

**Nkwúdosike Na Ọganiihu Omenala na Asụsụ Igbo: Ntugharị Uche n'Aha n'Agụmagụ Ederede**

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**Umjedemede:**

*Aha bụ ihe ọbụla e nyere mmadụ ma ọbụ ihe ndị ọzọ e ji amata ha. Ọ bụ otu ụzọ gbara ọkpurukpu e nwere ike isi mee ka asụsụ na omenala ndị buru ihe kwugidesiri ike. Ọtutu ndị odee agụmagụ na-eji aha akwara ngwa ọrụ ha iji egosiputa agwa dị icheiche n'edemede ha. Nchọputa na-egosi na ọtutu ndị odee, kama inye agwa dị n'edemede ha aha sitere n'agburu ha, na-enye ha aha sitere n'asụsụ na agburundi ọzọ. Ụfọdu gbaliri nye aha agburu ha na-edebiri ya edebiri nke na mputara na nghota dị n'aha ndi ahụ anaghị agbazi elu. Oge ụfọdukwa, ha na-enyekwa aha enweghị mputara ma ncha. Ụdị akparamagwa dị etu a kpalitere mmụọ omenchọcha n'ọrụ a. Ebumnobi ọrụ nchọcha a bụ inyocha ọtutu ahandi odee agụmagụ Igbo a hōrō webatara n'edemede ha, mputara ha, na etu aha ndi ahụ si kwalite ma ọbụ ebute ọdida asụsụ na omenala Igbo. Akwukwọ ndi a hōrō iji mee nchọcha a gūnyere akwukwọ ejije Obidiya (1977) nke Akoma, Enyinna, iduuazi Ihe Onye Metara (1996) nke Ofomata, Chinedum E., Purple Hibiscus (2006) nke Chimamanda Adichie tinyekwara otu iduuazi The Potter's Wheel (2011) nke Ike, Chukwuemeka. Nchọputa e nwetara na-egosi na ọtutu ndi odee ndi a nyere agwa ha aha Igbo. Aha ndi ahụ nwegara mputara di omimi, ma nyekwa aka n'igosiputa omenala na usoro ebimndundu ndi Igbo. Ntutaaro omenchọcha bụ na ọ di mkpa ikwadosi ndi odee ike ka ha na-enye agwa ha aha Igbo nwere mputara. Ha ga-agbakwa mbọ na-ederukwa aha ndi ahụ n'isi iji mee ka nghota ha wee putazuo ihe.*

**Ọkpurukpu Okwu:** aha, asụsụ, omenala, iduuazi, ejije

**Mkpólite**

Oge ụfọdu e kwue aha, ọ na-adị ka ọ nweghị ihe di oke mkpa n'ime ya nke na a ga-etinye uchu n'omumu ya. Aha, na mba Afrika nwere ọrụ, mputara na onodu di omimi ọ na-egosiputa

ma e wepu iji wee mata mmadu. Doja kowara na ngalaba omumu aha enyela ohere maka mmuta, nlebawanyeanya, ndoko na mmekorita (philological ingenuity) di n'ime otu asusu na n'etiti asusu gasi<sup>1</sup>. O bu asusu ka eji eziputa aha. Asusu bu otu uzọ ndi mmadu n'ibe ha si emekorita. O bu uzọ gbara okpurukpu e nwere ike isi mee ka omenala ndi buru ihe kwugidesiri ike, na-agakwa n'ihu. Asusu na aha so na ngwaru ndi odee agumagu na-eji emeputa edemede ha. Agumagu n'ebe a putara akomako a romaro e deputara ka ndi mmadu guo, nke onye Igbo dere n'agbanyeghi asusu o ji wee dee ya.

Otutu ndi ome nchocha emeela nchocha dika o si metuta aha. Finnegan kowaputara na aha nwere nnukwu mputara; karisja etu ha si ewebata ma na-eweputakwa utọ n'agumagu tinyekwara mmekorita na oganihu ihe ndi okpu nke J. S. Mbiti kwuru na aha na-akwagidesike.<sup>2</sup> Ndi ozọ merela nchocha dika o si metutata aha ndi Igbo gunyere Ubahakwe<sup>3</sup>; Ebeogu<sup>4</sup>; Okafor et al<sup>5</sup>; Onukawa<sup>6</sup> na Ebeogu.<sup>7</sup> Ha niile kwekotara na aha ndi Igbo nwere mputara karija naani iji mara mmadu. Mana n'ime oru nchocha niile ndi a e nyochaghariri n'ebe a; o nweghi nke mere nchocha dika o si metuta aha Igbo ndi di n'agumagu ederede dika uzọ isi akwalite asusu na omenala Igbo. N'ihini nke a ka nchocha a ji di oke mkpa.

### Asusu na Aha n'Agumagu: Ebe Njekorita

Asusu bu otu uzọ ndi mmadu na ibe ha si enwe mmekorita. O bu uzọ gbara okpurukpu agburu si eziputa omenala ha, ma burukwa uzọ enwere ike isi mee ka omenala ndi buru ihe kwugidesiri ike, ma na-agawanyekwa n'ihu. Otu n'ime uzọ nke a si di ire bu site n'aha ndi agburu na-enye umu ha nke ndi odee agumagu na-ewebatakwa n'edemede ha. Asusu na aha na-agakorita onu n'ihini na o bu asusu ka e ji eziputa aha; aha n'akuku nke ya bu otu uzọ e si eziputa asusu. O bukwa udi mmekorita a dikwa n'ebe aha, asusu na agumagu di.

Asụsụ na aha bụ ihe dị oke mkpa n'ebe ndị odee agumagu nọ. Agumagu bụ iji asụsụ n'uzọ nka wee ziputa ebumnobi odee. Ọ bụ asụsụ na-eme ka agumagu nwee ndụ na mputara. Asụsụ bụ uzọ e si eziputa agumagu. Ọ bụkwa otu ahụ ka ọ dị n'ebe aha na agumagu dị. Agatucci, n' intanet, kọwara na mmadụ enweghị ike ịgụ maọbụ nyochaa agumagu ndị mba Afriika ghara ịgụ maọbụ nyochaa ọdinala na omenala ha. Agatucci gara n'ihu ịkọwa na ọ bụ na ha ka ndị odee agumagu mba Afriika si enweta isiokwu, ihe ndị ha hụgara dika usoro ebimndụ kwesiri nnomi, usoro nhazi edemede ha, n'ala emereme edemede ha, ebe ha na-agbado ukwụ na ndanusoro, na nka maka enyokwu na mburu ha ji egosiputa nkamma ha<sup>8</sup>.

### Ntọsasi na Nchikota Ihe Ufodu A Choputara

Akoma webatara naani aha anọ abughi aha ndi Igbo; abuo n'ime ha bu aha sitere n'asusu Kalabari: Gogo na Tanka, ebe abuo sitere n'asusu Bekee-Agnes na James<sup>9</sup>. Aha niile Ofomata webatara n'agumagu ya buhasi aha Igbo; o webataghi aha sitere n'asusu ndi ozo ma ncha, n'agumagu ya<sup>10</sup>. Nke a gosiri n'odee nwere ike isite naani n'asusu Igbo horo aha niile o ga-enye agwa di n'edemede ya. Adichie<sup>11</sup> webatara otutu aha Bekee, tinyekwara ufodu aha ndi ozo sitere n'asusu Yoruba, Awusa, Opobo na Kalaba. Ebe Ike<sup>12</sup>, n'akuku nke ya webatakware otutu aha sitere n'asusu Bekee.

E detughi aha niile ndi odee ndi e ji akwukwo agumagu ha mee nchocha n'ime orunchocha a n'ih na ohere e nyere maka edemede a agaghi ezu inabata ha.

### Aha: Nkwalite Na Nkwudosike N'oganihu Omenala Na Asusu Igbo

Otutu n'ime aha ndi sitere n'akwukwo ogugu ndi e ji wee mee nchocha a na-aru oru dika ugbo na-ebuputa omenala na nkwenye ndi Igbo; n'uzo di otu ahụ ha na-enyekwa aka eme ka omenala na nkwenye ndi Igbo gbaa elu nke ukwu. A ga-elebazi anya n'ufodu aha ndi a.

### Aha Na-Egosiputa Aha Ahia

Ndi Igbo nwere ụzọ ahia anọ ha na-azụ. Ha bụ ndị a: Eke, Ori, Afo, Nkwọ. Ụfọdụ aha ndi Igbo na-egosiputa aha ahia ndi ahụ. N'otu aka ahụkwa, ụfọdụ aha ndi odee e webatara akwụkwọ agụmagu ha na ọrụ nchọcha a webatara aha ahia dika ndi a:

**Nwafọ** - Nwoke a mụrụ n'ụbọchi Afo.

**Mgbafọ** - Nwaanyị a mụrụ n'ụbọchi Afo

**Mgbokwọ** - Nwaanyị a mụrụ n'ụbọchi Nkwọ

N'aka nke ọzọ, aha dika 'Mgbafọ Okoli' na 'Mgbafọ Mgbokwọ!' enweghi agwa nwe ha, kama odee ji ha gosi iti mkpu dika Ike si wee gosiputa ya: "Mama Obu wee tie Mgbafọ Okoli!"<sup>13</sup> Nke a bụ mkpu pụrụ Mama Obu n'ọnụ oge Mazi Laza gwara ya na Obu ga-aga igba odibo na nke Onyenkuzi ụka Zacheus Kanu. Mama Oti tikwara 'Mgbafọ Mgbokwọ'<sup>14</sup>. Nke a putara na ndi Igbo nwekwara ike jiri aha mmadu, aha ihe, aha chi ha maobu aha ahia ha wee gosiputa iti mkpu na ndu ndi Igbo.

### Aha Na-Egosiputa Nkwenye Ndi Igbo N'ebe Onwu Di

Onwu bu ihe gbara mmadu ghari. Ndi Igbo hutara onwu dika ihe na-ebute mmwute, ariri, iru uju, anyammiri dgz. Ndi Igbo na-egosiputa mgbagwojuanya ha na otu ha si wee huta onwu site n'udi aha di iche iche ha na-enye umu ha. Nke a putara ihe n'ufodu aha ndi odee nyere agwa di agumagu ndi e jiri mee nchocha a.

**Onwubuariri** (Ofomata, 1996) - Ndi Igbo kwenyere na onwu na-ebute ariri. O bu Onwubuariri bu nwoke chukwudoro **Onwuha**, ma were mma ya tukwasa ya n'azu. Aha ya putara na onwu na-ebute ariri o bu ya mere o ji wee gbaa mbọ gbue **Onwuha**, onye butere ndi Alaukwu ariri site n'igbu dike ha ji eje mba bu **Qhahuru**. na onwu ... Aha a bu aha ariri o ka onwu haa (hapu) mmadu aka.

**Onwuha** (Ofomata, 1996) - Onwu hapuaba igbu. Ekpere ka onwu kwusi ikpa ike ya maobu gbatee aka. Aha a bu aha aririo ka onwu haa (hapu) mmadu aka. Onwuha bu otu n'ime ndi dimkpa ato kpara nkata wee gbue Ohahuru. N'ihiso tinye aka n'onwu Ohahuru, onwu azaghi ekpere di n'aha ya; e mecha o buru onye e gburu egbu. Aha ndi ozo gbadorokwu n'onwu ha webatara bu **Onwujase** na **Onwuka** (Ofomata, 1996).

#### Aha Na-Egosiputa Etu Ndigbo Si Ahuta Ndu

Ndi Igbo kwenyere na ndu bu isi; n'ihina o bu onye di ndu, ochoba ihe o ga-eme. Ha kwenyewara na ndu ka aku. N'ihina a ghara ndu kpaa aku; onye iro erie ya. Ufodu aha ndi gosiputara otu ndi Igbo si ahuta ndu na aha ndi e ji mee nchocha gunyere:

**Kambili** (Adichie, 2006) - Kwe m ka m biri. Ekpere aririo maka ndu. N'ihina ndi Igbo kwenyere na ndu kachasi ihe niile. **Kambili** bu aha Adichie nyere otu nwa nwaanyi Maazi **Eugene** muru. Ekpere a ereghi n'isi ya maka na o bu onye nwa ya, **Jaja**, mechara were nsi wee nyegbue n'ihina o rughu oru ya nke oma n'ebe ezinaulo ya no.

**Osondu** (Ofomata, 1996) - Osondu anaghi agwu ike, n'ihina ndu bu isi. O bu n'ihina oso maka ndu anaghi agwu ike mere Onwuha jiri gbaa oso niile, o gbara, wuo aja niile o wuru ma mee ihe niile o nwere ike ime iji hu na egbughi ya.

#### Aha Na-Egosiputa Nkwenye Ndi Igbo N'ofu

Ndi Igbo kwenyere na ofu na-anochite anya ikike, eziokwu na ikpe nkwo. Ofu na ogu na-agakota onu. N'ihina nke a, onye ji ofu wee na-eme ihe maobu na-ekwu 'iha' ga-akwu n'ezikwu. Ufodu aha ndi na-egosiputa onodu ofu n'akwukwo ndi e ji mee nchocha agunyere:

**Ejimofonna** (Ofomata, 1996) - Mmadu ikwu n'ezikwu, onye aka ya di ocha. O putakwara na o bu ezi ihe nna onye nwe aha ahụ hanyere ya n'aka ka onye ahụ ji aga. **Ejimofonna** bu aha nna **Onuma** (Akoma, 1977), onye **Oriaku** gobiri ndi gburu ya, n'ihina oke ochicho. Mana n'ihina ndi

Igbo kwenyere na mmadu iji ofo na ogu gosiri na aka onye ahụ dọcha; onye di etu ahụ kwesiri inweta ikpe nkwumoto. N'ihina nke a ka **Oriaku** n'onwe ya ji mecha buri onye egburu egbu n'ihina na o jighi ofo wee gbue **Onuma**; ebe **Onuma** n'onwe ya ji ofo, n'ihina na o dighi ihe o joo obula o mere Oriaku.

**Omeife** (Akoma, 1977) - Nke a bu aha onye nke ato Oriaku gobiri igbu **Onuma Ejimofonna**. O kpara agwa megidere aha ya n'ihina ndi Igbo kwenyere na mmadu kwesiri iji ofo n'ihina obula o na-eme, site n'ihu n'aka ya di ocha n'ihina obula o na-eme. Mkpuru n'isi aha ahụ bu Omeifejide. Mana Omeife ejighi ofo n'ihina o kwetara egoro ya igbu onye na-adighi ihe o mere ya.

**Akajiofo** (Ofomata, 1996) - Onye zuru oke n'ihina niile nke e nwere ike ihafe ochichi nke ezinaulo, ogbe maabu obodo n'aka ya. N'ihina aka ji ofo anaghi asi asi; o naghiri eri ngo; o naghiri ezu ohi; o naghiri ekpuchi ajo ihe. Nke a bu aha otutu e nwere ike inye onye ndi mmadu nwere ntukwasiobi n'ebe o no na o gaghiri etinye aka n'ihina o joo. Ndi Igbo kwenyere na o ji ofo ga-ala, o naghiri ato n'uzo. Ofomata gosiputara nkwenye ndi Igbo n'ikike ofo na oru ya na ndu ndi Igbo n'iduuzi ya etu a "Akajiofo nke mbu ndi Dagburu - Ha na-ekwukwa na ofo ahụ o na-eji n'aka mgbe o bu sokwa n'ike o nwere maka o dighi ihe o bu o ji ofo ahụ n'aka kwuo anaghi eme. Kama ihe ahụ agaghiri eme, o mee mmaji. O burugodu onu ka o ji ofo ahụ n'aka were bu mmadu, kama onu ahụ agaghiri ere, o ree mmaji".<sup>15</sup>

### **Aha Na-Egosiputa Onodu Nwa Na Ndu Ndi Igbo**

Ndi Igbo hutara omumu dika ihe di oke mkpa; karisia mmasi n'ebe omumu nwoke di. Ha hutakwara nwa dika otu n'ime akunauba ha nwere. Ha e jighi omumu egwu egwu. Ha na-egosiputa udi nkwenye di etu a site n'aha ha na-enye umu ha. Ufodu aha ndi odee webatara n'agumagu ha gosiputara nke a nke oma, dika:

**Obuechina / Obu** (Ike, 2011) - Aha a bu ekpere ka ezinaulo ghara imechi site na-enweghi omumu nwoke. Nke bu otu n'ime aha Ike nyere agwa di n'agumagu ya n'ihi na o bu naani otu nwa nwoke nne na nna ya muru.

**Nwokenagu** (Ike, 2011) - Nke a bu nkwaputa ochicho obi onye choro omumu nwoke. Aha na na-egosi na nwa nwoke na-agusi ezinaulo ike. Nke a so n'otu n'ime aha nna Obu nyere ya, n'ihi na a muru ya ka ha mụchara umunwaanyi ise.

**Obuechina, Nwokenagu, Ezenwa, Onyibo na Obiano** (Ike, 2011) buchasi aha nne na nna Obu nyere Obu.

**Nwakaku** (Ike, 2011) - Nwa kariji aku. Ya mere ndi Igbo ji ekwu na a ghara ndu kpaa aku onye iro erie. Nwakaku, bu agwa Ike kowara na o nwere chi ojoo site na imuta naani ogbanje, nke na o nweghi nwa obula.

**Onyibo** (Ike, 2011) - Onye mere mmadu onye abuo, ka onye ahụ ghara ino naani ya. A na-enyekari ya nwata nwoke mbu nwoke na-enweghi nwanne nwoke mutara. Nke a sokwa n'aha Maazi Laz nyere otu nwa nwoke o muru.

**Obiano** (Ike, 2011) - Obi anotula m ala. Ndi Igbo kwenyere n'obi na-ekoro nwaanyi amutabeghi nwa nwoke be di ya n'elu tutu rue oge o mutara nwa nwoke. Nke a sokwa n'aha Maazi Laz nyere otu nwa nwoke o muru.

#### [Aha Na-Egosiputa Agwa Mmadu](#)

Ndi Igbo na-enyekwa aha iji gosiputa agwa a turanya n'aka mmadu maobu agwa onye ahụ. Aha ndi a nwere ike i bja n'udi aha otutu/mkpoli; I ji too maobu gosiputa agwa oma mmadu maobu iji gosiputa maobu kato agwa ojoo.

Aha Na-Akatọ Agwa ọjọọ/ Aha Mkpọlị

**Ọnuekwucha** (Ike, 2011) - Ọnụ anaghị ekwucha ihe niile ọ hụrụ/ ihe ọ na-ahụ. **Deborah**

**Onuekwucha Kanu** bụ aha nwunye onye nkuzi **Zaccheus**, onye Maazi **Laza** kponyere nwa ya, **Obu**, ka ha na ya biri. Ike gosiputara mputara aha a n'uju, site n'ụdị nkowa o nyere agwa nwe ya: "N'ezie dika aha agwa a si di, **Ọnuekwucha**, ndi Odibo a kponyere di ya enweghi nke na-ekwuccha ihe ha huru n'aka ya. N'ih i udi mmegbu na ntaramahuhu ha na-enweta n'aka ya".<sup>16</sup>

Aha Na-Egosiputa Ezi Agwa

**Nwomiko** (Ike, 2011) - Nwa nwere omiko. Aha a bu aha Ike nyere nwaanyi, Awa, onye okaibe n'ihe gbasara ogbanje. O bu n'ih i omiko ya n'ebe ndi o na-abubu ha muta umu, umu ha anwunahu ha n'ih i na ha bu ogbanje nozi mere o ji wee na- etinye aka ihu na e mebiri iyi uwa ndi ogbanje ah u ka he wee nwe ike idiri ndi nwe ha ndu, n'agbanyeghi na ya onwe ya enweghi nwa nke ya

**Ọmelọra** (Adichie, 2006) - Onye na-emepuru ndi mmadu. Nke a bu aha otutu ndi umunna

Eugene na-etu ya n'ih i otu o si emepuru ha ihe, na inye ha ihe oriri n'oge Ekeresimesi;

n'agbanyeghiri na o nweghi ka o si lerue nna ya anya; nke putara na o ziputachaghi aha ya nke oma n'ih i na o sighi n'ulo diri mma putaba ama. Agu nwanyi sokwa n'aha otutu Ike webatara.

Aha Na-Egosiputa Otu Mmadu Di Nileanya

**Nmagwu** (sic) (Ike, 2011) - Mma anaghị agwu agwu. Nke a gosiri ụdị mma puru iche agwa nwe

ya bu aha mara. Ike kowara ya dika nwata nwaanyi di girigiri, maa oke mma. "Ihe o na

enweteghi n'ogugu isi site na-amaghi akwukwo ka o mechitere anya ya site n'ibu okaibe

n'egwuregwu (sports) na mma akpukpo ah u ya".<sup>17</sup>O bukwa nkwenye ndi Igbo na mma kachasi

mma niile bu mma obi.



**Qhahuru/ Qhasoromhuru** (Ofomata, 1996) - Ndi ozo/owa bia soro m huru ihe puru iche, (n'ihina nke a kari m) Ofomata, n'iduuzi nke ya, kowara mputara aha a otu a "Ijukwanu ase ya n'ihe gbasara mma, umu nwanji akowara gi n'ihe kpatara ochicho ahụ a na-achọ ya ji echu ha ura bu maka na mma o mara na-ese okwu. Qhahuru machara mma, mma gwu. O bu udiri mma ahụ o mara kpatara nne ya jiri guo ya '**Qhasoromhuru**'

**Nwa etogha mpio** (Ofomata, 1996) - Nwata di oke mkpumkpu. Aha mkpoli e nyere Samule n'ihietu o ha n'ogologo.

#### Aha Di Na Nwunye Na-Akporita Onwe Ha

N'usoro ebimndu ndi Igbo, di na nwunye nwere aha ha na-akporita onwe ha, iji gosi udi mmekorita di n'etiti ha maobu otu ha di n'ile anya maobu otu ha si wee sie ike.<sup>18</sup>

**Obidiya** (Akoma, 1977) - Nwaanyi maara ma burukwa obi di ya. Aha na-egosi nwaanyi di ya nwere ntukwasị obi n'ebe o no. Nke a bu udi aha di na-enye nwunye mara obi ya (di ya). O bu aha Akoma nyere nwunye **Onuma Ejimofonna**. Dika aha ya si di n'ezie, iji gosiputa udi ihunanya di n'etiti ya na di ya; nke o gosiputara site n'udi mwute ogbugbu e gburu di ya wutere ya. N'ihina nke a, ka o ji gbaa mbu hu na onye gburu di ya gara uzo di ya gara n'atufughi oge obula. Site n'onu Obidiya a ga-ahuta udi ihunanya na ezi mmekorita di n'etiti ha abuo.

Obidiya: "....Agaghim ezu ike rue mgbe ezi na ulo ahụ gburu gijekwara udi ije a ijere"

Obidiya: Onuma dim. Dina-enweghinkewa. Otu mmuo ji anyi. Ubochi ahụ inwuru ka m nwukwara....<sup>19</sup>

**Ugodiya** (Akoma, 1977) - Ugo di ji egoli. Nwaanyi di ya ji anya isi, nke na-erube isi ma burukwa ezi onye enyemaka di ya. Ugodiya bu aha nwunye Qhahuru, onye e gbufuru egbufu, tinyekwa **Ugadiya**.

Aha Ndi Na-Egosiputa Nkwenye Ndigbo Na Aha Onye Na-Edu Ya

**Oriaku** (Akoma, 1977) - Aha ndi Igbo na-akpo nwaanyi a na-alu alu, karisja onye di ya nwere ihe ma gharakwa icho ka o taa ahuhu. 'Oriaku Dike' bu aha agwa gobiri Ogbuu, Omeife na Diogu ka ha gbue **Onuma Ejimofonna. Oriaku Dike** kpara agwa dika aha ya bu 'Oriaku' si di site n'icho irikota aku ma nke ya na nke onye ozo. O bu agwa di etu a kpaliri ya igobi ndi gburu **Onuma Ejimofonna** ka o wee kpakorọ ala ya. O mere nke a iji gosi na ya bu dike dika aha ya bu **Dike** (n'inaghara mmadu ihe n'ike) si di. Kowaa na ka ndi Igbo si ele ndu anya, onye kwesiri iza 'dike' bu onye na-emere obodo ezi ihe; o bughị omekeome dika agwa a.

**Nwokeakaibeya** - Nwoke anaghi akari ibe ya. Ndi Igbo kwenyere na agboghobia tochaa o chere ibe ya. Dika Ofomata si wee kowaa,

Nwokeakaibeya gwara ndi be ha... 'ma o bukwa otu dimkpa ka ha niile na-asọ adanyecha n'okụ, ka o nwere ihe ozo, na o bu ihe ihere na out onye siere ha o kweghi ha nricha.'

Ozigbo Nwokeakaibeya gwachara ndi be ha ihe a, o were iwe gbara osokwobaga n'oba ahụ.

Ka o na-etibata, nwoke a bu Onwuha were obejiri ahụ mewe ya ihe ahụ mma na-eme osisi kwuchiri uzọ. Nwokeakaibeya tachite obi ya maka mma ahụ o na-egbu ya, were ike dimkpa ya tinye isi buru Onwuha tie n'ala..."<sup>20</sup>.

**O-hu-o-kaa/ Ohuokaa** - Onye na-ekwuputa ihe obula anya ya huru. Ohuokaa bu aha otutu Nzeka. Dika aha otutu ya siri di, o bu ya huru ma gbakwaa ama maka ndi gburu Ohahuru. "Ozigbo o bilitere ka o kwuo okwu, ha bido tuwe ya aha a na-etu ya, O-hu-o-kaa! Ohuokaa!! Ohuokaa!!! N'ihia na ha mara ya di ka mmanya, o naghi ezo ahijia. Ihe ojoo o bula o huru ma o bu nu na nti na e mere, o kwuo ya ka ndi mmadu mara maka ya"<sup>21</sup>.

**Ogbuu** (Ofomata, 1996) - Ajo mmadu. Onye na-egbu mmadu maobu anumanu ndi ozo. Aha a bu aha Akoma, n'ejije ya, nyere otu n'ime agwa ndi Oriaku gobiri ha wee gbue **Onuma Ejimofonna**.

O kpara agwa dika aha ya si di site n'isonye na ndi gburu **Onuma Ejimofonna**.

**Onuma** - Onuma putara iwe. Agwa bu Onuma Ejimofonna bu aha onye Oriaku gobiri ndi ogbuu ka ha wee kugbuo ya n'ihia anyaukwu. Akoma ji aha a wee gosiputa udi iwe ogbugbu e gburu Onuma, kpalitere n'ime Obidiya bu nwunye ya. Oge obula a kporo Onuma, o na-echetara ogu udi onwu o nwuru. Obidiya mara osu wee kwue si, "Onuma ekeela m obi".<sup>22</sup>Otu ahụ ka o dikwa n'ebe Akoma webtara ntogochi n'agumagu ahụ, oge Tanka, onyeara, na Obidiya na-akparita uka. O sirị: "Onuma ekeela gi obi"<sup>23</sup>. Okwu a bu 'Onuma' na-akpalite mmuo ogu nye uzọ ihe abuo-Onuma dika onodu ime mmuo na Onuma dika agwa. E nweziri ike si na e wepu Onuma iru oru dika njirihubaama (symbolism), o bu Onuma kpara ihe Obidiya ji wee jee oboo onwu di ya nke butere onwu mmadu ano- Oriaku na umu ya ato. Oriaku chere na o buru na o gbue Onuma n'iwe na onuma ga-ala/ebi. Site n'onu Umụ Nnadi, o gaghị etu ahụ n'ihia na "Ha gburu Onuma, Obidiya erie onuma, gbotozo n'efu".<sup>24</sup>

#### Aha Ndi Na-Egosiputa Onodu A No Wee Muo Nwa

Ufodu aha ndi Igbo bu iji gosiputa onodu a no n'ime ya n'omumu nwa.

**Nwophuruanu** - Nwata huru anu wee puta uwa. Nke bu aha Ike nyere agwa a muru n'ubochi mmemme, Ekeresimesi. Ike (2011) kwuru na "... nna ya (**Nwophuruanu**) bara ya **Nwophuruanuputa**, nwata putara n'ihia na o huru anu".<sup>25</sup> N'ihia n'ubochi mmemme di iche a bu ubochi ihe ntanta na erimeri digasi icheiche ji ejuputa ebe niile.

**Obiageli** - Nwata bjara iri eri. Nwata nwaanyi a munyere n'ezinaulo ebe ihe di; ezinaulo nwere aku. Mkpuru n'isi aha a bu **Obiageliaku**. Aha a bu aha nna Obu chere na o gaara aka mma ibu aha e nyere Obu maoburu na o bu nwaanyi, n'ihia akparamagwa ya dika a ga-asị na o na-egosi na o

bjara uwa naani inwe anuri. Tinyekwara onodu nne ya hutara ya dika ogbanje. N'ihina dika nna Obu siri wee kwue, na ndi ogbanje na-ahoro ka a muo ha n'ezinaulo ga-enye ha ohere ibi ndu anuri.<sup>26</sup>

Ntosasi aha ndi a e ji wee mee nchocha gosiri na ndi odee agumagu ndi e jiri wee kwara ngwaoru na nchocha a webatara aha ga-enye aka nke ukwu ikwalite omenala ndi Igbo, mekwaa ka ha kwugidesie ike ma na-agawanyekwa n'ihu. Ufodu n'ime odee agumagu ndi a gbalisiri ike nye mputara aha ufodu kpomkwem, ebe ufodu odee ndi ozozo sitere n'akparamagwa ha gosi mputara maobu nghota aha ndi ha webatara. O mumaaatu, Ike <sup>27</sup> Ike gbara mbonye nkowaa na mputara aha umu Maazi Laaz niile tinyekwara ufodu aha ndi ozozo, nke na ma onye abughi onye Igbo guru akwukwo ahụ ga-amata mputara ha. Nke a bu ihe di mma, kwesikwa nnomi; n'ihina n'oge ndi mmadu na-agu edemede ndi ahụ, ha ga esite n'ime ha mata mputara aha ufodu, ebe ndi ozozo, o kachasi ndi enweghi nghota maka asusu Igbo nweziri ike iju ajuju maka aha ndi ahụ. Iji wee maa atụ, otu onye oru nchocha kowaputara udi mmasi na onu ndi biara ogbakoe nwere na mba Amerika n'afọ 2018, dika o si metuta ogbugba afọ iri isii akwukwo ogugu Chinua Achebe bu *Things Fall Apart* oge o na-eme mkpopta na nkowa banyere aha ndi di na *Things Fall Apart*. Ha mere ka o mata na o telaa aka ha ji achọ imata ka esi akpopta aha ndi ahụ nke oma. O kowakwara ka ndi ahụ si rio ya ka o gbalisie ike mekwue nchocha banyere mputara aha ndi ahụ di n'ime ya. Uzodi etu a ga-enye aka na mgbasa asusu na omenala ndi Igbo.

Ndi odee ndi a gbalikwara iwebata olundi ha, iji gosi na Igbo nwegasiri olundi di icheiche. Omumaaatu bu Adichie onye, n'iduazi ya, dere **Omeife**<sup>28</sup>, kama **Omeihe**, **Chinyelu**<sup>29</sup>, kama **Chinyere** ndi bu Igbo izugbe n'otu n'otu.

N'aka nke ozozo, ufodu ndi odee nyere aha Bekee maobu aha sitere n'asusu na agburu ndi ozozo. Ufodu ndi gbaliri webata aha Igbo, oge ufodu debiri ha edebiri nke na mputara na nghota di

n'aha ndi ahụ agbaghizi elu. Ike, n'otutu ebe, debiiri 'Obuechina' dika 'Obu'. O buru na a biakwa n' Ofomata, a ga ahukwa udi onodu di etu a n'ebe aha bu Ohasoromhuru di nke Ike debiiri dika 'Ohauru'. Etu ahụ ka o dikwa n'ebe Omeifejideofọ nke o debiiri dika 'Omeife', tinyekwara 'Nwaobiaranamma' na 'Mmagwuagwu' ndi nke o debiiri dika 'Nwaobiara' na 'Nma' n'otu n'otu. Mana ha gbalisirikwara ike inwe ebe ha deruru aha ndi ahụ n'ozuzuoke; nke a nyere aka wee mee ka nghota na mputara ha zue oke.

Iwebata aha Bekee; aha ndi sitere n'agburu ndi ozọ; aha enweghi mputara ebe e nwere aha ndi ga- anochitenwu anya ha n'asusu Igbo, maobukwanu idebiri aha nke na mputara ha agaghi agbazi elu na-ebute nnukwu amamakanihu nye nkw ugidesike, nkwalite, ntolite na mmuba asusu na omenala Igbo.

Adichie gosiputara mgbaruihu ya n'agwa ndi Igbo na-akpaso asusu ha site n'inwe mmasi n'ebe aha agburu ndi ozọ di kari nke ha oge Amaka, otu nwa nwaanyi Ifeoma muru, juru iwere aha Bekee tupu o buru onye e bikwasara aka n'isi n'uloka ha.<sup>30</sup>N'otu aka ahukwa Obiora juru Jaja, ihe aha Jaja o na-aza putara: "Aja putara *sand* maobu *oracle*, mana Jaja? keduzi udi aha o bu? O bughu aha Igbo"<sup>31</sup>. Mana ezigbo aha ya bu Chukwuka. Nke a gosiri na Obiora turu anya na Jaja ga-enwe aha Igbo ebe o bu onye Igbo. Ajuju Obiora juru Jaja bu iji kwadosi ike uru aha bara na nkwalite na nkwudosike asusu ndi Igbo. N'ihu na oge obula mmadu nuru aha dara ya udi di anaa na nti, o na- agbalisi ike icho imata usoro mkpopta ya na mputara ya, dika Obiora mere.

## Nchikota

Na nchikota, mba obula n'uwa nwere ihe ndi e ji amata ha, mere ha ka puo iche na mba maobu agburu ndi ozọ. Ufodu n'ihe ndi ahụ gunyere: asusu, ekike, ekpemekpe, nri, nkwenye na aha ha na-aza. O buru na a choo ihe ndi a ma ahughizi ha i mara na mba di etu ahụ maobu agburu ahụ nozi odi ndu onwu ka mma. O bu nke a kptara o ji di nnukwu mkpa igbalisi ike ihu n'ihe ndi

a e ji mara mba kwudosiri ike. Otu n’ime ụzọ a ga-esi mee nke a n’asụsụ Igbo bụ site n’ikpachapụ anya n’ụdị aha a na-enye ụmụaka, nke na- agbakwa elu n’ụdị aha ndị odee na-enye agwa dị n’akụkọ agumagụ ha. Ndị odee kwesiri ilezi anya ma kpachapụkwa anya oge ha na-emepụta aha ga-adị n’agumagụ ha. N’ime nke a, ha kwesiri igbambo webata aha ndi nwere ezigbo mputara dika o si wee metuta omenala, nkwenye na usoro ebimndu ndi Igbo. Udi akparamagwa di otua ga-enyeaka nke ukwu na nkwalite na nkwudosike asusu na omenala Igbo. Aha na agumagụ so n’uzọ omenala na asụsụ si amuba ma na-akwudosikwa ike. N’ihi na asụsụ laa, omenala alaa; omenala laa asụsụ alaa. Ha abuo na-akwado onwe ha.

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