THIEF! THIEF!

Focus: Using appropriate language

Synopsis

Talatu wants to deliver money to Fati but is not sure who Fati is and cannot speak English.

Talatu comes from Umueze village to assist Dawi after his wife Lovina’s death. She is given money by him to deliver to Madam Fati his creditor. She doesn’t know Fati but goes to the market based on a description and directions given to her. She sees someone who matches Fati’s description and stands there trying to confirm if it is truly Fati. Fati notices her and raises false alarm that she is a thief. She is apprehended and when asked who her master is, all she utters is the word ‘brother’ as she does not understand them and they do not understand her language. Dawil, who is tired of waiting for her return, goes to find out the cause of her delay and on sighting him, she calls out for him. He rushes to the scene and explains the confusion. He chides them that they should have looked for someone who could speak the girl’s language to facilitate communication between them and her. Fati is embarrassed.