

Title Page: The Special Dish

Episode: NN108

Comprehension Strategy: Skimming

This involves glancing quickly through a text to gain a general impression of the content. Graphics, italics and headings are useful cues when skimming a text.

LO: Uses text/pictures and attempts (quick sweep-through) to mention what story is about or what they think it is about.

Key vocabulary to include for this LO:

- Looking at/based on the title,
- I think the story will be about/we will see (etc) ...
- Looking at/based on the pictures, I think the story will be about/ we will see (etc) ...
- Looking at/ based on the heading/subheading/words, I think the story will be about/ we will see (etc) ...

SEL: You can Do It.

- I can do it...
- I can learn...
- Challenges are exciting because they help me grow...
- I'll keep trying different strategies (ways/solutions/methods) until I find what works...
- I may not know how to do it yet, but I'll keep trying...
- I'm not there yet, but I'm getting closer with each try....
- I'll ask for help when I need it because that's how I learn...
- I'll keep practicing because practice makes perfect..."

Country: Uganda.

EXT. NUZO AND NAMIA'S HOUSE - DAY

We see Nuzo and Namia's house.

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

DADDY and MAMA are at the table. In front of dad, there is an empty plate. NUZO and NAMIA enter the room running.

NUZO and NAMIA

(As they run to the fridge)

Hi Mama, Hi Daddy / Hi Daddy, Hi Mama.

Daddy and Mama are looking at each other, like they're wondering what's happening. Daddy shrugs his shoulders and makes a confused face with his hands, showing he doesn't know what's going on.

DADDY and MAMA

Hi Kids.

Nuzo and Namia are in front of the fridge. **CUT TO:** From inside the fridge, we see it being opened. We see Nuzo and Namia looking around inside, searching for something.

NAMIA

Daddy!? Where is it?

DADDY (O.S)

(Teasingly)

What's that, my curious explorers?

NAMIA

Matoke!

NUZO

(Emphasize)

The Special Dish.

DADDY

(As he points to the plate)

Oh oh!

Look here, kids.

Empty plate.

I have finished all of it.

NAMIA

You what!!?

DADDY
I ate it all.

NUZO
(Disappointed)

But we wanted to eat more of it last night, and mama told us not to.

MAMA
Yes, You had already eaten too much.

NUZO
But you said we could have it today.

NAMIA
And now Daddy has eaten it... **(Emphasize)** ALL.

DADDY
Sorry kids.
I didn't know your mom said you can have it today.
And you know what, dads get hungry too.

NUZO
(Kwa ukaidi)
Mmh!
Maybe you should cook for us again, then.

DADDY
I wish I could, kids. But I used up all the ingredients last night,
and you know the market won't be open for another two days.

NAMIA
Aaagh! Daaady!!!

DADDY
I know, I know, I'm sorry.

NAMIA
Well, what were those ingredients, anyway?

DADDY
If I tell you, you might think I'm making it up.
But listen, go to your grandma's reading room, there is a BIG cook
book that has recipes for lots of special dishes.

You can find the list of all ingredients needed to cook matoke in that book.

NUZO

But Grandma's reading room has so many books.
How will we find the right one?

DADDY

(Smiles)

Easy.

Look for the cookbook; it's the only cooking book in there.

NUZO

Okay.

Let's go, Namia.

INT. GRANDMA'S READING ROOM - DAY

Nuzo and Namia standing in front of one of the shelves in grandma's reading room.

NUZO

So we have to read ALL these books just to find one we are looking for.

Guess we're gonna spend the whole day in here.

NAMIA

No, Nuzo.

We don't need to do that.

NUZO

How are we going to find that cooking book then?

NAMIA

We can skim.

NUZO

(Thinking/recalling)

Skiiiiim?

NAMIA

Yeah! We've done it before! Remember?

NUZO

Oh Yeah! I know what skimming is. That is when you look at the book quickly to get an idea of what it is about.

NAMIA
You got it!

NUZO
Yeah!

I even remember the steps for doing it.
You look at the cover, read the title, and check the pictures to know
what the book is about.

NAMIA
Yeah, so let's skim the covers of the books.

NUZO
So we can find Grandma's special cookbook!

They each grab a book from the shelf.

NAMIA
(As he shows it to Nuzo)
Mmh!
Looking at the picture, this book is definitely not a cookbook.

NUZO
Yeah! It has a racing car on the cover. That's not it.
(A little pause)
I think the one that I'm holding is the one we are looking for,
Namia.
Look, the cover has a picture of a plate full of delicious food on
the cover!

Namia, without a book in her hand, moves closer to Nuzo.

NAMIA
The title says; "Spe... ci... al... Di... she...s."
Special Dishes!

NUZO
I think this is it. Let's open it up.

Nuzo flips the page.

NUZO
Look! On this page, the title says KI... KO... MA... NDO.
Kikomando!!

And it has a picture of a plate of beans and chapati.

NAMIA

This page must be the recipe for the dish called Kikomando.

NUZO

Let's skim the next page to see if the matoke recipe is there.

Nuzo flips it.

NAMIA

Wait, stop, Nuzo!

This might be it. Read the heading.

CUT TO: We see the page heading is written MATOKE and Namia's finger browses each letter they read.

NUZO and NAMIA (O.S)

Ma... too... ke.

Matoke!!!

NAMIA

And look down here.

NUZO

Ooh! Yeah!

There is a picture of a plate full of matoke.

Camera moves slightly lower to reveal the picture of matoke that is surrounded by scribbled paragraphs.

NAMIA

Now, let's read this page.-

NUZO

-To find out what the recipe for matoke is.

CUT TO: We see them looking at the book, you can tell they are reading the book by looking at their pupil movement.

NAMIA

Here Nuzo.

NUZO

Yeah!
So, the ingredients are Bananas.

NAMIA
(Surprised)
Just bananas?!

NUZO
Yes.
But, how will we get the ingredients if the market is closed for
another two days?

NAMIA
I have an idea, Nuzo.
(A little pause)
Daddy said matoke is the most popular dish in a country called
Uganda, right?

NUZO
Yeah!

NAMIA
Maybe if we go to Uganda, we can find Bubelang-

NUZO AND NAMIA
(Nuzo with a little bit excited voice than Namia)
-and he can help us get those ingredients.

NUZO
That's a good idea.
Quick, let's find the Uganda book.

They both move closer to the magic shelf and start picking one book
after another and put them back on the shelf when they realize it's
not the book they are looking for.

Suddenly, Nuzo gets the Uganda book.

NUZO
Here it is , Namia.

Namia moves to Nuzo.

NAMIA
Let's read it.

CUT TO: We see the page cover and Nuzo's finger pointing to each letter they read.

NUZO and NAMIA
U-GA-NDA
UGANDA!!!

The whole word 'UGANDA' glows. Suddenly, the magic wind appears.

NUZO
Namia, the wind is here!

NAMIA
Yeaaaah!
We are going to Ugandaaaaaaaaaaaaaa!
(Sound fades out)

EXT. UGANDA, KAMPALA - DAY

The wind drops Nuzo and Namia in Kampala. They look left and right.

NUZO
Namia, I think we are in Uganda.

NAMIA
I guess. Let's look for Bubelang.

BUBELANG (O.S)
(Singing)
Look whereeee!?
I'm over hereee.

They look behind and find Bubelang standing next to them.

NUZO and NAMIA
Bubelaang!!!

NAMIA
We were looking for you.

BUBELANG
(Teasingly)
Oooh! Really?

Bubelang shading his eyes and look left and right.

BUBELANG

(While shading his eyes)

Let me help you look for me, then.

NUZO AND NAMIA

Ha ha haaaa!

BUBELANG

Why were you looking for me, friends?

NAMIA

We need your help, Bubelang.

NUZO

Yes, we want our daddy to cook a special dish called Matoke, but we don't have the ingredients.

NAMIA

We're hoping you can show us where to find the ingredients.

BUBELANG

(Enthusiastic)

Matoke, huh?

One of my favorite Ugandan dishes.
And to cook matoke you need bananas-

NUZO, NAMIA, BUBELANG

-bananas.

BUBELANG

(Chuckling)

You've got it right!

Well, there's a big market here in Kampala where we can find everything we need.

NAMIA

(Curious)

Wait, is this place called Kampala or Uganda?

BUBELANG

(Smiling)

Great question, Namia. This country is Uganda, but the city we're in is called Kampala. Kampala is the capital city of Uganda.

NAMIA
Okay. Got it.

BUBELANG
Now, Let's head to the market and get these delicious ingredients?

EXT. KAMPALA, OWINO MARKET - DAY

WIDE: Busy market. **CUT TO:** Nuzo, Namia and Bubelang standing next to one of the kiosks at the market that sells cooking stuff like vegetables.

BUBELANG
Hello!
Do you speak Luganda?

FEMALE SELLER
Yes, I do.

BUBELANG
Ohoo!
I was hoping you did so I can brush up my skills.
ahem
Mulunji.

FEMALE SELLER
Hahaha!
Mulunje.
What can I help you with?

NUZO
Bubelang, is that how to greet people in Uganda?

BUBELANG
Yes, but not all.
It is how to greet in a language called Luganda which is one of the many beautiful languages some Ugandans speak here in Kampala.
So to greet in Luganda, you say, Mulunji.
And you reply with Mulunje.

NUZO
Mulunji!
That sounds really cool.

BUBELANG
I knew you'd like it.

Now, let's focus on our mission.

(To Seller)

Do you happen to have bananas?

FEMALE SELLER

I do, but I overheard you guys talking about cooking special matoke.

BUBELANG

Yeah!

FEMALE SELLER

Well, for special dishes, you need special ingredients. Sometimes, these ingredients are like treasures hidden in special places. To find them is a bit of treasure hunting.

Seller takes something behind his table and gives it to Bubelang.

FEMALE SELLER

Here.

Take this book.

Bubelangs takes it.

FEMALE SELLER

That book has a direction of where to get all ingredients for all types of special dishes.

So maybe you can sit down somewhere and read it, and you can find directions of where you can go to get the ingredients you are looking for.

BUBELANG

Thanks, but this book is huge, reading it will take us the whole day.

Bubelang turns to the camera.

BUBELANG

Kids who are watching, what should you do if you are looking for information in the book but you don't have the time to read the whole book?

8 secs of silence, then Bubelang start to sing and dance.

BUBELANG

(Singing)

Let's sit down and skim,

*Let's look at this book quickly,
We don't have that much time,
Only thing we can do is to skim,*

Nuzo and Namia join him.

NUZO and NAMIA
*So, Let sit down and skim,
Let's look at this book quickly,
To find what we are looking for,
Skimming the book is the way to go,*

JUMP CUT TO: EXT. KAMPALA - DAY

Nuzo, Namia and Bubelang are sitting on stones, Bubelang is in the middle, holding the book.

NUZO
Alright. No need to skim the cover; we know the book is about special ingredient locations.

NAMIA
Go ahead, Bubelang, open the book.

Bubelang flips the page.

NAMIA
Aha!
The heading on this page says "SPE... CIA... L... O...RA... NGES."
SPECIAL ORANGES.

NUZO
And here, there is a picture of an Orange.

NAMIA
We don't need oranges for cooking matoke.
Let's go to the next page.

Bubelang flips the page again.

NUZO
Mh! A picture of eggs.

NAMIA
And the heading says SPE...CIA...L E...GGS.

BUBELANG

I think it's a page about where to find special eggs.

NAMIA

Yeah! Let's see the next page.

Bubelang flips. We see the box or a bottle of milk.

NUZO

Not this one.

Bubelang flips. We see the fish.

NAMIA

Nope.

Bubelang flips. We see the photo of greens.

BUBELANG

Not this one.

Bubelang flips. We see the photo of green bananas.

NAMIA

Here it is!

BUBELANG

Yeah!

A photo of green bananas.

NAMIA

And the title says, "Spe...cia...l Ba...na...nas".

NUZO

Then let's read this page and find out where we can find the special bananas!

CUT TO: We see Namia hands browse through the scribbled words on the page. **CUT TO:** We see Namia.

BUBELANG

Here, look, it says, the Special Banana, can be found at the tallest banana tree in Uganda.

(pause)

The tallest banana tree in Uganda?
I know where it is. Let's go.

JUMP CUT TO: EXT. TALLEST BANANA TREE - DAY

We see a lot of banana trees and the tallest banana tree is among them.



BUBELANG
Kids, this is the tallest banana tree in Uganda.

NUZO
Wow!
It is so tall.
Who's going to climb all the way up there?

NAMIA
I think it's Bubelang. He can fly.

BUBELANG
Yes I can, but I have never flown that high.

NAMIA and NAMIA
You can do it.

BUBELANG
Do you think so, kids?

NUZO
Yes. Our mama says, challenges are good, they make you grow.

BUBELANG
Well, I guess that's correct.
I can do it.
Alright. Here I go.

Bubelang flies. Bubelang flaps his wings and flies. We see him soaring and reaching the middle of the tree. Suddenly, he closes his

eyes, shivers, and stops flying higher, just stops mid-way while still flapping his wings.

NUZO

Why did you stop?

BUBELANG

No, no, no.

I can't do it.

Bubelang flies back down. Nuzo na Namia moves and surrounds him closely.

BUBELANG

As I told you, I've never flown that high.

I'm scared.

NUZO

I get why flying higher than you ever did could be super scary, but I know that you can do it.

NAMIA

If you keep trying, you'll get closer to the top.

BUBELANG

Really!?

NAMIA

Yes, Bubelang.

NUZO

What if you take it step by step? Fly a bit higher each time, and you keep doing that until you reach up there.

NAMIA

Yeah! And Bubelang, you even have a song about it.

Remember?

(Singing)

I know you can,

I know you can,

NUZO and NAMIA

I know you can,

I know you can,

BUBELANG
Maybe I can,
(Singing)
I know I can,
I know I can,

Then Bubelang flies up to the middle of the tree.

NUZO and NAMIA
You can do it, Bubelang!

BUBELANG
I know I can,
I know I can,

Bubelangs fly a little bit higher.

BUBELANG
I know I'm not there yet,
but I'm getting closer,
with each try,

Bubelang flies and reaches the top of the tree, but there is not a single banana.

BUBELANG
Kids, look up here.

NUZO and NAMIA
Yeah! You did it Bubelang.

BUBELANG
Yeah! But there is not a single banana over here.

NUZO and NAMIA
Whaaat!!!

BUBELANG
I think they are not yet grown.

NUZO
What are we gonna do?

BUBELANG

Let me come down there.

Bubelang flies down.

NUZO

What do we do now?

NAMIA

Maybe we can go back home-

NUZO

-Home!!! And what about our special dish, Namia?

NAMIA

You know what, Nuzo? Maybe we can have something different today that's not Matoke.

NUZO

And what might that be?

NAMIA

Remember the book that dad told us to read to find out the ingredients for Matoke?

NUZO

Yeah!

NAMIA

Let's choose another special dish from that book.
Something with ingredients we already have at home.

NUZO

Hmm! That's a good idea.

We won't be able to eat matoke, but we will still be able to make a special dish.

BUBELANG

That's a good idea.

But before you go, I want to thank you kids for helping me believe that I could do it.

NAMIA

You are welcome, Bubelang.

Suddenly the magic wind appears.

BUBELANG
Oooh! Oooh!
The wind is here.

NAMIA and NUZO
Byeee Bubelang.

The wind takes Nuzo and Namia.

BUBELANG
Bye kids.
See you in the next adventureee.

INT. HOME, BIBI READING ROOM - DAY

The wind drops Nuzo and Namia in Grandma's reading room.

NAMIA
Nuzo, we are home.

NUZO
Let's grab that book and find something that we can tell daddy to
cook for us.

Nuzo picks that book from the shelf.

NAMIA
Here it is. Let's go.

They sit down and flip pages of the book.

NAMIA
Here, Nuzo. This one looks yummy.

NUZO
I think so too.
It's called, KI...KO...MA...NDO.
KIKOMANDO.

NAMIA
Let's go tell daddy.

They all stand and run to the sitting room with the book. CUT TO: We
see the UGANDA BOOK.

THE END.