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**BE
SMART!**

**BE
SAFE!**



STOP EBOLA



WhizzKids United (WKU) was founded in 2005 by **Africaid** to help disadvantaged young people in South Africa, Ghana and Uganda to achieve their full potential. WKU runs highly effective and innovative programmes that use football to address social and health issues and provide opportunities for the young people to transform their lives.

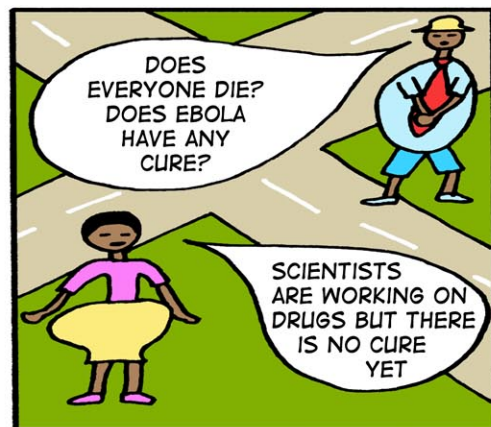
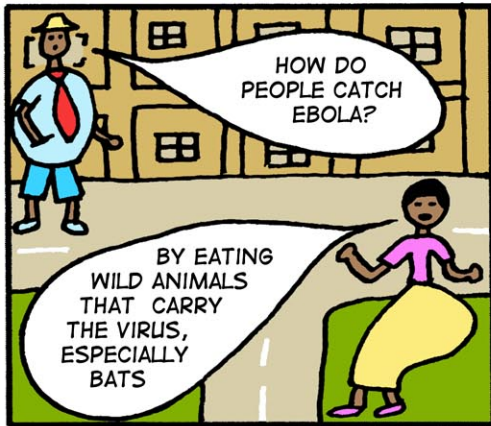
Since 2012, WKU has also been running a series of comics-drawing workshops, developed as part of a research collaboration with Cardiff University (UK). The workshops are a safe environment for the young people to express their feelings, challenges and aspirations, opening the way for more effective support and care.

In August 2014, WKU ran a comics-drawing workshop with thirty 16-21 year-olds in Jisonayilli, Northern Region Ghana, where a new WKU Health Academy is currently being built. Their primary concern was Ebola, and they created the stories in this booklet in order to inform as many people as possible about this deadly virus and how to prevent it spreading any further.



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TALKING ABOUT EBOLA



HANNA IS WORRIED

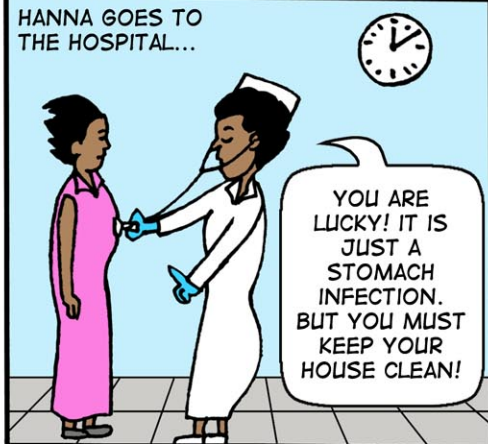
HANNA HAS BEEN SICK FOR MANY DAYS. HER HOUSE AND GARDEN ARE IN A MESS. THERE IS RUBBISH AND WASTE EVERYWHERE...



HANNA IS WORRIED THAT SHE MIGHT HAVE EBOLA...



HANNA GOES TO THE HOSPITAL...



HANNA'S SISTER HELPS HER TO CLEAN THE HOUSE AND THE LAND OUTSIDE...



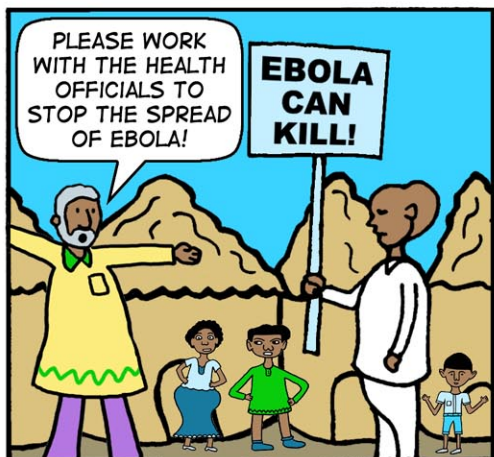
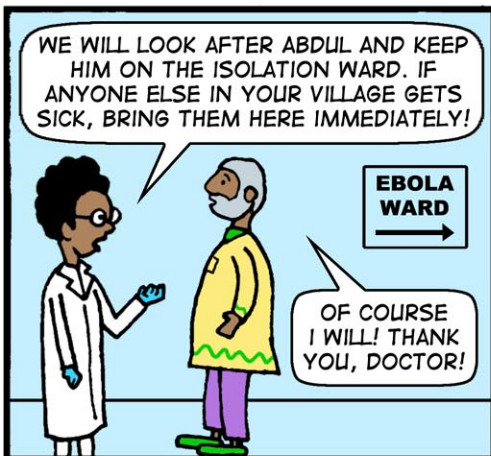
A FEW WEEKS LATER...



I'M SO HAPPY THAT I DIDN'T HAVE EBOLA. FROM NOW ON, I'LL KEEP MY ENVIRONMENT CLEAN, SO I DON'T GET ANOTHER STOMACH INFECTION!



THE HEALTH VISITOR



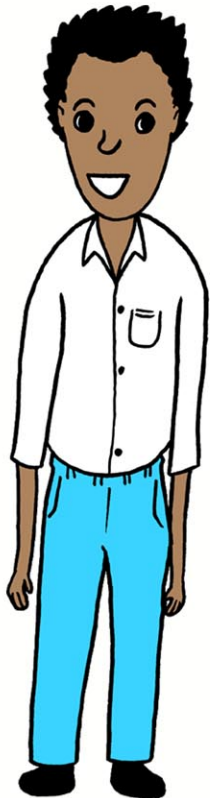
PLEASE LISTEN TO THE FACTS

WHAT IS EBOLA?

EBOLA IS A SERIOUS ILLNESS THAT KILLS MOST OF THE PEOPLE THAT ARE INFECTED.

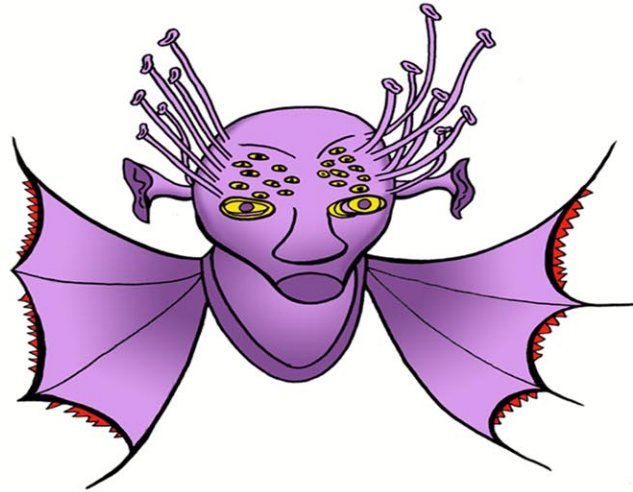
THE SYMPTOMS ARE FEVER, HEADACHE, MUSCLE PAIN, DIARRHOEA, VOMITING, STOMACH PAIN AND UNEXPLAINED BRUISING OR BLEEDING.

THERE IS NO VACCINE OR CURE FOR EBOLA, BUT SCIENTISTS AROUND THE WORLD ARE WORKING HARD TO PRODUCE ONE.



EBOLA IS CARRIED BY BATS AND OTHER WILD ANIMALS, SUCH AS MONKEYS, DUICKERS AND RODENTS. IF PEOPLE EAT THESE ANIMALS THEY CAN ALSO BECOME INFECTED.

WHEN A PERSON IS INFECTED, THE VIRUS IS PRESENT IN THEIR SWEAT, SALIVA, VOMIT, BLOOD, SEMEN, VAGINAL FLUID AND FAECES. TOUCHING SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN HELD OR WORN BY THAT PERSON CAN PASS ON EBOLA TO OTHERS.



HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST EBOLA!

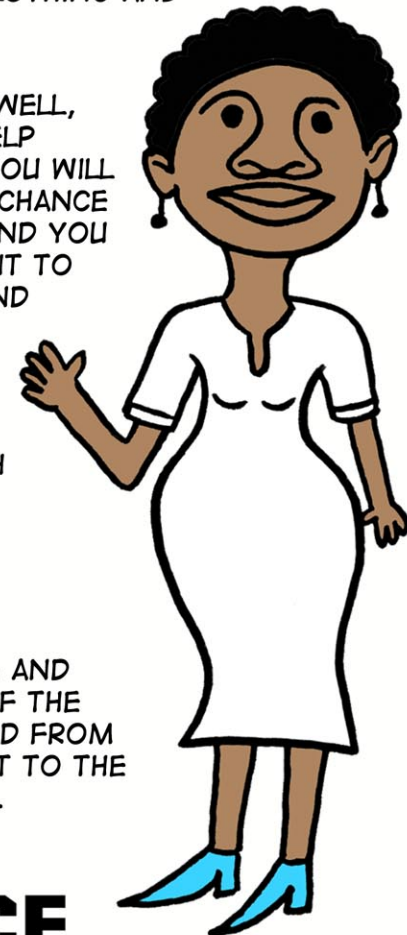
DON'T EAT BUSHMEAT.

DON'T GO NEAR ANYONE THAT SEEMS TO BE UNWELL AND DON'T TOUCH ANY OF THEIR BELONGINGS, INCLUDING CLOTHING AND BEDDING.

IF YOU FEEL UNWELL, GET MEDICAL HELP IMMEDIATELY. YOU WILL HAVE A BETTER CHANCE OF RECOVERY AND YOU WON'T SPREAD IT TO YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

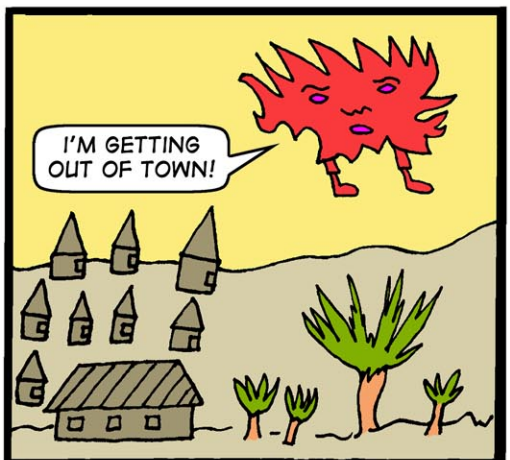
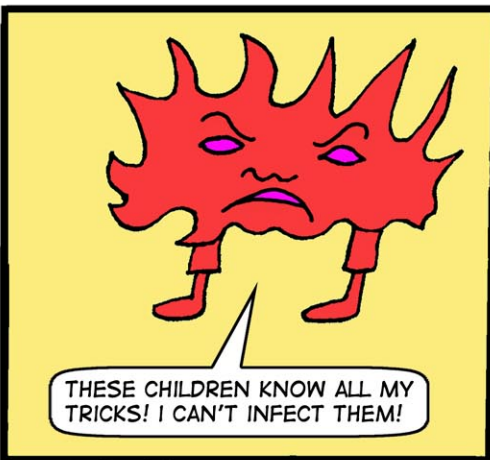
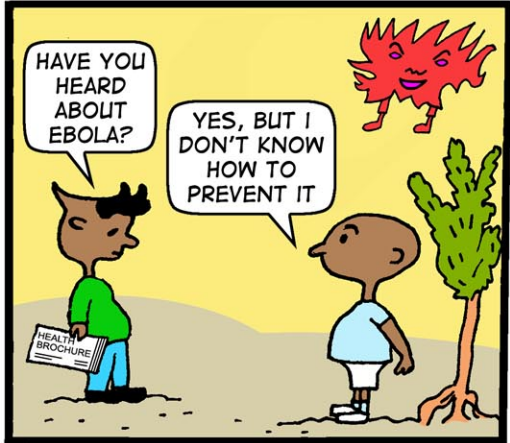
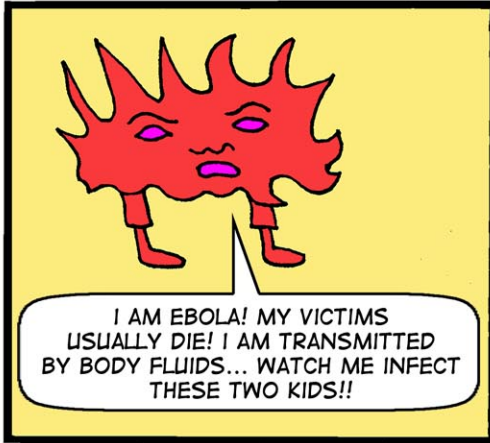
WASH YOUR HANDS AND FACE FREQUENTLY WITH WATER, SOAP, ALCOHOL-BASED HAND-WASH OR CHLORINE.

AVOID FUNERALS AND BURIAL RITUALS IF THE PERSON HAS DIED FROM EBOLA - LEAVE IT TO THE PROFESSIONALS.



EDUCATION IS OUR BEST DEFENCE

PREVENTING EBOLA



WHAT IS...



EBOLA?

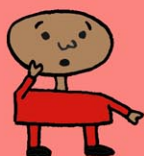
MOTHER,
WHAT IS
EBOLA?



EBOLA IS
ANOTHER NAME FOR
HAEMORRHAGIC FEVER.
IT WAS DISCOVERED IN
1976 NEAR THE EBOLA
RIVER IN CONGO.



WHAT DOES
'HAEMORRHAGIC'
MEAN?



IT MEANS
THAT IF YOU
CATCH IT, YOU
COULD BLEED
TO DEATH!



HOW DO PEOPLE
CATCH EBOLA?



FROM EATING
BUSHMEAT, ESPECIALLY
BATS. THEN IT CAN SPREAD
TO OTHER PEOPLE THROUGH
SALIVA, SWEAT, SEMEN AND
OTHER BODY FLUIDS.



IS THERE
A CURE
FOR
EBOLA?



NOT YET.
MORE THAN
HALF OF THE PEOPLE
WITH EBOLA DIE
FROM THE DISEASE.



HOW CAN WE
PROTECT
OURSELVES?



DON'T GO NEAR
SICK PEOPLE,
SEND THEM TO
HOSPITAL.

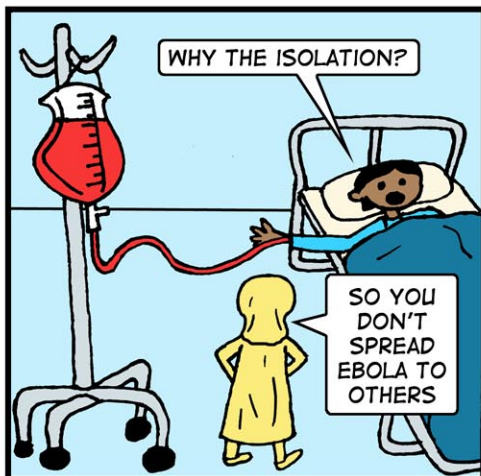
NEVER EAT
BUSHMEAT.

DON'T KISS OR
SHAKE HANDS
WITH STRANGERS.

ALWAYS WASH YOUR
HANDS AFTER YOU'VE
BEEN OUTSIDE.

EXPERTS THINK IT COULD TAKE
ANOTHER 2-3 YEARS TO CREATE A CURE
FOR EBOLA. BUT WE MUST HAVE...

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE



WhizzKids United is keen to extend its work with young Africans, but needs funding to do so. To find out more or to make a donation, please visit our website: www.whizzkidsunited.org or find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/WhizzKidsUnited

This booklet (also available in French) can be downloaded at www.cf.ac.uk/encap/whizzkidsunited/



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