

EPISODE 12

Characters

Wosilat

Abokede

Folashade

Oyemade

Mr. Animashaun

Bello

Alaba

Scene 1

Ilorin. Ajani's room in the Family Compound. Afternoon!

1. **SFX:** **DOOR OPENS AND BANGS SHUT**
2. **ABOKEDE:** **(EXCITEDLY)** Aunty Wosilat...
3. **WOSILAT:** Ah ah! Abokede, hope no problem
4. **ABOKEDE:** **(CHUCKLES)** No problem aunty Wosilat.
5. **WOSILAT:** So why all the excitement?
6. **ABOKEDE:** **(EXCLAIMS)** I just got my first salary aunty. I am so happy
7. **WOSILAT:** Oh congratulations. So what do you have in the bags?
8. **ABOKEDE:** Foodstuff aunty. I went to the market and bought foodstuff for the house. And this is the rest of the money ma.
9. **WOSILAT:** What? Abokede! you didn't have to spend your salary buying ...
10. **ABOKEDE:** Aunty, you have been feeding me since I came. This is just a little contribution on my part
11. **WOSILAT:** **(SIGHS)** Thank you dear but I can't collect the money from you. It is yours
12. **ABOKEDE:** But Aunty. Mo fe ki eyin na jeun omo ni (I want you to benefit from your child).
13. **WOSILAT:** Thank you for the thought but there is a lot you can use the money for. For example, you should start saving for your JAMB
14. **ABOKEDE:** I know. I can save half of my salary every month. That way, I can still contribute the other to the household expense
15. **WOSILAT:** Abokede! You are so wise....

16. **ABOKEDE:** Ah aunty Wosilat, ile lan wo ka to so mo loruko (the family determines the name you give to a child). I have to save because I know where I am coming from
17. **WOSILAT:** Hmm. That's very thoughtful. But still you are not here to work for me. The money is yours
18. **ABOKEDE:** I know. But apart from the exam, I have no need for the money
19. **WOSILAT:** Don't say that Abokede. You need money to look good too. You can buy jeans and all those fine things girls wear these days
20. **ABOKEDE:** **(LAUGHS)** Aunty, I don't need any fine thing. Nobody is looking at me
21. **WOSILAT:** Don't say that. You are a fine young and intelligent girl. Boys are definitely looking
22. **ABOKEDE:** **(LAUGHS)** Aunty, if they are looking, I am not seeing them. That is not why I came to Ilorin
23. **WOSILAT:** Anyway, when the time is right and when you find the right person, you will know.
24. **ABOKEDE:** **(CHUCKLES)** Maybe...
25. **WOSILAT:** So thank you for the foodstuff and the money. I am very grateful
26. **ABOKEDE:** Ah aunty, I know I'm not earning much now so the contribution is small. But one day, when I am somebody by God's grace, I will be able to do something more and it still won't be enough to repay you for saving my life.
27. **MUSIC:** **BRIDGE MUSIC UP AND FADES TO**

Scene 2

Ilorin. Oyemade's office. Afternoon.

28. **OYEMADE:** **(CONCERNED)** Folashade, what is it?
29. **FOLASHADE:** **(TIGHTLY)** Nothing. Oyemade, just be fast let us go.
30. **OYEMADE:** Look, I know you Folashade. You are acting different. Did I do something wrong?
31. **FOLASHADE:** Oyemade, please let us go. You know that I am not comfortable in your office
32. **OYEMADE:** Why not? You are my girl and whatever I have is yours including my office
33. **FOLASHADE:** People here know my father. Somebody can tell him. I don't want his problem
34. **OYEMADE:** **(UPSET)** Oh so you prefer the way we sneak around in restaurants and hotels? When will all this façade end?

35. **FOLASHADE:** I don't know.
36. **OYEMADE:** Shade, I can't continue like this
37. **FOLASHADE:** (**SLOWLY**) I am tired. I am fed up. (**ALMOST IN TEARS**) I am losing my mind. (**TEARFULLY**) Maybe we should just break up.
38. **OYEMADE:** (**SHOCKED**) What? I am sure you don't mean that
39. **FOLASHADE:** Oyemade, what else can I do?
40. **OYEMADE:** Let's just get married now. Let's go to the registry
41. **FOLASHADE:** My father will kill me
42. **OYEMADE:** But if we are married already, there is nothing he can do. Folashade...
43. **SFX:** **COMMOTION OUTSIDE THE OFFICE**
44. **ANIMASHAUN:** Where is that boy?
45. **FOLASHADE:** Oh my God!, isn't that my father's voice?
46. **OYEMADE:** (**INCREDULOUSLY**) Your father?
47. **SFX:** **MORE COMMOTION OUTSIDE THE OFFICE**
48. **FOLASHADE:** It is definitely my father. (**PANICKY**) Oh my God! where will I hide
49. **OYEMADE:** (**BURSTS INTO LAUGHTER**) Folashade, you should see yourself right now
50. **FOLASHADE:** Oyemade, this is not the time for your jokes. Where can I hide
51. **OYEMADE:** Nowhere to hide my dear. Come on, let's just tell him
52. **FOLASHADE:** Not like this. Let me hide in the toilet.
53. **SFX:** **DOOR OPENS AND SNAPS SHUT**
54. **OYEMADE:** Shade, don't ...
55. **SFX:** **DOOR BURSTS OPEN AMIDST COMMOTION**
56. **ANIMASHAUN:** There you are boy
57. **VOICE:** Sir, I told him not to come in but he ...
58. **OYEMADE:** It's okay. Just shut the door
59. **SFX:** **DOOR CLOSES**
60. **OYEMADE:** (**POLITELY**) Good afternoon Mr. Animashaun
61. **ANIMASHAUN:** (**ANGRILY**) What is good about the day boy?
62. **OYEMADE:** Sir...
63. **ANIMASHAUN:** Look here boy, you better stop this stupid case you are pursuing against me because you if you continue, you won't like the consequences
64. **OYEMADE:** Are you threatening me, Mr. Animashaun?

65. **ANIMASHAUN:** It is not a threat boy. If you don't stop this stupidity of yours, even your father will not be able to save you. That is a promise boy.
66. **OYEMADE:** This is not personal sir. This is for the good of the environment
67. **ANIMASHAUN:** Environment my foot
68. **OYEMADE:** Sir, the forest is a public trust and it should be protected. Once that forest is cleared for whatever reason, it cannot be regained
69. **ANIMASHAUN:** (**CHUCKLES CYNICALLY**) Oh oh oh! so that is what your father asked you to say unh?
70. **OYEMADE:** This has nothing to do with my father
71. **ANIMASHAUN:** You are a liar just like everyone in your family
72. **OYEMADE:** Sir, you are insulting my family...
73. **ANIMASHAUN:** And what will you do?
74. **OYEMADE:** Sir, I suggest you find somewhere else to build your shopping mall. That forest will not be cleared. I promise you that.
75. **ANIMASHAUN:** And I promise you hell. You and your entire family will suffer for this. You don't mess with an Animashaun.
76. **SFX:** **DOOR OPENS AND BANGS SHUT**
77. **OYEMADE:** (**CALLS OUT**) Shade, you can come out now
78. **FOLASHADE:** (**OFF MIC**) Is he gone?
79. **OYEMADE:** Yeah
80. **SFX:** **DOOR OPENS SLOWLY**
81. **FOLASHADE:** Is he really gone?
82. **OYEMADE:** Yeah! (**TIRED**) Wow! Your father is something
83. **FOLASHADE:** Oyemade, do you now see what I'm saying? My father will never agree to anything between us after this court case issue.
84. **MUSIC:** **BRIDGE MUSIC UP AND FADES TO**

Scene 3

Ilorin. Alaba's shop. Afternoon.

85. **SFX:** **AMBIENCE OF A MARKET PLACE. NOISY**
86. **WOSILAT:** Mr. Alaba, good afternoon
87. **ALABA:** Ah, Wosilat. How are you?
88. **WOSILAT:** Fine sir. How is the family?
89. **ALABA:** We are all fine.
90. **WOSILAT:** Please thank your wife for me o, Abokede has been telling me how good she has been to her

91. **ALABA:** No problem. My wife really likes your niece.
92. **WOSILAT:** Thank you sir. I brought your money. Sorry it's late
93. **ALABA:** I have been expecting you but I know you can't run away with my money
94. **WOSILAT:** Don't be angry. Market has been poor. People just buy things on credit
95. **ALABA:** **(CHUCKLES)** That's how our people are
96. **WOSILAT:** So as soon as the money was complete, I just decided to bring it
97. **ALABA:** You have done well
98. **WOSILAT:** Thank you o, may you never lack
99. **ALABA:** Amen.
100. **WOSILAT:** So Mr. Alaba...
101. **ALABA:** I have told you to stop calling me mister. Call me my name
102. **WOSILAT:** **(LAUGHS)** Ah Mr. Alaba, you are older than me and you know I can't call an elder by his name
103. **ALABA:** Ah ah? I am giving you the permission to call me Alaba
104. **WOSILAT:** Okay o sir...
105. **ALABA:** There you go again
106. **WOSILAT:** **(CHUCKLES)** Sorry, so how about the job you promised to get for my husband now?
107. **ALABA:** In the factory?
108. **WOSILAT:** Yes
109. **ALABA:** I have it in mind. It's just that there is no vacancy for now. But I am working on it
110. **WOSILAT:** Things have really been tough o. My husband has been going everywhere searching for job, still nothing.
111. **ALABA:** Times are hard for everybody Wosilat
112. **WOSILAT:** I know but he needs a job fast. He has tried everything. But even odd jobs are so competitive now
113. **ALABA:** Don't worry Wosilat, I will see what I can do. Relax, smile...
114. **WOSILAT:** There is nothing to smile about
115. **ALABA:** I promise to do something. Even if it is to put a smile on that beautiful face of yours. Enh? Don't worry.
116. **WOSILAT:** Thank you. You have been so good to me and my family. God will bless you
117. **ALABA:** No problem. We will find him a job but in the meantime, can he drive a taxi? Hope he won't mind?

118. **WOSILAT:** Mind ke? He will be very happy. You know he was a driver with the ministry of works for 15 years. Ah! That will be good-o. Thank you, Alaba. May God never let your sun go down. Hehn, Alaba, I don't know what I can ever do to repay you. God bless you!
119. **MUSIC:** **BRIDGE MUSIC UP AND FADES TO**

Scene 4

Ilorin. Animashaun residence. Evening.

120. **BELLO:** Wow Folashade, I heard that father broke into Oyemade's office today
121. **FOLASHADE:** Bad news sure travels very fast
122. **BELLO:** Were you not going to tell me?
123. **FOLASHADE:** I was. Who told you?
124. **BELLO:** Dad's driver. Dad came back to the office very livid.
125. **FOLASHADE:** Bello, it was a terrible experience
126. **BELLO:** How?
127. **FOLASHADE:** I was in Oyemade's office when dad came
128. **BELLO:** **(SHOCKED)** What? So father caught you?
129. **FOLASHADE:** No o. I hid in the toilet.
130. **BELLO:** **(LAUGHS)** That's funny
131. **FOLASHADE:** Funny ke? It was not funny o. I had a very narrow escape.
132. **BELLO:** Wow! But you know that sooner or later you are going to have to make a decision concerning this matter?
133. **FOLASHADE:** I don't know o
134. **BELLO:** Shade, you were lucky today but you may not be another day o. father will catch you sooner or later
135. **FOLASHADE:** Oyemade wants us to go and marry quietly at the registry
136. **BELLO:** Shade. Are you pregnant?
137. **FOLASHADE:** **(MIFFED)** Pregnant, me? Why would you think that?
138. **BELLO:** What are you offended about? Can't it happen? Have you not been meeting at the his brother's house every day after work? Anyway, I asked because of the way you said you people want to get married quickly at the registry.
139. **FOLASHADE:** **(STILL IRRITATED)** I said quietly, not quickly. **(THOUGHTFUL)** Get pregnant ke when things about our relationship are so uncertain. I beg, person they use Family planning protection or am I a small girl?

140. **BELLO:** **(CHUCKLES)** Ok o big girl, I hear you. I guess you are right. Coming home with a pregnancy before you're married won't help you and Oyemade's case with the parents
141. **FOLASHADE:** Ah! Am I crazy? I thought about all that so since last year Oye and I decided we better use something until we know where we are headed with this affair.
142. **BELLO:** Have you thought about confessing all to Mum? She will know how to talk to father, who knows....
143. **FOLASHADE:** Bello, ah, I am not so sure about that-o
144. **BELLO:** You have to give it a try first. You never can tell
145. **MUSIC:** **THEME MUSIC...DRAMA BRIDGE UP AND UNDER....**