

Adhabu

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Siku moja mamangu
alinunua matunda aina
tofauti.

Mimi na ndugu zangu
tulijiuliza, "Mama
atatugawia wakati gani?"





Baadaye, kakangu, Rahim,
alijificha na kuyala
matunda yote!

Mimi na ndugu yangu tulipogundua, tulisema kwa hasira, “Rahim ni mtukutu na mchoyo. Lazima aadhibiwe.”





Mama alikasirika sana alipogundua kwamba matunda yote yalikuwa yameliwa.

Mimi na ndugu yangu
tulimwangalia Rahim kwa
ukali.





Mimi nilimwuliza mama,
"Utamwadhibu Rahim?"

Baadaye, Rahim alipata
adhabu asiyoitarajia.





Hakuweza kutulia!

Mama alipomwuuliza
alijibu kwa sauti ya chini,
“Naumwa na tumbo.”





Sote tuliona kwamba hiyo
ilikuwa adhabu mbaya
kuliko kama Rahim
angechapwa na mama.

Alipopata nafuu, Rahim
alituomba msamaha.

Aliahidi kuwa hangeiba
tena.



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