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Kufanele yini obaba labomama baphathwe ngokulinganayo yisisekelo sombuso? Kufanele yini ukuthi obaba labomama babelamalungelo alinganayo ngekhaya na? Babelamalungelo alinganayo ngokuphatheleni lokuba ngumnikazi womhlaba, kanye losemakhaya na? Kufanele yini ukuthi isisekelo selizwe sitsho ukuthi omama babebangaki ephalamende lakwezinye indawo eziphezulu na?

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