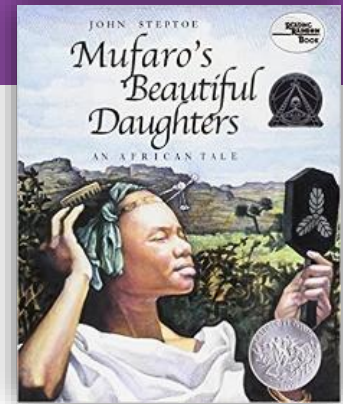


# THIRD GRADE

## UNIT 1

### MUFARO'S BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTERS

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## Characters:



*Mufaro (MOO-FAR-oh) means “happy man” in the Shona language*

*Mufaro lives in a small African village with his two beautiful daughters (Manyara and Nyasha). He sends his daughters out to meet the Great King.*



*Manyara (mahn-YAR-ah) means “ashamed” in the Shona language*

*Manyara lives in a small African village with her father (Mufaro) and sister (Nyasha). She has a bad temper and treats others with disrespect.*



*Nyasha (nee-AH-sha) means “mercy” in the Shona language*

*Nyasha lives in a small African village with her Father (Mufaro) and sister (Manyara). She is always joyful and kind. She treats others with respect.*



*Nyoka (nee-YO-kah) means “snake” in the Shona language*

*Nyoka lives in Nyasha’s garden. He keeps creatures away that might harm the vegetables. Nyoka is The Great King in disguise.*