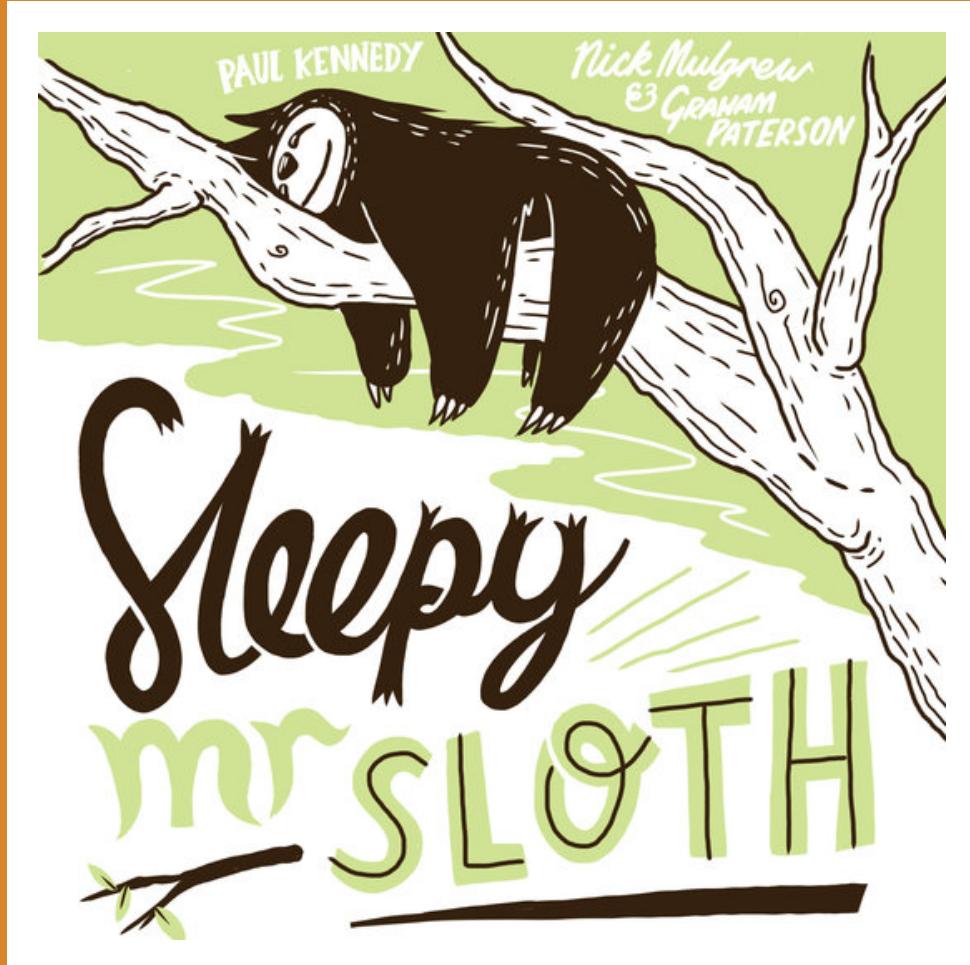
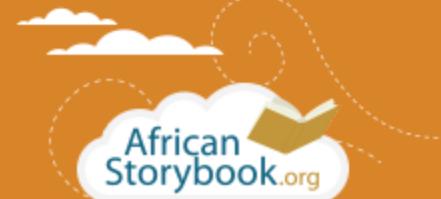


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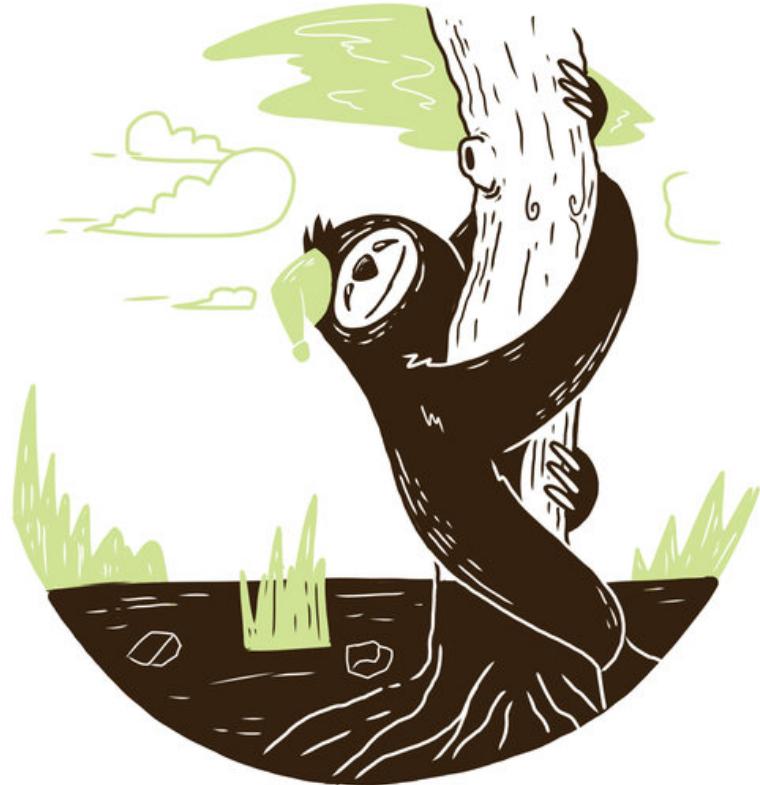
Ngelineye ilanga, uMnu.
Mbhobo weza
wazokuvakatjha. Wathi:
Ngiphethwe buthongo!
Ngifunana netaka
engingakghona ukulala
kilo!



Ngiyakwazi ukukhwela
umuthi.

Ngiyakwazi ukujinka.

Kodwana ukulala
ngiyakuthanda, yinto
engiyithandako.



Itaka leli libonakala lilihle!
Ngicabanga ukulala la.
Wena ke? Awucabangi
bonyana mbono omuhle
loyo?



Awa! Mnu. Mbhobo!
Indlulamithi idla lapha!
Ingacabanga bona usisidlo
semini bese ithoma idla
iinhhluthu zakho.





Itaka leli libonakala lilihle!
Ngicabanga ukulala la.
Wena ke? Awucabangi
bonyana mbono omuhle
loyo?



Awa! Mnu. Mbhobo
kuneenyosi ezinegi lapha!

Angekhe ukghone ukulala
neenyosi ezigcwele koke
nje!

Itaka leli libonakala lilihle!
Ngicabanga ukulala la.
Wena ke? Awucabangi
bonyana mbono omuhle
loyo?





Awa! Mnu. Mbhobo,
yinyoka le elapha!

Akusilitaka lela! Inyoka
yakaZimu eziluphalele.
Uyithusile kwamambala.

Itaka leli libonakala lilihle!
Ngicabanga ukulala la.
Wena ke? Awucabangi
bonyana mbono omuhle
loyo?





Awa! Mnu. Mbhobo!
Kunenyoni elilako lapha!
Angekhe ukghone ukulala
etjhadeni elingaka.

Mnu. Mbhobo, zama
ukukhwela elinye itaka!
Batjho boke
Begodu itaka lela lihle
khulu ukuthi libe mbhede
wakhe.



Inyoni nenyoka,
indlulamithi neenyosi
bezijabulile ukuba noMnu.
Mbhobo emthini wabo.



Mnu. Mbhobo ophethwe buthongo

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