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Bakang is a very smart boy. He was born in Birimane. He stayed with his grandmother in the villages.
His parents worked in Mafikeng town and stayed there most of the time.
Bakang was a smart boy. He listened to his grandmother. He stayed with his grandmother, who took care of him.
Bakang’s grandmother started getting ill. She could not continue caring for Bakang.
Bakang’s parents decided to take him to stay with them in town because his granny was not well. She was ill.
Bakang started school in the town. He met different children who spoke different languages.
Bakang forgot his language (Setswana) and his culture because he went to a school where children were not speaking Setswana.
Bakang’s parents decided to take Bakang home during the holidays so that he could learn about his language and his culture.
During the holidays, he visited his granny in the village. Granny taught Bakang how to speak Setswana. She also taught Bakang about his culture and how to read in Setswana.
Bakang was very happy that he understood the importance of knowing his language. He learned a lot about his roots.
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