

TREE STORY

- First Woman Let me tell you a story. It's about a girl who grew up and she became a woman. And then after time, she found out that she cannot have children. So she went to God and she was asking him for children. And then one day she found seeds on the floor.
- Second Woman No, it was on the table.
- First Woman Well, it was somewhere.
- Second Woman No, it was on the table. The story was like this.
- First Woman Anyway, it doesn't matter. So she took seeds and planted them into the earth.
- Second Woman In the garden, because she has a garden.
- First Woman Yeah, just next to her house.
- Second Woman Next to her house, no. Because next to her house would be her neighbours.
- First Woman No, next to her house there is a garden. Because there is a house and there is a garden. So it's her garden next to her house.
- Second Woman So it's inside her house.
- First Woman No, it cannot be inside the house because it doesn't make sense. [pause] So she took the seeds and planted them into the earth. And they were growing...
- Second Woman Growing, growing...
- First Woman And they grew up...
- Second Woman ...the trees...
- First Woman ...and they became beautiful trees. You see, it cannot be inside the house.

Second Woman Of course. We have a garden and inside this garden, we have a lot of trees.

First Woman Like what?

Second Woman Like the tree baobab?

First Woman You know what happened to baobab once it was complaining? Gods they got angry. So they came down on the earth and they pull it out by its roots and turn it upside down to keep it quiet. [pause] So this woman still didn't have children. And one day she was upset. So she went to God again and she asked: 'God, why I still don't have children?' And God said: 'Do you remember those seeds you found one day...'

Second Woman ...on the table?

First Woman '...on the table? And you planted them and you took care of them and now they are beautiful trees? So those trees are your children. Because what you feel for your trees is the same what a mother feels for her children.'

Second Woman Yeah, but then she didn't understand.

