



Binti Knows Her Mind

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Every day, Binti woke up with the energy to move a mountain.

Today, she could move five. It was a special day.

Everyone at home was busy. Binti wanted to help too.

"Binti, stop!" said Papa.
"You'll hurt yourself."

"I can do it Papa, I can,"
said Binti.



And she packed a box of yummy biscuits for Dadi, then ran outside.





“Binti, stop!” said Didi. “You’ll fall.”

“I can do it Didi, I can,” said Binti.

And she made the car
the cleanest it had
ever been.





It was almost time to leave. Binti loved watching Dadi getting ready.

Mummy took out the watch that Dadi had gifted Binti.

Binti did not like wearing it because the strap made her wrist itchy.

But today, she wore it with a smile.



They were about to leave when Dhuli Aunty, Pooran Uncle and Pinku came home.

Binti knew what Dhuli Aunty would do. Pull her cheeks and make them go round and round.

But today, Binti would have none of it!



Binti had barely escaped Dhuli Aunty's fingers when she saw Boro in Pinku's hands.

"Give me back my Boro," said Binti.

Pinku squeezed Boro's tummy tight.

"It's good to share, Binti," said Papa.

That is what everyone always said.

But they didn't know the horrible things
Pinku did with her toys.

"He hurt Boro's eyes last time, Papa,"
said Binti.

Pinku held Boro tighter.



“GIVE ME BACK MY BORO,” Binti roared.

Boro was happy to be back in Binti’s arms.



Mummy said they were getting late.

They said their goodbyes to Pinku and his parents, and soon they were off.



Binti had never seen so many people together. Her Dadi looked the smartest.

Dadi had decided to study in college the year she turned 70. Mummy said Binti couldn't even walk back then.

Today, Dadi was finishing 3 years of college. She had worked hard.



Everybody clapped for Dadi when she got her medal.

Binti clapped the loudest.



Binti selected a delicious cake for Dadi's celebrations.

"Binti, stop!" said Mummy. "You'll drop it."

"I can do it, Mummy, I can!" said Binti.

Oops! The slice of cake rolled on to Dadi's sari.



“Look what you’ve done, Binti,” said Didi. “You never listen.”

“That was only one slice, Didi,” said Binti, “now look at this.”

Binti sliced through the cake, this time slowly, and scooped up a neat piece for Dadi.

“My Binti, she always knows her mind!” said Dadi, giving her the biggest hug she ever had.

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