

A Hard Journey (Uhambo Olunzima)

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Dora is a 32-year-old young woman from Mpumalanga on her way to Pretoria. She left her parents along with her two children behind, one is 5 years old and the other is 3 years old.





Dora got on the bus and the bus left.



On the bus, she thinks of
her parents and children
that she left behind.





Mhmmm...She arrives in Pretoria, where her friends welcome her. Her friends are the ones who fetched her and she stayed with them for a while.

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She went around knocking on doors and reading posts on job boards in search of work. Fortunately, she found a job through one of the posts. It is a domestic worker position at Mrs. Smith's home on Merve Street in Sandton.

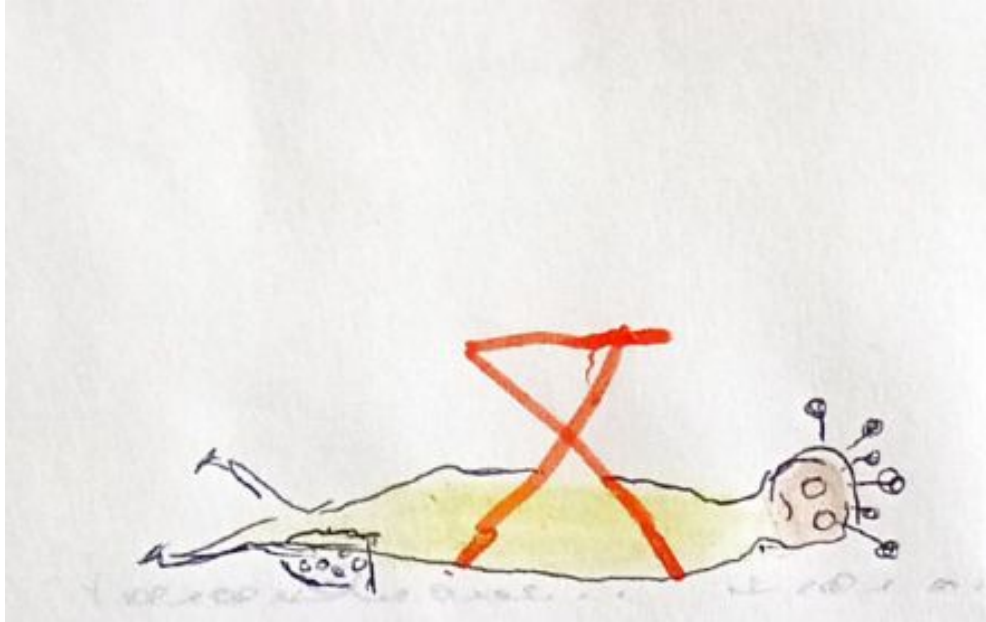
Dora is an in-house domestic worker. Ironing and looking after Mrs Smith's two children, a 5 year and 2 year old. Dora enjoys working for her white boss because they treat her well and makes her feel like a member of their household. She eats there, she sleeps there. She even can save money because she doesn't have to travel to work.



While working, one afternoon, Dora got a call from back home informing her of her mother's passing. She suddenly fell down in shock, feeling pain. The children saw Aunty crying and they cried with Dora.



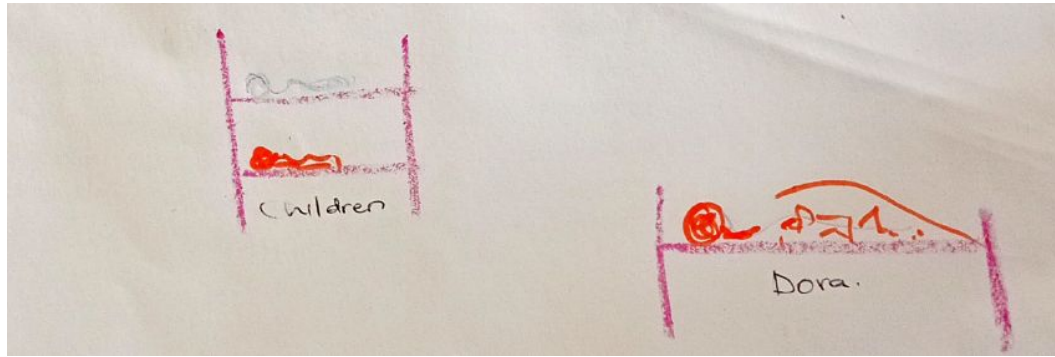
Dora: “Hiii Hiii Heee Heeee.” (Dora Crying)



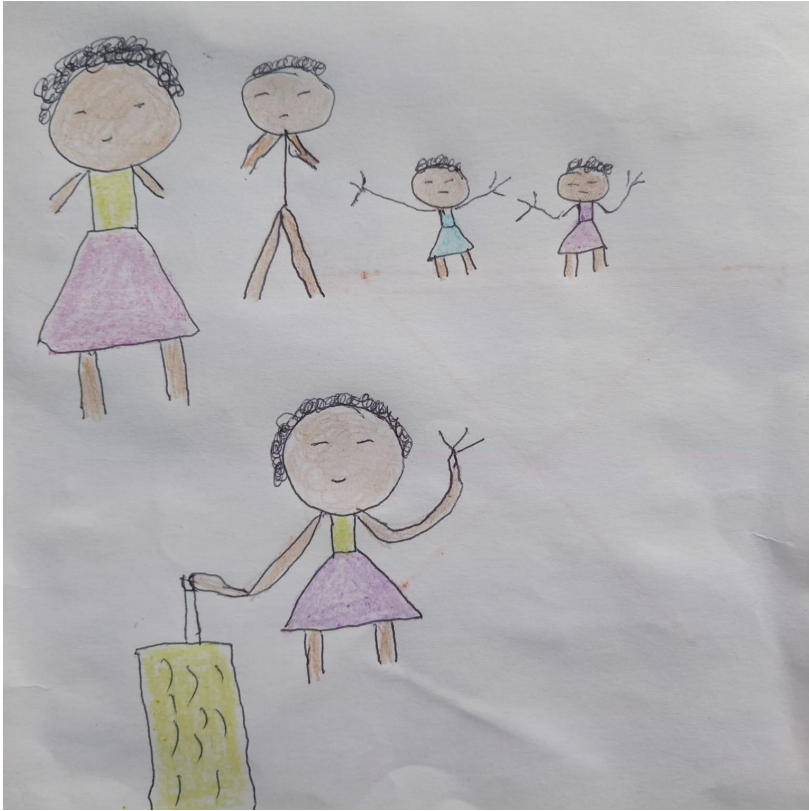
Kids: “Why are you crying Aunty?” (Kids crying with Dora)

Dora cried even more without telling the children why she was crying.

The day of the funeral arrived without getting enough money to go back home. At 6 am, she receives a call from back home asking her where she is because the family is going to headout soon to the cemetery at 11:00 am. She started crying “yooo yoooo hiii hiii” ... “I couldn't bury my mother, hiii hiii yooooo”.



Dora started to lose her mind when she heard that her mother was buried without her there and started doing bad things. She would not sleep in the house because she had a broken heart. Her friends tried to help her and she listened to them and she returned to good health. She returned to work and Dora built a beautiful home back home.



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