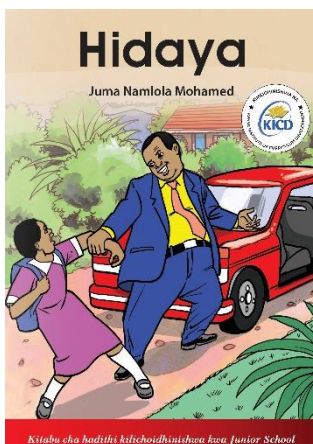




UN SDG BOOK CLUB AFRICAN CHAPTER



SDG 10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES READING LIST (Kiswahili Language)



Hidaya

Author: Juma Namlola Mohamed

Publisher: East African Educational Publishers

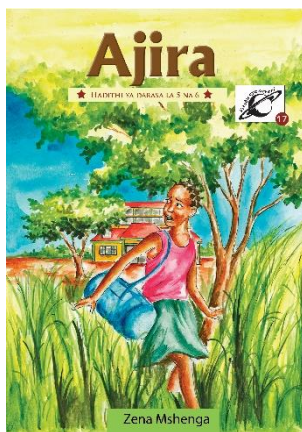
ISBN: 978 99966 56 725 3

Country: Kenya

Language: Kiswahili

Summary

The storyline embodies UN SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities through Hidaya, a girl marginalized for her feminist views and forced into marriage by her father. Rescued by her teacher and child-rights activists, she resumes her education, earns a doctorate, and returns to serve her community. After saving her remorseful father from illness, Hidaya becomes a symbol of hope, challenging retrogressive practices while addressing poverty, inclusivity, and gender equality, thereby uplifting her family and inspiring social transformation.



Ajira

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Summary

Ajira's story reflects the challenges of poverty, gender-based violence, and child exploitation. Born into hardship, she is forced by her father to work as a housemaid, where she narrowly escapes an attempted sexual assault by her employer. Rescued through the swift action of the area chief, Ajira is restored to school and given a chance to pursue her education. Her resilience and determination symbolize the principles of UN SDG 10 (Reduced inequalities); UN SDG 5 (Gender Equality) and UN SDG 16 (Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions) as she commits herself to excel academically and champion the rights of girls, advocating for protection, equality, and inclusive opportunities for the vulnerable.