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He tino hoa a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha. He pātata o rāua whare, haere tahi ai rāua i ngā wā katoa ki te whare kōhungahunga. He pai ki a rāua te tākaro, te pānui, me te kai ngātahi. He pai ki a rāua te mahitahi i *ngā mea katoa*.

Ka kī rāua, “*He pai ki a māua te piri tahi. Kāore māua e pīrangī ki tētahi atu.*”



He pai ki a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha te mahi pourewa.

Ka umere atu a Aroha, “Me mahi te pourewa nei ki te tuanui!”  
Ka toro ia, ka utaina he poraka ki runga rawa.

Koinei te wā i hara mai a ‘Ofa.

“Māku kōrua e āwhina,” ko tāna. “He roa ake au i a koe, ka taea te mahi ki runga ake. Titiro!” Ka memene ia ki a rāua, ka tū teitei, ka totoro ki runga ake i te pourewa.

He tika tonu. He tāroa a ‘Ofa. Ka taea e ia te toro ki runga ake i a Mawadda, i a Aroha hoki. Engari, he pai ki a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha te tākaro tahi.

Ka rūrū a Aroha i tōna mahunga, ka tōia he poraka kaitā ki te pourewa. Ka kī atu, “Kei te pai. Ki te tū māua ki runga i tēnei, ka teitei ake!”

Ka piki, ka utaina he poraka ki runga. “Arā?” ko tāna ki a ‘Ofa, “Māmā noa iho.”

Ka tīkina e ‘Ofa he poraka, ka tīmata te piki ki te taha o Aroha, “Taihoa,” ko tāna. “Kāore he wāhi mōhou.”

Memene atu a Aroha ki a Mawadda. “Nā, ka mahi tāua i te pourewa i kō i te tuanui.”



He pai ki a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha te tākaro i runga i ngā tārere.

Ka kī a Aroha, “Ko wai o tāua ka tārere ki runga rawa?”

Ka hoki ia ki muri, ka pana atu i ōna waewae.  
*Hoki ki muri ka pana. Hoki ki muri ka pana!*

Ka rere rāua i runga i te hau.

Ka kata a Mawadda, “Pēnei tonu tēnei i te rere!” Ka hoki whakamuri, ka pana i ōna waewae ki kō atu.

Ka kata a Aroha. “Kua pā ōku waewae ki te rangi!”

Koinei te wā i hara mai a 'Ofa. Pakiri ana te kanohi,  
ka piki ki te tārere i ō rāua taha.

Ka mea, "Ka pā hoki ōku waewae ki te rangi."

*Hoki ki muri ka pana. Hoki ki muri ka pana!*

Ka rere a 'Ofa ki runga rawa.

Ka karanga, "Titiro, kua tata ōku waewae ki te rā!"

Ka titiro a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha. He rawe a 'Ofa ki te tārere.  
Ka rawe hoki me i taea te rere ki runga ake i a ia. Engari,  
he pai kē ki a Aroha rāua ko Mawadda te tākaro tahi.

Ka āta haere a Aroha ka peke ki raro.

"Ka nui tēnā," ko tāna ki a Mawadda. "Me haere tāua  
ki rōwhare tākaro ai."

Ka heke a Mawadda. Ka kapohia te ringa o Aroha, ka mea,  
"Me tākaro whānau tāua."



He pai ki a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha te tākaro whānau.

Ka kī a Aroha, “Ko koe te māmā, ko au te whaea. Māku e mahi te paraoa rēwana, māhau e tiaki te pēpi.”

Koinei te wā i hara mai a ‘Ofa.

“Ko au te pēpi,” ko tāna. Ka ngōki ki a Mawadda, ka toro ūna ringa, ka keko ūna whatu, ka huaki te waha, ka auē. “Mā-maaaa!”

Ka kata ngā kōtiro. He pai a ‘Ofa hei pēpi, he pai hoki hei hoa tākaro. Engari he pai kē atu ki a Aroha rāua ko Mawadda te tākaro tahi.

“Kaitā rawa koe hei pēpi,” ko tā Mawadda ki a ‘Ofa. Kātahi ka tīkina he tāre ka haria ki te moenga pēpi.

Ka kī a Aroha, “Kei te mahi paraoa rēwana ahau.” Ā, ka haere atu.





Ka titiro a 'Ofa ki a rāua. Kātahi ka kimokimo, ka mirimiri i ōna whatu.

"He aha kōrua i weriweri ai?" ko tāna.

Ka tumeke a Aroha rāua ko Mawadda, "Ehara māua i te weriweri!"

"Ae, he weriweri kōrua," te kī a 'Ofa, ka kōhimu, "Kāore kōrua e tuku i a au kia tākaro i tō kōrua taha. Kua pōuri ahau."

Ka titiro a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha ki raro. Ka hamumu a Aroha, "Kāore māua i pīrangī kia pōuri koe. Engari, ko māua ngā Aroha e rua."

"Nē rā. He aha kōrua e kīa ko ngā Aroha e rua?" te pātai a 'Ofa.

"Koirā," ko tā Mawadda, "I te reo Arapia ko te aroha ko Mawadda ..."

"Ko Aroha te kupu reo Māori," ko Aroha tēnei.

"Ko māua ngā Aroha e rua!" te kī a Mawadda.

"Tākaro tahi ai māua i ngā wā katoa."

Ka pupuri ringaringa a Aroha rāua ko Mawadda.



Ka memene a 'Ofa. Kātahi ka pakiri, ka kata.  
Ka totohe a Aroha, ka mea. "He rekareka māhau nē?"  
Ka pupuha, "Ko 'Ofa te kupu mō aroha i te reo Tonga!  
Ko tātau ngā Aroha e toru!"  
Ka kata anō a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha.  
"He aha koe i kore whāki mai?" ko tā Mawadda.  
"Haere mai ki tō māua taha tākaro ai. Ko koe tētahi  
o te whānau. Ko tātau ngā Aroha e toru!"  
Ka memene a Aroha, "Ngā Aroha e toru,  
tākaro tahi ai i ngā wā katoa."  
Harikoa ana a 'Ofa, ka toro ki te papaki  
i te ringa o Aroha.



Kātahi ia ka mea.

“Engari, ki te kore tātau me ngā tamariki e tākaro, kei pōuri rātau.” Ka titiro ki a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha. “Ko ō tātau ingoa ko te aroha, he ingoa atawhai, he ingoa tiaki i te *katoa*.”

Ka whakaaro a Mawadda, ka kī atu ki a Aroha, “He tika tā ‘Ofa. Tukua mai te katoa kia tākaro whānau.”

Whakaae ana a Aroha. “He pai te whānau he tokomaha hoki ngā tungāne, ngā tuāhine, hei hoa tākaro.”

Ka memene a ‘Ofa. “Me ngā kaumātua hoki, mā wai e tiaki te pēpi, e whāki ngā kōrero whānau?”



Muri noa iho, ka puta rātau katoa ki te tākaro.

Ko ngā tungāne, tuāhine, māmā, pāpā, mātua kēkē, tīpuna, tae atu ki ngā hoa me ngā kiritata!

Ka memene a ‘Ofa ki a Mawadda rāua ko Aroha, “He whānau nui, he whānau kotahi tātau ināianeil!”

Ka whakaae a Aroha, ka hora i ūna ringa ki te katoa.

Ko tātau te aroha *nui*!

Ko te Aroha**nui** ko tātau!



