

## CATCH THE THIEF

**Listening to your pupils: *What does teacher Florence learn about her pupils in this drama?***

SC. 1/ TITUS SCHOOL/ MID MORNING

SFX: CHILDREN TALKING

FLORENCE: (CALLING OUT IN A SINGSONG MANNER)  
children, children,

CHILDREN: yes aunty Florence

MAJOR: (GROANING) aunty Florence, excuse me I  
want go use the...

FLORENCE: Major, do that quickly and make sure you come  
back on time...

SFX: SOUND OF FEET RUNNING

FLORENCE: now the rest of you, form a straight line! Kabir,  
what is wrong with you too.

KABIR: sir, I want go toilet. my stomach dey doing  
grrrrrrrrrr.

FLORENCE: I wonder what some of you eat before coming

to school. Now run along now. I hope nobody else has running stomach again.

CHILDREN: (CHORUS) no Aunty Florence

FLORENCE: okay. Now lets continue with the physical education class. It's time to jog on the spot....1, 2, go!

MUSIC BRIDGE

## SC. 2/ OUTSIDE CLASSROOM

MAJOR: (MUFFLED SOUND) oya bring the trap, the thief is inside classroom already

KABIR: Major, if this your plan does not work, we are in teacher's wahala be that o.

SFX: SOUND OF TRAP BEING WELL SET.

MAJOR: you fear too much o. I sure say this plan will work.

KABIR: if the person follow another window, or if teacher catch us I will beat you o.

MAJOR: there is no other place wey the thief go follow out now. Are you ready? Remember to shout well o.

SFX: MUMBLING AND SHUFFLING OF FEET AS

## WINDOW IS PUSHED OPEN SUDDENLY

- VOICE : yeee! My leg o! Make una help me, my leg o!
- MAJOR AND KABIR: (SHOUTING) thief, thief, everybody come o. we have catch the thief, barawo,
- SFX: RUNNING FEET
- VOICES: where is the thief? Wey the barawo...thief, ole, onye oshi, barawo .....

## MUSIC BRIDGE

**SC.3/ INSIDE CLASSROOM.**

- SFX: WHISPERING AND CHATTERING
- FLORENCE: quiet everyone. Major, what made you believe you could catch the thief despite...
- MAJOR: that simple now aunty Florence, I just notice say the thief get style that he follows, gbam! And I use that to take catch am.
- FLORENCE: but...Major, I am sure there is more to this your pattern story, and we all want to benefit from your knowledge,
- MAJOR: okay ma, I just realise say after every PE class things will missing for class, I now think it that the thief is one of us or person that know our

