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I am a parent of 6 year old boy, also currently working in an early literacy project. I always look for new ideas that will develop our learning and teaching. I am also inspired by material from the Every Word Counts programme that is so relevant to use in our Khulisa Abantwana Programme. The material encourages our participants to easily use it in their home visits. I work in a deep rural area where not everyone agrees with all this attention and conversation with babies and toddlers, but I am not discouraged. The EWC material leads to conversation between our facilitators, home visitors and caregivers. The method used in Wordworks makes it easy plan the message that the home visitor delivers to caregiver, around each activity done with children.

I am motivated to stay in the programme by the continuous sharing, meeting and training that the Every Word Counts Programme has provided since we started. The material used is clear and easy to incorporate into our Khulisa Abantwana programme. The participants that using material are so happy to be involved in the programme as it emphasises what they were already doing with their children, and their neighbour's children.