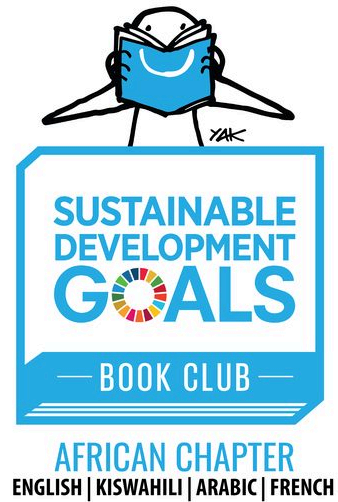


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## UN SDG BOOK CLUB AFRICAN CHAPTER

### SCHOOLS SDG BOOK CLUB

### IDEAS SHEET

### 1ST YEAR ANNIVERSARY EDITION

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## INTRODUCTION

Operating an SDG school club as an after-school or during school-hours initiative, should be a stimulating and hopeful enterprise. On this Ideas Sheet, *Ambassador Schools* will find healthy and creative activities designed to promote literacy and help children grasp principles and reasons behind sustainable practices. We recommend activities and encourage you to explore online resources to think up your own ideas. Remember that all 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals advance the causes of social justice, economic justice and environmental justice.

Sustainable practices prosper all people without harming the planet we call home.

On this Ideas sheet, you will also find SDG Book Club Africa news and resources for educators.

We are in the Decade of Action: work towards achieving the goals by 2030 is a global and collective effort. This is why SDG 17 calls for partnership for the goals and why that goal is so important. SDG 17 is the reason why the global SDG Book Club was created and why the global SDG Book Club has chapters springing up all over the world.

The African Chapter is one of the latest chapters of the global UN SDG Book Club. It spans the entire continent of Africa and is in size second only to the global SDG Book Club. No-one must be left out of the global effort to make the world a better place, particularly children, the builders of our future.

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## ACTIVITIES



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### ENGLISH READING LIST: SDG 5 GENDER EQUALITY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (OPTIONAL)

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## Rosina Sedibane Modiba - A Dream Denied

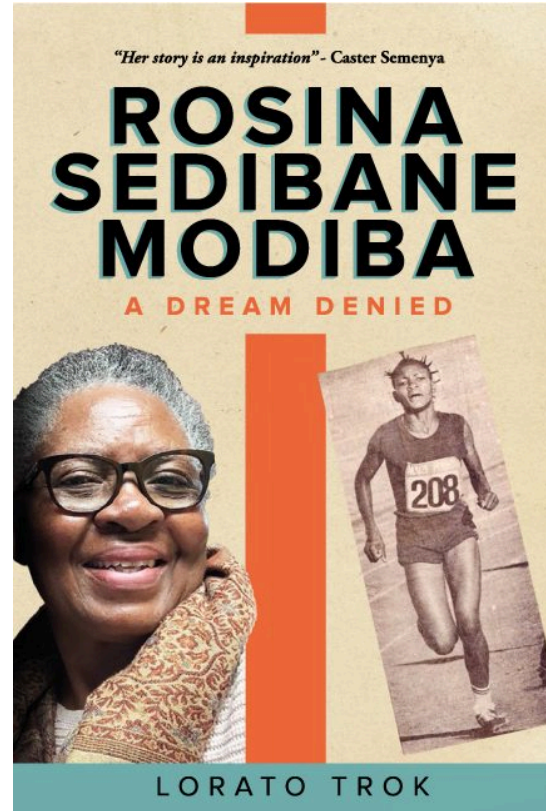
**Author:** Lorato Trok

**Publisher:** New Africa Books

**Website:** <https://newafricabooks.com>

### Discussion Questions

- Do you think that male athletes should receive more attention and funding than their female counterparts?
- Who was Rosina's coach, and what impact did he have on Rosina and the other athletes he trained?
- How old was Rosina when she won the 1,500 middle distance race in South Africa?
- Identify highlights from Rosina's story and discuss.
- Talk about what you know about the Apartheid era in South Africa.
- Why was Nelson Mandela such a significant leader?
- What is a patriarchal society?
- Why is achieving SDG 5 so important to world?



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## Father Snail

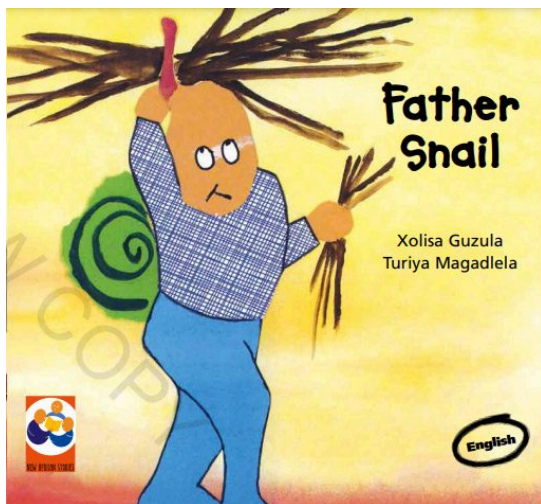
**Author:** Xolisa Guzula

**Publisher:** New Africa Books

**Website:** <https://newafricabooks.com>

### Discussion Questions

- Why is Rabbit's plate and cup empty?
- Why can't they cook food?
- Why does Father Snail carry the wood they have chopped?
- Who is more useful in the family, the mother or the father? And why do you feel this way.
- Should fathers be able to do the things mothers can do?
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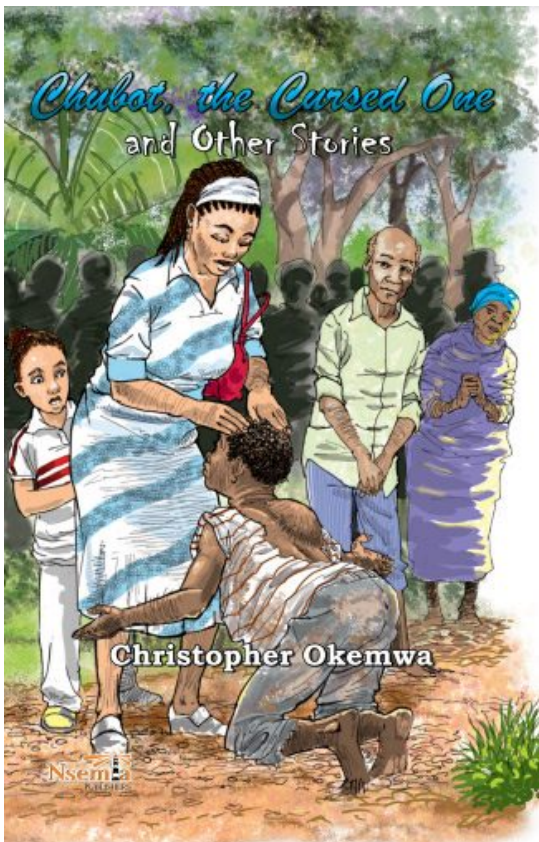
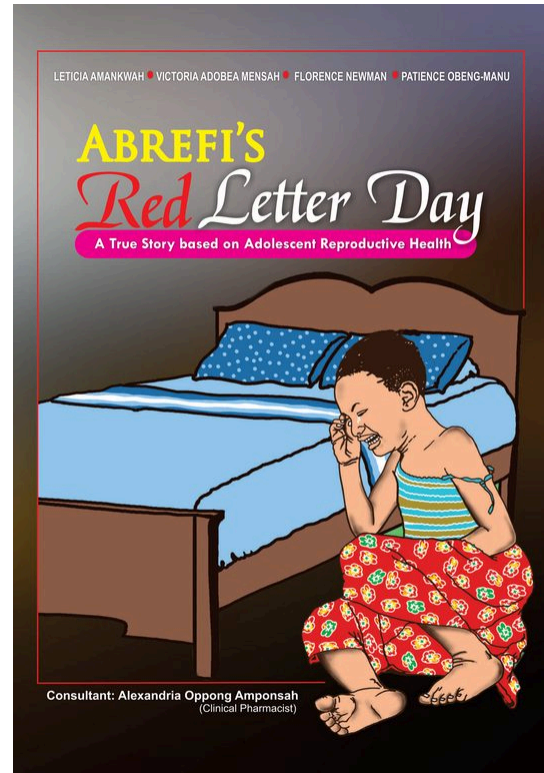
## Abrefi's Red Letter Day

**Author:** Alexandra Oppong Amponsah

**Publisher:** Adwinsa Publications

### Discussion Questions

- What is menstruation?
- Describe Abrefi's experience of her first menstruation.
- How did the teacher help?
- Should boys learn about menstruation too?
  - If your answer is yes, why should they learn about it?
  - If your answer is no, why should they not learn about it?
- What is puberty education? Discuss the value of puberty education as part of school curriculum or as an extra-curricular program.
- Puberty education helps to promote gender equality and empowerment of girls and boys. Discuss.



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## Chubot, the Cursed One and Other Stories

**Author:** Christopher Okemwa

**Publisher:** Nsemia Inc.

**Website:** [www.nsemia.com](http://www.nsemia.com)

### Discussion Questions

- Discuss contemporary issues that contribute to gender inequalities and also affect the well being of women and girls in your society
- Which story in this collection is in your opinion the most powerful in moral lesson it carries. Discuss the story.
- Review your favorite story in this collection with a focus on the most dramatic and present the review to aspects your class/club. Consider posting the review on the UN SDG Book Club Facebook page using our hash tags. Max word count: 300 words

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## Rude Awakening

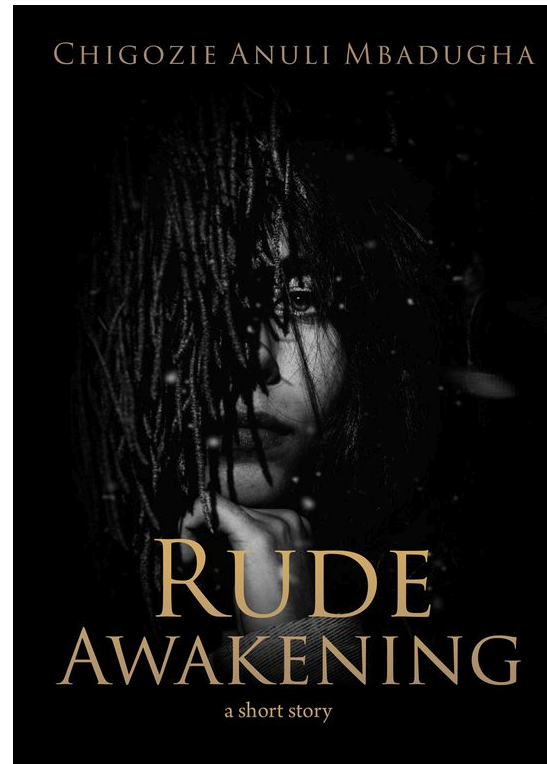
**Author:** Chigozie Anuli Mbadugha

**Publisher:** CambaBooks Limited

**Website:** [www.cambabooks.com](http://www.cambabooks.com)

### Discussion Question

- Why is it important to write a will?
- What are your views about the behavior of Afam's birth family towards his marital family, after his death?
- Discuss the human right of freedom from discrimination in the context of the book and with reference to the Constitution section 42 (1) & (2) of the 1999 Nigerian constitution.
- Review the novella from the perspective of SDG 5 and other SDG related themes.



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## To celebrate the 1st year anniversary of the UN SDG Book Club African Chapter

### Call for Essays!

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#### Discuss and debate:

"There is too much emphasis on the girl-child these days and too little emphasis on the boy-child. *This is dangerous.*"

Target age of essay writers: 12 years +

Essay length: 800 words minimum - 1,000 words maximum

#### Tips:

Supervisors should encourage essay writers to think about gender based principles in their tribal cultures and religions etc.

Encourage essay writers to search online for relevant information

Think about conversations you have participated in, attitudes of people you know.

We are looking for independence of thought, and the essay writer's own words and ideas. We are looking for writing that is bright and energetic.

**Deadline for submission of essay:** 12 noon, 30th March, 2022.

**Prize:** The winner and runner up will be invited on Borders TV (online) on UNESCO World Book & Copyright Day for a live streamed presentation of the highlights of their essays.

The essays shall be published in the Club's blog at UN Namibia and on Borders Literature for all Nations.

Host: Olatoun Gabi-Williams, Executive Producer, Borders TV

Borders is Joint-Organizer SDG Book Club Africa

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## To celebrate the 1st year anniversary of the UN SDG Book Club African Chapter

### Call to Review !

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#### SDG 5 - Gender Equity and the Empowerment of all Women and Girls.

**Rosina Sedibane Modiba A Dream Denied** by Lorato Trok

**Publisher:** New Africa Books

**Website:** <https://newafricabooks.com>

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**Abrefi's Red Letter Day** by Alexandra Oppong Amponsah

**Publisher:** Adwinsa Publications

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#### SDG 4 - Equitable Access to Quality Education

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**The Garbage School** by Abdullahi Ismaila

**Publisher:** KraftGriot (an imprint of Kraft Books Limited) (Nigeria)

**Website:** [www.kraftbookslimited.com](http://www.kraftbookslimited.com)

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**The Adventures of Hurricane and Tornado** by Godred Edusei Derkyi

**Publisher:** Edusei Derkyi (Ghana)

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### **SDG 1 - No Poverty**

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**Monkey Business** by Chukwuemeka Iroegbu Chukwudi

**Publisher:** University Press Plc (NIGERIA)

**Website:** <https://universitypressplc.com>

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**Village Boy** by Anietie Usen

**Publisher:** Origami - imprint of Parresia Publishers (NIGERIA)

**Website:** <https://www.parresia.com.ng>

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**Target age of reviewer:** 12 years +

Review length for books: 500 - 700 words

Review length for short story collections, Chubot, the Cursed One by Christopher Okemwa and Village Boy by Anietie Usen - 800 -1000 maximum words

**Deadline for submission of essay:** 12 noon, 30th March, 2022.

**Prize:** Publication in the Club's blog at UN Namibia and on Borders

The essays and reviews by Ambassador schoolchildren will also be promoted on social media

**Requirements:** high resolution head and shots of essay and review writers; one paragraph profile of the essay and review writers ( age, gender, school, hobbies, favourite subjects, what makes you special, your ambition for the future)

Please **LIKE our Facebook** page. You are welcome to share your blog posts here:  
[@unsdgbookclubafricanchapter](#).

Use our hashtags: #unsdgbookclubafricanchapter #SDGbookClub #GlobalGoals  
#AfricanBooks #AmbassadorSchoolsSDGBookClubAfrica

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**To buy books, contact: Dare Oluwatuyi, Representative, Pan-African Booksellers Association (PABA) & Booksellers Association of Nigeria (BAN)**

Managing Director  
CSS BOOKSHOPS LIMITED  
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+234-8027987171, +234-8159490150  
info@cssbookshopslimited.com [www.cssbookshopslimited.com](http://www.cssbookshopslimited.com)

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## **Resource for Educators**

[Implementing the Participation Rights of Children in Institutions \(Author: Olatoun Gabi-Williams\)](#)

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## **PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS**

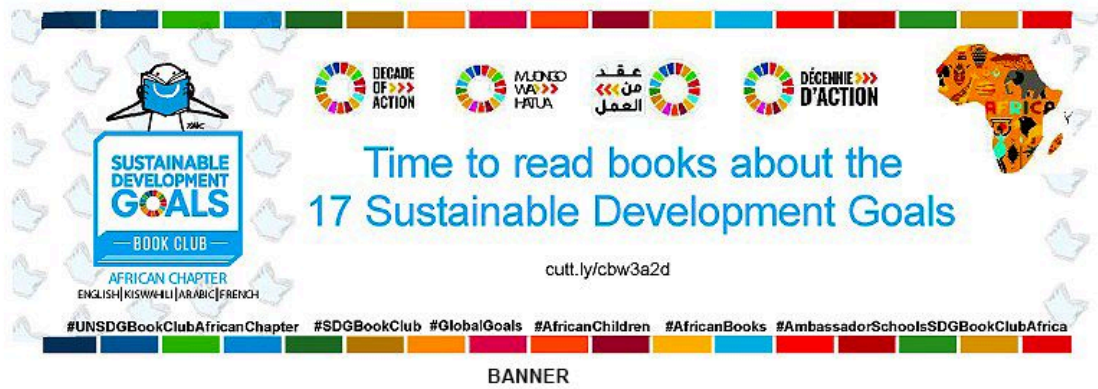
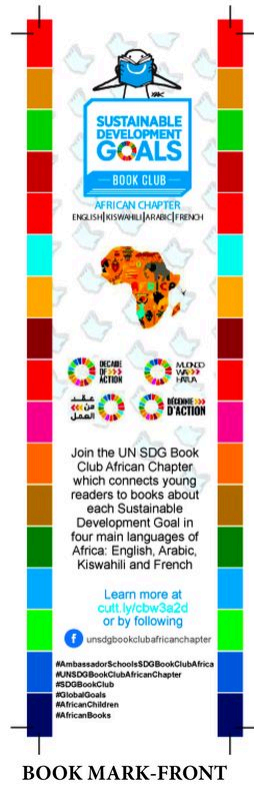
Designs for promo materials [banner, placard, bookmark, tee-shirts] are provided for SDG Book Clubs and attached to this Ideas Sheet.

Promo materials of the SDG Book Club are produced for the SDG Book Clubs at the discretion and expense of the Ambassador Schools.

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**Banner, Placard & Bookmark**







**PLACARD**

**T-Shirts**



ENGLISH



KISWAHILI



ARABIC



FRENCH

**Note that these designs are standardised.**

**Modifications are not permitted.**

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**Swift 30 SDG Edition Game**



UN Namibia, our founding technical partner, has produced a great SDG game for children in collaboration with Afroprintline.

*Swift 30 SDG Edition Game*, a great learning tool for teaching children about the SDGs, encourages children to take action around the goals and to find solutions to global problems.

Ambassador Schools interested in acquiring the **Swift 30 SDG Edition Game** should contact our partner UN Namibia. **Swift 30 SDG Edition Game** focal points:

[travis.matthews@unic.org](mailto:travis.matthews@unic.org)

[mouton@un.org](mailto:mouton@un.org)

[errollice.tjipura@un.org](mailto:errollice.tjipura@un.org)

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**Conceived by Borders Literature for all Nations for the UN SDG Book Club African Chapter**

**We look forward to hearing from you on social media!**



Email: [unsdgbokclubafricanchapter@gmail.com](mailto:unsdgbokclubafricanchapter@gmail.com)

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**Organizers of the SDG Book Club African Chapter:**



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### **African Publishers Network (APNET)**

The African Publishers Network, established in 1992 and hosted by the Ghana Publishers Association (GPA), brings together national publishers associations and publishing communities from 42 African countries. Seeking to strengthen indigenous publishing throughout Africa, its activities cover all geographic and linguistic zones of the continent (English, French, Portuguese and Arabic). APNET's main objectives are to promote trade through intra-African links and to the international world through book fair exhibitions, to share information amongst its members and capacity building in order to meet Africa's need for quality books, relevant to African social, political, economic and cultural realities.

APNET is tasked with promoting the aims and objectives of the African Chapter of the UN SDG Book Club within the pan –African community of publishers.

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### **African Library and information Associations and Institutions (AFLIA)**

AfLIA is an independent international not-for-profit organization based in Ghana, West Africa, which pursues the interests of library and information associations, library and information services, librarians and information workers and the communities they serve in Africa. AfLIA empowers the library and information community to actively promote the African development agenda through dynamic services that transform livelihoods.

AfLIA keeps a mailing list of volunteer libraries willing to work to ensure African Children read and understand all about the SDGs. AfLIA will coordinate activities of participating libraries as centrally as possible and provide a reporting pathway so that it can know about the activities of participating libraries. These reports will help the organizers track the success of the UN SDG Book Club African Chapter.

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### **Association for the Development of Education in Africa (ADEA)**

The Association for the Development of Education in Africa (ADEA) is the voice of education in Africa and a key network of Education Ministries. It plays a significant role in the education space as a convener, knowledge creator and forum for policy dialogue, working through its Inter-Country Quality Nodes (ICQNs) and the Task Force on Education Management and Policy Support. ADEA contributes to the empowerment of African countries to develop quality education and training systems that respond to the countries' emergent needs and drive social and economic transformation sustainably. ADEA connects the African Chapter of the UN SDG Book Club with schools across Africa through the Ministries of Education.

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### **Pan African Writers'Association (PAWA)**

Founded in 1989, the Pan-African Writers Association (PAWA) is a Ghana-based cultural institution and umbrella body of writers associations across the African continent and the Diaspora. Its aim is to strengthen the cultural and economic bonds between the people of Africa against the background of the continent's acknowledged diverse but rich cultural, political and economic heritage.

PAWA writers ensure a steady supply to the African Chapter of high quality children's books with strong SDG themes. PAWA writers importantly, provide voluntary translation services to the African Chapter.

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### **Pan African Booksellers Association (PABA)**

The Pan-African Booksellers Association (PABA) is a non-profit organization composed of national booksellers associations from across Africa. PABA offers training programs aimed at association-building, advocacy and bookselling.

PABA booksellers will stock the reading lists of the African Chapter and are encouraged to organize and/or promote related child-centered activities eg reading clubs, meet the author, meet the illustrator events and parent-child readings etc.

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### **Borders Literature for all Nations**

Borders, a project of Sponsor A Child (Nigeria) in partnership with Selina Travels (Nigeria) is an African book industry journal and publicity platform offering online and live services. In addition to book reviews and book trade interviews, a main project of Borders is the Borders SDG Book Club which hosts book-chats with authors of children's books, with illustrators and with school-children.

The Borders SDG Book Club supports the overall mission of Borders Literature for all Nations: the promotion of the reading culture in Nigeria and Africa and the promotion of the reading of African books worldwide. Books featured on the reading list of the UN SDG Book Club African Chapter will be prioritized for promotion by Borders Literature for all Nations.

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### **United Nations Information Center Windhoek Namibia**

UNIC Namibia is the founding technical partner of the African chapter of the UN SDG Book Club and builds and hosts the dedicated website. By lending expertise to support the decision making of the Management Committee of the UN SDG Book Club African Chapter: [PABA, PAWA, BORDERS, AfLIA, ADEA, APNET], UNIC provides continuity and coordination of the website affairs and brings the UN's voice to the table.

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