made dress for me and a suit for my husband.”

Me:”I can take your size now,but what about your husband?”

Mrs D: "I'll bring him in one of the days and you'll do it, that's if you are okay with it:

Me: "That would be awesome"

Mrs D: "How much will it cost?"

Me: "I'll draw up a cost for you. It will be sent in during this week"

Mrs D: "Oh, Ndyabulela wethu"

Me: "Thank you too"

I smiled and she did too. She got up and walked away while I continued with my work.

Just as I was about to finish up on work, a loud noise came from outside my office and I knew who it was, then

she got in waving left hand in the air, with her tongue sticking out.

I screamed when I saw the big diamond rock on her finger. She started twerking and I fanned her butt with my hand.

Sihle: "Oh, The biiitch is getting married... The bitch is getting married and you gonna be her maid of honour"

She sang and I joined in

Me: "My bitch is getting married. My bitch is getting married and I'mma be her maid of honour. My bitch is getting married and I'mma be her fucken Maid of honour"

We laughed and she stopped twerking.
We hugged and she squeezed my
ass, then we down.

I called in Sam.

Sam: 'Boss Lady'

Me: "Get me some red wine please"

Sam: 'Coming right up'

She left and I directed my attention to
Sihle.

Me: "Ngeke bitch, how? When?"

Sihle: "We were in Paris. I was doing a
photoshoot and he was there

supporting me. He got down on his knee and propose. We were at the Eiffel Tower babe. It was so romantic and after that we made sweet love, as Back to sleep played on repeat softly in the background. And it was 2 weeks ago"

Me:"Do I know him?"

Sihle:"She blushed"

Me:"Who is it? Spill now"

She looked at me with a smile.

Sihle:"Luyolo"

I screamed.

Me: "Get out, when did it happen?"

Sam came in with the wine, then left. I poured it into my cup, but she stopped me when I was about to pour her a cup.

Me: "What's up? Thee mighty Sihle never refuses booze, so what's up?"

Sihle: "I'm 8 weeks pregnant babe"

I screamed even louder.

Me: "Okay okay, we'll get back to that. Luyolo, like how did that happen and when?"

Sihle: "After the funeral, angithi we were both hurting, so we fucked just to forget

and blow off. Whenever we would want some we would call each other and Fuck. I started catching feelings,so I broke the agreement off. I got the job,so one day we met in Cape Town,about 10 months ago and we made it official. He has cheated on me,but you know what they say,love is blind. So yeah,now I'm pregnant and about to get married"

Me:"Friend I'm so happy for you"

Sihle:"Thank you. So what's up on your side"

Me:"We'll remember that guy who dropped my phone in the pool?"

She looked at me confused.

Me: "The day we were at Zimbali Resort. You told me to take a photo of some hunky dude. He saw the flash when I took the photo and he dropped my phone in the pool"

Sihle: "Ohhh, that jerk. What about him?"

Me: "Him and I are together now"

Sihle: "God. Is he treating you right? How is he in bed? How long has it been going on? Tell me please"

Me: "Well, he's treating me amazingly. He's the best shame. How is he in bed? Umh, I'll answer that when We do it."

Sihle: "Get out, you haven't had sex with the guy? How long have you been with him?"

Me: "Next week our relationship would be 4 months old, since April starts"

Sihle: "4 months and y'all haven't had sex?"

Me: "No"

Sihle: "Oral?"

Me: "Nope"

Sihle: "Fingering?"

Me: "Still no"

Sihle: "Are you sure he ain't gay?"

I punched her softly.

Me: "Don't diss my man hawu"

Sihle: "I'm just asking. But ke maybe he's a keeper, 4 months without sex? That must be a lot for him. You not even sucking him?"

Me: "Nope"

Sihle: "Uwrong kodwa. You starving the poor guy"

Me: "Hey, he's starving himself. Whenever I would initiate sex, he would get hard, but he would just stop the whole thing"

Sihle: "Have you spent the night at his place?"

Me: "Yes, once"

Sihle: "Uyadlala wena yazi"

Me: "What?"

Sihle: "Do you have his house keys?"

Me: "Here he gave me my own"

Sihle: "Good. After work, you go home and get your sexiest night gown, if you don't have one, stay in your underwear, wear a gown but don't tie it tightly. Welcome him with a hungry kiss, you know. Seduce the guy"

I laughed.

Sihle: "I don't get why uhleka vele"

Me: "You still crazy"

Sihle: "I'll forever be crazy baby. Even in my old age, I'll text my great grand baby"

and be like,Skrr Skrr wussup mzungu
ma biitch"

I was literally in tears. I missed her
craziness shame.

After the awesome time,we left.

I got home packed an overnight bag
then drove to Mali's place.

When I got there,there were 4 guys. 3
of them I knew as Ndu,V and Don the
other guy I couldn't see his face,cause
his tongue was deep in the girl's mouth.
There were 5 five girls and one of them

was Xoli. Wait why were they five girls.
Why is the fifth girl here?

Mali: "Babe"

He smiled then came to me.

One of the girls: "Babe? Mali what is this?"

Mali: "Lay off Londi"

Londi: "No, why is this bitch calling you Babe?"

Me: "Cause I'm his girl hoe"

I rolled my eyes.

Londi: "What did she just say Mali?"

Mali: "You don't use a hearing aid so you heard her loud and clear"

She tried to slap me but my man held her hand.

Mali: "Try that again and I'll bury you alive"

He hissed. I looked over his shoulder and that's when I saw the 5th guy. It was Simphiwe. I ran to him and threw myself onto him. He caught me and spun me around.

He put me down.

Sim: "Kid? What's up? What you doing here?"

Me: "God Simphiwe I missed you so...Like arg God"

Someone cleared their throat and it was the girl he was kissing. She was pissed and she was softly tapping her foot on the floor. All eyes were on us, as everyone looked at us confused.

Me: "Chill buttercup, he's my cousin"

Girl: "I didn't ask you"

Me: "Your mouth and voice didn't but you facial expression sure as hell did"

Girl: "Simphiwe lets go"

Simphiwe: "Just a sec"

The girl looked at him with her head tilted. Simphiwe didn't mind her, he took out his phone and gave it to me.

Simphiwe: "Your tenz"

I dialled them then gave him his phone.

He hugged me then kissed my cheek.

Simphiwe: "I'mma call you. Bye peeps"

He left.

Xoli: "Bitch, why you still here? Follow your friend"

She directed that to the who's name is Londi. She looked at Mali then furiously walked out.

Mali: "Baby, this is Kammy, V's girl and Siwe, Don's girl. Girls this is my woman, Anathi"

Me: "Nice to meet y'all"

Kammy: "Likewise"

Me: "Why are you Kammy?"

Kammy: "Cause my name is Kgamotsho, so I switch it up"

Me: "Oh"

We spent the night talking and really it was great. At about 10pm the gang left

and Mali locked up, while I ran upstairs and changed. I got into the ensuite and shaved, everything that needed to be shaved.

Me: "BABE ARE YOU THERE!!"

Mali: "YEAH!!"

I brushed my teeth, then got out. I was wearing my light purple matching lace panties and lace bra. My silk gown was weakly tied, so my entire left side showed. He was on his phone. I cleared my throat and that's when he noticed me. His jaw dropped and I smiled. I catwalked to him, he tried to get up, but I pushed him back down, got on top of

him and started kiss him. He flipped us over and now he was on top. He help my hands over my head and he pulled out of the kiss.

Mali: "We really doing this?"

I nodded

Mali: "Wholeheartedly?"

I nodded once more.

Mali: "Say it"

Me: "Make love to me Mali"

Mali: "I can't hear you"

Me: "Make love to me Mali"

Mali: "I still can't hear you"

Me: "MAKE LOVE TO ME MALIBONGWE DLAMINI!!"

He smiled then attacked me with yet another kiss, while his one hand lifted up my leg.

His lips left mine. He licked my left leg, from the thigh to the feet and honestly that was disgusting but hey, it's his life.

He pulled my legs apart and inserted his middle finger then the index finger followed. I gasped as I was taken aback. He started moving at a slow pace, which really pissed me off. It's like he heard me because he increased the pace and I immediately exploded. His head disappeared in between my legs and he licked me clean, giving me yet another

orgsms He came up to my face. I was out of breath and he looked at me with a smile.

Mali: "You good?"

I nodded

Mali: "Say it"

Me: "Yes I'm good"

Mali: "Are you ready for Jnr?"

Me: "Yes"

He kissed my forehead, then took off my bra. He squeezed my boobs a bit making me moan. He chuckled then stripped. That's when his hard dick

sprung out. Veins were pumping like crazy and that scared me.

Mali: "Don't worry, it will only hurt a bit"
I swallowed, while he positioned himself.

Mali: "Don't move or else you'll hurt both of us"
I nodded.

His tip rubbed on my vaginal walls and I winced. He pushed himself inside and God did it hurt. It felt as if I was losing my virginity for the second time. I saw rain outside the window and the thunder cracked as he fully pushed

himself inside. He moved slowly as I balled my fists. I was serious pain, but a small part of me was enjoying the pleasure.

He moved faster as he sucked on my neck and I screamed. He slowed down when I winced in pain. My body started trembling and he increased his pace.

Mali: "Wait for me baby... Ah... Fuck... Wait for me".

It was already too late, cause I came. He followed right after then fell next to me.

Mali:'Thank you baby"

Me:"Mhn"

He chuckled then cleaned us both up.
He moved me to his side and he stared
at the sheet.

Me:"Whats up?"

Mali:"Were you a virgin?"

Me:"No why?"

Mali:"There's blood on the sheet"

Me:"I can't be on my cycle cause I just
came from it"

Mali:'And my dick doent have blood"

We looked at each other.

Me: 'Is this normal?'

Mali: "Honestly, I don't know"

I was worried and scared. He hugged me.

Mali: "Don't stress. I'm sure it's nothing."

He kissed the top of my head, picked me up, and placed me on the couch then he replaced the sheets. He tucked me into bed.

Mali: "Good night Mrs Me"

Me: "Goodnight Mr Ms"

The thunder cracked and shook. He quickly got into the covers and pulled me to him.

Mali: "I'm here, don't worry"

Me: "Baby"

Mali: "Yes love?"

Me: "We didn't use protection"

Mali: "Aren't you on that injection or pill thing?"

Me: "Its called a contraceptive and no"

Mali: "Okay. Remind me to buy you the pill tomorrow okay"

Me: "Sure"

Mali: "Good, now sleep, or else I might ask for a round 2".

Me: "Aha Mali, my pussy is literally burning right now. Its paralysed"

Mali: "Angithi Sibalukhulu Jnr is here. He will nurse him gummybear back to health. One dosage of Sibalukhulu Jnr and you are healed. Iyasebenza and its free of charge"

Me: "You sound like those old SABC adverts that use to say. SMS Love to 363131"

He laughed.

Mali: "Well that advert is only for you"

Me: "And it better be"

He kissed my back and pulled me even closer to him. And that's when the sleep kicked in.

I woke up and I was in hospital. They were two new born babies on the floor and they were surrounded by 3 lions. I screamed but nobody came. One of the lion's walked towards me and it changed into human form. It was a woman and she had a necklace with the initial D and a crocodile tooth on it.

That's when I really panicked. That was pure witchcraft.

The woman waved her hand in front of my face and I kept quiet. She smiled, hugged me then took back the form of a Lion and laid next to the babies.

A second lion came and this time it turned into an elderly male. He was also wearing the necklace and he had another one in his hands.

He smiled.

Man: "Godide, Mphemba, Ntuli, Ndlela
KaSompisi, siyabonga.
Siyabonga, ngoba nisnike lomtana.
Umtana ozozala ababtwana abazo

sindisa abakwaSibalukhulu. Ncinci Mphemba. Ncinci Godide”

He tied the necklace around my neck,he hugged me the took back the form of a Lion.

I woke up panting,it was still dark. Mali was up,which baffled me cause he was a heavy sleepe,so why would he wake up now?

Mali:”Whats up?”

He switched on the side lamp then looked at me shocked.

Me: "What?"

His hand came to my neck and he held up the necklace I saw in my dream. I screamed.

Me: "Take it off, please take it off"

He fiddled with the necklace for some time.

Mali: "Its not coming off"

Me: "What?"

Mali: "Its not coming off"

Me: "No Mali, get a scissor. A knife or even a chain saw just get this thing off me."

My baby went out then came back with a knife and scissor. He fiddled but nothing worked.

I got up and attempted to leave the room, but when I opened the door, the lions were there yawning. I froze.

Mali: "What wrong?"

Me: "Lions Mali"

He came to me.

Mali: "There's nothing there"

Me: "Aha Mali, They are Lions they are right in front of us."

Mali: "Babe, there's nothing"

I cried.

Me: "Mali they are Lions. 3 of them. The same Lions I saw in my dream"

He pulled me back into the room then tucked me into bed and he hugged me from behind.

Mali: "Tell me your dream"

I narrated every thing to him.

Mali:'Umh,I need to call my dad real quick"

Me:"Am I going crazy Mali?"

Mali:"Not at all baby. You are perfectly sane"

He kissed my forehead,wore his boxers then went out to the balcony.

I curled myself up into a ball as I cried. I was going crazy. I was running mad. How can I see some thing that's not there? I was even getting afriad of sleeping. What if I never wake up?

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-Anathi

He came back from the balcony, he picked me up then carried me to the tub, I was too scared to even move. I was traumatized, no doubt.

He looked at me as I stared into space and the tub filled up.

Mali: "My dad wants to see you"

I didn't mind him cause I was too busy thinking about the dream and thr stupid necklace that won't come off.

Mali: "He said he might know what's happening"

I looked at him.

Me: "Am I going crazy Mali"

He cupped my face.

Mali: "No baby. You are sane. You are normal. I'm sure there's a perfectly good explanation for all this. Don't even for a minute think you are crazy"

Me: "What will you do with an insane girlfriend?"

Mali: "Anathi, I told you. You are not insane"

I looked at him and blinked the tears away. He wiped them off then hugged me.

The ride to his home was long and quiet. We finally pulled up a Modern house. It was rural by modern at the same time. A huge spread out yard, with a large 6 roomed house and 10 big modernised rondovels.

Me: "Where are we?"

Mali: "P.M.B"

Me: "This is your home?"

Mali: "Yep, my gran lives here with Malum'Mabutho, Malum'Zongile and their wives Aunt Ntombikayise and Aunt Tholakhele along with their youngest children."

Me: "You are a big family?"

Mali: "Yep, I have another uncle that lives in Cape Town and an aunt who lives in Eastern Cape with her husband and kids. The other aunt died"

Me: "I'm sorry"

Mali: "Its cool. Are you good?"

Me: "Yes"

Mali: "I'll be with you throughout"

Me: "I just hope I get help. I can't afford to go mad"

He pecked my lips.

Mali: "You won't"

He kissed me hard then pulled out.

Mali: "We good"

He got out, closed the door and opened the door for me. I got out and a cold breeze blew. He took off his jersey and gave it to me.

We walked up the driveway and he was clued onto me. When we got close to the main house, it rained and I looked at Mali, he just shrugged and we got inside.

As soon as I entered an elderly woman covered me with a blanket and served me tea and honestly I wasn't comfortable with an elder serving me.

After a while, the lounge was crowded and one of the people I knew. It was my client Mrs Dlamini. She smiled at me then sat down next to who I presumed

was her husband. I wasn't sure cause the people of the house look the same.

M Gran: "MaMbhele, unjani mtanami?"

I forced a smile.

Me: "I'm okay ma"

M Gran: "You don't have to lie babe"

Me: "Okay honestly I'm spooked"

M Gran: "I understand"

Mali pulled me closer to him.

M Gran:"The Lion's you saw baby.
Those are Dlamini ancestors. The
Dlamini Spirit animal is a Lion so they
take up that form after death"

Mali:"Gogo,can you please just explain
what you know"

M Gran:"Patience is a Virtue Nkosana"

Mali:"I never get why you call me that
yazi"

M Gran:"You great grandma,told me to
give it to you through a dream"

Mali:"Mhm"

M Gran:"Baby I'll tell you what I know.
It won't be much"

Mali: "Gogo please just enlighten because this makes my wife think she's crazy"

M Gran: "A few years before my mother and your great grandmother died, we received a prophecy. A prophecy that the Dlamini ancestors will choose a woman, a woman to bare the Dlamini Restorers and they will restore the Dlamini Clan to its former Glory"

M Dad: "What Glory?"

M Gran: "Baby, we are royalty. Your grandfather, Malibongwe's Great grandfather Your was the descendant of The Great King Cebekhulu Dlamini, I'm

sure you remember the stories. The kingdom of Msinga belongs to the Dlamini Clan. It has been that way for over a century. But then my father came along. There was a law that said a crowned prince shall not be crowned King until he get married that the King,his father would chose. My father was a very stubborn man. He did things his own way. He was in love with a maiden. A commoner,he fell for the girl and started persuading her. The girl agreed and they got married. Little did he know that he's best friend Mashayabuqhe was also in love with The maiden,who is my mother. Driven by anger and immerse hate towards my father,Mashayabhughe plotted and

skimmed against my father and he killed him one day. I watched him rape my mother countless times.

Mashayabhuqhe took the throne, forcefully married my mother and made me live in the Cow Kraal.

When we received the prophecy he was there. He heard that the children would be born from my descendant and he tried to kill me one night, but he failed. Mom told to run away and never look back. I did run away to her maternity home and my grandmother sent me to her sister in the Eastern Cape. One day Mashayabhuqhe sent a hitman to kill me, but the kind man showed me sympathy and didn't kill me. He did something to make

Mashayabhuqhe believe that I was dead. He came from time to time to check up on me and that's when we fell in love. We had kids together, and you are those kids are you. Everytime we tried to get married something came up. We had those disruptions until he died in a car accident."

She sniffed then drank her water.

M Gran:"I never got why the ancestors didn't allow me to get married"

Man 1:"But Mama,who can clarify this?"

M Gran:" Mabutho mntanami,I don't know. All I know is that ancestors choose a person they can communicate with and the one they chose died in their sleep and that was Phakamisiwe,my last born Daughter"

Man 2:"Can't they choose another one? And how will we know if that's the person?:"

M Gran:"Zongile,What I know is that they've chosen another one,but their powers are not yet activated and the chosen seer bares the mark of the Dlamini Clan,which is a D and a crocodile tooth,it is drawn on their left inner wrist"

Me: "But Gogo, why me?"

She smiled. She had a really warm and loving smile.

M Gran: "Maybe they saw that you are worthy"

Aunt 1: "Mama, can I prepare the food?"

M Gran: "Yes baby. The meeting is over vele. Malibongwe nawe MaMbhele stay I need to talk to you"

The other members existed the room while we stayed.

M Gran: "Before Phakamisiwe once told me about a vision she had. She said that the chosen girl to bare the Dlamini Restorers, will have 6 children at the same time, known as sex what what"

Mali: "Sextuplets"

M Gran: "That one. She said that everytime the chosen couple, which is you too have a major fight, caused by maybe cheating and all that. A fight that will make one of you burn with anger inside that will result in one baby dying. For every fight a baby dies. So please whatever happens, talk. They will be people who initiate those fights and that person is someone way close to you Malibongwe. And oh she will have

to give birth at 6 months,naturally
cause if she still has the pregnancy for
even a month older,a child dies. If tge
dying happens,5 of the children can't
die. There has to be at least
remaining,because they need to exist
as a pair. 3 of them have the power of
Destruction and the 3 has the power of
Creation. Please try not to do wrong by
each other"

Me:"We'll try Gogo"

She smiled,hugged us then left. Mali
looked at me. He pecked my lips then
looked again.

Mali: "You good?"

Me: "I'm overwhelmed"

Mali: "Don't worry baby, I got you. For better for worse"

He kissed me but I pushed him away.

Mali: "Babe?"

Me: "Respect Mali. This aint your house"

Mali: "Just a little. I miss you"

Me: "You kissed me in the car not so long ago. Stop being a baby wena.

Kokqala my pussy is still buring because of you"

Mali: "Let me kiss it better:

Me: "No"

"Nx"

I looked and it was Zinhle. She looked at me with a pissed look.

Me: "Oh hey Zee, long time no see"

She looked at me up and down.

Zee: "Nx Bitch"

Mali: "Don't you dare Zinhle. I'll forget you my sister njalo"

She rolled her eyes.

Mali:"Apologise"

She looked at Mali with her eyes popped out.

Mali:"I won't repeat myself"

Zee:"Sorry" she said with so much attitude.

Mali:"Like you mean it"

Zee:"I'm sorry Anathi"

Mali:"Good"

Zee:"Yeah,Yeah. Mali when are gonna see Zimase. She says she misses your dick"

Mali: "Tell your whore of a friend to leave me the fuck alone. Just because we fucked doesn't mean we became a couple. And oh I saw what you tried to do there. Try it again and I'll chock you. Now leave us alone"

She looked at me.

Mali: "Are you deaf? Go"

She mumbled something then left.

Me: "That was awfully mean:

Mali: "And I'll continue to be mean, of she continues to be a bitch towards you"

Me: "I'm hungry"

Mali: "Sibalukhulu is always ready for you baby"

She licked his lip and I punched his arm.

Me: "Not that food njalo wena"

He laughed then got up.

-Narrated 

Sphume just came back from school and Siya was with her. She prepared some food for her child, switched on the t.v for her then she went to start cooking. While cooking, she started hearing voices. Voices from people she couldn't see. Those voices were accompanied by the sound of hissing. She felt like the room was rotating.

“You won't make it”

“You shall die”

“You'll never save them”

“You'll never”

“The throne is mine”

“You shouldn't have ran away”

“You should've married the prince so we can control you”

“Now you shall die”

The hissing sounds became louder and that's when she saw the snakes. They were big and slimy and very green. One of the snakes looked her straight in the eye. The other one struck her heel and that's when she dropped to the ground.

A dark mist filled the house. And that mist knocked baby knocked baby Siya unconscious.

After a while the mist was cleared. Both Mother and Daughter were unconscious, while the the pots continued to boil on the stove.

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-Anathi💕💕

Mali:"I still don't get why you didn't want us to sleep over"

Me:"I don't have a change of clothes and I need to get back to Sphume"

Mali:"Babe,please move in with me"

Me:"Mali..."

Mali:"Please. With this whole restorer shit,I need you next to me"

Me:"Okay,I'll think about it baby"

He smiled like a retard

Me: "What's up with you?"

Mali: "You called me baby"

I rolled my eyes.

Me: "Just drive idiot"

Mali: "But you love this idiot"

Me: "Yeah, yeah. I do love you"

He stopped the car then looked at me.

Me: "What? Why did you stop?"

Mali: "You said you love me"

Me: "Oh yah I did"

Mali: "You don't know how much that means to me"

He pecked my lips and I blushed. He started the car then drove away.

At about 8:35pm we arrived at my house and there were 4 fire brigades and a police car around. I quickly got out, but a policeman stopped me.

Police: "Mam you can't go in"

Me: "Don't fucken tell me that. This is my house:"

Police: "Oh"

Me: "Sphume, Siya. Where are they?:"

I tried to push through but Mali held me back.

Police: "If the people you are talking about are the people we found inside, surprisingly they are unharmed. We found the child crying inside, while the mother was unconscious. They didn't have any burns but they were sent to the hospital for a check up"

Mali: "Which hospital?"

Police: "King Edward"

We quickly got into the car and he drove. We arrived and they kept us waiting for close to an hour. They were

both in the same ward, which I didn't get.

I kissed Siya's forehead and she giggled.

Me: "I'm so glad you are okay baby"

Mali: "Umh babe, What did Gogo say the about identifying the chosen seer?"

Me: "Umh Something about having the letter D and the drawing of a crocodile tooth tattooed on the left inner wrist"

Mali: "Umh, did Sphume always have this on her wrist?"

I looked and she did have the tattoo.

Me: "She's the chosen one"

Mali: "But...:"

Me: "Call Gogo ke"

He went out with his phone while I stayed with my girls.

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It's been a week and we've moved in with Mali and by we, I mean Siya and I. Sphume is still unconscious, Gogo said she shouldn't be in hospital but ke the doctors refuse to let her go.

I walked down downstairs and found Mali playing with Siya.

Me: "Okay okay, Siya and I gotta go to work and school so stop"

He came me and hugged me.

Mali: "Morning Mama"

I looked at her with my eye brow arched

Me: "Mama"

Mali: "Yes"

Me: "We've upgraded I see"

He laughed.

Mali: "Yeah I guess"

Me: "Babe, Babakhe yazi I don't know your occupation"

Mali: "Babakhe?"

Me: "Yes, ankere we'll be having 6 bundles of joy"

Mali: "That's baba wabo, plural, Mama"

Me: "Babakhe sounds better."

Mali: "To answer your statement that was a low-key question. I'm a Civil Engineer and I'm a Co-founder and Co-CEO at Zibongwe Constructions. A company my brother Zimele and I started 3 years ago"

Me: "Zibongwe. Interesting name"

Mali: "Yeah, we didn't have a name in mind and that was the only thing left for us to get a loan from our dad. So we decided to merge our names"

Me: "Loan from your own dad?:"

Mali: "Yep. Our dad is like that. A tough lover. Mom has always been the better parent"

Me: "You are a momma's boy huh?"

He frowned and I just laughed.

Me: "Bye Mali"

I pecked his lips, took Siya's hand then we left.

-Narrated ♠

Mashayabuqhe and his first wife Zondeni were in the throne room within their witch servant Nomqhele.

Nomqhele stirred the black substance as Zondeni glanced at it.

Zondeni: "Kodwa Baba, I still say we should get a strong witch. Nomqhele has lost her touch. She could kill this albino. Ngiyazi ukuthi iyshawa zinamandla. Especially this one, since

she's protected by those Dlamini people, but still I thought Nomqhele was stronger than that.”

Mashayabuqhe:”Awthule nkosikazi...Nomqhele usumtholile”

Nomqhele grunted loudly.

Nomqhele:”Ngimtholile.”

The king and Queen smiled. Nomqhele took her knife and struck the image of Sphume, but nothing happened. In turn, Nomqhele flew across the room.

Zondeni: "Yabonake. You shouldn't have let her run away. We could've dealt with her when she married Bandile. We could've easily gotten her"

Bandile: "Wow, so mom, you love me so much that you would use me as a pawn in your witchcraft activities? Yazi I'm glad Sphume ran away. I hope y'all die for doing this. Nx"

Mashayabuqhe: "Yey...I'm not your friend"

Bandile: "You ain't my father either. I won't have a father who indulges in witchcraft. What kind of a king are you? I'm outta here:

He clicked his tongue then walked away. Zondeni ran after him screaming. While Nomqhele coughed on the ground..

-Anathi💔💔

It was my lunch break,so I got in my car and drove to the hospital. We had Sphume moved to Entabeni hospital. I got to her ward and she wasn't there. I checked the toilet but nothing.

Me:"Nurse!!!"

A nurse came in running

Nurse: "Yes?"

Me: "The patient, where is she?"

Nurse: "She was here when I left 5 minutes ago"

Me: "So she just disappeared?"

Nurse: "Andazi Mam"

Me: "Where are the security?"

She ran out, while I sat on the bed crying.

"She's fine"

I looked around for the source of the voice but nothing

“Don't worry yourself. She's in a safe place”

N.B I know its short but I'm super tired so sorry.

[Insert 38]

-Sphume♡

I woke up in a very dark place and a cold breeze blew at me, making me shiver. I got up from the cold hard floor and saw that I was in some sort of cave. I saw a light and quickly ran to it, as I was about to reach the light a force pulled me back inside. To the very core of the cave.

That's where I saw a fire burning and a little stream flowing next to it. There were 6 pieces of brown clothing and some food stocks and 2 pots. I tried to

run again, but that very same force pulled me.

While I was down, a lion appeared and that's when I froze. No, I can't die, my daughter. No. I can't die.

The lion walked towards me and it changed into a human, in that instant I fainted

I woke up in the arms of an old woman. I quickly got off her as I remembered that she was a lion.

Her: "Child, sit"

I swallowed then did as I was told. She smiled and poured some greenish blue liquid in a tin cup and handed it to me.

Her: "Drink"

Me: "Hell no"

Her: "Child drink. Its for your own protection"

Me: "Protection from what? What am I doing here? I want to go home?"

Her: "You are the chosen one child. You were chosen to protect the restorers:

Me: "What are you talking about?"

She smiled then disappeared. I wanted to scream for her to come back, but I couldn't.

-Mali♡

She burst into my study, and she was breathing heavily. I took off my glasses and looked at her. She paced up and down. So I took the liberty of asking

Me: "What's up?"

Nathi: "Sphume, she's wasn't in the hospital"

Me: "What do you mean? Did you call the police?"

Nathi: "They told me shit about waiting for 24 hours to be up"

Me: "That's bull. Did you fetch Siya?"

Nathi: "Fuck. I forgot her"

Me: "You know what baby? I'm gonna go fetch Siya, while you rest"

Nathi: "Rest? The fuck Mali, I can't rest without knowing where Sphume is"

Me: "You know what? I'll call Gogo"

I called gogo and luckily she answered quickly.

Gogo: "Nkosana"

I huffed. I really hated that name.

Me: "Gogo, Do you remember Sphume?"

Gogo: "How can I forget her? She's very important"

Me: "Well she's missing. She disappeared from the hospital"

Gogo: "So?"

Me: "What do you mean so?"

Gogo: "She's been taken to a safe place where she'll be doing her training. That also happened to your aunt. Do worry"

Me: "When will she come back ke?"

Gogo: "No telling"

Me: "Okay, goodbye MaDlamini"

Gogo: "Say hi to Anathi for me Nkosana"

Me: "Okay"

I dropped the call and looked at Anathi who was still pacing.

Me: "Gogo said she's been taken somewhere for training. She's good, so chill"

Nathi: "You sure?:"

Me: "Yes. Now go rest, I'll go get Siya"

She smiled, pecked my lips then left. I shoved my phone in my pocket, took my keys then left. I got to Siya's school and she was waiting outside with a teacher.

Her: "I was about to call:

Me: "I'm sorry"

Her: "Its okay"

Me: "Thank you"

I took Siya's hand and we left. I looked at Siya in the rear view mirror. It sucks that she can't talk.

Siya: "Mama"

Me: "You'll see her soon princess"

I drove on while she kept making those cute baby noises, that made me want my own babies now.

I drove in, gave Siya a piggyback ride then we went inside. My eyes landed on 2 big suitcases that were by the staircase.

"Yay, you back"

I looked towards the voice and it was Zimase (Zinhle's friend). She had a smile

on her face. She had a huge baby bump.

Me: "What are you doing here?"

Zimase: "Come on baby. Don't be like that"

I chuckled then ran upstairs. I got into our room and she wasn't there but the water was running. I got into the ensuite, opened the shower door and that's when I saw her butt naked. Jnr immediately acted up.

Nathi: "The shower is occupied baby daddy"

Me: "Did you see the woman downstairs?"

Nathi: "Yeah, she told me she's your girl"

Me: "And you let her inside your house?"

Nathi: "I don't have the strength for that Mali. I'm still worried about the missing Sphume and I have to be strong for Siya. I don't have time for delusional hoes"

I smiled.

Me: "Can I join you?"

Nathi: "Who did you leave the Siya with? You better have not left her with that woman"

Me: "Shit, I'll be back now"

-Anathi♡

I got dressed in black leggings and his tee. I slipped on my flops then walked downstairs. She was still there eating my food. Kodwa ke she's pregnant. I gotta be considerate.

Girl: "Oh babe, could you please get me some juice?"

I chuckled.

Me: "MALI!!"

He came in from the kitchen

Mali: "Baby?"

Girl: "Baby? What the fuck?"

Mali: "What do you want here? My wife is here, so tell me what you want"

Girl: "Your wife?"

Mali: "I didn't stutter did I?:"

Girl: "Malibongwe. I'm pregnant and its your child"

I raised my hands up in surrender, took Siya's hand and walked upstairs.

Mali: "Babe, don't leave, lets talk"

Me: "There's nothing we'll talk about. Wena take her to the doctor and see how far she is."

Mali: "What if its mine?"

Me: "Then we'll raise it together.

Angithi we all in this together"

I went upstairs, sat Siya on the carpet and played some cartoons for her on my laptop, then I threw myself on the bed.

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-Mali♡

Zimase: "Baby"

She tried to touch me but I yanked her hand away and ran to my room. She was on the bed. I got next to her and brushed her back.

Me: "Nathi baby:

Nathi: "Mhm"

Me: "You good?:

Nathi: "What do you think Mali? Some random chick from your past rocks up

at your house, with a large stomach.
She calls you baby and she claims that
the child she's carrying is your. How do
you want me to feel"

She sniffed and I sighed.

Me: "I'm sorry"

Nathi: "Your sorry doesn't change
anything Mali"

Me: "I know, but it's the least I can say"

Nathi: "Just go take her to the hospital
and check"

Me: "Okay. But first, I'm hungry"

Nathi: "You can buy takeaways"

Me: "You know that's not what I mean"

Nathi:"No"

Me:"please baby"

I nibbled on her ear and her body shook. I got on of her then slipped my hands under the tee she was wearing

Nathi:"The child Mali"

I peeped and Siya was asleep

Me:"She's was asleep"

I kissed her and the rest is history.

I cleaned us up, then put Siya in bed and kissed her forehead then kissed Anathi. I quickly got dressed.

Me: "Do you need anything?"

Nathi: "No"

Me: "I love you"

Nathi: "Me too"

Me: "You too what?"

Nathi: "I love you too"

Me: "Bye love"

I went downstairs and Zimase was still in the lounge and she has turned the place into a pigsty.

Me: "Woza"

Zimase: "Huh?"

Me: "Ndithe woza. Sundiqhela ikak.
Masambe"

Zimase: "Wait, let me take go freshen
up"

Me: "Awzuyenza lonto. Come or else I'll
drag you out"

She wore her flops then followed me.
She got in the front and I drove off. I
arrived at V's practice and he had a
patient in his office.

Me: "Leave"

I looked at the patient and she looked at me.

Me: "Awuva yini. I said leave."

She looked at V and he nodded then she left.

Me: "Wena sit"

I directed that to Zimase.

V: "You should stop this bullshit behavior of yours. You can't always make my patients leave. They are also important"

Me: "Yeah, yeah. I need you to do a pregnancy test on this girl"

V: "Is it by her will?"

Me: "She rocked up at my place claiming the child is mine, so I brought her here for you to check how far she's gone"

V: "Okay... Lady lay on the bed there"

Zimase did as she was told. V did his thing and indeed there was a heartbeat and it filled the room.

V: "Okay, there's a toilet behind this door, pee in this. I need a sample of your urine"

She took the small cup then disappeared into the toilet.

V: "What will happen if she's yours?"

Me: "Honestly I'm not sure. Right now I'm worried about Anathi."

V: "If the child was conceived before you and Nathi became an item then she'll understand"

I cleared my throat and he looked at me with his head tilted.

V: "Don't tell me you cheated on the poor girl"

Silence

V: "When did it happen?"

Me: "Umh...err"

V: "Speak up english moron, I don't speak cheater"

I clenched my jaws and huffed

V: "I'm waiting"

Me: "A month after Nathi and I started dating. I was sexually starving, she was there and it happened"

V: "You didn't have sex for just a month Malibongwe. And you call that starving. I survived 8 months without sex, when Kammy was in a coma"

Me: "Not all of us are like you"

V: "Yeah, some of us know how to keep it in our pants when we know we in a relationship"

Me: "Zimase get the fuck out of there!!"

V sighed.

V: "Did you atleast use protection?"

Me: "Yeah, I never tap a bitch raw. If its mine, I don't know how it happened."

Zimase came out, gave V ger urine then V stuck three pregnancy sticks in the some of the pee then left with the other.

Zimase: "Mali, ndilambile"

Me: "Ngihlanganaphi mina pho nalokho?"

Zimase: "I'm carrying your child"

Me: "That's yet to be proved"

Zimase: "Are you seriously gonna choose the hoe over the mother of your heir?"

I chuckled colded.

Me: "I dare you to spew that shit again, I dare you. I'll forget you pregnant and I'll beat the shit out of your brainless self"

She remained quiet and I loved it that way.

V came back with a file and gave it to me. She was 12 weeks pregnant.

Me: "How many months is 12 weeks?:"

V: "3 months"

Me: "Shit"

I banged my head on the desk.

Me: "Thanks dude"

I got up and pulled Zimase with me.

Me: "I'm still not sure if that baby is mine, we'll never know. You probably slept with another guy that say day. Ankere you are a hoe. Until the child is born, I get you a place and if you need anything you call Anathi. If it's not related to the upkeep of the fetus. Checkups and all, don't bother calling my woman. Just because you possibly carrying my child don't mean you my woman. Anathi is my woman, my wife. You need to know your boundaries"

Zimase: "But..."

Me: "Don't. Dare do anything to my wife, God help me"

I started the car then drove off.

-Anathi💕💕

The bed room door opened

Mali:"Anathi"

I moved. He got in between behind me.

Me:"How did it go?"

Mali:"We'll talk tomorrow"

Me:"I wanna talk now"

Mali: "We'll talk tomorrow"

Me: "Mali, I said now."

Mali: "She's 3 months gone"

Me: "Good that means it's not yours"

Mali: "Umh..."

Me: "Is there something you not telling me?"

Silence

Me: "I'm not talking to myself
Malibongwe Dlamini"

Mali: "I slept with her 3 months ago:"

Me: "How old is our relationship?"

Mali: "4 months going onto 5"

Me: "You cheated on me?"

Mali: "I'm sorry"

Me: "Why?"

Mali: "Huh?"

Me: "Why did you cheat?"

Mali: "Umh, err..."

I broke free from his grip and got off his grip.

Mali: "Where are you?"

Me: "I need some space to deal with all this shit"

Mali: "Are you breaking up with me?"

Me: "I need space"

I switched on the lights, took a suitcase and started packing. He came into the closet.

Mali: "What are you doing?"

Me: "Isn't it obvious?"

Mali: "No"

Me: "I'm leaving Mali. Siya and I will leave and leave you to bond with your baby momma"

Mali: "Awusuyenza lonto"

Me: "Watch me"

I closed the bag and attempted to walk out, but he tightly held my wrist. Anger was clearly visible in his eyes

Me: "You hurting me"

He loosened his grip.

Mali: "You not going anywhere. The shit you wanna do is pure bullshit. Uthetha ikak ngoku. You not gonna leave me. I'd rather kill us both"

Me: "Mali, leave me alone. I want to leave:

Mali: "No"

He let go of my hand and walked out the closet. He locked the room door, shoved the key into his pants then got into bed.

Me: "Give me the key Mali"

Mali:"No, you are not leaving me. We'll stay in this room together until you get the idea of leaving me out of your head" He switched off the side lamp. I huffed,then took a duvet and slept on the couch.

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-Anathi💕💕

I opened my eyes and I was on the bed,he was holding onto me for dear life. I felt suffocated.

I moved a bit and he squeezed me tighter,then kissed my cheek.

Me:"Cela ungiyeke"

Mali:"Morning to you too Baby"

Me:"Nx"

Mali: "I'm sorry Anathi. I know my sorries can't take back the fact that I cheated but baby, I'm sorry"

Me: "Are you done?"

He sighed.

Mali: "What can I do to make you forgive me?"

Me: "Get the fuck off me, I need to pee"

He let me go and I ran to the ensuite and did my thing. I wiped, flushed then washed my hands.

Me: "Please open up, I need to make food for my child"

He opened the door for me and I walked out. I found the pregnant girl in the lounge already eating. I was very disgusted, I so wanted to throw up.

Girl: "Urg, you still here? I don't get why you don't just leave, busy causing problems between Mali and I. He doesn't want you bitch. Don't you see he's complete? I'm his woman and he has a child on the way, so bitch leave"

"The only who should leave is you"

I looked towards the voice and Mali's mother was by the door with a luggage bag.

Girl: "Ma, I'm so glad you here. This girl just attacked me just because I'm carrying Mali's child. You grandchild"

Mrs Dlamini looked at her up and down

Mrs Dlamini: "Firstly, I'm not your mother. I can never be a mother to an uncultured and conniving, ill-mannered girl like you and secondly. I don't remember asking about all the

information you gave me. Do yourself and all of us a favour and just leave"

I took her bag and she hugged me.

Girl:"I'm not leaving"

Me:"She wasn't asking you"

Girl:"And I wasn't talking to you"

I was about to speak when Mrs Dlamini stopped me.

Mrs Dlamini:"Baby,don't entertain her. People with very low intellectuallity should be be talking to intellectually gifted people,they'll hurt themselves"

The girl sniffed.

Girl: "I'll tell Mali"

Mrs Dlamini: "God, she's still talking. Anathi let's go before she gets more confused. We don't wanna land her in a coma now would we? We can't do the hospital beds like that. They don't deserve such cruelty"

The girl was about to speak when Mrs Dlamini pushed me up the stairs. She pushed me to one of the guestrooms.

Mrs Dlamini: "Why is she in your house?"

Me: "She's carrying Mali's child"

Mrs Dlamini: "So?"

Me: "Her child has to be around its father."

She slapped the back of my head

Me: "Ouch Ma"

Mrs Dlamini: "You deserve some thing more painful. How can you allow her to stay in your house?"

Me: "It's only fair"

Mrs Dlamini: "Fair my foot. That girl is the devil herself. Do you even know the story between them?"

Me: "Yeah, they were just fuckbuddies"

She laughed.

Mrs Dlamini: "That's the story he told you and you bought it?"

Me: "What do you mean ma?"

Mrs Dlamini: "They were not fuckbuddies. Mali loved the girl. Not wholeheartedly cause he once told me he loved a girl he couldn't have and that was you. But Zimase occupied a portion of his heart. He believed that she can take your place. On the day, he decided to propose. He got to her flat and he found her riding his younger brother Sphe. Zimase knew all the family members, although her and Sphe had never met each other cause Sphe studies in Cape Town, but she knew his

face. She showed no remorse when he saw them"

Me:"Wow,that's painful"

Mrs Dlamini:"You see how she is and you letting her live in your house,no sweety"

Me:"I even wanted to leave last night"

A hot sensation was felt on my cheek. I popped out my eyes. She slapped me.

Me:"Ma!!!"

Mrs Dlamini:"That was to get you back to your senses,cause you clearly lost them. Weren't you listening to MaDlamini. She said you have to be

together. MaMbhele, honestly I'm disappointed"

Me:"But Ma, you slapped me"

Mrs Dlamini:"And I'll do it again. Now get your ass up, make breakfast for you man. Take a bath, get dressed, we going to the Spa. We gonna rejuvenate your mind, cause its not thinking straight."

I laughed, then went out. I made breakfast with the bitch busy ranting. It took everything in me to not slap her. I serve my man breakfast, fed Siya, bathed her.

I lotioned then got dressed in a floral jumpsuit with black six inch stilletos. I left my weave loose and took my bag.

Me: "Mali, the bitch better be out of my house before I come back"

Mali: "Where you going?"

Me: "I'm going to the spa with your mom. She Waiting for me"

Mali: "She's here?"

Me: "Yep"

Mali: "Okay see you"

I pecked his lips then walked out.

Zimase: "Why wasn't I told that we
having a girls day out?"

Mrs Dlamini: "MaMbhele, your house is
filled with mosquitoes, we need to
disinfect the place. Ngeke. They busy
whining"

I laughed then we left.

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-Mali♡

“Finally we alone”

I looked towards the voice and it was Zimase.

Me:”Leave”

Zimase:”Come on Mali. You know you want me. I overheard you and that woman arguing last night. I know you didn't get some yesterday. So here I am. I miss you”

Me: "That woman is my wife, so you better respect her. I want you to leave my house or else I'll drag you out".

Zimase: "Do you want me to leave or is that witch manipulating you?"

She touch my chest and I pushed her away. She landed flat on her fat ass. I got up and she looked at me sniffing.

Zimase: "Please Mali don't do this to me. I love you"

Me: "Did you love or think about me when you were busy riding my brother?"

Zimase: "It was a moment of weakness, I didn't know what I was doing"

Me: "I don't fucking care. All I care about is you leaving my house now"

I left the room and went straight to the room she was using. I took her suitcase then threw it outside, I got to my room and she was still on the floor. I picked her up by the arm. I shoved her and her bag in the car. I quickly drove to one of my flats. Luckily there was a tenant who had just left, so I took the room keys then marched her to that room. It was fully furnished, bed sheets and bed covers along with food were the only thing missing.

Mi: "Anathi will come by later with your necessities"

Zimase: "I don't want her to come"

Me: "You don't really have a choice"

I got out then banged the door. I got into the car then called my woman.

Nathi: "Is she out?"

Me: "Yes"

Nathi: "Good, so what can I do for you?"

Me: "I want to see you"

Nathi: "You'll see me when I get back.

Where's Siya?:

Me: "Shit"

Nathi: "What was that?"

Me: "Umh...Ar...I can't here you...."

I dropped the call then sped home.
Luckily Siya was still sleeping. She's a
heavy sleeper shame.

-Anathi 

Mrs Dlamini: "Hawu Baba"

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Mrs Dlamini: "Baba stop that...Yaz my
clit is vibrating. Suyenza lonto baba:

I looked at her with my eyes popped. This woman. They are talking dirty to each other and I'm right here. I'm traumatized. I directed my attention back on the road, it was just after 7pm and the road was empty so I decided to speed up. I can't listen to the convo.

Mrs Dlamini: "Andaz. Yazi ndike ndabona lesasfebe, uZimase. Uthi she's pregnant and owaMalibongwe umntana"

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Mrs Dlamini: "Uze njena ukba andimkholwa kodwa ke your daughter in law believes her. She even wanted to leave Mali's house so that hoe can sink her claws into my sons skin"

Oh wow we gossip too.

Mrs Dlamini: "Baba, we'll talk later. You know what your voice does to me. Ndicingba neCar seat isimanzi ngoku uwe"

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Mrs Dlamini: "Aha, your daughter in law is driving"

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She giggled.

Mrs Dlamini: "Ndizakubulisa ke. I miss you and Sibalukhulu Jnr".

God take me now.

She giggled then dropped the call.

Me: "Most traumatizing phone convo I've heard"

Mrs Dlamini: "Jealousy kills baby. You lucky your man is around:"

Me: "How old are you again?:"

Mrs Dlamini: "48""

Me: "Shame no"

We arrived home and we both went to our rooms. When I got to my room Mali

wasn't there,so I took off my clothes including my underwear and that's went he entered.

Mali:"Damn"

He licked his lip then locked the door. He looked at me with his eyes squited,I bit my lower lip and within a blink of an eye,his hands were squeezing my small ass and sucking on my upper lip hard. His lips left mine and he started sucking on my neck. He pushed me onto the bed and got on top of me.

He stopped sucking my neck then looked at me with a smile. I shyed

away. Don't ask me why cause I also don't know why. He quickly took off all his clothes. Jnr sprung out. My lips curved into a smile. He picked me up and made me lie on top of him. My back was on his chest and that's when he started sucking, while squeezing my boob. I was on cloud 9, no, I was on cloud 20 the shit was amazeballs.

Me: 'Ah, Fuckkk Katlego....!!'

He stopped, I gasped. I fucken called him Katlego

He pushed me off him and got up.

Me: "Mali, please...I'm sorry"

He ignored me and quickly got dressed. I got up from the bed and tried to stop him, but he pushed me away, making me fall flat on my small ass. The anger on his face and in his eyes scared me big time. He clicked his tongue then banged the door.

I curled myself up into a ball and cried.

[Insert 42]

-Anathi💕💕

“Sup' its obvious you've reached my voicemail. So yeah,just text”

I was sent to his voicemail for the 50th time. It was the next day. 1pm at noon to be exact. He hasn't come back. His phone went straight to voicemail and he didn't answer my texts. I could've called of his friends but I don't have the numbers.

I couldn't sleep, I've been crying. I don't know why I did it. Mrs Dlamini has been knocking on my door since the morning. She was busy threatening me and talking about Siya. Honestly I didn't want to leave the room cause Mrs Dlamini would ask me all sorts of questions and honestly I didn't want that.

I was hungry, extremely hungry but I was gonna ignore it.

“Baby, I'm goinh back to my house and I'm taking Siya with me. Call me when you good”

I just ignored her. I kept looking at the watch. 6pm struck on the clock but there was no sign of Mali coming back home. I ended up falling asleep.

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Almost 2 months had passed. Mali was giving me the silence treatment and the only thing he would say to me is that he wants food, how's Siya and other unnesseccary stuff. He would leave very early then come back very late. A huge chunk of me feels like he's cheating, cause on day I was doing his

washing and that's when I saw the lipstick stain. I fought the urge so badly. But I'm just glad he still eats my food. I just miss his touch our conversations and all. Siya was still with Mrs Dlamini, I refused to tell her anything cause ezababili zihlala in that relationship.

I was on the bed looking at him getting dress. I was crying but that didn't faze him.

Me: "Please talk to me Mali"

Mali: "What do you want me to say? Its clear you still love Kat and honestly I

won't compete with a dead man for your love"

Me:"Are you breaking up with me?"

Mali:"If I was then you wouldn't be here. I love you too much to let you go"

Me:"Then why are treating me this way"

He chuckled.

Mali:"This is nothing compared to the way you hurt me. You bruised my ego and pride as a man. We have sex. We were fucking making love and you went and moaned that dead man's name"

Me:"I'm sorry"

Mali: "You really hurt me"

Me: "Are you cheating on me?"

Mali: "Why would I do that?"

Silence

Mali: "Excuse me"

He left and I cried some more. My phone rang, it was an unknown number.

Me: "Hello"

"Are you crying?"

I sniffed.

Me: "Who are you?"

"Oh, it's V"

Me: "Oh"

V: "I was calling to inform you that Zimase is coming for her checkup and Mali wanted you to be there"

Me: "Time?"

V: "Actually an hour from now"

Me: "Where?"

V: "You know the place"

I dropped the call, did my hygienic routine, Then got dressed.

I arrived at V's practice and went straight to his office. He was on his desk, he looked up at me.

V: "Sit"

He pointed to a couch. I sat there and he sat next to me.

V: "Why you crying?"

Me: "Nothing"

V: "Try again"

I sighed.

Me: "Its been almost 2 months. Mali is not talking to me and I also think he's cheating"

V: "Is there a reason behind his behaviour?"

I looked down.

Me: "I called my dead ex's name during intimacy"

V: "Yeah that's your problem. You made him feel less of a man and Mali hates that"

Me: "I've apologized. I've cried. Can't he forgive me already?"

V: "Give him time"

I cried and he hugged me. I hugged him back. We stayed in that position for a long while.

"Wow, this looks cosy"

We pulled out and it was Zimase. I rolled my eyes.

Zimase: "V lets get this over and done with. I gotta see my baby daddy"

Me: "Your baby daddy?"

Zimase: "Yes. Malibongwe Dlamini.

That's him. I went to his office early and the nigga could keep his hands off me.

I was riding him like crazy. He screamed my name begging for more"

She smiled then took out her phone.

Moaning sounda came from it. She

gave me the phone and my curious self

took it. She was right. There were on

the floor. Mali was enjoying himself. Tears ran down my cheeks.

V looked at me with pity in his eyes. I gave Zimase her phone then ran out. I got into my car then banged my head on the steering wheel as tears vigorously fell from my eyes.

After a good crying session and when I saw Zimase come out smiling. I drove away back to his house.

I took a bottle of whiskey and downed it like it was nobody's business.

“Where is the bitch? Where the fuck is she?!!!!”

The door burst open and that's when Kammy and Londi came in. I slowly got up. Without saying a word. Kammy pushed me to the ground and started slapping me. Her slaps turned into punches and that's when I tasted blood and felt my eye getting swollen. I couldn't fight back cause I was damb drunk.

When she was satisfied and my bones hurting she got off the spat on me.

“Stay the fuck away from V. Stay the fuck away from my man. He doesn't want so stop going to his office and crying to him. Nx sies. No wonder Mali came back to Londi. She's loyal compared to you. You are just a bitch”

A hard kicked followed, I coughed up blood. I heard the door bang hard and that's when I crawled up the stairs and into the room. I was leaving a trail of blood. I finally got to the ensuite bathroom and I cleaned my wounds up. It was dark when I finally managed to clean all the wounds up. I wasn't gonna go to the hospital. Hello No.

I was still weak and my body was still in pain, but I managed to stand up. When I sat on the bed, he came in looking angry as hell.

Mali: "What is this?"

Silence

Mali: "Bitch I'm talking to you"

I looked at him stunned. He called me a bitch. He fucken called me a bitch. I just cried and a hard back slap landed on my cheek.

Mali: "Get your ass up and go clean up that blood downstairs and the wine bottles. And you better make me something to eat after that"

He clicked his tongue then disappeared into the ensuite.

I slowly got up, went downstairs, took the bucket, filled it up with water took the mop and started cleaning the blood.

When I was done, I called Sihle.

Sihle: "Girl!!!"

Me: "Sihle, I need you to come fetch me now"

Sihle: "Whats up?"

Me: "Please just come"

Sihle: "Where you at?:"

Me: "Mali's house"

Sihle: "Give me five minutes, I'll be there"

I disposed the dirty water then went to the room and packed my clothes into the bag. I was by the door when he grabbed my arms and slapped me.

Mali: "Where the fuck do you think you are going? I want my food"

Me: "Go tell your bitches to make you food. I'm done with you Malibongwe. I can't stay with an abuser. IT'S OVER!!"

He clenched his jaws then hit me again.

“Do it again. Do it. I dare you. I fucken dare you”

It was Sihle, she was heavily pregnant and she was carrying a gun. Mali laughed.

Mali:”Do you even know how to use that?”

Sihle corked the gun and pointed it at him.

Sihle:”Wanna find out?”

Mali clenched his jaws then pushed me to Sihle.

We got into the car and without saying a word she drove off.

What's up with Mali? Is his relationship with Anathi really over? Can they ever get back together? Will the prophecy come to pass?

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Narrated♡

Zimase: "Aunty, its working. He just came to ask me to move in"

Zonden: "Good. I need you to continue taking that Muti. We need to create a rift between them"

Zimase: "No, Aunty. I can't carry on with this. I'm getting marrief in two months and I have a baby with my fiance. I can't Aunty"

Zonden: "Yey wena. Do as I say.

Remember, what I said. If you dare stop

using that charm, or tell that girl Anathi. I'll tell your so called fiance about the 8 year old child that you hiding from him. Have her raped in front of you and I'll kill your fiance too. Try me child"

Zimase: "Why are you so wicked? Why would you want to break up Mali and Anathi. They love each other. Why do you have to be so cruel?"

Zonden: "Remember what will happen if you share this inform. Think about your daughter"

Zimase: "I hate you"

Zonden: "The feeling is mutual sweet"

Zimase dropped the call then wiped away the tears she had. She went back to the lounge and found Mali looking at her with a smile. She felt really bad. She had done terrible things before, but this was the worse. She would never inflict the pain that Anathi is feeling on anyone, but she can't do anything.

Mali looked at her and smile.

Mali: "Lets go baby. I'll get your clothes later"

-Anathi 

Luyolo: "Anathi get the fuck out that room. You can't kill yourself because of that fucker"

He kept knocking on the door and ranting. Him and Sihle have been doing that for a week now. I took my phone and something told me to log into Facebook and I did. I was tagged by Kammy. I viewed the post and it was a picture of me and V hugging, with the caption "Whore Factor 1000%"

I logged out and cried. Now it makes sense why she hit me like that.

I was still looking at my phone when I suddenly felt my head getting heavy. I walked to the ensuite and that's when I vomitted. I rinsed my mouth then took a bath.

I got out and lotioned. I stood in front of the full length mirror and I was gaining serious weight. I was even developing an ass and some hips, not to mention the pot belly.

I squeezed myself into my sweatpants and wore a long sleeved tee.

I opened the door. When I reached downstairs Sihle attacked me with a hug. I hugged her back.

Me: "I need you to take me to Mali's house"

She looked at me.

Me: "Chill, I wanna take more of my clothes."

She smiled.

Sihle: "Lets go"

We got into the car and drove to Mali's house.

We knocked a couple of times but nothing. I pushed the door open and that's when I saw Mali and Zimase kissing. I honestly wanted to puke.

Sihle: "Don't you dare cry"

I cleared my throat and they pulled out.

Me: "I came to get my clothes"

Mali: "There is the rubbish bag in mom's room. She's been asking about you"

I walked to mom's roo. And found her praying. I knelt next to her and prayed too. After a while we finished. She hugged me and cried.

Mrs Dlamini: "Why did you leave?"

Me: "You see them downstairs ma. Why would I have stayed?"

Mrs Dlamini: "Baby, can't you see he's not himself. That witch bewitched him. Please baby"

Me: "I don't see that he's bewitched ma. All I see is the man I once love. All I see is the man that beat me up. All I see is the man who no longer cares for me:

Mrs Dlamini: "But baby the prophecy...:

Me: "Let me stop you right there ma. I will not stay with a man who clearly doesn't love me all in the name of keeping a family prophecy. With all due respect ma, that's just being plain selfishness. I can't and will not put my life and happiness on the line for your family. I'll take Siya away from your hands and please tell your ancestors to bring back Sphume"

She sighed.

Mrs Dlamini: "Please don't take Siya away from me. I love her"

Me: "Okay. But she'll visit me on weekends."

Mrs Dlamini: "Thank you. You coming to my husband's birthday party right?"

Me: "I'll see"

Mrs Dlamini: "This Saturday"

I took the plastic with my clothes and walked out.

Mali: "I never want to see you again:

Me: "Okay"

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I got out of my car and walked into the yard. As soon as Mrs Dlamini saw me. She hugged me. I faked a smile.

Mrs Dlamini: "I'm so glad you came baby"

Me: "Same"

I went to the kitchen.

Zihle: "God, why are you here? My brother doesn't want you. He has a woman and a child on the way. Take your bastard and leave"

Me: "Angzele wena la. So shut your fucken mouth skank"

Zinhle: "Nx. Bitch"

Me: "Coming from the mother of all bitches"

She clicked her tongues then left.

The aunts looked at me.

I took a banana, peeled it then covered it in mayonnaise and ate it.

Aunt Ntombi: "Don't mind her baby. That Zimase girl won't last"

Me: "Honestly ma I don't care and I don't want to talk about Zimase or Mali. I just wanna enjoy my

Mayonnaise covered Banana and help
out. That's all"

I moaned as I took another bite

[Insert 44]

-Mali♡

I closed the door to our room. God knows ignoring her hurts me just like it hurts her, but I can't bring myself to talk to her. To touch her or to even kiss her. I felt dirty. Honestly when she called Kat's name while I was doing her, I really got hurt. I felt as if she was trying to replace Kat with me.

I got into my car and I ended up at a Club. That's where I started drinking my hurt away. Londii came, she pulled me

into one upstairs rooms. I tried to fight her, but I was too drunk. I went on with it when she started riding me. I wasn't even sure if we used protection.

After that I felt guilty. I betrayed the one I love. I couldn't face her.

V called me. I didn't know why cause I had already told him that he must tell Anathi to go to Zimase's checkup.

Me: "Sup?"

V: "What did you do to Anathi?"

Me: "Nothing"

V: "I'm sure she's not crying for fun"

Me: "Look man. I'll talk to you later"

I dropped the call then carried on driving.

I got to my office and that's when I found Zimase sitting on my chair.

Me: "Leave"

She got up and walked to me. She touched my arm and that's when I lost my senses. It was as if she was doing something to me. I was yearning for her suddenly. It was like her touch was making me, maybe love her.

I tried to push her off, but she kissed me. I kissed her back, she pushed me on the floor then got on top of me. She buckled my pants while kissing me and I helped her. She inserted herself and that's when the fireworks happened. My hands were on her waist while she was riding me and jerking up and down.

We both came. We cleaned up and she gave me a kiss goodbye.

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While I was busy with my work a message came up. It was a mms from My Love,Zimase. I opened it and it was a photo of that bitch Anathi. She was hugging V. I just clicked my tongue and carried on with my work.

I went back after work,only to be met by a pool of blood,I immediately became angry. I marched to my room and found her there.

I told her to clean up her mess,the disappeared into the ensuite. Did my thing. I got out,got dressed,hurried

downstairs and that's when I saw her leaving. I grabbed her arm and slapped her.

Me: "Where the fuck do you think you are going? I want my food"

Nathi: "Go tell your bitches to make you food. I'm done with you Malibongwe. I can't stay with an abuser. IT'S OVER!!"

I clenched my jaws then hit her again.

"Do it again. Do it. I dare you. I fucken dare you"

It was a girl I recognized she was heavily pregnant and she was carrying a gun. I laughed.

Me: "Do you even know how to use that?"

She corked the gun and pointed it at me. Honestly, I was shit scared.

Her: "Wanna find out?"

I clenched his jaws then pushed Anathi to her friend.

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I arrived home for dad's party with my girl by my side. All the family members were giving me dirty looks. My aunt's, uncles, brothers, sister, mom and dad. Zinhle was the only one talking to me.

I was sitting on the long table, that we were eat at. Gogo was giving me weird looks.

Me: "Why is your family looking at me like This?"

I whispered to Zinhle who was next to me.

Zinhle: "Mxm, don't mind them"

The aunt's came and placed the bowls of food on the table. Then Anathi came also holding a bowl. I instantly got bored. She was stumbling as she was walking. Aunt Ntombi touch her forehead, whispered something to her, She came closer to the table and that's when she fell down and the salad spilled all over her. All the family members rushed to her Aid while Zimase, Zinhle and I ignored them. If she thought fake fainting will make me care well she's sadly mistaken.

-Sphume♡

Me:”Gog kanti when am I leaving this place. I miss my baby and I miss Anathi and her family:

Gogo:”Soon child:

Her voice echoed all over the the cave. A lion appeared and she morphed out of her Lion form and into a human. She sat next to me.

Gogo:”Soon child”

Me:”But,the people I'm meant to protect are in danger. I feel a very powerful and dark force in and around Mali's life. They need me”

Gogo: "You are not ready. Just because you see doesn't mean you are ready for the spiritual war. Anathi is already pregnant and I'm sure one of the twins have died because of this"

Me: "But Gogo"

Gogo: "No buts. When the time for you to go back comes, you appear where you need to be"

I huffed. It has been 3 months. I missed my child and I missed my life. Why did these stupid Dlamini ancestors have to choose me? Couldn't they choose their own family? Nx.

