

Two friends From Makoko

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Once Upon a time, there lived two friends in Makoko-Mak Town, Yaba, Lagos, Nigeria. One was named Johnu, the other prefers to be called AREA Ogbeni. They were boys yet to get their free school uniforms.



Ogbeni: Johnu, please give me a stick of sweet.

Johnu: This sweet? Naa. Is it because we are getting free uniforms that you think I will give my sweet to you for free? No Way! This is mine. Go get yours.



Ogbeni: Uncle Emmanuel, please can I have my stick of sweet just like Johnu so I will not disturb him?



Ogbeni: Wait a minute Uncle! I asked for a sweet and you are snapping my picture?
HmMMM.



Johnu: Ogbeni, If you like, keep looking at my sweet. That doesn't change a thing. I still won't give you a bite.



Johnu: Uncle! Ogbeni wants to drag my sweet from me. I will show him that I am a Prince, oh.



Johnu: Ok, Ogbeni, we are still friends. It is just a stick of sweet. Let's not end our friendship because of it.



Ogbeni: Johnu, leave me alone! Lick your sweet. But, as for this line for the free lunch, I will make sure you are at my back and I won't play with you again!



Johnu: Well, I have another friend. His name is Prince Peter. As for the food, it will be enough for all of us. No need for me to rush. As for this sweet, I won't give you a bite.



Ogbeni: Is this your new friend? Prince Peter cannot match me.



Johnu: Uncle? Can you take my picture again? Should I smile or is my pose ok? Thank you for giving me this beautiful new uniform.



Johnu; What is this? Ogbeni and Prince Peter are now friends? Ogbeni? Do you want some of my sweet?