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GIST #1

MUMU



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FIRST OFF, THANKS FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULES TO LOOK AT MY SCRIBBLES. "MUMU JUJU" CAME TO ME ONE RANDOM AFTERNOON WHILST I WAS CRAVING POUNDED YAM AND IN THAT HUNGER I THOUGHT UP THESE TWO DUDES WHO WILL BE GOING ON RANDOM ADVENTURES AS THEIR INCEPTION. BEFORE WE DISCOVER WHAT THE FIRST GIST HAS FOR YOU GUYS, I WOULD BRIEFLY LIKE TO EXPLAIN SOME TERMS THAT WOULD BE USED IN THE COMIC AND THEIR CONTEXT THAT SOME OF US (PEOPLE THAT DON'T SPEAK 'PIDGIN' ENGLISH) MAY NOT BE USED TO. ONCE AGAIN THANK YOU AND ENJOY!!!

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TERMS AND THEIR MEANINGS

MUMU - USED MAINLY AS AN INSULT TO SOMEONE OF LOW INTELLECT OR OF FOOLISH CHARACTERISTICS.

JUJU - ANYTHING SUPERNATURAL OR SPIRITUAL IN NATURE.

BROS - A BROTHER OR AN OLDER MALE WITH WHOM YOU HAVE A STRONG RELATIONSHIP (PRONOUNCED AS 'BROSS' LIKE ROSS BUT WITH A 'B').

EBA - LOCAL NIGERIAN CUISINE SOURCED FROM GRATED CASSAVA TUBERS, USUALLY SERVED WITH A BOWL OF SOUP.

BUSH ANIMAL/MEAT - ANOTHER LOCAL CUISINE USUALLY COMPRISING OF VARIOUS ANIMAL FLESH, MOSTLY WILD RODENTS.

PALMI/ PALM WINE - AN ALCOHOLIC DRINK TAPPED FROM PALM TREES.

KIARO - BASICALLY MEANS POWER IN ONE OF THE LOCAL NIGERIAN DIALECTS (IJAW).

NA - SLANG THAT COULD MEAN IS, IT'S OR NOW.

SANGO - GOD OF THUNDER IN THE YORUBA MYTHOLOGY.

EH - SLANG THAT IMPLIES USED AS PARDON, CONTINUE OR PROMPT FOR AN ANSWER TO A PRIOR QUESTION.

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THE EDITOR'S NOTE

EVER WONDERED WHY WHEN PEOPLE DO MUNDANE THINGS, THEY SAY 'MAN HAS TO LIVE'? IT IS CALLED A SURVIVAL INSTINCT AND IT IS PRESENT IN ALL ANIMAL SPECIES, MAN INCLUSIVE. AS IT IS IN THE ANIMAL KINGDOM, SO IT IS IN THE HUMAN KINGDOM THAT ONLY THE STRONG SURVIVE. THE STORY FOLLOWS THE JOURNEY OF TWO INDIVIDUALS AND THE CHALLENGES THEY FACES WHILE TRYING TO COMPLETE VARIOUS TASKS GIVEN TO THEM A GOD NAMED 'KENGA' AND HIS EVIL WITCH SIDE KICK 'EE'.

MUMU JUJU DRAWS YOU INTO THE LIVES OF THE MAIN CHARACTERS, THEIR SILLY ANTICS, THEIR BANTER, TEAM WORK AND COURAGE IN OVERCOMING THE CHALLENGES BEFORE THEM. THEIR COMMITMENT TO FINISHING THEIR TASK AND REPAYING THE DEBT OWED TO 'KENGA', EVEN THOUGH HE FINDS A WAY TO KEEP THEM BOUND TO HIM.

MUMU JUJU, IS A RELAXING COMIC THAT BREAKS DOWN AGE BARRIERS, BECAUSE EVERYONE CAN EASILY READ IT AND RELATE TO IT. IT TELLS THE STORY OF 'HOPE' AND 'PERSEVERANCE', AND SHOWS THE SPIRIT OF THE AVERAGE NIGERIAN, WHO NO MATTER WHAT HE ENCOUNTERS PUSHES FORWARD UNTIL THEY ACHIEVE THEIR GOAL.

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IT IS USUALLY USED AS "OYA NOW" WHICH TRANSLATES AS 'CARRY ON', 'LET'S GO', 'PROCEED', 'ALRIGHT' OR 'OKAY'.

EXAMPLE;

'OYA SEE THE FISH ABEG, YOU BURNT EVERYTHING.'

'I OPENED THE FRIDGE AND MY BUNS WERE MISSING, OYA WHO TOOK IT?'



THE WORD IS FROM THE IGBO DIALECT MEANING METAL STICK BUT WITHOUT THE ACCENT ABOVE THE 'E' IT WILL MEAN KING AND THE PRONUNCIATION WILL CHANGE SLIGHTLY.

WHY WHY WHY,
DO YOU ALWAYS DO THIS,
EM?

DO WHAT?!

BEANS

YOU SEE OBVIOUS JUJU...

WHT YOU MUST
TOUCH...

LONG MARI...

THE
MORTAR



... DON'T PRETEND LIKE WE AREN'T HERE BECAUSE OF THE BET 'SOMEONE' LOST TO CONSUME FOUR ADULT DOSE OF EBA, TWO FULL BUSH ANIMALS, HALF BOWL OF SOUP AND A SHOT OF PALMII TO WASH IT DOWN?



YES BLAME ME OO!
HOW WAS I SUPPOSED TO KNOW THAT THE
BUSH MEAT WAS GOING TO BE
ANTELOPE, EHR?



OH I'M SORRY WERE
YOU EXPECTING
TWO WELL FED RATS?

SPK. GROOM!

BEANS



SHARAH!
THAT DOESN'T MEAN
I SET THESE ZOMBIES
LOOSE



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Chub!



Perspective is everything

You imagine, we create

MORE TERMS AND THEIR MEANINGS.



OGUN IS THE YORUBA GOD OF IRON, THAT'S ALL.



IT SIMPLY TRANSLATES AS 'PLEASE'.

EXAMPLE;

'ABEG DON'T TOUCH MY JOLLOF RICE'.

'DID YOU TURN OFF THE STOVE? ABEG CHECK'.



WETIN = WHAT "COUGHS"... THAT'S ALL

EXAMPLE;

'WETIN BE THAT?' = 'WHAT IS THAT?'

'WETIN DEY HAPPEN?' = 'WHAT IS HAPPENING?'



THIS IS SYNONYMOUS WITH 'I BELIEVE', 'I THINK' AND 'I SUPPOSE'.

EXAMPLE;

'SHEBI THERE IS MEAT IN THAT SOUP?'

'SHEBI I CAN TAKE THE LAST SLICE OF THE PIZZA?'



THIS SMALL THING BETTER BE WORTH ALL THIS TROUBLE AND MORE.

HA! YOU KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF WE GET SOME CHANGE OUT OF THIS?



WHAT?



MORE BUSH MEAT!!!



NO MORE BUSH MEAT FOR YOU.

BONK!!

SFX: RUMBLE RUMBLE



AH!! BROS NA JOKE NOW!!

SHUSH!... DID YOU FEEL THAT?

STEW!!

SANGO'S BOXERS!!

HIS CLUB IS
BIGGER THAN MINE



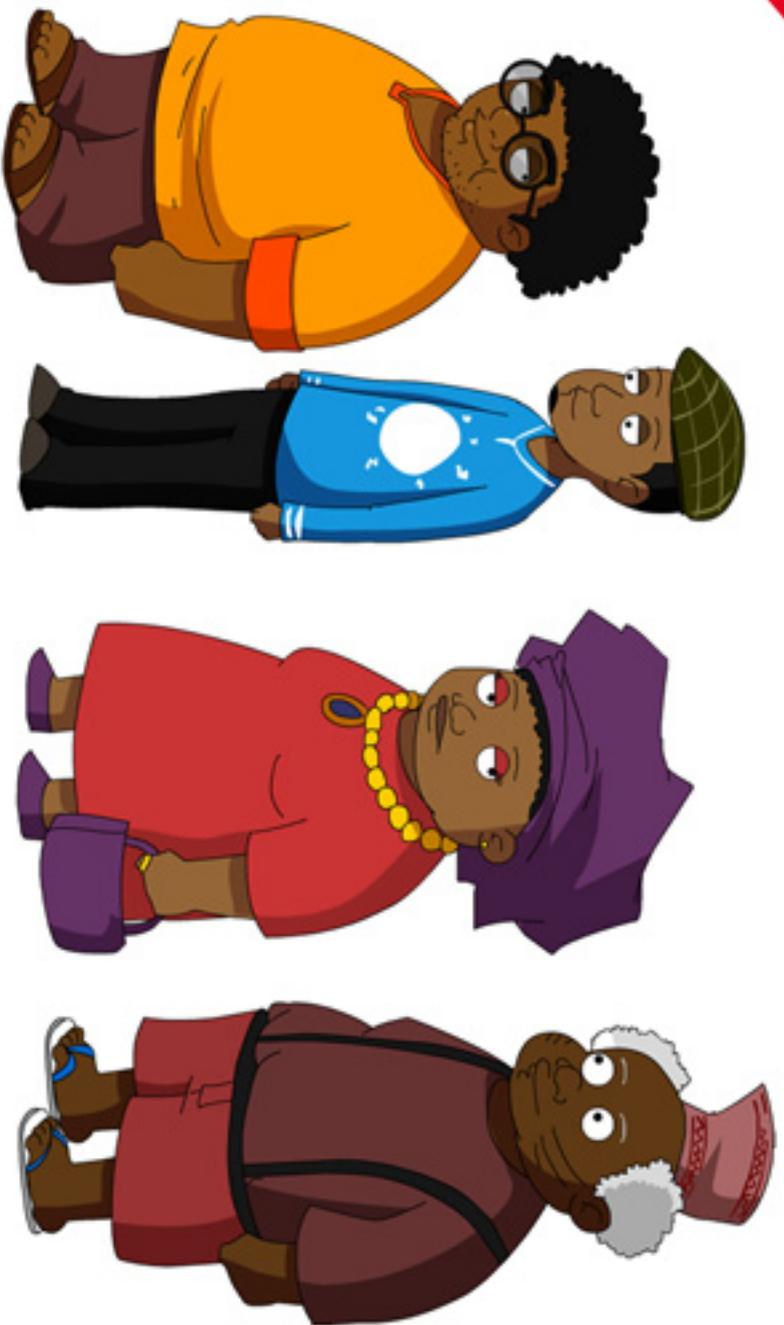
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IT'S JUST ANOTHER CALM EVENING.



AT YOUR REGULAR CAVE ON A CLIFF.



UNLESS YOU'RE THESE DUDES.



SFX: SWOOSH!!



SFX: SCHRRRRSCH!!!



IRISH,
JUST LIKE YOUR
FORMER WIFE, ABIT



AH YEAH,
BUT A BIT SOFTER.





**RAAAAWH
-STEW-
AAWH!!!**

AGREED.

TAP

TAP

TAP!

**PIERCE
IGWÉ!!**

PAMPH!!!



NOW FALL!!

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**COMING
TO YOU THIS
SEPTEMBER**



TRIX & the Bugs



"DEY"



"DEY" CAN BE USED IN SEVERAL CONTEXTS BUT MAINLY IT IS SEEN AS OKAY, STAY, ARE AND AM.

EXAMPLE:

'I DEY HERE', 'MY FRIEND! DEY THERE', 'I DEY', 'WHERE YOU DEY?'

TRANSLATES AS;

'I AM HERE', 'MY FRIEND! STAY THERE', 'I'M OKAY', 'WHERE ARE YOU?' RESPECTIVELY



"NAWA"

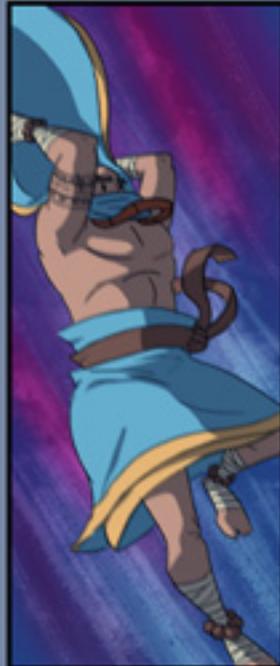


ACTUALLY SUPPOSED TO BE "NA WOW" BUT ITS PRONOUNCIATION HAS BEEN ALTERED OVERTIME. SIMPLY TRANSLATES AS 'WOW', 'AMAZING' OR 'INCREDIBLE'. MOST TIMES IT COMES AS AN EXCLAMATION.

EXAMPLE;

'NAWA OO, DID YOU MAKE THIS STEW?'

'NAWA! ONLY YOU WITH THIS PLATE'



JUST LOOK AT YOURSELF, POSING AS IF YOU DID IT BY YOURSELF, FOOL.

"SNIKERS" DON'T WORRY YOU WILL SHINE IN THE SECOND GYST.

THAT PATIENT DOG STORY ABIF?



"CLEARS THROAT"
GOOD EVENING BOYS

A muscular man with a dark complexion, wearing a dark patterned tunic and a white loincloth with a brown belt. He has his arms crossed and a serious expression. A small, red, cartoonish character with large eyes and a wide grin is perched on his right shoulder, holding a yellow fruit. A red ribbon-like trail extends from the character's hand. The background is a dark blue with red streaks. The man's loincloth is splattered with red blood. At the bottom, the name 'KENGA' is written in large, bold, red letters with a white outline, and 'and El' is written in a smaller, white, cursive font below it.

...HOPE WE AREN'T
INTERRUPTING ANYTHING?

KENGA

and El

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"WHISPERS"

WE SEEM TO HAVE
FOUND THIS GOLDEN SPHERE
WHILE TAKING OUR REGULAR STROLL
THROUGH THIS DARK FOREST...

"WHISPERS"

...AND IT'S APPARENTLY THE VERY OBJECT
I ASKED YOU BOYS TO RETRIEVE FOR ME AND SINCE
THAT IS THE CASE IT'S UNFORTUNATE BUT
THAT MEANS...

"WHISPERS"

YOU STILL OWE ME!!





KURO!!

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"OGA"



'OGA' IS EQUAL TO BOSS.



"ABI"



"ABI" USUALLY COMES IN QUESTION FORM USED FOR AFFIRMATION AFTER A STATEMENT IS MADE.

EXAMPLE:

'IT WASN'T BEANS SHE COOKED, ABI?'

WHICH WHEN TRANSLATED TO PLAIN ENGLISH CAN BE READ AS 'IT WASN'T BEANS SHE COOKED, WAS IT?'

MUMU FANS

"I DIG THE COMEDY AND COLORS A LOT..."
EDWIN HUANG
(ARTIST FOR UDON ENT., CAPCOM, IMAGE COMICS, MTV)

"FOR WHAT IT IS, THIS IS SOLID WORK AND I SAY 'FOR WHAT IT IS' BECAUSE OF
THE GENRE, AND THE STYLE OF DRAWING..."
MARCO NELOR
(CONCEPT ARTIST FOR NEATHEER REALMS STUDIOS, WARNER BROS. ENTERTAINMENT)

"QUITE INTERESTING...THE ENERGY'S FRESH, I LIKE THAT..."
NNAMDÌ NWỌHA
(CREATIVE DIRECTOR OF AREA)

"RAISES THE BAR FOR COMIC STANDARDS IN NIGERIA
AS A WHOLE... CANT WAIT FOR THE NEXT ISSUE".
JIDE MARTIN
(CREATIVE DIRECTOR OF COMIC REPUBLIC)

"...SOLID JOB! KEEP AT IT, AND ALL THE BEST!"
JEFFREY "CHAMBA" CRUZ
(ARTIST FOR UDON ENT.)

"NOT TO SAY ITS FLAWLESS, BUT TO THE BEST OF MY APPRECIATION, IT'S
OUTSTANDING ENOUGH TO COMPETE WITH THE BEST OUT THERE."
NNEMEKA ONIKE

"...ITS A PRETTY DOPE CONCEPT, AND YOUR WORK IS KILLING..."
SPOREDUST NIGERIA

"WOW!"
AHMED ALAGA
(PRINCIPAL OFFICER, LEAP AFRICA)

"THE ART TELLS THE STORY".
EDIDIONG IBANGA
(LEAD MARKETER, CHICKEN REPUBLIC)

THANKS!!

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*"Our lives sometimes depend
on computers performing as predicted"*
- Philip Emeagwali



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