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This booklet introduces APT Edutainment Ltd. as a publishing enterprise and presents the company's publications, which are mainly cartoon-illustrated narrative books that are aimed at a general readership.

INTRODUCTION

APT Edutainment Ltd. (RC 663862) is a Nigerian-owned publishing company whose primary mission is to promote a positive reading-based youth culture among students in primary and secondary schools in Nigeria, using the cartoonnarrative medium—*comic books/graphic novels* and *illustrated literature*.

The following are the **major selling points** of the unique and diverse publications of **APT Edutainment.**

- ➤ **Positive narratives:** They feature original family-friendly storylines, which among other things, help to prepare young people for self-development, constructive collaboration and effective teamwork.
- ➤ **Readable volumes:** They employ basic vocabulary and full-colour cartoon illustrations, which altogether makes each volume quite lively and readable to young readers, thus encouraging a reading habit.
- ➤ Reading & Writing skills: They are originally and particularly designed to assist students in developing their reading and writing skills.
- Priceless global culture: They promote comic-book (or graphic-novel) reading, which is an established global culture that has been, and is still being, employed by various societies in advancing literacy and transmitting wholesome values, especially among their young people.
- ➤ Classroom textbooks: They can be used as classroom texts (literature), particularly for pupils in Basic Education Classes in Nigerian schools.
- ➤ Creative inspiration: They feature a creative blend of stories and illustrations, which would naturally make its young readers appreciate creativity and motivate them to develop their own creative minds.
- ➤ Well-rounded education: They feature curricular, co-curricular and extracurricular materials that are well suited to young students.
- ➤ Alternative channel: They represent a novel, viable and versatile educational channel for young learners.
- ➤ **Rich African Contents:** They present several meaningful genres of African fiction.
- ➤ **Productive youth engagement:** They are deemed valuable materials to socially desirable youth clubs *Literary, Entrepreneurial, Arts & Crafts, Cultural, Games, Sports* etc which make for a productive engagement of young people in individual schools and communities.

APT-BEACON Comic Book Series



APT-BEACON (ISSN: 1597-9458), is a collection of enriched comic books with a blend of family, school and sport themes. Each volume is a 40-pages publication that features an instructive cartoon narrative (comic book) and enhanced with multiple pages of educative contents in form of article, puzzle, test, anecdote, dialogue, quote, etc.





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T) To make into a law 8) A legal document that shows the owner of a house or building 9) Branch of a country's military 9) Branch of a country's military 10) Something wrong that somebody does to somebody clee that is not criminal but can lead to cour to ac-11) To withdraw a law officially 12) Having no legal validity 13), To take a claim or dispute to a court of law

14) A non-citizen resident of a country
15) The profession of a lawyer
16) To choose somebody for a public
office by vote
17) The paper notes & coins that are
accepted as a means of exchange in a country is called legal----18) To make a formal accusation against somebody.
19) An officer of very high rank in a

20) The hearing of a previously tried court case before superior court 21) The piece of paper on which somebody marks who they are voting for 22) A political community under one government or forming part of a

ation Find answers on page 36

APT-BEACON Volume 1

Product Type: *Enriched* Comic Book

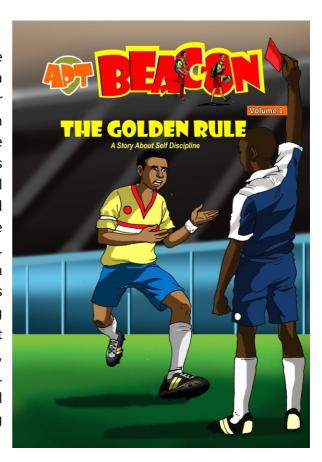
Story Title: The Golden Rule

Print Length: 40 pages

List Price: 800 Naira

Back story

ki Adams is a teenage student, and also a talented footballer. After sitting for his final high school exams and while awaiting his results, he joins the new under-20 football team in his neighbourhood and then gets to play in the prestigious Governor's Cup. Surprisingly, his team cruises into the glamorous cup final. And for netting most of the goals that secure the cup final ticket, he turns the hero overnight. Then the expectations swell and grow on him as the big match draws nearer



Fillers (7 pages):

Articles (3): Birth of Democracy; Oral Tradition; Your Amazing Brain

Quiz (1): Test Your Knowledge of Computer Basics

Crossword Puzzle (1): Solve A Math Puzzle

Word Power (1): Learn the Verbs

APT-BEACON Volume 2

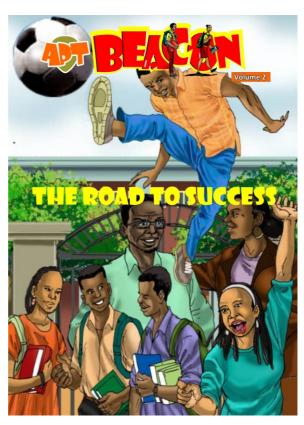
Product Type: *Enriched* Comic Book **Story Title:** The Road To Success

Print Length: 40 pages List Price: 800 Naira

Back story

he Adamses is a nuclear family that resides in Nigeria. Mr. Adams is a naval officer, his wife is a nurse, while their two children, Oki and Ade, are both teenage students. Interestingly, the family really enjoy farming, and they have been cultivating a farmland in their residence for years.

Besides domestic farming, Mr. and Mrs. Adams are both keenly interested in their children's school education. But while Ade's focus is on schooling, Oki has always divided his focus between schooling and football. Now, Oki's final exam results at high school have just been released. So he and his family are much eager to see how well he has performed.



Fillers (11 pages):

Articles (3): Build on Solid Ground; Spend your time wisely; You must be Computer literate

Quiz (2): Democracy; Natural Features **Crossword Puzzle (1):** Solve a science puzzle **Dialogue (1):** Young & Sound: *My biggest dream*

Extra Strip (1): Can-do: Get the kit that fits

Word Power: Adjectives & Synonyms

Graffiti (1): Illustrated Quotes

APT-BEACON Volume 3

Product Type: Enriched Comic Book

Story Title: Go For The Trophy

Print Length: 40 pages List Price: 800 Naira

Back story

igeria is to a great extent a football-loving nation. And to the nation's credit, her football teams have won many international laurels. But one particular football honour that has narrowly eluded the country is at the under-20 World Cup, where the national team has played and lost in two Cup Finals.

Yet again, the current Flying Eagles, the nation's under-20 team, have qualified for the World Cup. And this current national team has shown that it's capable of winning the elusive trophy. But to the shock of its teeming fans, the team loses a number of tune-up matches in a row. Quite unfortunately, the nation's hopes of winning the World Cup are starting to fade away.



Fillers (8 pages):

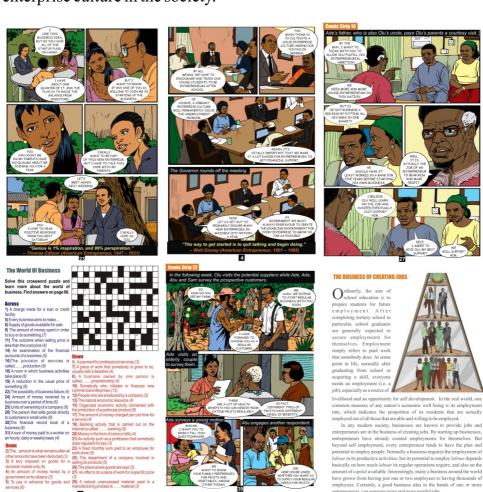
Articles (2): Home Sweet Home (2 pages); Top Healthy Tips for Young Readers

Special Quizzes (3): Nigeria's 100-year History; African Nations; World's Continents (Map Quiz)

Crossword Puzzle (1): Government and Law **Word Power (1):** Nouns and Antonyms

YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS SERIES

Young Entrepreneurs Series (YES) is uniquely designed to suit the basic entrepreneurial education of young people, particularly 8-to-17 year-olds. Each volume features a *graphic novel* about the adventures of young entrepreneurs plus an *informative appendix*. Essentially, this graphic-novel-based series is intended to boost its readers' entrepreneurial knowledge and passion, and to strengthen the enterprise culture in the society.



amount of capital available. Interestingly, many a business around the world have grown from having just one or two employees to having thousa employees. Certainly, a good business idea in the hands of one or more neurs can generate more and more gainful jobs

Young Entrepreneurs Volume 1

Product Type: *Enriched* Graphic Novel

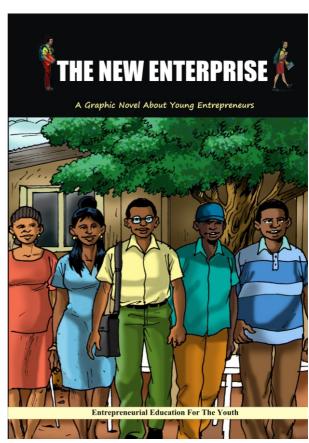
Story Title: The New Enterprise

Print Length: 72 pages **List Price:** 1,500 Naira

Back story:

azobia City has one of the fastest growing urban populations in Nigeria. Owing to its high population growth, the city is faced with rising unemployment. And to resolve the unemployment problem facing the capital city, the newly elected state governor is ready to leave no stone unturned, particularly by empowering the young entrepreneurs.

Synopsis: The story, *The New Enterprise*, captures the entrepreneurial journey of five youthful residents of Wazobia city as they team up to start up a business enterprise.



Appendix (8 pages):

Articles (3): The business of creating jobs; Join the Young Entrepreneurs; You can beat the limit

Crossword Puzzle (1): The World of Business **Cloze Test (1):** The problem of unemployment

in Africa; **Special Quiz (1):** Business Terms

URBAN ADVENTURES SERIES

Urban Adventures *Series* is a collection of comic books which targets the general readership and is designed to portray drama and humor in contemporary urban African society as captured in a variety of familiar settings. Each volume is typically enriched with an informative appendix.



Urban Adventures Volume 1

Product Type: *Enriched* Comic Book

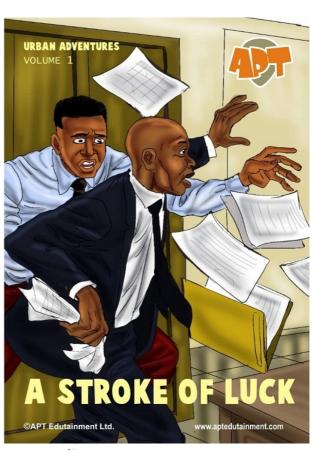
Story Title: A Stroke Of Luck

Print Length: 48 pages List Price: 1,000 Naira

Back story:

ucky is a fresh school **_**graduate who has spent almost all his life in his hometown But shortly after earning a degree in Secretarial Studies, he departs for Aje city to seek greener pastures. On arriving in the big city, he stays with his uncle, Promise, who has a wife and two children. Luckily for Lucky, Promise promptly helps him to get a corporate job as an office clerk.

But no one could imagine the nerve-racking adventures awaiting Lucky in the big city.



Appendix (6 pages):

Article: Wonders of the Modern World

Crossword Puzzle: Understanding Our Planet

Special Quiz: Urban Vocabulary

Quick Facts: Cities Across The World

Special Illustration: Inside the 21st Century

PRIME AFRICAN SERIES

Prime African Series is a collection of literary texts (children's literature), each volume of which comprises an illustrated *African* story and multiple English Language tests – reading comprehension, lexis and structure – which are based on the narrative text. Best suited for 8to-13-year-olds (pupils in Basic Education Class 4 to 9), these narrative books are deliberately designed to assist individual pupils in developing excellent English vocabulary, valuable writing skills, desirable character traits, and aptitude for creativity.



secretly called for the most powerful magician in Africa. This marvelous magician had gained wide recognition both within and outside the continent. As a mark of respect, the renowned magician answered the royal call straightaway - he appeared inside the town hall out of thin air. Not surprisingly, the magician's sudden appearance came as a pleasant surprise to the depressed assembly. But in a short time, the townspeople came out of their amazement and then expressed their trust in the amazing magician.

As if by magic, the public confidence rapidly rose to its highest point. So when the magician marched towards the sleeping children, all eyes followed him with keen interest

CHAPTER 13: DIVISION AMONG THE FARMERS

When the tyrant's messengers got close to the farmers' settlement, one of them hid on a treetop while the other two ent to see the farmers. The visiting hunters got a cautious welcome from the farmers, many of whom felt uncomfortable that the hunters had located them. In an urgent tone, the emissaries called on the farmers to come together and receive a message.

No sooner had the tyrant's message been delivered than one of the farmers, Àmádà, responded in anger. "That's impossible! We cannot defer to the hunters' throne.

"Then prepare yourself for war!" a mes "We are not afraid of your aggression!" Àmádà spat out. "Look, the peaceful agreement between our comm been nullified," said the other emissary. "And now by order of Agara, we nust rule over you farmers, regard





Having committed the formula to memory. Dada needed to gather a dozen ingredients for the intended mixture. In the morning he told his family about his intention, and set off at daybreak to find all the required items. At the start of the search, he visited the most likely markets in the city, and got half of the ingredients there. Then he wen around to other possible places to look for the remaining materials With great effort, he obtained all the needed ingredients except for one. Despite his determined search, he couldn't find the last ingredient within the city. Though he hadn't accomplished his mission,

On his way home, he was so bothered about how to find the emaining ingredient that he couldn't think of something else. Then he remembered that he had not looked for the items in one particular place in his own neighborhood. So before going home, he searched this small woodland that was located close to his house. And to his amazement, he found inside this place the remaining material, which was one uncommon herb with largely unknown values.

TEST 2: LEXIS (SYNONYMS)

nstruction: Choose from the options A to D the synonym of the underlined word or phrase.
Notes: The synonym of a word or phrase is another word or phra with the same or similar meaning. A phrase is a group of words that

have a particular meaning when used together 1) The town's residents hurriedly gathered at the hall (A) sadly (B) happily (C) quickly (D) gradually

2) They noticed some movements on the beds.
(A) made (B) showed (C) ignored (D) observed

(A) calm (B) panic (C) disorder (D) noise

4) The people decided to look for a likely solution (A) good (B) lovely (C) probable (D) fres

5) She was the most trusted doctor on the contine (A) respected (B) satisfying (C) hopeful (D) reliable

(A) marvelous (B) miserable (C) serious (D) strange

7) Fire suddenly emerged from the magician's hands

(A) spread (B) appeared (C) disappeared (D) expanded The townspeople <u>raised</u> their children to be selfless.
 (A) nurtured (B) lifted (C) taught (D) pushed

It was an <u>unforgettable</u> event in the small town
 (A) great (B) fresh (C) memorable (D) surprising

n Africa, there was a small town that was named for the con n Africa, there was a sman town una.

So this place was popularly called Little Africa. Here the land was fertile, the weather was friendly, and the farms were flourishing. At some point, the adult people in the town put their heads together and created a golden dream for the continent. Thereafter, the town started raising its children to care for Africa at large. After a while, the townspeople had become committed to the common good.

However, there were good and wicked spirits on the continent. As it was, the wicked spirits were unhappy with the golden dream, so they decided to kill the dream. One midnight, they combined their wicked powers and made all the town's children unable to awake from nightly sleep. When the adults woke up the next day and found the children To solve the overnight mystery, a troubled crowd hurriedly assembled



TEST 3: LEXIS (ANTONYMS)

Instruction: Choose from the options A to D the antonym of the underlined word or phrase.

Note: The antonym of a word or phrase is another word or phrase with opposite meaning. A phrase is a group of words that have a particular

nspeople were always friendly to foreigners. (A) hot (B) hostile (C) kind (D) generous

2) They were disappointed with his failed effort (A) successful (B) powerful (C) passive (D) full

(A) expected (B) unfriendly (C) strange (D) interesting

4) The assembly permitted the musicians to perform

(A) approved (B) ignored (C) disallowed (D) considered

(A) timid (B) illegal (C) careless (D) opaque

The land was spacious and fertile.
 (A) somber (B) barren (C) impure (D) scanty

(A) interest (B) faith (C) suspicion (D) seriousness

8) He feared that the condition of the children would be permanent (A) temporary (B) total (C) optional (D) willing

(A) denied (B) failed (C) collapsed (D) departed

Product Type: Children's Book (Illustrated Story & Tests)

Story Title: The Golden Children

Print Length: 36 pages **List Price:** 600 Naira

Synopsis

n a small African town that was named for the continent, the residents were determined to achieve a golden dream for Africa at large. Suddenly in this 'land of African dream.' there was a strange attack that made all the town's children to fall into endless sleep. Then the mysterious event made the town's adults to search desperately for a solution



THE GOLDEN CHILDREN

Appendix (12 pages):

Tests on Reading Comprehension, Lexis and Structure:

110 Questions & Answers

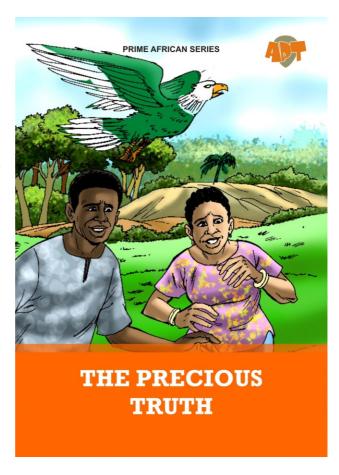
Product Type: Children's Book (Illustrated Story & Tests)

Story Title: The Precious Truth **Print Length:** 36 pages

List Price: 600 Naira

Synopsis

Cituated on the Africa's mainland, Òdodo was a village that was known for its very low crime rate. But in an unexpected turn of events, unsolved cases of petty theft became more and more common in this place until the most unbelievable crime of stealing took place right at the village center. While the villagers were deeply upset about the theft of their collective wealth, they hurriedly made up their minds to discover the truth at all costs.



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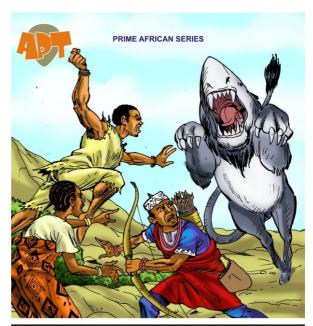
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Product Type: Children's Book (Illustrated Story & Tests)

Story Title: A New Day **Print Length:** 36 pages **List Price:** 600 Naira

Synopsis

ocated off the African **–**coast, Àdàbí was an island town that had been divided by its king into two - a free region to the north and an enslaved region to the south. Following the king's sudden death by animal attack, the town's residents felt terribly uncertain about the town's future. But unknown to the townspeople after the king's passing, certain developments were setting the stage for a truly remarkable change in this island community.



A NEW DAY

Appendix (12 pages):

Tests on Reading Comprehension, Lexis and Structure: 110 Questions & Answers

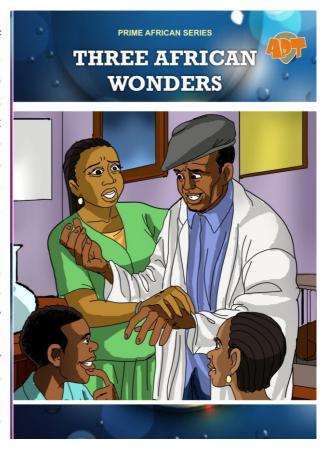
Product Type: Children's Book (Illustrated Story & Tests)

Story Title: Three African Wonders

Print Length: 36 pages **List Price:** 600 Naira

Synopsis

n the African city of Àdádá. there was an herb doctor, Dàda, who started a family business with his wife, Adá, But more than even the business, the couple were committed to their twin children. Dára and Dórà. Fortunately for the family, Dàda discovered an amazing product which rapidly brought huge profits for the family business; then it turned out that the extraordinary discovery was only the beginning of unforgettable experience for Dàda and his family.



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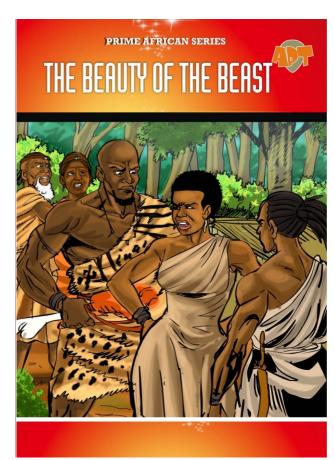
Product Type: Children's Book (Illustrated Story & Tests)

Story Title: The Beauty of the Beast

Print Length: 56 pages **List Price:** 1,000 Naira

Synopsis

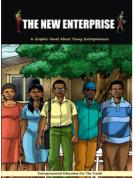
n the tropical seas, there was a lone island that was populated by an African tribe. At some point in this isolated place, the people were suddenly threatened by an unending flooding, which triggered an unfamiliar chain of events. So while faced with a life-and-death situation, the people ventured out on an uncertain journey that led to dramatic changes in their community life.

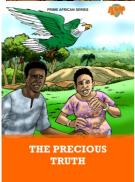


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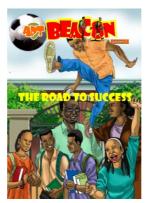






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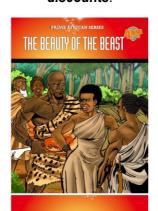
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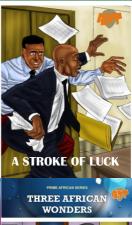
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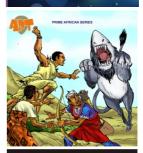
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COMING SOON

Title: Adventures of A Schoolteacher

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Print Length: 40 pages List Price: 800 Naira

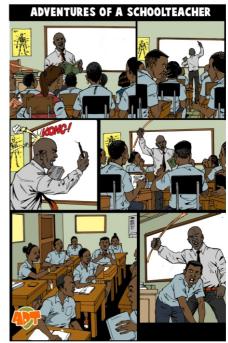
Synopsis: After being jobless as a school graduate for several months, Abu finally secures a teaching job at a private school. But right from his first day at work, he tends to create moments of excitement that draw the school attention and make for memorable experiences. Interestingly, his days as a schoolteacher are largely defined by dramatic moments of different sorts.

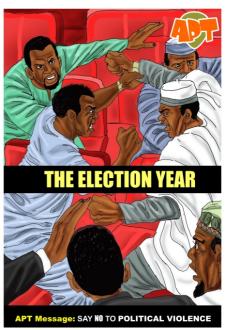
Title: The Election Year

Ref: POLITICAL THRILLERS Volume 1

Print Length: 40 pages List Price: 800 Naira

Back story: Ajuba is a federal republic where representative democracy has been taking roots despite powerful hindrances. General elections are organized every four years in this West African country. Now that another election year is here, the citizens are excitedly waiting to elect their leaders. But all of a sudden, a shocking announcement is delivered from the nation's highest office.



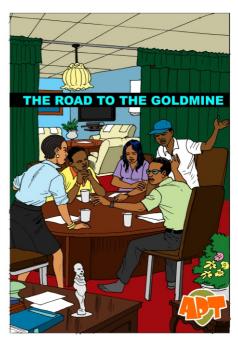


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Title: The Road to the Goldmine Ref: Young Entrepreneurs Volume 2

Print Length: 52 pages List Price: 1,000 Naira

Back story: Following a successful business startup by a group of young entrepreneurs, this highly driven team is prepared to drive the new enterprise to new heights. But several difficulties expectedly lie ahead for the business venture. Do these enterprising youths have the strength of purpose to pull through the pitfalls ahead? Watch out for the sequel to THE NEW ENTERPRISE!

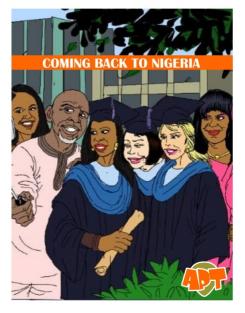


Title: Coming Back to Nigeria

Ref: Young Entrepreneurs Volume 3

Print Length: 52 pages List Price: 1,000 Naira

Back story: Bibi was born in Nigeria but relocated to the United States of America (USA) with her family at the age of ten. Now at twenty one and a fresh graduate of a ranking American business school, she eagerly returns to Nigeria for a month-long visit. But on getting to Nigeria, it takes only a curious observation at the local market to trigger her entrepreneurial instinct and set her on an impulsive path, even in the face of opposition from her beloved confidant and mentor.



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