

# BONA CORONA!

**A STORY ABOUT  
CORONAVIRUS AND  
HOW TO STAY SAFE  
AND SUPPORTED IN  
UNCERTAIN TIMES**

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LAST TIME ON BONA, CORONA! AFTER LEARNING ABOUT THE CORONAVIRUS, TSHEPO GIVES HIS MAGOGO THE 411 MAKING SURE SHE UNDERSTANDS THE DANGERS AND IMPORTANCE OF STAYING HOME. BUT WHAT HAPPENS WHEN AN UNEXPECTED VISTOR WALKS BY...



HOLA BOI!

RULANI?

NJA YAMI MY DAWG!  
TJO! I CAN'T BELIEVE  
I HAD TO DODGE THE POLICE  
AND THE ARMY JUST TO  
SEE MY BEST FRIEND.

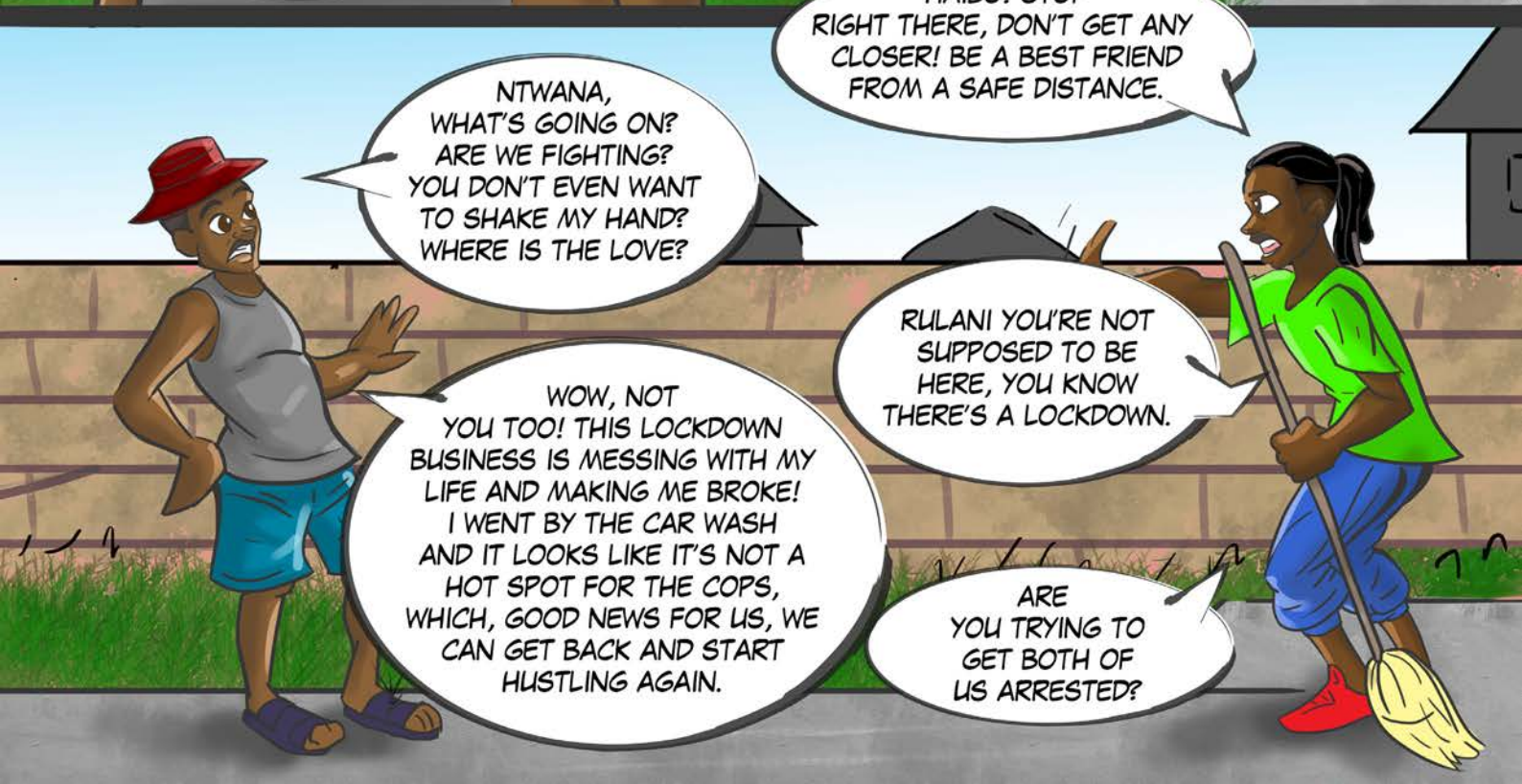
HAIBO! STOP  
RIGHT THERE, DON'T GET ANY  
CLOSER! BE A BEST FRIEND  
FROM A SAFE DISTANCE.

NTWANA,  
WHAT'S GOING ON?  
ARE WE FIGHTING?  
YOU DON'T EVEN WANT  
TO SHAKE MY HAND?  
WHERE IS THE LOVE?

WOW, NOT  
YOU TOO! THIS LOCKDOWN  
BUSINESS IS MESSING WITH MY  
LIFE AND MAKING ME BROKE!  
I WENT BY THE CAR WASH  
AND IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S NOT A  
HOT SPOT FOR THE COPS,  
WHICH, GOOD NEWS FOR US, WE  
CAN GET BACK AND START  
HUSTLING AGAIN.

RULANI YOU'RE NOT  
SUPPOSED TO BE  
HERE, YOU KNOW  
THERE'S A LOCKDOWN.

ARE  
YOU TRYING TO  
GET BOTH OF  
US ARRESTED?







NO WORRIES,  
JUST AVOID USING THE  
MAIN ROAD. YOU KNOW  
MANDLA RIGHT?

MANDLA  
WITH NO NECK?

NO, MANDLA  
THREE FINGERS! GO THROUGH  
HIS YARD AND JUMP OVER  
THE FENCE INTO SIZWE'S YARD.

WHAT ABOUT  
SIZWE'S DOG?



RUN! THAT DOG DOESN'T  
PLAY GAMES! THEN GO AROUND  
THE TWO STREETS AND WE'RE AT  
THE CAR WASH.  
EASY!

RU! RESPECT THE  
LOCKDOWN NTWANA!  
THE LAST THING I NEED  
IS TO GET INFECTED  
WITH 'THE RONA.'

NO NEED TO BE  
PARANOID, I SAW IN THE  
NEWS THAT IT'S NOT  
IN OUR PART OF THE  
HOOD YET SO  
WE'RE SAFE.

THIS THING MOVES  
INCREDIBLY FAST AND YOU  
NEVER KNOW WHERE ANYONE  
HAS BEEN OR WHO  
THEY'VE BEEN WITH.

SO YOU THINK YOU CAN  
CATCH IT FROM  
WASHING TAXIS?

YOU CAN GET  
IT FROM BEING IN CONTACT WITH  
SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN INFECTED.  
THE VIRUS STAYS ACTIVE ON HANDS AND  
ON SURFACES LIKE DOOR HANDLES OR EVEN  
MONEY FOR HOURS IF NOT DAYS!  
LET'S NOT RISK OUR LIVES AND THE  
LIVES OF OUR LOVED  
ONES FOR MONEY.

THEN BOOM  
YOU'RE SICK? JUST LIKE  
THAT FROM TOUCHING?

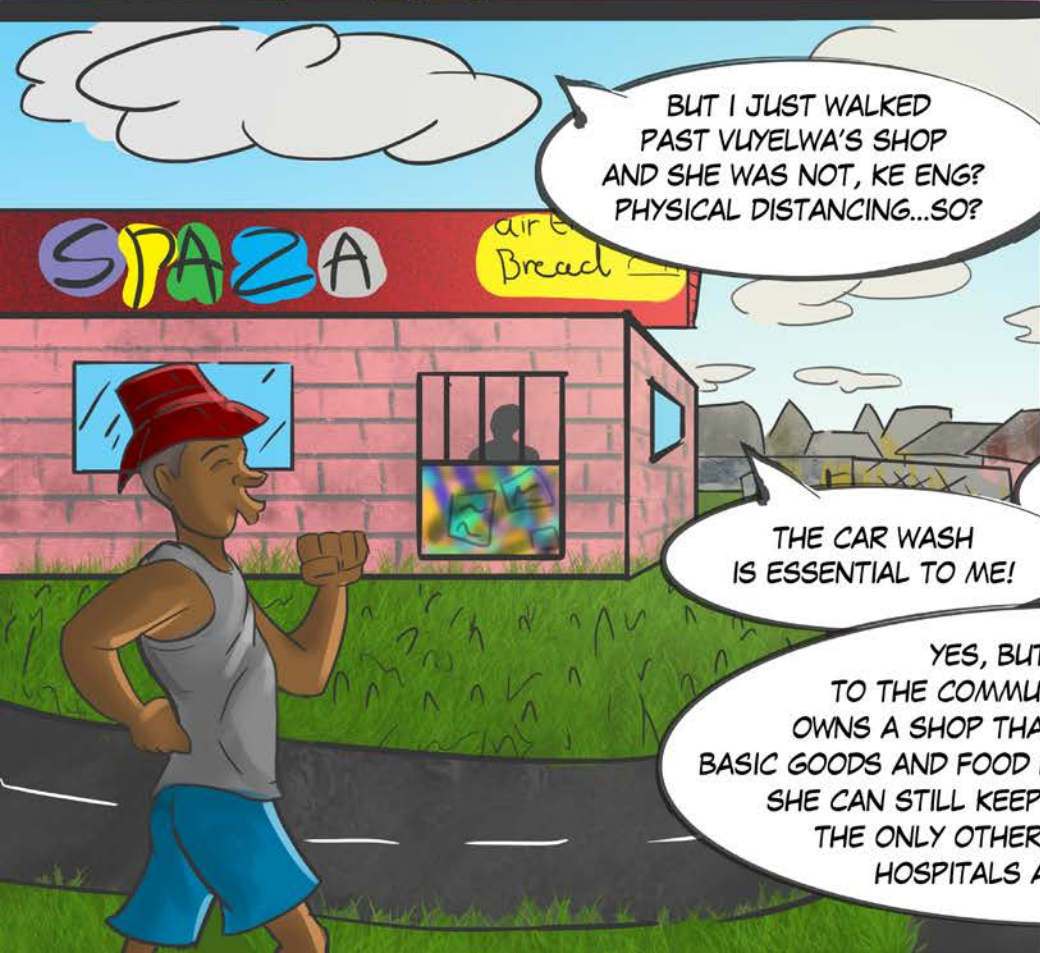




WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENS IS YOU TOUCH YOUR FACE AS MOST PEOPLE DO WITHOUT EVEN REALISING AND JUST LIKE THAT, YOU INFECT YOURSELF.

SO YOU WANT TO QUARANTINE EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT SICK?

NO I'M NOT IN QUARANTINE, I'M SELF-ISOLATING WITH MY FAMILY. QUARANTINE IS FOR WHEN SOMEONE HAS BEEN INFECTED OR HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN INFECTED. YOU AND I CAN STILL TALK ON THE SOCIALS OR ON THE PHONE, SO WE'RE NOT SOCIALLY DISTANT BUT RIGHT NOW WE NEED TO KEEP PHYSICALLY DISTANT.



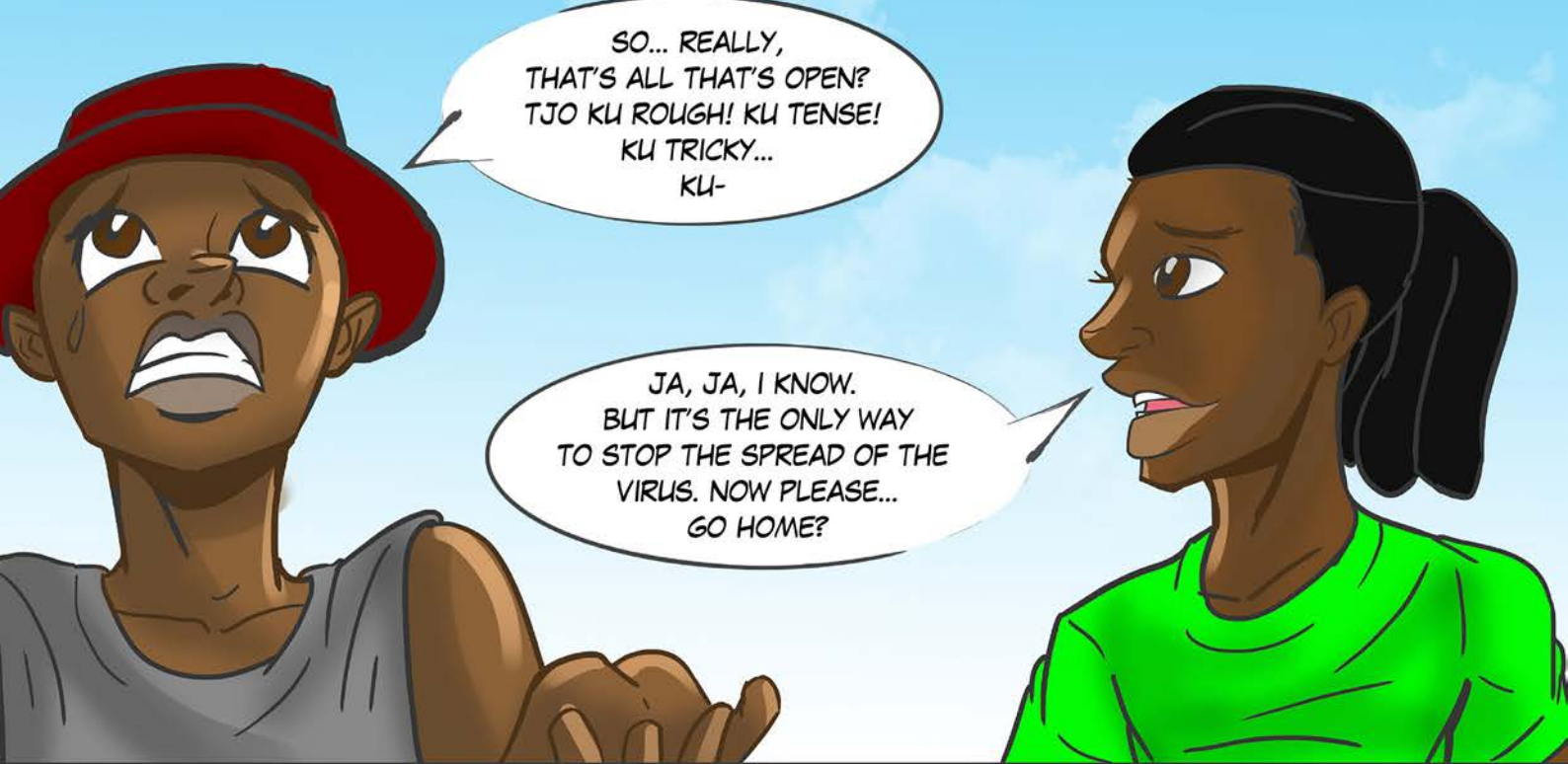
BUT I JUST WALKED PAST VUYELWA'S SHOP AND SHE WAS NOT, KE ENG? PHYSICAL DISTANCING...SO?

THE CAR WASH IS ESSENTIAL TO ME!

JJA, THAT'S BECAUSE VUYELWA'S SHOP IS AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE.

YES, BUT NOT REALLY TO THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE. SHE OWNS A SHOP THAT PEOPLE ARE GETTING BASIC GOODS AND FOOD FROM. DURING THE LOCKDOWN SHE CAN STILL KEEP HER OPERATIONS OPEN. THE ONLY OTHER SERVICES OPEN ARE HOSPITALS AND PHARMACIES.





SO... REALLY,  
THAT'S ALL THAT'S OPEN?  
TJO KU ROUGH! KU TENSE!  
KU TRICKY...  
KU-

JA, JA, I KNOW.  
BUT IT'S THE ONLY WAY  
TO STOP THE SPREAD OF THE  
VIRUS. NOW PLEASE...  
GO HOME?



OKAY, SHARP...  
BUT AFTER THIS LOCKDOWN  
I'M RENAMING OUR BUSINESS,  
'ESSENTIAL CAR WASH'!

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