

ANYTHING FOR SCHOOL

Motivating pupils: In this drama, pupil Adjua is determined to go to school. What is motivating Adjua to come to school?

SC.1. / M/ADJUA'S HOUSE/ EARLY MORNING

SFX: ADJUA AND EFE ARE TALKING IN LOW TONES

M/ADJUA: (off to on) Adjua! Adjua! Where is this girl?

Adjua Efe, my mama don dey come...(chuckles) let us start making noise o

SFX: FOOTSTEPS OFF AS MAMA ADJUA APPROACHES.

ADJUA: (shouting) Efe, you see. It's me she will give! I can do it better than you

M/ADJUA: (off to on) Adjua, Efe, what are you doing?

EFE: good morning, Ma.

M/ADJUA: Adjua! What is this I'm seeing? Where you dey go to with school uniform?

ADJUA; mama I want to go sch....

- M/ADJUA: Adjua! You know say you no well. Why don't you get well before going to school?
- ADJUA: (gently) I am fine mama; nothing wrong with me. See!
- SFX: SCREAMS AND JUMPS.
- M/ADJUA: (Laughs) okay. There is no need for you to scream or jump to tell me you are well. If you say you are well, that means you are well.
- ADJUA: thank you mama.
- M/ADJUA: Let me help you with your uniform. Efe wait for her you hear?

MUSIC BRIDGE

SC.2 / CLASSROOM/ MID MORNING

- FLORENCE: So the dog comes out saying (mimicking the dog) 'gboo! I am the fastest.'" Who will act dog for us?
- SFX: CHILDREN REACT SHOUTING ME, ME
- FLORENCE: Alright! All of you can't play dog. Adjua has been quiet today, Adjua come and play dog.
- ADJUA: (OFF TO ON) yes Aunty Florence

FLORENCE So the dog barked....

ADJUA: gboo! Gbooo! I am the...fastest. gboo! gboo!
Who want to compete with me? gboo!

FLORENCE: (gently) and all the animals remained in hiding
while the dog was proud

ADJUA: (running up and down excitedly) Gboo! Gboo!

SFX: CLAPPING AND EXCITED SOUND OF
CHILDREN AS BARKING FADES OFF.

MUSIC BRIDGE

SCENE 3**MAMA ADJUA'S SHOP**

SFX MARKET AMBIENCE IN THE BACKGROUND

MAMA ADJUA Adjua, try and eat a little of this kenke eh?

ADJUA [shivering] No Mama, I am not hungry...Mama I
feel cold...

MAMA ADJUA Which kind trouble be this eh? Efe, what
happened to your friend at school? She was very
well before going to school but since she come
back, the sickness don worse

EFE Em...Mama, she don't really feel well for
morning... she only pretend so you will let her go

school

MAMA ADJUA

Hey God! But why you do that kind thing
Adjua, eh?

ADJUA

Sorry Mama...it is because I no wan miss Aunty
Florence stories...she always tell us stories every
Friday

MAMA ADJUA

So that is how powerful story be? Na wa o!

In some schools, children are absent from classes at the end of the week. What different activities could you use to motivate your pupils to come to school on Fridays?

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