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NDUBATA

1.0 Ndubanye

E nwere qtxtx ejije qd[nala n'ala Igbo nke gxnyere ejije ofufe, ejije mgba, ejije agha, ejije amara, ejije xmxaka, ejije nd[nta na ejije mmqnwx. Ha niile bx ihe nd[Igbo ji eme ka ndx na-atq xtq. Ejije mmqnwx bx q pxrx iche n'ime ejije qd[nala nd[Igbo n'ihi na o zuruoke n'xzq d[iche iche nd[Igbo s[ezipxta ndx. N'ejije a, a na-esi n'emereeme d[iche iche agwa na-emepxta ejije a na-egosipxta wee na-eme ka ndx na-atq xtq. A b[a n'ejije mmqnwx, e nwere xd[mmqnwx d[iche iche e si na ha ezipxta ejije na-eme ka ndx na-atq xtq site n'usoro ha si ezipxta qtxtx

njirimara ejije d[iche iche. Ejije mmqnwx pxtara ihe n’ala Igbo gxnyere Ijele, Qmaba, Odo, Ekpe, Ajqaf[a, Atxmmqnwx, Mmqnwx Qzqebunu, Eze Igboezuo, Adamma dgz.

N’edemede nchqcha a isiokwu ya bx “Nkamma Ijele: Otu n’Ime Qrxnka Nd[Igbo” a nq na ya ezipxta ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka otu n’ime ejije mmqnwx e nwere n’ala Igbo. N’otu aka ahx a nq na ya mee ka a mata ihe banyere nkamma d[n’awxrx Ijele d[ka qrxnka pxrx iche n’ala Igbo. Q bx site n’ihe a hxrx n’anya, ihe a nxrx na nt[na ihe e kwuru n’qnx n’xd[mkpar[taxka, egwu ma q bx abx nke pxtara ihe n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele, ka e si na ha ezipxta nkamma a n’xzq pxrx iche. E si na etimxmmqnwx Ijele ezipxta ejije qd[nala, nke q bx nkamma ihe e kwuru n’qnx na ihe a nxrx na nt[mejupxtara ya. Nkamma awxrx Ijele bx omenala na onyinye onye qrxnka nwere nkamman, nke q bx qrxnka d[iche iche d[n’xd[akpxrxakpx, atxrxatx, ap[r[ap[, ekereeke, akwxrxakwx a ch[kqbara qnx mejupxtara ya. Q bx ihe nd[a mere na Ijele d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka mara mma nke ukwuu, ma na-arx qrx pxrx iche n’amxma mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya.

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ihe nkiri bx n’Qmabala ka o si wee gbasaa n’ala Igbo. Ijele d[ka qrxnka na mmqnwx mara mma ma bxrx kwa ihe nkiri n’onwe ya, mere na nd[Igbo na-ekwu na ihe mara mma ka mmqnwx. Echiche d[etu a banyere nkamma d[n’qrxnka na mmqnwx a bx Ijele mere na a na-ekwu na “Ijele na mmqnwx qzq anagh[agba n’ama otu oge”. Ihe mere Ijele ihe nkiri d[xzq ihe abxq, nke mbu, bx na q bx mmqnwx, nke abxq bx na q bx qrxnka mara nnukwu mma. Mma awxrx Ijele na ebube ya mere na mmadx na mmqnwx hxrx Ijele na-agba ya nkiri.

Nd[Igbo nwere etimxmmqnwx d[ka emume d[qkpx na ndx ha, nke mmqnwx Ijele bx otu n’ime ya. Ma na etimxmmqnwx Ijele na awxrx ya enwetabeghi ohere edemede nchqcha kwesiri ya, n’agbanyeghi etu nd[Igbo si akwanyere ya ugwu na nsqpxrx na ndx ha, mere na ha na-akpq ya eze mmqnwx niile. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije si na nṅomi ma q bx njije na ntqaja enwetabeghi ohere ma q bx qnqdx tosiri ya n’edemede nchqcha. Edemede a ga-eme ka echiche nd[mmadx q kachas[xmxafq Igbo d[wanye qhxx n’ebe qrxnka na mmqnwx bx Ijele d[, ma mee ka ugwu na nsqpxrx a na-akwanyere Ijele n’oge gboo ghara [la kpam kpam, maka na q bx otu n’ime emume qd[nala e ji mara nd[Igbo. Q bx nke a mere na q d[mkpa na e dere edemede nchqcha a banyere nkamma d[n’Ijele ka qhanaeze wee matakwaa ya, ma si n’xzq d[etu a na-akwalite qnqdx Ijele d[ka qrxnka na mmqnwx ma na-akwalitekwa nkamma d[n’qrxnka nd[qzq n’ala Igbo.

1.1 Mgbakwas[Isiokwu

Ijele bx mmqnwx nd[Igbo na-akwanyere ugwu na nsqpxrx n’xzq pxrx iche. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta ejije qd[nala. Q bx nnukwu ihe nkiri na ndx nd[Igbo, mere na onye qbxla na-achq ka o kirie ya mgbe qbxla q na-agba. Ejije mmqnwx Ijele nwere emume anq gxnyere Emume Odo, Emume Ntqaja Mmqnwx Ijele, Emume Izugbe Mmqnwx Ijele na {jq Mmqnwx Ijele ka e si ha ezipxta nkamma ihe e kwuru n’qnx na ihe a nxrx na nt[. Q bx ugwu na nsqpxrx nd[Igbo na-kwanyere ya mere ha ji ekwu na Ijele na mmqnwx qzq anagh[agba n’ama otu oge. Mmqnwx Ijele nwere nnukwu qkwa n’etiti mmqnwx nd[qzq a na-eti, mere Ijele ji bxrx eze mmqnwx n’ala Igbo. Q bx n’ihi nkwenye na echiche banyere Ijele, mere na a na-eme qtxtx nkwadebe tutu Ijele agbaa n’ama. Ka o siladi, q bx awxrx Ijele mere ya q pxrx

iche n'etiti mmqnwx nd[qzq. Awxrx Ijele bx kwa qrxnka si n'echiche obi onye qrxnka wee pxta ka nkamma ihe a hxrx n'anya n'Ijele zuruoke. Q bx etu o si wee maa mma ka echiche nd[Igbo bx na mmqnwx agagh[aka Ijele aka si pxta.

1.2 Nsogbu Nchqcha

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele enwetabegh[qnqdx ya n'edemede nchqcha, n'agbanyegh[na q bx mmqnwx onye qbxla ji eme qnx n'ala Igbo. Edemede nchqcha a na-eleba anya n'ejije mmqnwx Ijele nke e si na ya ezipxta nkamma ihe e kwuru n'qnx. N'otu aka ahx nkamma ihe a hxrx n'anya nke pxtara ihe n'awxrx Ijele, n'ihi na ha enwetabeghi qnqdx kwesiri ha n'edemede nchqcha. Q bxgh[naan[na edemede a ga-abx xzq e si eme ka nd[mmadx matawanye ihe banyere Ijele, kama q bxkwa xzo a ga-esi mekwaa ka nkamma ya pxta ihe. N'xzq d[etu a ka a ga-esi na-akwanyere Ijele ugwu ya na onye qrxnka rxrx ya d[ka qrxnka pxrx iche n'ala Igbo.

1.3 Ebumnuche Nchqcha

i. Edemede nchqcha a nwere ebumnuche [kpqghachi echiche nd[mmadx q kachas[xmx afq Igbo azx n'ebe onyinye etimxmmqnwx Ijele na nka [rx awxrx ya d[. Maka na a ga-esi na ya wee kpalite mmxq nd[Igbo na nd[qzq n'ebe qrxnka na mmonwx bx Ijele d[. Q bx nke a mere na o kwesiri na e dere n'xzq pxrx iche banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele na nka [rx awxrx ya.

ii. Mmqnwx na etimxmmqnwx nke Ijele bx out n'ime ya, bx ihe nzuzo d[r[xmxnwoke bara na mmqnwx. N'ihi ya, ebumnuche edemede nchqcha a abxgh[ka e sin a ya gbaa ihe nzuzo d[na mmqnwx n'omenala Igbo n'anwx.

iii. Edemede a b[ara ka o mee ka ejije mmqnwx Ijele na nka d[n’[rx awxrx ya weta qnqdx kwesiri ya n’edmede nchqcha. Maka na q bxrx na a hx Ijele d[ka ihe onye qrxnka si n’echiche obi ya chepxta ma rxq, q ga-eme ka ihe banyere nkamma ya bxrx ihe na-enye qṅx n’xzq d[omimi.

iv. Q bx ebumnuche edemede a isi na ya mee ka nd[mmadx mata mkpa q d[ichekwaba qrxnka bx Ijele n’ala Igbo ma mee ka onyinye a ghara [la n’ala Igbo. N’ihi na qrxnka bx Ijele kwesiri ka nd[Igbo were ya na-eme ngala site na inye ya ndqnyeukwu, na [ch[kqba nd[mmadx a ga-akxziri qrxnka bx Ijele.

v. Ebumnuche edemede a bx ka e si na ya mee ka nd[mmadx mata na qrxnka abxgh[qrx onye umengwx, kama na q bx qrx nwere ugwu na nsqpxrx nke onye qrxnka ji akpata ihe qnx ga-eri d[ka qrx aka nd[qzq. Q ga-enye aka n’ibelata qnx qgxgx nd[mmadx enwegh[qrx n’ala Igbo.

vi. Edemede a d[nnukwu mkpa maka na q ga-abawanye mmxta n’ebe etimxmmqnwx bx Ijele na nka [rx awxrx ya d[. Q ga-eme ka amata na q bx nnukwu onyinye si n’echiche obi onye qrxnka pxta nyere nd[Igbo, ma bxrx kwa ihe kwesiri na e chekwabara ma nye kwa nkwado. N’xzq d[etu a q bxrx amxma achxm nta ego nyere onye q bxla bagidere ya.

1.4 Uru Nchqcha

Edemede nchqcha a ga-abara qhanaeze uru. Nd[q ga-abara xrx n’xzq pxrx iche bx xmxakwxkwq, n’ihi na q ga-eme ka xmxakwxkwq nwe ebe nlere anya ga-eme ka ha nwe mbawanye na mmxta. Edemede a ga-abara nd[nkxzi na ngalaba na-amx nkamma d[n’qrxnka qd[nala d[iche iche uru, n’ihi na q ga-eme ka anya ha mepee n’ihe

banyere qrxnka awxrx Ijele. Nke a ga-eme ka ha nwe mmas[na ya ma gaa n'ihu kxziere ya xmxakwxkwq ha. Nd[qzq edemede a ga-abara uru bx nd[na-ede edemede nchqcha n'ejije qd[nala na nkamma d[n'qrxnka, maka na q ga-abxrx ha ebe mgbakwas[xkwx n'edemede nchqcha ha. Edemede nchqcha a ga-emekwa ka onye qbxla nwere mmas[na nkamma d[n'qrxnka gaa n'ihu ma were qrx ya kpqrq ihe. Q bxkwa xzq a ga-esi mee ka qtxtx mmadx na-achq qrx nweta qrx q kachas[nd[nwere mmas[n'qrxnka.

1.5 Okere Nchqcha

Q bx naan[ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije mmqnwx a na-eti n'ala Igbo na awxrx Ijele d[ka qrxnka nwere nkamma pxrx iche, ka edemede a lebara anya. Ihe kachas[pxta ihe n'edemede a bx ejije mmqnwx Ijele na nkamma ahx e zipxtara n'awxrx Ijele. Qrxnka qbxla bx nd[nwe ya na-ezipxta ya site ihe e ji ya eme na etu ha siri were ya n'etiti qrxnka nd[qzq. Q bx nke a mere na e gosipxtara emume d[iche iche nd[Igbo na-eme n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele iji zipxta ya d[ka qrxnka nwere nkamma n'ebe q d[ukwuu.

Edemede nchqcha a agagh[eleba anya n'isiokwu qzq na-abxgh[mmqnwx Ijele onye qrxnka rxrx nwere nkamma site na nzipxta njije ma q bx nṅomi. N'ihi nke a ihe qbxla qzq batara n'edemede a na-abxgh[ihe banyere qrxnka na mmqnwx bx Ijele, aghagh[[bx ihe ntxgara aka, ga-enye aka na nghqta isi okwu edemede a.

1.6 Nsogbu Nwanchqcha

Nwanchqcha gabigara qtxtx nsogbu n'amxma edemede nchqcha a. Nsogbx nd[ahx gxnyere xkq akwxkwq e dere n'asxsx Igbo n'isiokwu edemede a. Q bxkwa ihe siri

ike [hx kwa nd[qrxnka na-arx Ijele n’oge a nwanchqcha bagidere edemede nchqcha a. Qtxtx nd[qrxnka ha na nwanchqcha kpar[r[abxbq banyere awxrx Ijele enweghi ohere, nke mere na nwanchqcha gara na be ha qtxtx oge tutu ha na ya akpaa ihe banyere ihe q chqta ha.

Qtxtx n’ime nd[qrxnka na nd[okenye ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele doro anya na-ele anya ego n’aka nwanchqcha, n’ihi na ha chere na ihe q na-ede bx ihe o ji were achx nta ego. Ha na-ele kwa nwanchqcha anya d[ka nnukwu mmadx ebe q bx na edemede q na-ede bx nke q ga-eji nweta nzere agxmakwxkwq kacha d[elu. N’xzq d[etu a ha na-eche na onye nq n’ogo agxmaakwxkwq ahx enwela ego. Qtxtx n’ime akwxkwq a ch[kqtara na nta nchqcha maka edemede a, bx nd[e degara n’Asxsx Bekee mere na nwanchqcha bagidere n’ime ntxghar[ihe e dere n’Asxsx Bekee n’Asxsx Igbo bx asxsx edemede nchqcha a.

Nsogbu qzq chere nwanchqcha akamgba n’edemede nchqcha a bx xkq ego. Qtxtx ebe nwanchqcha chxgara nta ihe o dere n’edemede a d[cha anya, mere na a ga-eji ego wee gbaa xgbqala ma q bx qgbatumtum ga-ebu ya wee gaa ebe nd[ahx. Qtxtx akwxkwq ka nwanchqcha goro ego, ma nd[e bipxtara n’igwe mbipxta akwxkwq qkachas[nd[e siri n’intaneti wee nweta. Ha niile bxcha ego ka nwanchqcha mefuru iji wee bipxta ha.

Ka o silad[, n’agbanyeghi nsogbu niile nd[a nwanchqcha gabigara n’amxma edemede nchqcha a, q gbara mbq hx na nsogbu nd[a emeghi ka edemede nchqcha a rie mperi. Nwanchqcha mere ka nsogbu nd[a ghara [d[ire n’ihi na q maara na ihe siri ike omume bx mmadx na-eme ya. Nke a mere na o kweghi ka nsogbu nd[ahx metxta edemede nchqcha a, maka na ihe qbxla d[mma omume kwesiri ka e mee ya nke qma.

1.7 Ajxjx Nchqcha

Edemede nchqcha n'ogo d[etu a kwesiri inwe ihe ga-agbazi echiche nwanchqcha n'edemede ya. Ihe ahx ga-agbaziri nwanchqcha n'edemede ya bx ajxjx nchqcha iri na abxq nd[a, q bx ha ga-enyere nwanchqcha aka n'[ch[kqba na [gbazi echiche ya banyere ihe q na-ede n'edemede nchqcha a. Ajxjx nd[ahx bx:

1. G[n[bx mmqnwx Ijele?

2. Kedu mmekqr[ta d[n'etiti mmadx na Ijele?

3. Keduga mmekqrita d[n'etiti nd[ichie, mmxq na Ijele?

4. Keduga nkwado a na-eme n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele?

5. Keduga ndiiche d[n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele n'oge gboo na n'oge ugbu a?

6. Kedu ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele si ezipxta ejije?

7. Keduga njirimara ejije d[n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele?

8. G[n[bx awxrx Ijele?

9. Kedu ka awxrx Ijele si bxrx qrxnka?

10. Keduga nkamma d[n'Ijele?

11. Keduga nd[ichie d[n'Ijele d[ka qrxnka n'oge gboo na n'oge ugbu a?

12. Keduga akamgba chere Ijele d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka?

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2.0 Ndubanye

Nwanchqcha ga-anq n'ebe a wee zipxta atxtx nkqwa e ji txchaa edemede nchqcha a, ntuleghar[atxtx edemede nkqwa, ma nyochaa edemede nchqcha ga n'isiokwu edemede a.

2.1 Atxtx Edemede Nkqwa

E nwere qtxtx atxtx d[iche iche e ji atxcha edemede nchqcha n'oge ugbu a. Atxtx nd[ahx gxnyere atxtx kegburugburu, atxtx nkqmirikq, atxtx keqd[mmaxmxnwany[, MarX, na atxtx qd[d[nke q bx ya ka e ji txchaa edemede nchqpxta a. "Atxtx Qd[d[" bx nke a na-ejikar[atxcha qrxnka. Dobie (2012:33) s[na atxtx a malitere d[ka otu apxtabeghi ihe n'agbata afq otu puku, nar[iteolu na iri abuq na Mahadum d[na *Vanderbilt*, site na mkpar[taxka d[n'etiti mmadx gxnyere John Crowe, Ransom, Robert Penn Warren Allen Tate, Cleanth Brooks na nd[qzq nwere mmas[n'ihe

banyere agxmagx. A malitere iji atxtx wee na-atxcha agxmagx n'Emer[ka na Ingilishi na Rxsh[a n'agbata afq otu puku nar[iteolu na iri atq. Q bx oge a ka nd[mmadx malitere iji ya atxcha agxmagx n'ebe q d[ukwuu. Q bx atxtx kacha pxta ihe site n'qtxtx aha a na-akpq ya na mpaghara na n'obodo d[iche iche. Q bx otu n'ime atxtx pxtara ihe e ji atxcha agxmagx n'agbata afq puku abxq, n'ihi na q na-eme ka nghqta agxmagx d[mfe ma na-enye qṅx. Atxtx a na-ekwu na q d[mkpa na e leruru qrxnka anya nke qma.

Nd[nkwado atxtx a kwekqtara na a ga-agbaso usoro ziri ezi ma doo anya wee na-atxcha qrxnka. Ebumnuche nd[a bx ka e wee nwe ezi nghqta na mpxtara n'amxmx ntule na ntxcha qrxnka. Kennedy na Gioia (2007:1508) zipxtara echiche a mgbe ha s[na mmadx abxq mere ka atxtx qd[d[pxta ihe bx, Rene Wellek na Austin Warren nd[kwuru na qrxnka d[ka ihe na-enye mmadx mmxta n'xzq pxrx iche kwesiri ka a kqwaa ma txchaa n'onwe ya. Ha gara n'ihx kwuo na q bx ihe a hxrx n'qrxnka ka a ga-eji wee txchaa ya na q bxgh[ihe banyere ndx onye qrxnka ma q bx akxkq ihe na-eme oge a rxrx ya. Ha gara n'ihu kwuo na nd[na-akwado atxtx a kwenyere na ihe mere na qrxnka nq n'qkwa d[elu bx na ihe niile e zipxtara n'usoro nka na-eme ka onye hxrx ya na-echeta ya. Dobie (2012:42) zipxtara otu echiche a n'ajxjx nd[a ga-enye aka n'[gbazi echiche nwanchqcha ji atxtx qd[d[wee txcha edemede ya.

. Kedu ka e si ch[kqba qrxnka ka o wee nye nghqta?

. Kedu ka onyinyo si atxga aka n'ihe ga-eme n'qd[nihu?

. Kedu ihe a na-ahx anya pxtara ihe n'qrx nka ahx?

. Kedxga onyinyo na-agawanye n'ihe n'qrxnka ahx?

. O nwere ebe qtxtx onyinyo b[akqtara qnx iji zipxta nghqta na mpxtara ya?

. Olee etu ihe niile d[na ya si eme ka a ghqta ya?

. Kedu xda pxrx iche na mmepxta qrxnka ahx?

Q bx nke a mere na a hqqrq atxtx a iji wee txchaa edemede nchqcha a.

A hqqrq atxtx qd[d[d[ka atxtx nkqwa edemede a, q bxgh[iji mejuo edemede nchqcha a. A hqqrq atxtx a, n'ihi na o zipxtara ebumnuche isiokwu nchqcha a. E lee anya nke qma n'edemede nchqcha a, a ga-ahx na atxtx qd[d[dabara iji wee txchaa edemede a. E were atxtx a wee txchaa ihe a hxrx n'edemede a, banyere n'isiokwu d[ga n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele, emume qd[nala nd[Igbo a na-eme na ya ejije mmqnwx Ijele na kwa nka d[n'[rx awxrx ya a ga-ahx na ha zuru oke n'xd[ha. N'ihi nke a, e nwere ike iji atxtx a wee txchaa nke q bxla n'ime isiokwu ma q bx echiche d[n'edemede a. E nwere ike ileba ha anya d[ka ihe mejupxtara echiche nd[Igbo banyere mmqnwx Ijele. Q bx nkwenye a nd[Igbo nwere n'ebe Ijele d[, mere na a na-emere ya emume qd[nala nd[ahx.

Qrxnka

Aristotle (330 BC) s[na qrxnka bx nṅomi n'xzq d[iche iche. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na egwu sitere na nṅom[nke xda na xtq. Mana egwu na-eṅomi naan[uda, ebe abx na-eṅomi asxsx. Q bx xzq e si eme ma na-egosipxta mmas[n'ihe d[ka q si wee d[, ma q bx ihe q na-anqchite anya ya. Na qrx nka bx amxma ma q bx xgbq e si akqwa ma q bx ekwupxta mmxq na echiche mmadx. An[akq (2002:300) kwuo na qrxnka bx ihe qbxla mmadx rxrx mara mma nke na-akpalite mmxq mmadx, ma mee ka onye ahx nwe echiche ga-anq ogologo oge banyere ihe

ahx q kachas[echiche amamiihe. Qrxnka nwere ike bxrx ihe a txrx atx d[ka isi mmqnwx, onyinyo nd[ichie, ihe e kere eke, ihe a kpxrx akpx ma q bx ihe e sere ese. Q bx ihe nd[a ka nd[Igbo na-akpq ihe nkiri n'ihi na ha na-enye qṅx mgbe a na-ele ha anya.

Ani (2011:26) s[na mma bx okwu na-ezipxta ihe nka. Qrxnka bx nke sitere n'ekereeuche ma bxrx nke mara mma. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na qrx nka bidoro mgbe ndx mmadx bidoro. O kwuru na ihe qrx nka mbx a hxrx n'xwa, bx okpokoro ejule a chqpxtara n'ime qgba na mba *South Africa* n'afq puku iri asaa na ise.

Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na ihe kachas[pxta ihe n'qrxnka d[ka ihe mmadx mepxtara bx na o nwere ikike igosipxta ihe d[n'ekereeke uche onye qrxnka ahx. Ebe q bx na qrxnka sitere n'ekereeuche mmadx pxta ma q bxrx nke nwere ike [kqwa ihe d[n'ime echiche mmadx. Maka na qrxnka na-enyere nd[mmadx aka n'[kqwa qtxtx ihe banyere xwa a n'ozuzu oke ya. Tolstoy (2015) s[na qrxnka bx amxma isi n'xzq d[omimi wee na-agwa otu onye ma q bx nd[mmadx okwu.

Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na qrxnka bx ihe d[iche iche mmadx mepxtara nke gxnyere [rxpxta ma q bx mmepxta qrxnka, nnyocha qrxnka, qmxmx akxkqala banyere qrxnka na mgbasa nkamma d[n'qrx nka. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na qrxnka bx ihe qbxla a rxrx nke qma, nke d[iche n'ihe e mere eme ma q bx nke na-agbaso usoro sayens[. O kwuru na egwu, agxmagx nka na ihe nd[qzq d[ka usoro mkpar[taxka bxga ihe d[n'ime nkqwa qrxnka. N'oge ugbu a q bx nkamma kacha pxta ihe n'qrxnka, mere na e kewapuru ya iche n'qrxnka nd[qzq. Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na qrxnka nwere ike izipxta ihe mere eme, n'xd[okwu qnx, nkwupxta echiche obi, na ihe nd[qzq. Qrxnka bx nke a hxrx n'oge qch[ch[nd[Rome d[ka nnukwu ihe n'usoro nghqta mmxq mmadx, nke a na-

atxnyere ekpemekpe na sayens[. Qrxnka nwere ike [kq akxkq ma qbx zipxta eziokwu ma q bx echiche obi site na nkamma ya. Odee a s[na xd[d[qrxnka bx ka qrxnka ahx siri d[, n'ihi na qtxtx oge ihe e jiri rxq ma q bx mepxta qrxnka na-enye aka n' izipxta xd[d[ya. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na akanka onye qrxnka nwere ike izipxta nghqta nke qd[nala nd[nwe ya.

Qrxnka metxtara mmxta onye qrxnka nwere ma q bx qka n'usoro mmepxta qrxnka ya. Aniakor (1982) s[na nd[Igbo weere qrxnka ka nnukwu ihe site n'etu ha si ahx mma qrxnka mara. Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na nd[qch[ch[na-enwe qṅx n'ebe qrxnka d[nke ukwuu, maka na q na-egosipxta qkwa ha nq na ya nke qrxnka a bx ihe mbx na-agba ama banyere ha, ma mee ka q tqq atq n'echiche nd[mmadx. An[akq (2002:300) kwuo na qrxnka nd[Igbo gbadoro xkwx na nsirihxndx na mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya, nke q bx mmxq bx "Ala" ka o si wee pxta ma bxrx nke a na-ezipxta n'uju mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya na n'usoro agamnihu ha. Qkwa nd[Igbo debere qrxnka, onye qrxnka na ihe banyere qrx nka n'uju ya, mere na qtxtx obodo n'ala Igbo bx nd[e ji qrxnka wee mara. Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na nchqcha banyere qrxnka d[n'iwu xlq d[mkpa, n'ihi na etu e siri wuo xlq na-ekwu ihe banyere nd[nwe xlq ahx kar[a ihe nd[qzq n'usoro obibi ndx ha. O jxpxtara n'ihe [txnanya na egwu, n'ihi na o si na nnukwu ngosipxta ekereuche, ebe nkamma na-egosi ihe [d[omimi.

Qrxnka bx ebe ngosipxta usoro obibi ndx, n'ihi na q na-atxgara usoro obibi ndx nke nd[nwe ya aka. Okodo (2003:51) s[na nd[obodo Na[jir[a nwere qtxtx qrxnka d[iche iche nke sitere n'usoro obibi ndx nd[bi na mpaghara ahx. Danto (2003) kwuo na qnqdx qrxnka d[ka qrx aka sitere n'echiche qd[nala onye qrxnka nwe ya nyere ya, kar[a etu e si ele anya na q d[maka na

qd[nala so n'ihe e ji akqwa qrxnka. Olaniyan na Quayson (2007:593) s[na "qrxnka na-enye nghqta banyere ihe mejxpxtara xwa na amxmamx usoro obibi ndx na mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya."

Nwanchqcha kwenyere n'echiche nd[a banyere qrx nka, n'ihi na q bx ihe mara mma ma na-enye nghqta n'xzq d[iche iche si n'echiche onye qrx nka wee pxta n'xd[iche iche.

Wollheim (2015) zipxtara usoro atq e si achqpxta na qrx nka mara mma site na etu o si ezipxta ndx n'ozuzuoke, a kpqrq *Realist* n'Asxsx Bekee. N'ebe a e zipxtara na [ma mma na xd[d[qrxnka sitere n'ihe a hxrx n'anya. Nke qzq bx ebumnobi qrxnka a kpqrq *Objectivist* n'asxsx Bekee. N'ebe a mma qrx nka mara dabere n'uru ma q bx qrx q na-arx. Echiche a gbadoro xkwx n'ihe q na-abara qhanaeze n'uju, nke sitere n'etu ha siri wee were qrxnka ahx. Nke atq n'usoro e si achqpxta mma qrxnka mara bx site n'ihe nd[kpqrq ihe a kpqrq *Relativist* n'Asxsx Bekee. Echiche nke a sitere n'usoro d[iche iche nd[mmadx si eme ihe n'ihi na e nwere usoro pxrx iche n'etu nd[mmadx si ele qrxnka na qrx q na-arx anya n'ime senchuri iri na iteolu na n'ime ngwxcha senchuri iri abxq.

Risatti(2015)z[pxtara echiche ya banyere uru qrxnka bara n'edemede ya q kpqrq "Atxtx Qrxnka"–*A Theory of Craft*. Q s[n'edemede a ch[kqbara nke qma banyere echiche ya n'amxma ibuli qrxnka elu n'xzq kwesiri ekwesi. Q bx onyinye pxrx iche nyere amxmanx qgbara qhxrx n'usoro qrxnka na ndonye ukwu nyere ya. "Atxtx Qrxnka" a zipxtara echiche banyere akxkqala nd[Bekee na nsirihxndx ha n'etiti nka na qrxnka. Odee a ji edemede kwu ekeresi ma na-agx agxx qgxgx wee lebanye anya n'uru qrxnka bara, nke e ji maka ya mee qgbq ngosipxta ngwa ah[a, ma mapxta amxma mbuli elu nye

qrxnka n'igwe na-ekwu okwu na mpaghara ahx. Na nka na qrxnka bx nke e kwubere ka q bxrx amxmamx nyere xmxakwxkwq n'ogo mmxta d[elu na nd[gxchara n'ogo mmxta d[elu, n'ebe o metxtara akxkqala nka na qrxnka. Q bx nke a mere odee a ji kqq akxkq tqrq xtq n'akwxkwq a kpqrq *A Theory of Craft* n'Asxsx Bekee. Q bagidere nke a n'qrxnka ma hazie amxma ndqnye ukwu o jiri txchaa ya n'ibe n'ibe maka nghqta qtxtx ntqala nkqwa qrxnka na akxkqala qrxnka. N'akwxkwq ahx odee a mara qtxtx echiche banyere qrxnka aka n'ihu n'ebe o metxtara nghqta qrunka. Atxmaatx ya mere ka e lebanye anya qzq n'ihe banyere qrxnka na ihe mejupxtara ya. Odee a gara n'ihu na-ekwu na qrxnka bx nke a ga-akqwa site mmekqrita o nwere n'ahx mmadx, ebumnuche e jiri rxq ya na qrx q na-arx na ndx nd[nwe ya.

N'aka nke qzq, Ruskin (2015) s[n'"Atxtx Eziokwu na Mma" na qrxnka bx ihe mkpar[taxka n'ihi na q bx eziokwu e nwere ike [hx n'okike. Shiner (2015) kwuo na qrxnka bx ihe q bxla onye qrxnka rxrx nke qma. Q gara n'ihu na-ekwu na n'ime Senchuri iri abxq ka "Atxtx Nkamma" na-achq ka q bata n'xd[d[qrxnka d[iche iche nke gxnyere agxmagx nka na ihe nkiri nd[qzq. Q bx n'ihi nke a ka otu mmxta a na-akpq "Ntxcha Qgbara Qhxx" bx New Criticism n'Asxsx Bekee ji ajx ma mma qrxnka q bx nke sitere n'ebumnuche onye qrxnka ahx. Ya bx na qrx nka bx nke a ga-enye qnqdx na nke onwe ya d[ka ihe kwuru onwe ya, kar[a ilewe ya anya n'ebumnuche onye qrxnka rxrx ya. Q bx n'ihi echiche d[etu a ka Einstein (2015) ji kwuo na "ihe kacha mma nke any[na-eme bx ihe omimi, ma bxrx nke sitere n'ihe niile bx ezigbo qrxnka na sayens[".Q bx nke a mere na Greenberg(2015) s[na qrxnka bx ihe e ji usoro a haziri ahazi n'onwe ya wee na-atxcha.

Q bx echiche banyere onye qrxnka ka An[akq (2002:303) ji kwuo na onye qrxnka ji qrx ya kporo ihe na-ewu ewu ma bxrx onye na-eme nke qma n’ihu qrx ya. Q bx nke a mere nd[Igbo ji akpq onye qrxnka “Onyenka” ma q bx “Omenka”, n’ihi na q bx onye qrxnka pxtara ihe n’qrx ya ka a na-akpq, “Dinka”, d[ka a na-akpq onye na-arx qrx ugbo nke qma “Diji”. Odee a gara n’ihu kwuo na onye qrxnka bx onye e si na ya ezipxta qrxnka nd[a nwere qnqdx na nsirihundx nke qrxnka nd[Igbo, maka na qrxnka na-enye aka ka mmadx chee echiche. Odee a s[na onye qrxnka qbxla n’ala Igbo kwenyere na q bx chi ya nyere ya onyinye [rx qrxnka ahx, maka na q bx Chukwu ka o siri n’aka ya wee b[a. Nke a mere na onyinye qrxnka bx nke na-esi n’akara aka mmadx site na mgbe a mxrx ya. Onye qrxnka, bx onye na-emepxta ihe nka. Q bx onye na-arx qrxnka, ma q bx onye na-egosipxta ihe nka. Echiche a pxtara ihe n’amxma [kpa obi xtq, mere a na-ahx nd[na-eti egwu, na nd[na-eme ejije ka nd[qrxnka. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na Dinka, bx onye qrxnka ya mara mma kar[a nke nd[qzq.

Nkqwa onye qrxnka, na qrxnka n’oge ugbu a gbadoro xkwx n’qd[nala, mere na nkamma qrxnka, abxgh[kwa site n’etu o si wee maa mma kama na q bx etu nd[nwe ya si nabata ya. Odee gara n’ihu kwuo na onye qrxnka, bx okwu e ji akqwa onye ji qrxnka mere akaqrx. Na e nwere ike ikwu na onye qrxnka bx mmadx ikqwapxta onwe ya site n’ihe qzq. Q bx onye na-eme ka ihe kawanye mma, site n’xzq nka ma q bx mmenwo ihe e meburu mbx. Qtxtx mgbe okwu a bx onye qrxnka, bx owku e ji akqwa nd[na-ezipxta nka qd[nala site na ise ihe, [tx ihe, [kpx ihe, ejije, [gba egwu na edemede mmepxta ejije dgz, bx mmadx nd[ji ekereuche na qgxgxisi ya emepxta ihe mara mma n’anya, ma baa uru. Onye qrxnka bx onye na-emeputa qrxnka nd[mmadx mara, ma marakwa uru q bara n’etiti ha. Sanchez (1973:114) kwuo na

onye qrxnka bx mmadx biri ndx n’obodo na n’qgbq ya ma si n’otu qd[nala na n’ogo mmekqr[ta mamdx na ibe ya. Onye qrxnka na-arxpxta ihe qhxx nyere qhanaeze site n’echiche nka na anya ime uche ya. Mgbe xfqdx ihe ahx agagh[enwe nghqta qd[nala obodo a rxrx ya ma na mma qrxnka mara na-eme ka nd[mmadx nabata ya.
Q bx n’otu echiche ahx ka Ekwealor (2010:185) jiri kwuo na nd[Igbo bx nd[e ji qrxnka d[iche iche wee mara. O kwuru na ihe qkpx d[iche iche e gwupxtara n’Igboukwu na-egosi na qrxnka abxgh[ihe malitere taa n’ala Igbo. Heidegger (2015) kwuo na qrxnka bx usoro nd[obodo si emepxta ihe n’xdi nke ha maka nkqwa onwe ha. Dickie (2015) s[na qrxnka bx etu onye ma q bx nd[tosiri etosi si eme ihe n’qnqdx ewumewu nke mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya, nke a na-akpq “Xwa Nka”. Einstein (2015) s[na n’qtxtx obodo qrxnka na-ezipxta ntqaja n’emume na [gba egwu d[ka qd[mara ma q bx ihe [chq mma. Nwanchqcha kwenyere n’echiche nd[a banyere D[nka, maka na q bx onye ji ime nka ma q bx qrxnka d[ka usoro obibi ndx ya nakwa amxma achxmnta akxnaxba.

Okunna (2010:83) s[na q bx qrxnka ka e ji ama atx onye qrxnka n’etiti nd[Igbo, n’ihi na qrxnka bx ihe nd[mmadx na-anabata d[ka ihe [txnanya, sitere na mma onye qrxnka rxrx ya chqrq ya. Onye qrxnka na-eji echiche nka ya rxq ihe a magh[ihe q bx d[ka qkpx ite zipxtara na “Chi Qkpa” n’ite Awka Nd[agx. Nwabueze (2005:47) kwuo na onye qrxnka na-arxpxta ihe na-akpalite ezi usoro obibi ndx n’ime mmadx, na-eme ka mmadx na-eme ihe d[mma. Okoh (2008:109) kwuo na a txrx anya na onye qrxnka qd[nala ga-agbaso usoro qd[nala wee na-ezipxta qrxnka ya ma na-egosipxta echiche nka ya site na nwere onwe ya n’usoro nka nke qd[nala ya. N’ihi na q bxgh[naan[onye qrxnka ahx na-egosipxta mpxtara nke qrxnka ya.

Asigbo (2013:11) kwuru na onye qrxnka abxgh[onye abagh[uru ma q bx onye lara n’iyi d[ka qtxtx mmadx s[ahx ha qtxtx mgbe. Nwanchqcha kwenyere n’ihe nd[odee kwurula banyere Dinka, ma na-ekwu kwa na Dinka bx onye qrxnka q bx naan[ime nka ka o ji mere akaqrx ya. N’otu aka ahx ka An[kq (2002:301) kwuo na q bx qrx qrxnka na-arx na ndx nd[nwe ya kachaa d[mkpa n’xwa nd[Igbo. Qrx nka q bxla pxtara ihe sitere n’qrx q na-arx n’ihi na qrxnka bx ihe na-egosipxta omenala nke mebere ya ma na-eme ka omenala ahx pxta ihe. Ani (2011:51) kwuo na qrxnka d[mkpa na mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya, n’ihi na q na-eme ka onye ma q bx nd[na-eme otu xdi omume. Q gara n’ihu na-ekwu na qrxnka nwere ike izipxta qnqdx mmadx nq n’ime ya, maka na qrxnka na-esi n’ihe a na-ahx anya gafee n’ihe anagh[ahx anya. Odee a na-akqwa na q bxrxgodu xlq xka na a na-arx ya iji gosipxta nkamma na-ezipxta qtxtx ihe nyere nd[ma q bx onye hxrx ya. Anyasodo (2011:43) s[na ihe na-eme ka agamnihu na-abata n’usoro achxmnta akxnaxba bx qrxnka nke d[n’xd[di iche iche. Odee a gara n’ihu kwuo na qrxnka bara nnukwu uru n’usoro agxmakwxkwq. Okwesiri ka e nyere nd[qrxnka aka ka ha wee pxta ihe n’xzq d[iche iche qkachas[igosipxta ha n’amxma ngosi ngwaah[a nye qhanaeze. Asigbo (2013:11) kwuo na qrxnka na-akxziri any[ka a ga-esi gbazie nka na xzx n’xzq ka mma kama ime ka any[bxrx ohu nyere ha.

Otu echiche a pxtara ihe mgbeEinstein (2015) s[na qrxnka na-enye aka n’[kqwa ihe n’xzq okwu qnx ma q bx ihe e dere ede enweghi ike [kqwa ya, ma na-egosi onwe ya n’xd[d[ya na qd[mara nke na-eme ka nghqta ya d[mfe. Odee a zipxta kwara na qrxnka na-enye aka na mkpar[taxka n’ihi na q bx nke a rxrx ka o nwee mmetxta nye mmadx, nke a pxtara ihe n’qrxnka e sere

ese nke na-agbazi etu okporo xzq d[na mpaghara si d[. Mkpebi uru qrxnka bara na-esi n'etu qrxnka ahx na onye hxrx ya si nwe mmekqr[ta ihu na ihu nke ga-eme ka qrxnka ahx bawanye qgxgx isi onye ahx. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na ihe mbx qrxnka ga-eme onye ahx bx [kpalite mmxq na echiche ya nke ga-eme ka qrxnka ahx bara ya uru. Qtxtx mgbe qrxnka na-akpalite echiche obi mmadx, na-eme ka mmxq ya, nkwenye ya, ma q bx nsirihxndx ya na-ezipxta qd[nala nd[nwe ya. Na qrxnka nwere ike [kqwa onwe ya site n'ihe e jiri maka ya mepxta ya ma q bx na-akqwa onwe ya site n'onyinyo ma q bx ihe qzq. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na ihe d[iche na nka, na qrxnka bx naan[etu nd[mmadx siri nabata ha na ndx ha. Q bx nke a mere e ji arx qrxnka ka q bxrx ihe e ji eziputa echiche amxma ndqrqndqrq, ihe nke mmxq, ma q bx nsirihxndx, ka e wee si na ya na-ezipxta nkamma.

Qrxnka bx nke a na-egosipxta uru ya n'ihe q bx na kwa onye rxrx ya, n'ihi na etu e si achqpxta ihe bx qrxnka bx na q na-ama mma ile anya. Ka o siladi, ihe qbxla amagh[mma ile anya bx nke onye qbxla matara na q bugh[qrxnka, ma na nke a emeghi ka onye qbxla nwe otu xd[mmetxta ahx na nghqta n'ebe qrxnka d[. Roberts (1974) kwuru na qrxnka na-eme ka mmadx nwe mkpalite nke mmxq n'akparamaagwa ya, maka na qrxnka nwere ike izipxta mma ma q bx ime ezi omume. Qrxnka nwere ike [bx xzq e si ele anya n'qnqdx mmadx. A b[a n'uru qrxnka bara ma q bx qrx qrxnka na-arx odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na qrxnka na-enyere mmadx aka aghqta onwe ya n'xwa. Qrxnka malitere n'oge gboo na-ezipxta xba nke akxnaxba ma o bx ihe a na-eji atxnyere ihe dara oke qnx ah[a. Qtxtx obi nd[eze, xlq nd[a mara aha ha, qtxtx mmadx na-abanya bx nke na-ejupxta n'qrxnka a na-ahx mgbe xfqdx ebe nd[qzq na-akwx

obere ego wee na-ahx ihe qrxnka nd[a. Q gara n’ihu na-ekwu na a na-amapxta amxma pxrx iche maka [hx qrxnka d[n’obi nd[eze na nke nd[mmadx qzq, d[ka q d[n’ebe a na-edebe qrxnka n’obi Palais na Paris nke a na-aga nlele ya n’agbata senchuri iri na asatq. Q bx ndebe na nchekwabe qrxnka maka qhanaeze, mere na e nwere amxma agxmakwxkwq banyere nchekwabe qrxnka a na-akpq *Museum* n’Asxsx Bekee. Odee a gara n’ihu kwuo na qrxnka na-ebute ndqrqndqrq n’ihi na q bxgh[mmadx niile hxrx ya na-anabata ya maka na etu e si rxq ya abxgh[ka onye qbxla siri chqq ya.

Nkamma

Mma bx isi sekpu nt[n’qrxnka qbxla. Q bx nd[nwe qrxnka na-ekwupxta nkamma ma q bx uru q bara. Mmqnwx Ijele nwere xzq atq pxrx iche o si ezipxta nkamma. Xzq atq nd[ahx bx site n’ihe a hxrx n’anya, ihe a nxrx na nt[nakwa nke e kwuru n’qnx. Q bx n’ejije mmqnwx Ijele ka nkamma atq a pxtara ihe nke qma. Awxrx Ijele d[ka ihe na-egosipxta nkamma anya na-ahx nwere akxkx ahx abxq e si na ha ezipxta nkamma ya. Akxkx ahx abxq a gxnyere ododo na agbamibe. Ododo n’aka nke ya nwere qtxtx ihe nd[qzq mejxpxtara ya. Akwa e ji arx awxrx Ijele a na-akpq ododo d[nnukwu oke qnx ah[a. E kewara ododo d[n’awxrx Ijele xzq abxq, gxnyere isii nd[a na-ahx anya d[ka, ele, nkwx, agbxrx, ugegbe, ute, qchqokwu. Ododo nd[a nagh[ahx anya d[atq gxnyere ndq, akpxch[na mkpx, na-arx qrx pxrx iche nwube awxrx Ijele. Aristotle (4th 330 B C) s[na nkamma, bx usoro onye qrxnka si wepxta ma tinye echiche nka ya n’qrxnka ya ka o mee ka nd[mmadx na-agba qrxnka ahx nkiri. N’otu aka ahx e nwere ike itunyere ya elo etu a ga-esi mee ka qrxnka ahx kawanye mma, site n’isikwu ya na qrxnka qzq. Odee a gara n’ihu mee ka o doo anya na nkamma bx n’qrxnka ma

qbx n’okike ka a na-ahx ya ma si n’xzq d[etu a mara uru q bara nd[nwe ya. Qtxtx echiche d[iche iche nd[a a hxrxla banyere qrxnka na nkamma mere na e nwere ike ilegara Ijele anya d[ka qrxaka onye qrxnka rxrx mara mma.

Mma qrxnka qbxla si n’qnxdx nd[nwe ya dewere ya, n’ihi uru qrxnka ahx bara nd[nwe ya. Echiche d[etu a bx nke s[na nkwenye na q bx ihe nd[kpqrq ihe na be ha, ka ihe ahx bxxrx ha. Ani (2011:55) s[na nkamma bx amxmamx banyere etu echiche si ahx ihe, q bx obere nwanne nwaany[nnlq na mma maka na q bx ya kachas[mmxta echiche nwere ike inye mmadx. Schuller (2000) kwuo na nkamma bx xzq kachas[mma n’idozi etu echiche si enwe mmas[n’ebe ihe mara mma, doo anya ma bxrx usoro ndx mmadx d[. An[akor (1982) zipxtara na nd[Igbo na-enwe mmas[pxrx iche n’ebe qrxnka mara mma nke pxtara ihe n’ebe nka [kpx ite d[. E nwere qtxtx okwu na-ezipxta nkamma a ga-eji kqwapxta qnqdx qrxnka. Paul (2009) s[na nkamma bx amxmamx banyere mma a hxrx anya n’qrxnka site n’oge gboo. Nd[filqsqf[d[ka Socrates na Plato zipxtara ihe nd[ahx na-eme ka qrxnka nwe nghqta ma maa mma. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na okwu bx “mma” sitere n’okwu nd[G[r[ki mgbe ochie bx *aisthanoma* nke pxtara ka e siri hxta. Okunna (2010:83) kwuo na mma qrxnka mara sitere n’ihe e ji ya eme. Q s[na mma ite mara d[ka qrxnka kqwapxtara onwe ya n’uju n’ihe e ji ya eme. O kwuru na mkpxrxokwu bx mma ka nd[Igbo ji amaatx ihe niile mara mma, nke a mere na q bx mma bx ihe mbx ga-agbata mmadx n’uche mgbe q bxla nd[Igbo na-ekwu okwu ihe mara mma. O wee gaa n’ihu na-ekwu na mma ite n’obodo Awka-Nd[agu sitere n’ihe qkpuite jiri chqq ya mma n’ahu d[ka anxqh[a na osisi e segara n’ahx ya. Q bx

mpxtara ihe nd[ahx e jiri chqq ite a mma ka e ji see ha n'ahx ite na q bxgh[maka mma nke onwe ha.

Mkpebi banyere mma qrxnka mara sitere na mmetxta na mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya, q kchas[na mmetxta any[na enwe n'ebe nd[qzq nq banyere [y[qy[, ya na agbamume any[na-enwe n'agxx [y[qy[. Q gara n'ihu s[na ka e s[ekpebi mma d[n'ihe okike nd[qzq sitere na mmetxta any[na-enwe n'ebe ihe e kere eke d[, ya na etu any[si eṅomi ihe d[n'xwa n'ad[ghi ike any[. Webster (2015) s[na q bx mmepe nke qrxnka na qd[nala [chq mma mere ka amxma mkpebi nkamma pxta ihe. Q gara n'ihx kwuo na amxma mkpebi nkamma sitere na nkwenye etu nd[mmadx si nabata qrxnka, nke o kwesighi na a ga-eji ihe ntxgara aka qzq onye mkpebi na nd[nkiri amagh[nke qma. Ezi usoro nzipxta ozi na usoro kwesiri ka e si hx qrxnka ahx bx nke ga-esi n'usoro doro anya e si anabata qrxnka n'qd[nala nke otu mpaghar[. Q bx n'otu echiche a ka odee a ji gaa n'ihu kwuo na nkamma abxgh[naan[ihe banyere xd[d[qrx nka na uru qrxnka bara kama na q metxtara etu nd[mmadx si anabata ihe qbxla n'xd[ya ma na-ekwupxta ya n'asxsx mara mma na nke jqrq njq. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na okwu bx mma enweghi echiche aka ya ma e wezuga na e ji ya egosipxta qnqdx ma q bx omume nd[mmadx na-eme qtxtx mgbe n'qnqdx ha nq na ya. Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na xzq abxq a ga-esi kpebie qrxnka na nkamma d[na ya gxnyere nke mbx bx na onye mkpebi qrxnka ga-etinye uchu n'[mx na [kqwa nkamma d[n'qrx nka kar[a onye qrxnka ma q bx onye e nyere ya bx qrxnka, nke abxq bx na onye mkpebi qrxnka ga-etinye uchu n'ihe banyere etu nd[mmadx si emeso qrxnka ahx omume ya na igosipxta etu ha si ahx ya.

Q bx ihe banyere mma na nkamma d[n’okike, na qrxnka ka Kant siri nweta ebe mgbas[xkwx n’okwukwe ya banyere Chi Ukwu nke q bx ya kachas[uru nkamma ga-abara mmadx. Ka o silad[ihe banyere mkpebi nkamma bx nke Kant na Burke kwekqr[tara na o nwere ike [d[n’xd[otito ma q bxkwa nkqtq. Wimsatt na Beardsley (2015) kwuo na ihe a na-akqwa n’qrx nka bx qrxnka n’onwe ya, na q bxgh[ebumnuche onye qrxnka nke any[amagh[na nke agbasagh[any[. Maka na mkpebi ihe mara mma kwesiri ka q bxrx ihe a hxrx n’ihe ahx na nghqta nke any[nyere ya n’agbanyeghi ihe onye qrxnka bu n’uche wee rxq ya. Q bx n’ihi echiche d[etu a ka nd[odee abxq a jiri kwuo na q bx ihe a hxrx n’qrxnka bx isi sekpu nti, maka na iji ihe qzq wee kqwaa ya bx inweta ihe mgbagwojuanya na ya. N’ihi ya na q bx ihe metxtara onye na-ahx qrxnka na mmxq ya bx xzq kwesiri ekwesi na mkpebi qrxnka. Nwanchqcha kwadoro echiche nd[odee zipxtara banyere nkamma, ma na-ekwu na nkamma qrxnka q bxla kwesiri [gbaso usoro qd[nala nd[nwe ya. N’ihi na q bx nd[nwe qrxnka na-egosipxta nkamma ya site ihe q na-arx na ndx ha na kwa ihe e ji mara ya.

Mmqnwx

Qtxtx mmadx ekwuola echiche ha, nd[odee edekwala qtxtx ihe banyere mmqnwx. Otu onye n’ime ha bx Nwadike (1992) si na mmqnwx sitere na mkpxrxokwu abxq a bx “mmxq” na “qnwx” nke pxtara mmxq nd[nwxrx anwx ma q bx mmxq nd[ichie. Ikeokwu na Onyejekwe (2004:31) kwadoro echiche a ma gaa n’ihu kwuo na q bx nkwenye nd[Igbo na mmxq ndiichie na mmxq nd[qzq nwxrx anwx na-apxta na-akpaghar[n’ala nd[d[ndx n’xd[mmqnwx. Ugonna (1981:495) s[na okwu a bx “mmqnwx” pxtara ihe n’xzq echiche abxq site n’etu e s[ezipxta ya n’emume

d[iche iche a na-etiri mmqnwx ma q bx d[ka ejije mmqnwx d[asq ebe mmqnwx na-egosipxta xd[ejije d[iche iche site na mkpar[taxka n’obom. Q bxgh[ihe niile nq n’awxrx bx mmqnwx, na ihe bx mmqnwx bx “Qza Ebule” a na-eti na mpaghara Qzxbxlx, Nnewi, Qk[ja, Mbaitolu, na-ad[gh[ka mmqnwx nd[qzq n’ihi xd[ya nke ad[gh[ka mmadx. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na mmadx malitere izipxta nd[mmxq na ndx ha d[ka ihe na-atu egwu ma na-eme anwans[. A na-arx mmqnwx ka o wee zipxta agwa nd[mmxq.

Onyeneke (1987) n’aka nke ya s[na ihe niile nq n’awxrx bx mmqnwx n’ihi na mmqnwx niile agagh[ad[n’otu xd[ma q bx zaa otu aha maka na na q bx nkx d[na mba na-eghere mba ite-nri. Nwanchqcha kwadoro echiche a n’ihi na mmqnwx niile agagh[ad[n’otu xd[n’aka nke qzq mmqnwx niile anagh[arx otu xd[qrx. Maka na xd[qrx mmqnwx na-arx na-enye aka ezipxta etu q ga-ad[. Nwadike (2003:56) s[na mmqnwx bx qrxnka ma bxrx xzq kachas[mma nd[Igbo na nd[mba Afr[ka nd[qzq si egosipxta mmekqr[ta d[n’etiti nd[d[ndx na nd[nwxrx anwx. Madx (2004:57) kwadoro echiche a mgbe o kwuru na mmqnwx bx qrx aka mmadx nke si n’ihe nk[t[banye n’ihe nke mmxq. Na q bx mmqnwx ka nd[Igbo si egosipxta na nd[[chie nwere ike niile ma mazuo ihe niile mere na mmadx anagh[agbagha iwu ha tiri. Kennedy na Gioia (2007:882) s[n a mmqnwx bx ihe qnx ya buru ibu na-ekwu okwu ma na-egosipxta agwa a mara nke qma. Otu aka ahx Iloegbunam (2015) s[na ihe q bxla mmadx mere n’xzq nzuzo ka mmadx qzq wee ghara [mata ya bx mmqnwx, n’ihi na q bx ihe d[omimi.

Otu echiche a ka Enekwe (1981:153) na Echeruo (1981:137) zipxtara otu echiche ahx mgbe ha s[na mmqnwx abxgh[nke ebumnuche ya bx ka q na-akq akxkq,

kama na qd[mara pxtara ihe e ji mara ya bx mmeghar[ahx, nke q bx [gba na-ezipxta ihe q na-eme. Na ihe q bxla q na-ekwu na-eme ka a ghqta ihe q na-agba n'egwu. Okwu qnx ya enweghi ihe q na-ezipxta maka na q bx egwu q na-agba mere ka mmqnwx nwe ugwu ma na-enye nd[nkiri afq ojuju. Ugonna (1981:497) s[na obom ebe mmqnwx a na-agba nwere qda e ji aja rxq o si na ya na-ebu amxma ma na-ekwu okwu na n'ikike d[egwx mere na ihe q bxla o kwuru na-ab[a na mmezu. Nwanchqcha kwadoro echiche nd[a e zipxtarala banyere mmqnwx, n'ihi na q bx awxrx e si na ya ezipxta agwa na onyinyo d[iche iche n'xwa a na kwa n'xwa nrq. Mmqnwx nwere xd[d[iche iche ma na-arx qrx d[iche iche site n'ebumnuche e ji eti ya.

Mmqnwx Ijele

Iloegbunam (2015) s[na "Ijele bx okwu na-ezipxta inwe ume ma q bx ike nke n'echiche na q na-ad[arq site na akarangwa e ji wee rxq ya n'oge gboo.'' Q pxtara ihe n'okwu bx "jee lelee ma qg[r[ga q waala g[", a na-agwa onye ga-ebu mmqnwx Ijele. Q bx mkpqbiri okwu a bx 'jee lelee ma qg[r[ga q waala g[', ma q bx 'jee lelee ma ike q d[g[ibu ibu' ka a na-akpq "Ijele" n'xzq mkpirisi.' Q gara n'ihu kwuo na mmqnwx Ijele mara mma nke ukwuu n'ihi na o nweghi ihe ad[gh[n'elu ya. Q d[ka akwxkwq e dere usoro obibi ndx nd[Igbo n'ihi na ihe qd[nala nd[Igbo d[cha n'elu ya. Q s[na ugwu na nsqpxrx nd[Igbo na-enye mmqnwx Ijele kar[r[ya. Onye q bxla buru Ijele na-enwe ugwu n'ihi na a rxrx ya ka ihe niile d[n'elu ya. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na q bx nke a mere nd[Igbo na-ekwu n'okwu ma na-agx n'egwu na mmqnwx agagh[aka Ijele aka. Edozie (2015) s['q bx Ijele kacha mmqnwx niile a na-eti n'ala Igbo, n'ihi na a rxrx Enyi Mmqnwx ka o buo ibu iji mara ma q ga-eme ka Ijele laa

ma na o nwere qkpa anq’. Q s[na q bx naan[mmqnwx Ijele ji xkwx abxq wee buru ibu d[arq, maka na mmqnwx niile d[n’ala Igbo nq n’isi Ijele.’

Q bx echiche d[etu a ka An[akq (2002:327) zipxtara mgbe q s[na q bx Ijele kacha mmqnwx nd[Igbo na-eti, ma gaa n’ihu kwuo na q bx ya na-edu mmqnwx nd[qzq ma bxrx kwa eze mmqnwx. Q s[na mmqnwx Ijele na-egosi [d[n’otu ihe e kere eke n’xwa a. Na ogwe ahx ya na-ad[okirikiri sitere na nṅomi usoro nd[Igbo si ewu xlq. Akwa d[oke qnx d[n’akxkx nd[da ya na-ezipxta n’uju esereese na ap[r[ap[a na-ahx n’ahx xlq na n’qnx xzq e ji achq ya mma. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na mmqnwx Ijele bx nnukwu qrx nka na-egosiputa xwa mmadx nq na ihe a na-eme n’obodo, na-egosipxta xwa xmx mmxq site na mmqnwx nd[Igbo d[iche iche na-eme ka ntqaja na ebube mmqnwx Ijele pxta ihe. Q s[na xd[anx qh[a d[iche iche d[n’elu mmqnwx Ijele d[ka eke na agx na-ezipxta kwa xwa anxmanx, mere na a ch[kqbara usoro obibi ndx nd[Igbo n’otu qrx nka a. O wee bxrx ihe na-eweta mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya nakwa udo nke echiche. Amankulo (2002:404) s[na Ijele bx mmqnwx mara nnukwu mma ma nwe ugwu mere na q na-eri obodo nnukwu ego iji rxq ya. Q s[na o buru nnukwu ibu ma na-agba egwu qgxgx, egwu qgbugba na-eme ka nd[nkiri na-eche na q ga-ada ada site nzqxkwx ya, mere na nd[nkiri na-eche ihe banyere ebe o si wee b[a. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na Ijele na mmqnwx na-achq okwu na-eso apxta qtxtx mgbe nke na-eme ka egwu na-atx nd[nkiri.

Nnekwe (2015) zipxtara na Ijele bx mmqnwx buru ibu, maa mma nke ukwuu n’xd[gbara mmadx ghar[[, maka na q bxghi ihe otu onye nkiri hxrx n’elu Ijele ka ibe ya hxrx n’ihi na ihe nq n’elu ya bara xba. Q s[na q bx nke a mere nd[Igbo ji ekwu okwu as[na ‘nkiri mmqnwx

Ijele jiri chi.’ Nke a pxtara na mmqnwx Ijele bx nnkwu ihe nkiri ma nwe qtxtx ihe nkiri n’ahx ya nke na ndi mmadx ga na-ekiri ya malite n’xtxtx ruo n’abal[. Udealq (2015) kqwapxtara na q bx Ijele kacha mmqnwx d[n’ala Afr[ka buo ibu ma bxrx onyinye pxrx iche si n’ala Igbo d[n’obodo Naijir[a. Q gara n’ihu, kwuo na nd[obodo d[iche iche n’Anambra Steeti d[na nd[da-qwxwa anyanwu ala Na[jir[a, na-eti mmqnwx Ijele n’emume xfqdx d[ka akwamozu na emxme e ji akpqku qmxmx, na xba ihe akxkx ubi bx emume pxrx iche n’oge qkqchi. Na Ijele bx mmqnwx pxrx iche n’Anambara Steeti na Naijir[a. Ihe omimi banyere etu Ijele si buo ibu, mere na e nwere qtxtx ihe na-eme na ndx e gosipxtara n’elu Ijele. Q s[na ihe omimi d[n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele mere na e zipxtara usoro obibi ndx niile na ya. Q bx ya kacha mmqnwx niile n’ihi na q bx naan[ya na-agba n’ama otu oge, ma bxrxkwa mmqnwx ga-agba ikpeazu.

N’otu aka ahx ka Nwachukwu (2003:166) n’otu echiche ahx s[na qtxtx mmadx na-ekwu na Ijele kacha mmqnwx a na-eti n’ala Igbo. Q na-ad[ka xlq ma na- anqchite anya ihe niile nd[Igbo mara na ihe ha ga-ama d[ka agbxrx. Obasi (2010:9) s[na mmqnwx Ijele mara mma nke ukwuu ma nwe ugwu maka na q na-apxta n’afq iri abxq na ise ma q bx n’afq iri ise. Nweke (2015) s[na mmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta [d[ukwu, [bx eze nakwa qgaranya. Q s[na obodo niile d[n’Ayamelum na-eti mmqnwx Ijele n’ebe q d[ukwuu, mere na ogbe qbxla nwere nke ha. Ebube mmqnwx Ijele si na nkwenye nd[Igbo na mmqnwx bx nd[nnqchite anya nd[ichie. Mmqnwx niile na-enwe ebube n’ala Igbo, mere e ji ekwu na o nwere ihe mmqnwx na-eme e ji agbara mmqnwx qsq. Ihe ahx e ji agbara mmqnwx qsq bx ebube ma q bx ibobo na-arx qrx pxrx iche na mmqnwx Ijele. Edozie (2015)

n’aka nke ya s[na Ijele bx mmqnwx qhaobodo na-eti, nke mere na otu onye anagh[eti ya maka na o nwere ego. Q bx nd[obodo na-akwado Ijele, mere na ihe niile banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx bx nd[obodo na-eme nkwado ya. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na Ijele na-agba xbqch[abxq, na q gbara nd[obodo n’xbqch[mbx, n’xbqchi nke abxq q gbara xmxada.

Ijele bx mmqnwx nwere nnukwu ibobo ma q bx ebube, mere na ya na mmqnwx qzq anagh[agbakqta n’ama otu oge. Q bx n’ibobo mmqnwx ka ugwu na nsqpxrx a na-enye ya d[. Echiche a pxtara ihe n’Asigbo (2012:7) s[‘q bx ibobo na-eme qrxnka bx awxrx e ji akwa wee kwaa bxrx mmxq. Q bx ibobo a na-eme ka mmqnwx nqzuo ebe niile ma nwe ike nke mmxq.’ Nwakaeze (2015) s[na ‘n’oge gboo mgbe ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere ugwu, q na-agba n’ama ebe niile edere jii akwxkwq osisi niile akwxrx otu ebe.’ Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-abx nnukwu emume nd[mmadx ji enwe obi xtq maka na ihe ngosi d[iche iche a na-eme na ya, d[ka egwu xmxokorob[a na xmxagbqghqb[a. Q bx n’oge qkqch[ka Ijele ji agba iji wee mee emume qmxmx na nke xba ihe akxkx ubi.

Mmqnwx Ijele nwere ike d[nkq ma q bx jxq oyi site n’etu mmxq nq n’awxrx Ijele ahx si d[. Mmxq nq n’awxrx Ijele mara mma d[nkq q bxrx ihe nkiri ma na-ekpo qkx n’onwe ya. Mmxq nq n’awxrx Ijele mara mma jxq oyi q na-esi ike na nchqpxta mana q na-apxta ihe nke ukwu ma q bxrx n’awxrx Ijele d[qcha ma q bx nke ejughi eju ka mmxq nq n’ime ya jxrx oyi. Mmxq nq n’awxrx Ijele na-emetxta nzqxkwx egwu ya, n’ihi na mmxq nwere nke na-agba egwu kar[a ibe ya. O nwere mmxq ga-ad[nkq ma nzqxkwx egwu ya na egwu a na-etiri ya anagh[adakqr[ta. N’aka nke qzq, mmxq nq na mmqnwx

Ijele nwere ike [d[nwayq nke na egwu a na-etiri ya na-ebu nzqxkwx egwu ya xzq. Nwakaeze (2015) s[na mmqnwx Ijele na-agba egwu obere oge na-agagh[eru otu awa n'ihi na q nagh[anq ogologo oge n'qgbq. Edozie (2015) s[na q bx ugboro atq ka mmqnwx Ijele na-agba, na q gbaa nke mbx q baa n'qda, q gbaa nke abxq bakwa n'qda, wee gbaa nke atq. Ka o silad[, q kachas[mma d[na mmqnwx Ijele bx na mmxq nq n'awxrx nq n'etiti [d[nkq na [jx oyi. Q bx n'qnqdx a ka Ijele ji ezipxta na q bx eze mmqnwx niile n'ala Igbo site nzqxkwx egwu ya na-ejupxta na nganga, ugwu na ebube mgbe q na-agba.

E nwere oge na qnqdx mmqnwx Ijele ji agba. Q bx mmqnwx Ijele na-agba naan[ya n'qgbq ma bxrx mmqnwx [kpeazx na-agba n'ama. Q s[na Ijele na-agba n'akwamozu nd[eze ma q bx nwoke na nwaany[a maara aha ha, ya na akwamozu otu n'ime ezinaxlq Ijele n'ala Igbo. Q bx n'oge udummiri ka mmqnwx Ijele ji agba n'oge gboo. Iloegbunam (2015) z[pxtara echiche a mgbe q si na q bx n'udu mmiri ka e ji eti mmqnwx Ijele n'oge gboo, n'ihi na q bx n'udu mmiri ka ego ji ad[nd[Anam n'aka. Q s[na obodo tiri mmqnwx Ijele na-achxaja ma mmqnwx Ijele gbachaa. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na q bx emume qd[nala n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele na a n'ihi na q bx arx ka obodo mere wee rxq ibu arq d[etu a n'xd[mmqnwx. N'aka nke qzq, q bx noge qkqch[ka e ji eti mmqnwx n'oge ugbu a. Nzekwu (1981: 135) s[na q bx n'oge qkqch[ka etimxmmqnwx ji amalite na mpaghara qwxwa anyanwx ala Naijir[a n'oge ha ji ezu ike. Ogu-Raphael (2009:81) s[na 'q bx naan[ntqaja gbadoro xkwx na mmxq ka e ji eme ka e nwe ezi usoro mmekqr[ka n'etiti mmadx na mmxq.' Q bx nke a mere na obodo na-enye onye buru mmqnwx Ijele ewu d[ka xzq ha si akpx arx ahx ha mere.

Site n'ihe a hxrxla nd[mmadx na nd[odee kwurula n'elu ebe a banyere mmqnwx Ijele d[ka isiokwu edemede a siri d[. Ijele bx qrxnka nwere akxkx ahx d[iche iche a ch[kqbara qtxtx qrxnka d[iche iche qnx na ya. Qrxnka nd[a d[n'xd[akpxrxakpx, ap[r[ap[, akwarakwa ,akwxrxakwx na ekereeke na-ezipxta nkamma nke mere na qnqdx Ijele d[elu n'ala Igbo. Q bx site n'qrxnka nd[a ka e si na ha ezipxta na Ijele bx mmqnwx kacha nwe ugwu na nsqpxrx ma na-agba n'oge na n'emume d[iche iche n'ala Igbo.

2.2 Ntuleghar[Atxtx Edemede Nkqwa

E nwere echiche na nkwenye d[iche iche banyere mmqnwx n'ala Igbo. Echiche na nkwenye nd[a pxtara nke qma n'agxmagx qd[nala nd[Igbo nakwa agxmagx edereede nke gxnyere edemede mmxta. Ha niile na-akqwa n'otu xzq ma q bx nke qzq ihe bx mmqnwx, ebe mmqnwx siri malite, nkwenye na mmqnwx, xd[mmqnwx d[iche iche na qrx mmqnwx na-arx n'obodo. N'ihi nke a a ga-etuleghar[echiche nd[odee banyere mmqnwx ka e wee si n'xzq d[etu a nwee nghqta banyere Ijele d[ka otu n'ime mmqnwx nd[Igbo na-eti.

E nwere qtxtx atxtx na-ekwu ihe banyere mmalite mmqnwx n'ala Igbo, otu n'ime ha bx agxmagx qnx nd[Igbo nke na-ekwu na mmqnwx si n'qnx agb[s[apxta. Qtxtx odee zipxtara echiche a. Otu n'ime ha bx Achebe (1958) s[na mmqnwx bx mmxq na-esi n'qnx agb[s[apxta. Emeka (1963) kwuo na mmqnwx bx mmxq na-apxta n'xwa a site n'qnx agb[s[. Nd[Igbo kwenyere n'ala mmxq na ala nd[mmadx na-enwe ezigbo mmekqr[ta nke a mere na oge mmqnwx na-agba egwu ma q bx na-ekwu okwu q bx mmxq na-eme ihe nd[a ga. Okafor (1992) kwuo na mmqnwx bx mmxq na-apxta n'qnx agb[s[site n'ala mmxq mgbe e mechara emume ntqaja banyere ya.

Okodo (2009) zipxtara nke a mgbe q s[na q bx n'qnx agb[s[ka e si akpqpxta mmqnwx site n'[tx mmanya. {tx mmanya a, pxtara [gbanye mmanya nkwx n'qnx agb[s[mgbe a na-asx asxsx ma q bx na-ekwu okwu ntqaja ma na-akx ogene. Q burx na afq jx mmqnwx o si n'qnx agb[s[ahx pxta. Nd[mmadx ach[kqba onwe ha ch[r[xtar[sowe ya ma q bxrx mmqnwx na-ap[a xtar[ma q bxrx xd[na-agx ma q bx na-agba egwu nd[na-eti [gba na nd[na-agba egwu esochie ya azx ka q na-agba.
Nwadike (2003:53) s[na akxkq etu mmqnwx s[malite n'ala Igbo juru eju na nkqk[r[kq na agxgxala. Q s[na mmqnwx abxgh[qb[a n'ala Igbo n'agbanyegh[qtxtx akxkq banyere mmalite ya. Otu n'ime akxkq banyere mmalite mmqnwx bx nke gbadoro xkwx n'ike ekpe ala. Na q bx nd[Igboukwu na-akq akxkq a iji gosi na q bx n'obodo ha ka etim mmqnwx malitere. N'akxkq ahx o zipxtara etu nwata nwoke si were mmqnwx zqta ala xmxnna ya chqrq [nara ya site i were ejiji nna ha nwxrx anwx wee meeghaa xmxnna ya anya n'xd[na q bx nna ha nwxrx anwx pxtara ikpeziri ha oke ala ahx. Q gara n'qh[a ebe ala ahx xmxnna ya chqrq [nara ya ma were olu d[ebube kwuo ebe oke ala ahx d[. Nd[xmxnna ya wee cheea q bx na q bx mmxq ka ha nxrx olu ya. Q bx ya mere na e ji mmqnwx amaatx nd[nwxrx anwx b[aghachiri n'xwa. Akxkq a gara n'ihu na-ekwu na q bx n'ihi na q bx mmxq nd[nwxrx anwx bx mmqnwx mere na a na-akpq ya "nna any["

Echiche banyere ebe mmqnwx si malite ka Okodo (2009:260) kwuo na mmqnwx nd[Igbo ga-enweriri ebe o si wee malite. O nwegh[onye nq ndx ugbu a maara ebe mmqnwx siri malite. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na xfqdx na-ekwu na otu nzuzo mmqnwx si na ya b[a n'ala Igbo abxgh[nke nd[Igbo. Nd[a na-ekwu na mmqnwx nd[mpaghara *Niger Delta* n'asx Igbo na kwa Qn[cha si

Igala wee b[a. Odee a kwuru na otu qzq na-ekwu na mmqnwx malitere n'ala Igbo bx nke q si na Onyeneke (1987) kwadoro ma kwuo n'xzq doro anya na etimxmmqnwx bx omenala Igbo. Q bx oge nd[mba xwa na-achq xzq xmxnwoke ga-esi nqrq isi omenala ha na xmxnwany[so wee nwere ka nd[Igbo zipxtara n'xzq etimxmmqnwx. Ekwealor (2010:168) s[" O teela ezigbo aka ewumewu mmqnwx ji malite na ndx nd[Igbo. A na-akpq ya aha d[iche iche na mpaghara d[iche iche n'ala Igbo nke gunyere mmanwx, mmqnwx, mmxq, mmqq." Nke a na-ezipxta na qtxtx obodo nwere aha d[iche iche ha na-akpq ya.
Ugonna (1981:495) zipxtara na mmqnwx malitere n'Egbema Qzxbxlx n'afq nar[iteolu na iteolu, (909) site n'aka onye Arqchukwu a chqpxtara na nd[ezinaxlq ya ka bi ebe ahx. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na nwoke onye Arqchukwu ahx aha ya bx Okonkwo Ogbuchi bx ya na-eduba nd[Egbema Qzubulu n'ihe nzuzo d[na mmqnwx e gosiri ya n'xzq puru iche na nrq. Q bx ya rxrx ekwuru mmqnwx izizi ebe mmqnwx mbx a na-akpq 'Igbokwe' bx nna mmqnwx niile si wee pxta. Madx (2004:51) s[na ewumewu mmqnwx bx ihe gbara nd[Igbo ghar[[. Q s[na agxgxala qd[nala Igbo hxtara ewumewu ka ihe malitere n'ala Igbo n'ezie. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na atxtx ebe mmqnwx siri malite n'ala Igbo na-ekwu na q bx Nri ka o si n'omenala ha wee puta ma gbasa ebe niile n'ala Igbo. E nwere xzq atxtx abxq na-akqwa ihe banyere ebe mmqnwx s[wee malite. Xzq atxtx abxq a gxnyere; atxtx na-ekwu na mmqnwx b[ara ab[a n'ala Igbo na nke na-ekwu na q bx n'ala Igbo ka mmqnwx siri malite. Nd[kwadoro atxtx na mmqnwx b[ara ab[a n'ala Igbo bx qtxtx nd[odee n'oge qch[ch[nd[qcha. Ha na-ekwu na q bu otu mmqnwx a na-akpq "[ka" n'Qn[cha si n'Igala wee b[a n'ala Igbo. Odee gara n'ihu zipxta n'atxtx na-ekwu na mmqnwx malitere n'ala Igbo gbadoro xkwx n'qtxtx nkqk[r[kq na-ekwu na q bx n'ala Igbo ka

mmqnwx si wee malite si na mmepe nke malitere na Nri a mara na q bx isi qnqdx ntqaja nd[Igbo.

Q bx ihe banyere attxtx malite mmqnwx ka Asigbo (2012:3) kwuru na e nwere qtxtx atxtx na-agba mbq [kqwapxta etu mmqnwx si malite. Atxtx e ji eme ka ihe d[nhatanha a kpqrq *Power Balance Theory* n'Asxsx Bekee bx otu n'ime atxtx obodo d[n'Afr[ka na-eme amosu ji eme ka ike d[n'etiti xmxnwoke na xmxnwany[hara. Nke a sitere nkwenye na q bx xmxnwany[nq n'isi otu amosu ma were ya na-emegide xmxnwoke qkachas[n'abal[. Na q bx ka e wee nwe ike a ga-eji wee na-ejide amosu xmxnwany[a mere xmxnwoke ji gbakqq ma wube otu nzuzo bx mmqnwx, nke q bx naan[ha nwe ya. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na mgbe q bxla amosu kpara ike n'abal[na q bx mmqnwx ka a na-akpq ka o gosi onye mere ya. Q bx nke a mere na amosu belatara n'ihi na ha mara na mmqnwx ga-agba ha n'anwx ma ha ataa amosu. Odee a gara n'ihu zipxta atxtx qzq a kpqrq "Atxtx Nnozuebeniile" a kpqrq *Omnipresence Theory* n'Asxsx Bekee nke s[na mmqnwx bx nd[ichie n'qtxtx qd[nala ebe a na-eti ya. A na-ahx ha ka nd[ich[e b[ara ka ha na nd[nq n'xwa nqq obere oge. Nkwenye a gbadoro xkwx na nsirihxndx nd[Afr[ka n'ihi ha na-ahxta xwa ka ihe d[okirikiri, ma nwe xzq ebe atq na-adabere n'ibe ha maka na nke q bxla ezughi oke ma e wepu ibe ya.

N'aka nke qzq, Nzekwe (1981:134) s[na mmqnwx bx onye qb[a nyere nd[Igbo n'ihi na q bx na {gala ka o si wee bata n'ala Igbo. Enekwe, Udechukwu na Okafq (2002:387) kwuo na xzq e nwere ike isi na mmqnwx si wee malite bx n'agxm egwu n'ihi n'oge gboo q bx mmqnwx ka a na-ekpu na-agx egwu n'ihi na o nwegh[onye nwere ike [gx egwu etu nd[egwu s[agx na-ekpughi mmqnwx. Nwanchqcha kwadoro otu na-ekwu na

mmqnwx nd[Igbo malitere n’ala Igbo. N’ihi na atxtx d[iche iche banyere mmalite mmqnwx bxcha nd[Igbo zipxtara ha n’otu xzq ma q bx nke qzq. Ma atxtx agxmagx qnx na-ekwu na mmqnwx si n’qnx agb[s[apxta, ma atxtx kenhatanhaike n’etiti xmxnwaany[na xmxnwoke bxcha xzq nd[Igbo s[ekpuchi ihe nzuzo d[na mmqnwx.

Qtxtx nd[odee zipxtara echiche ha banyere na mmqnwx bx mmxq nd[iche. Otu onye n’ime ha bx Asanga (1986:53) o zipxtara na n’ala Igbo mmqnwx bx nd[mmxq, n’ihi nke a onye qbxla zuru ya n’xzq n’amagh[ama aghagh[[bagide n’emume nwxcha. N’otu aka ahx Nwadike (1992:27) kwuo na nd[Igbo kwenyere na ndx xwa qzq. Ha kwenyere na nd[d[ndx na nd[nwxrx anwx na-enwe mmekqr[ta. Q bx site na mmqnwx ka ha si egosipxta nkwenye a. Nkwenye a bx na nd[ichie nq n’ala mmxq na-eleru anya n’xwa na ndx ezi na xlq ha, na-enye aka n’igbo mkpa ha d[iche iche. Ekweoba (2007:55) si na mmqnwx bx mmxq nd[[chie nwxrx anwx nke o kwesiri na xmxnwany[na xmxaka ga-ekwenye na ya. Awugosi (2009:11) n’otu aka ahx kwuo na nd[Igbo kwenyere na mmqnwx bx qb[a si n’ala mmxq, maka na mmqnwx bx ihe d[nsq. Ha anagh[ahx ya d[ka ihe na-anqchite anya nd[mmxq kama na ha bx mmxq nd[ichie obodo ha. Q bx mgbe a na-eme emume ka nd[ichie ji apxta n’xd[mmqnwx.

N’otu echiche a ka Ekwealor (2010:126) ji kwuo na a na-ewere mmqnwx ka ihe d[nsq na-enye ya nnukwu ugwu na nsqpxrx, n’ihi na ha d[ka nd[qb[a sitere n’ala mmxq. Na mpaghara ala Igbo ebe a na-eti mmqnwx, a na-ewere ya ka ihe d[nsq. A na-enye mmqnwx nnukwu ugwu na nsqpxrx n’ihi na a na-eme ha d[ka nd[qb[a sitere n’ala mmqq. Xmxnwaany[na xmxnwoke nd[abanyegh[n’otu mmqnwx anagh[eru mmqnwx nso, ha agagh[akq

akxkq gbasara mmqnwx. Mmadx nk[t[agagh[aluso mmqnwx qgx. Onye mere nke a adaala iwu mmqnwx. Na o nweghi onye ga-aba n'ala mmqnwx gechiri qmx n'ihi na ebe ahx aghqqla ala nsq. Otu aka ahx kwa, o nweghi onye ga-aga n'osisi mmqnwx gechiri qmx nkwx n'ihi na osisi ahx aghqqla osisi nsq. Q bx kwa qnqdx a mmqnwx nwere ka odo na qmabe nwere na mpaghara Nsukka, Udi na Abakaliki ebe e nwegara ha. Odee a s[na nd[Igbo kwenyere na mmqnwx bx nd[nwxrx anwx na-apxta ka ha na nd[d[ndx nwee mmekqr[ta. Mmqnwx bx otu nzuzo n'ihi na xmxnwany[, xmxaka na xmxnwoke abanyeghi n'otu mmqnwx amagh[ihe banyere ya. Echiche a pxtara ihe na Nwadike (2003:56) s[na e nwere iwu na ihe nzuzo a ga-edoberiri ma n'oge a na-eti mmqnwx ma n'oge nk[t[. Nwanchqcha kwenyere n'echiche nd[odee zipxtara bnyere nkwenye na mmqnwx bx nd[ichie.

Mmqnwx bx otu n'ime omenala e ji mara nd[Igbo. Nd[odee zipxtara na etimxmmqnwx bx omenala bx Nnachor (2006:98) s[na mmqnwx bx otu n'ime omenala Anam d[ka q d[na'ala Igbo nd[qzq. Q gara n'ihi kwuo na mmqnwx d[nd[Anam mkpa nke ukwuu mere na a na-eti mmqnwx n'emume ga. E nwere mmqnwx e ji echeta ihe mere n'oge gboo d[ka ada na omaba. Odee a s[na [ta mmqnwx ma q bx ibute okwu mmqnwx bx nnukwu ihe. Q bxgh[naan[maka ewu asaa ha ga-egbu kama na q bx maka oku, mmqnwx asaa ga-akpq onye ahx n'obodo niile na-ekwu "onye gbue okolu mmanwx." Na onye d[etu a anagh[ad[ogologo ndx ma mmqnwx kpqchaa ya aha. Nwachukwu (2003:166) kwuo na q bx obodo nyere mmqnwx ike na nchedo mere na onye ukwu na onye nta, nd[bara na mmqnwx ma q bx ogbodu agagh[ama mmqnwx aka n'ihu. Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na ihe omimi banyere mmqnwx ka d[ire ma sie ike n'ala Igbo n'agbanyeghi mmepe nke ekpemekpe xka Kristi na agxmakwxkwq n'ihi na ha chqrq

ka q d[etu a. Asigbo (2012:1) s[na etim mmqnwx na Afr[ka bx nnukwu emume chqrq qgxgx isi, ahx [d[nkq na mmxq siri ike. N'ihi na mmqnwx abxgh[mmadx nk[t[kama na q bx mmxq nd[ichie pxtara ka ha na mmadx nwe mmekqr[ta. Mmqnwx pxrx iche n'emume ntqaja ya, mere na mpaghara Afr[ka d[iche iche na-aga n'ihu n'izipxta ihe omimi d[na mmqnwx. Nke a mere na q na-aga n'ihu na-arx qrx d[iche iche n'qtxtx obodo d[n'Afr[ka. Nwanchqcha kwadoro echiche nd[odee n'etim mmqnwx d[ka omenala nd[Igbo.

Etimxmmqnwx bara uru n'ala Igbo. Nd[odee zipxtara na etimxmmqnwx bara gxnyere Meek (1937) s[na Qmabe bx mmqnwx na-eweta mgbaso n'iwu, na q na-aga ebukoro ngwongwo onye dara iwu ma q bx onye ji obodo xgwq. Orji (1999:156) kwuo na e ji mmqnwx eme ka udo d[n'obodo ma na-eme ka nd[mmadx na-agbaso usoro iwu. Basden (1966:104) zipxtara na etimxmmqnwx na-abxzi ihe e ji egwuri egwu n'oge ugbu a. Nzekwu (1981:133) kwuo na mmqnwx bxkwa ihe e ji akpa nd[mmadx obi xtq. Ugonna (1983:4) s[na qrx pxtara ihe n'ebe mmqnwx nq bx obi xtq na egwu q na-eyi nd[nkiri. Echeruo (1981:137) zipxtara na mmqnwx abxgh[ihe e ji egosipxta akxkq qnx, maka na q pxtara ihe n'[gba egwu na mmeghar[ahx. Q bx [gba na-ekwu ihe q na-agba. Na okwu qnx ya d[mkpa n'ihi na q bx otu ihe na-eme ka a ghqta ihe q na-agba n'egwu, mere ka mmqnwx nwe ugwu ma na-atq nd[nkiri ya xtq.

Nwosu (2002:239) s[na etimxmmqnwx bx usoro e si ejiko oge gboo na oge ugbu a, n'ihi na q bx site na ya ka e ji echeta nd[d[ndx na nd[nwxrx anwx kpara ike d[egwu. Ogonna (2008:460) s[na mmqnwx abal[na-apxta qtxtx izuxka n'abali niile na-ajx ajq mmadx na ihe q joo q na-eme. Ha na-eji egwu ikpe na-agwa ajq

mmadx banyere ajq omume ya ma q bx xzq o si eri mperi ma na-agwa ya ka o cheghar[a. A na-akpq mmqnwx a aha gxnyere "Osulugwogwo" ma q bx "Ayaka" n'Qmabala ebe nd[qzq na-akpq ya "Onyekulum". Q gara n'ihu kwuo na mmqnwx nwere omenala nke gxnyere mkpar[taxka ya na nd[nkiri, qtxtx mgbe a na-egosipxta emume ntqaja n'etim mmqnwx. Q bx nke a mere na nd[nkiri ji enwere qnqdx qṅx na nke xjq ma q bx egwu n'emume d[n'etimxmmqnwx. N'otu aka ahx Okodo (2009:262) zipxtara uru mmqnwx bara nke gxnyere na e ji mmqnwx ejide onye dara iwu ma taa ya ahxhx. Na nd[Igbo ji mmqnwx eme ka nd[na-eti epele n'qrx obodo rxq qrx ha ka qrx wee na-aga n'ihu q kachas[n'ebe a na-arx ah[a, xlqnzukq obodo, xzq na [sx xzq iyi dgz. Na mmqnwx na-eme ka nd[na-aga ije abal[belata q kachas[xmxnwoke nd[a]xrxma na xmxnwany[ji abal[alqta n'xlq wee malite isi nri. Na mmqnwx abal[na-agx nd[d[etu a egwu ikpe ma q bx mabata na ngwuru ahx. Na eji mmqnwx ana xtx mgbe mmadx juru na q gagh[atx xtx qhaobodo kwekqtara ma q bx lxsa nd[na-ana xtx ahx qgx. Na q bx mmqnwx na-ab[a anata ya xtx ma ata ya ahxhx. E ji mmqnwx eme ka xmxaka kwxs[ibe akwa q kachas[nwa na-ebe akwa mgbe niile n'abal[nke na q bx nsogbu nyere nd[mxrx ya. Na a na-eji mmqnwx eyi ya egwu ga-eme ka q kwxs[ibe akwa ahx maka na o nweghi nwata ga-achq ka q hx mmqnwx n'abali. Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na e ji mmqnwx eke ikpe siri ike na mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya, n'ihi na q bxrx na mmadx ekegh[ikpe ahx na mmqnwx ga-eke ya.

N'aka nke ya, Asigbo (2012:1) kwuru na mmxqnwx bx xzq nd[mmadx na nd[mmxq siri enwe mmekqr[ta nke nwere qrx pxrx iche ha na-arx n'etiti mba n'ala Afr[ka. Onwuneme (2013:1) kwuo na a na-ezipxta ejije pxrx iche n'etim mmqnwx. Mmqnwx na-ezipxta agwa n'xd[mmadx agagh[amata onye q bx, n'ihi na q na-egosi

echiche na onyinyo s[n'ala mmxq. Nwanchqcha kwenyere na mmqnwx na-arx qrx nd[a niile nd[odee zipxtarala n'oge gboo, ma na e nweela mgbanwe pxrx iche n'usoro etimxmmqnwx na qrx q na-arx n'oge ugbu a.

Mmqnwx bx ihe a na-atxrx egwu ma na-ezekwa ya eze n'ala Igbo. Otu n'ime nd[odee zipxtara na mmqnwx na-atx egwu bx Achebe (1958:63) s[na xmxnwany[na xmxaka na-agba qsq mgbe q bxla ha hxrx mmqnwx. Nzekwu (1981:132) zipxtara echiche a mgbe o kwuru na q bxrxgodu onye bara na mmqnwx na-apxrx mmqnwx si n'otu nke abxgh[obodo ya n'xzq. Ha na-agbara mmqnwx qsq mgbe q b[ara ha nso. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na mmqnwx na-ebu ibobo na-eme ka a na-ahx iwu o tiri na ihe o kwuru ka ihe d[nsq na ihe a gagh[agbagha agbagha. Nwanchqcha kwadoro echiche a bx na mmqnwx na-atx egwu, n'ihi na q pxtara ihe n'ilx Igbo na-ekwu na o nwere ihe mmqnwx na-eme e ji agbara ya qsq. Ihe mmqnwx na-eme e ji agbara ya qsq bx ibobo na anya mmqnwx na-atx egwu.

E nwere xd[mmqnwx d[iche iche n'ala Igbo. Nwadike (2003:57) zipxtara echiche a, mgbe q s[na e kere mmqnwx xzq abxq pxrx iche n'agbanyegh[qd[d[ha na aha a na-akpq ga ha. E nwere mmqnwx abal[na mmqnwx ehihie. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na a nagh[ahx mmqnwx abal[anya, na qtxtx mgbe a nagh[eti ya eti. Mmqnwx abal[na-agbaghar[n'abal[na-eche nche mgbe mamdx nq n'xra, ebe mmqnwx ehihie bx nd[a na-eti n'ehihie iji kpaa nd[mmadx obi xtq. Nwanchqcha kwenyere na e nwere xd[d[mmqnwx d[iche iche, ma nke na-agba n'ehihie ma nke na-gba n'abal[. Ka o silad[xd[d[mmqnwx qbxla si n'qrx q na-arx na ebumnche e ji wee na-eti ya. (A ga-ahx ihe banyere xd[d[mmqnwx nke qma na mgbakwunye e)

2.3 Nnyocha Edemede Nchqpxta Ga

A ga-anq n'ebe a nyochaa edemede nchqpxta ga e derela banyere mmqnwx, ka e wee si na ya matawanye qnqdx Ijele na ndx nd[Igbo. Otu n'ime nd[odee derela edemede nchqpxta na mmqnwx bx Nzekwu (1981:133) s[na nd[b[na mpaghara akxkx mmiri *Niger Delta* d[ka {jq na kalabar[na mmqnwx na-anqchite anya chi ga, mmxq mmiri ga, odogwu obodo ga na nd[nwxrx anwx. Qtxtx mgbe ha na-abx qd[mara nd[ichie ha. Na qtxtx n'ime mmqnwx ha na-ezipxta mmxq mmiri n'ihi na ha kwenyere na xfqdx etimxmmqnwx ha na mmxq na-abanye n'ime onye ha mara na q bx ya nq n'awxrx mmqnwx ahx q na-egosiputa. Enekwe (1987:56) zipxtara nke a wee kwuo na mmqnwx nd[Igbo na-anqchite anya mmxq, echiche, ihe ma q bx ike. Mana oge ugbu a a na-eme mmqnwx n'onyinyo ma q bx nṅomi mmadx na anx qh[a ga.

Madx (2004:55) kwuo na mmqnwx d[ka nd[nnqchite anya nd[[chie na-agbazi usoro obibi ndx nd[obodo nwe ya, n'ihi na ha kwenyere na mmqnwx d[emeghie emeghie mere na nd[Igbo were ya ka ihe a ga-eji na echekwaba ma na-agbazi amxma mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya. Anakq (2002:20) s[na mmqnwx bx [lo xwa nke mmxq n'xd[d[omimi site n'qrx nka nke mmxq si n'qh[a ma sie ike. Q bx nke a na-eme ka agwa ya na-ezipxtara nd[d[ndx xd[mmekqr[ta ha na-enwe. Eruchalu (2009:220) kwadoro echiche a mgbe o kwuru na mmqnwx bx mmxq nd[iche nwxrx anwx nke b[ara ka ha na nd[d[ndx mekqr[ta obere oge n'ihi na mmqnwx bx mmxq. Ha d[n'xdi anwxgh[anwx ma bxrx nke anya mmadx agagh[ahxkwa, q kachas[n'abal[.

Q bx otu echiche a ka Okodo (2009: 259) kwuo na mpaghara Igbo niile na-ahx mmqnwx d[ka onye nnqchite

anya nd[ichie. Q bx nkwenye nd[Igbo na mmqnwx si n'ala nd[mmxq wee b[a, na ha ga-alqghach[ma q bxrx na q nqyechara ha. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na mmqnwx bx nd[ichie mere na a na-akpq ya "nna any[" nke pxtara na q d[ukwuu. Asigbo(2012:3) s[na q bx nke a mere na nd[ichie na-enwe agxx mmekqr[ta ha na nd[nq n'xwa na-apxta d[ka mmqnwx ka o nwee nqnyere nd[d[ndx. N'xzq d[etu a ka mmqnwx ahx si wee na-ezipxta akparamagwa onye ichie q na-anqchite anya ya ma na-akqwa ihe ga-eme n'qd[niihu oge q na-ezipxta ntqaja. Mmqnwx bx nke agumagx qnx mere ka a mara na o si n'qnx agbas[ma q bx n'oke qh[a ebe anya a gagh[eleru wee na-apxta. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na e kwenyere na mmqnwx bx nd[mmxq ga, na ha bx nd[eluigwe b[ara ka ha mee nd[mmadx obi xtq site n'etim mmqnwx ka e wee mee ka onye ma q bx nd[obodo nqdx n'udo na n'obi iruala. Onwuneme (2013:34) s[na mmqnwx bx ihe d[asq, ebe mmqnwx nk[t[bx eworewo. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na q bx nd[ichie nke pxtara mmxq n'xd[a na-ahx anya.

Umezinwa (2008:481) kwuo na etim mmqnwx bx omenala a na-eme n'xzq d[iche iche d[ka o siri metxta mpaghara d[n'ala Igbo. Etim mmqnwx nwere mmpxtara d[iche iche nke gxnyere, mmekqrita mmadx na ibe ya na qd[nala. Q gbadoro xkwx n'qd[nala nke mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe, usoro qch[ch[, ekpemekpe, agxmakwxkwq, usoro achxmnta akxnaxba, usoro iwu, mmekqr[ta nwoke na nwany[na ndx nke mmxq obodo ahx. Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na etim mmqnwx bx omenala nd[Igbo n'ihi na q bx ihe agbxrx niile na-eme nke metxtara nd[q bxla na mpaghar[nke ha. Etim mmqnwx nwere qrx d[iche iche metxtara mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya, usoro qch[ch[, ekpemekpe, agxmaakwxkwq, usoro nweta akxnaxba, amxma mgbaso iwu na ihe nke mmxq banyere ndx nd[mmadx n'omenala obodo ha.

Q bx echiche banyere ihe nzuzo d[n'etimxmmqnwx ka Eruchalu (2009:219) zipxtara mgbe q s["mmqnwx bx otu n'ime otu nzuzo siri ike a na-anyere ugwu na nsqpxrx n'Afr[ka niile ma bxrx nke pxtara ihe na nd[da qwxwa anyanwx ala Na[jir[a. Na Mpaghara ebe a q bx naan[ihe d[r[xmxnwoke". N' otu aka ahx Asigbo (2012:3) s[na mmqnwx bx ntqaja na nzipxta qd[nala na-ejupxta qrx pxrx iche n'xbqch[nd[mmadx, mere na ha na akwanyere ya ugwu ma nye ya qkwa d[elu d[ka onye nnqchiteanya mmxq sitere n'xwa nd[mmxq. Na q bx ha bx nd[njeozi nd[ichie nyere nd[nq ndx, ma bxrx emeghe emeghie n'ikpenkwxmqtq na-eme kwa ka nd[mmadx na-asq pxrx iwu na ikpe nd[mmxq ga. N'otu echiche ahx, Utoh (n.d) kwuo na "Etimxmmqnwx bx omenala n'ala Igbo nke sitere n'ofufe a na-efe ch[na nd[ichie e ji mara nd[Igbo. Mmqnwx bx qrx nka nwere mmxq kar[a mmadx". Q bx echiche a ka Nwosu (2002:238) s[na mmqnwx na-eme ka nd[mmadx na-agbaso iwu obodo na-eji abal[apxta nke a na-akpq ya aha d[iche iche site n'obodo d[iche iche. Aha nd[ahx gxnyere Qgbagx, Ach[kwx, Ayaka dgz. An[akq (2002:314) zipxtara echiche a mgbe q s[na e ji mmqnwx eme ka nd[mmadx na-agbaso iwu obodo. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na mmqnwx na-eme ka e nwe mmekqr[ta n'etiti nd[gboo na nd[nq n'oge ugbu a maka na q bx na ya ka nd[obodo si echeta nd[odogwu mere ihe siri ike ma nd[d[ndx ma nd[nwxrx anwx. Mmqnwx na-etu nd[a mara aha ha aha n'egwu mgbe niile. N'otu aka ahx, site n'egwu ha na-akqtq nd[mmadx na-emejq obodo n'otu xzq ma q bx nke qzq.

Amakulo (2002:405) s[na e ji mmqnwx eme ka a ghara [mata onye q bx ya na-akpa agwa ma mee ka q ghara inwe ihe ga-eme ya maka na q nq n'awxrx mmqnwx. A na-

enye ya nsqpuru nke ukwuu maka nchedo mmqnwx nyere onye bu ya nke mere na q gbanwere ya n’xd[mmxq. Okodo (2009:262) kwuo na mmqnwx nd[Igbo d[ka ihe na-agbazi akparamagwa mmadx kwesiri inwe ezi akparamagwa. Mmqnwx agagh[eme ihe q bxla mas[r[ya n’ihi na o nwere xd[agwa a na-atx anya n’ebe q nq. Na q bxrx na q nagh[eme etu ahx nd[okenye e ji okwu ha agbaizu ma q bx qhaobodo ga-enye ya ntaramahxhx.

2.4 Nch[kqta

Ka o silad[, echiche nd[odee a zipxtara banyere qrxnka, nkamma, mmqnwx nakwa mmqnwx Ijele d[cha mma n’xd[ha, ma na o nweghi nke qbxla n’ime ha a ga-eji nqchite anya edemede nchqpxta a, n’ihi na q d[gh[nke qbxla n’ime ha zipxtara ihe banyere “Nkamma Ijele: Otu n’Ime Qrxnka Nd[Igbo.” Q bx nke a mere o ji d[mkpa na nwanchqcha bagidere edemede a, wee na-ar[q ka e nye ya ohere n’etiti edemede nchqcha nd[qzq maka na q ga-eme ka mmxta banyere mmqnwx Ijele, ejije ya, na qrxnka awxrx mmqnwx Ijele bawanye.

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3.0 Ndubanye

Edemede nchqcha qbxla ga-enweriri usoro a gbasoro wee dee ya. Q bx nke a ga-enyere onye q bxla chqrq [bagide nchqcha a aka iweta otu mpxtara na ya. N'ihi nke a a nq n'ebe a wee zipxta usoro nwanchqcha gbasoro n'edemede a.

3.1 Xd[d[Nchqcha

Edemede nchchqcha a si n'ihe a hxrx n'anya, a kpqrq *Observational Research* n'Asxsx Bekee. Q bx ihe nwanchqcha hxrx n'anya ihe a gbatara n'ajxjx qnx banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele na qrx nka awxrx ya ka o dere n'edemede a.

3.2 Ebe Nchqcha

Ebe nwanchqcha mere nchqcha a bx obodo na-eti Ijele n'ala Igbo nke nwanchqcha siri na ya sere nd[qrxnka na nd[okenye o jiri mee nchqcha. Obodo nd[ahx gxnyere Aguleri, Umueri, Anam, Ifite Qgwuar[, Nteje na Qn[cha bx nd[e ji nqchite anya obodo nd[qzq na-eti mmqnwx Ijele n'edemede nchqcha a.

3.3 Nd[m Ji Mee Nchqcha

Nd[m ji mee nchqcha bx nd[qrxnka na nd[okenye e si na mpaghara d[iche iche n'ala Igbo mara ihe banyere emume etimxmmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka awxrx ya d[ka ntxziaka e nyere nwanchqcha siri d[. Ha d[mmadx iri

atq na abxq, xmxnwoke iri abxq na isii na xmxnwaany[isii.

3.4 Nsere, na Usoro Nsere

Nwanchqcha hqqrq nd[qrxnka na nd[okenye na obodo o ji mee nchqcha a n’xzq d[mfe. Nwanchqcha gara n’obodo nd[a hqqrq ka ha nqchite anya obodo na-eti mmqnwx Ijele ebe q nq hqrq nd[qrxnka na nd[okenye nyere ya aka na nzipxta ihe bx etimxmmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka awxrx ya. Nd[qrxnka a hqqrq maka edemede a bx nd[a mara atx ha site na ntxziaka nd[obodo ahx. N’otu aka ahx kwa nd[okenye nwanchqcha hqqrq bxkwa nd[a gbara ama ha d[ka nd[nwere ikike n’[kqwa ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Obodo nd[a gxnyere Xmxeri, Aguleri, Anam, Ifite Qgwuar[, Nteje na Qn[cha. A hqqrq nd[okenye nwoke na nwaany[wee mee nchqcha a, n’ihi na q bxgh[etu ihe si emetx nwoke n’ahx ka o si n’emetx nwaany[. Maka na nke a ga-eme ka echiche ihe banyere Ijele d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka d[nhatanha ma zuooke.

Ka o silad[, q bx naan[nd[qrxnka nwoke ka ha na nwanchqcha nwere mmekqr[ta n’amxma edemede nchqcha a, n’ihi na ihe banyere mmqnwx ka bx ihe d[r[xmxnwoke. Q bx ya mere na q d[gh[nwaany[a mara atx na q bx onye qrxnka na-arx awxrx Ijele. Kama na a b[a n’ihe banyere Ijele d[ka mmqnwx, xfqdx xmxnwaany[nwere ihe ha txnyere n’ihi na qtxtx n’ime ha ka e chiri nne mmqnwx.

3.5 Ngwaqrx Nchqcha

Onye qrx qbxla nwere ngwaqrx o ji arx qrx n’ihi ya nwanchqcha ji ngwaqrx d[iche iche wee mee nchqcha a. Ngwaqrx nd[ahx gxnyere foto, akwxkwq agxmagx, akwxkwq mmxta, jqnal, akwxkwq e ji edepxta ihe a chxtara na nta nchqcha na mkpisiodee. Q bx ngwaqrx nd[a mere ka edemede nchqcha a d[mfe, ma weputakwa ebumnuche e ji bagide ya.

3.6 Usoro Nzipxta Edemede Nchqcha

Nwanchqcha zipxtara ihe q ch[kqbara n’edemede a n’usoro d[mfe ileba anya. A haziri edemede a ka o nwe isi nke isii, gxnyere, ndubata, ntuleghar[agxmagx, usoro nchqcha, ntqala emume qd[nala Ijele, Ijele d[ka mmqnwx, Ijele d[ka qrxnka na akamgba chere Ijele d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka.

E mere ntxghar[si n’Asxsx Bekee gaa n’Asxsx Igbo bx asxsx edemede nchqcha a. N’ikpeazx a ch[kqtara ma kqwa ihe e dere n’edemede a n’xzq d[nkenke na n’asxsx d[mfe nghqta ma were atxtx qd[d[nke Wellek na Warren wee txchaa ya. Usoro nzipxta edemede a ga-enye aka n’[hxta qkpxrxkpx ihe a chqpxtara n’isiokwu edemede nchqcha a bx “Nkamma Ijele: Otu n’Ime Qrxnka Nd[Igbo”.

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NKQWAPXTA NA NTXCHA ECHICHE

4.0 Ndubanye

Mmqnwx na etimxmmqnwx bx ihe nzuzo d[[r[xmxnwoke ma bxrx ihe d[qkpx na ndx nd[Igbo. Ka o silad[, a gbara nnukwu mbq [hx na e sighi n’edemede nchqcha a wee gbaa ihe nzuzo d[na mmqnwx na etimxmmqnwx nd[

Igbo n’anwx. N’ihi nke a, Ijele d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka d[ka o si metxta isiokwu edemede a, bx ihe banyere agxmagx qd[nala Igbo nke etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije bx otu n’ime ha na qrxnka awxrx ya bx ebe e si wee na-egosipxta nkamma ya ka e lebanyere anya n’edemede a.

E ji ntqala emume qd[nala a na-eme n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele ya na nkwado d[iche iche a na-eme tutu mmqnwx Ijele agbaa n’ama wee malite edemede nchqcha a, ka e wee si na ya gbaa ihe banyere nkwado a na-eme n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’anwx. N’otu aka ahx a nq n’ebe a leba anya n’Ijele d[ka mmqnwx nd[Igbo na-eti, omenala na nkwenye nd[Igbo banyere mmqnwx. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije ka si na ya zipxta na etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx ejije qd[nala ma bxrx otx n’ime ejije mmqnwx e nwere n’ala Igbo. N’Ijele d[ka qrxnka ka a nq na ya wee gosipxta awxrx mmqnwx Ijele d[ka qrxnka pxrx iche ma bxrx onyinye onye orxnka nye ala Igbo na xwa gbaa gburugburu. Akamgba chere Ijele d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka ka a nq na ya wee leba anya n’ihe mkpqbixkwx d[iche iche a na-ahx n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele, ya na etu etimxmmqnwx Ijele na nka [rx awxrx ya si anyx ka qkx n’oge ugbu a, n’ihi mgbanwe d[n’usoro obibi ndx xmx Igbo qgbaraqhxx.

4.1 Ntqala Emume Qd[nala Ijele

N’edemede nchqcha a, a ga-anq na ya wee gbaa ihe banyere emume a na-eme n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’anwx. Ijele d[ka mmqnwx nd[Igbo na-eti nwere emume qd[nala d[iche iche a na-eme na usoro a na-agbaso wee na-eme emume nd[a. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx ihe qhaobodo na-eme, nke a mere na otu d[iche iche nq n’obodo nwere qrx d[iche iche ha ga-arx malite n’izite egwu Ijele ruo n’qpxpx ma q bx mpxta ya. Q d[nnukwu mkpa na e zipxtara emume qd[nala na ntqaja

banyere mmqnwx Ijele, maka na nke a ga-enye aka na nghqta echiche nd[Igbo banyere mmqnwx Ijele. Nkwado a na-eme n’xzq d[iche iche maka etimxmmqnwx Ijele ka a ga-esi na ya chqpxta nkamma d[n’qrxnka na mmqnwx bx Ijele. Emume nd[ahx a na-eme n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele gbadoro xkwx na nkwenye nd[Igbo na nsirihxndx ha etu ha si nabata qrxnka na mmqnwx ahx pxrx iche na ndx ha. Q bx emume nd[a na-eme ka Ijele gbaa nke qma na-egosi qkwa nd[Igbo dewere mmqnwx na qrxnka bx Ijele.

4.2 Nkwado Etimxmmqnwx Ijele

E nwere nkwado nd[d[iche iche a na-eme n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Nkwado a a na-emere ya d[xzq abxq gxnyere nkwado nke echiche ma q bx nke mmxq na nkwado a na-ahx anya. Na nkwado nke echiche a ka nd[na-ach[kqba emume qd[nala n’obodo ahx, na-anqkq wee txq elo banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele ha na-achq iti. Ha ga-atx elo banyere obodo ga-akxziri ha egwu ma q bx “{gba Ijele” na nd[a ga-ezipxta maka nke a. Ha ga-atx elo banyere ego a ga-eji wee kwxq nd[ga-ab[a ikuziri ha egwu a xgwq. Q bx na nkwado nke mmxq ahx, ka ha na anq atx elo ebe qda Ijele ga-ad[, ma txq elo banyere onye qrxnka ga-arxrx ha awxrx Ijele na ihe a ga-enye ya n’oge niile q ga-anq n’qda na-arx ya. Ha na-aga n’ihu txq elo etu ha ga-esi weta ego a ga-eji mee ihe nd[qzq kwesiri ka e mee tutu Ijele agbaa n’ama. Q bx n’ime nkwado nke mmxq ahx, ka a nq na ya akpa mgbe onye qrxnka ga-arxrx ha Ijele, ga-arx odo n’ihi na q ga-enyere ha aka na mgbasa ozi Ijele ahx. Odo ga-enyekwa aka n’achxm nta ego site n’ije n’obodo d[iche iche ebe a na-alx xmx ha nd[nwaany[. Mmejupxta nkwado nke echiche a n’xd[a na-ahx anya bx nkwado mbx obodo chqrq iti Ijele ga-eme. Ihe pxtara ihe na nkwado a na-ahx anya mgbe obodo na-achq iti

mmqnwx Ijele bx iwube qda Ijele, nzite egwu, [mx egwu ma q bx [gba Ijele na odo.

(a) **Nzite Egwu {gba Ijele**

Obodo q bxla na-eti Ijele ga-ezite egwu [gba Ijele, nke bx otu n'ime nkwado a na-eme maka etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Okeke (2009:175) s[na 'qtxtx mgbe nd[qka n'[gba egwu na-esi n'obodo qzq b[a ezimegwu n'obodo qzq oge e goro ha ka ha kuziere xmxnwaany[egwu gxnyere egwu qgbxgba na etu e si eti ngwa egwu'. Egwu [gba Ijele bx nd[obodo na-eti ya nke qma ka a na-eje ezite [gba a n'obodo ha. Egwu a na-etiri mmqnwx Ijele bx [gba a na-etiri ya na eme ka mmetxta ahx nke xda egwu ahx pxta ihe na mmeghar[ahx a na-akpq [gba egwu. Q bx mgbe a na-amx egwu ka a na-eme nkwado nd[qzq banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx. A na-amx egwu a otu afq zuru oke, nke a nq n'ime ya wee na-eme nkwado maka [rx odo Ijele, na qmxmx egwu ya. Q bxrx na a chqtachaa nd[ga-akxziri ha [gba ma wube qda, a mara na nd[obodo ahx ad[la nkwado iti Ijele.

(b) **{rx Qda Ijele**

Otu n'ime ihe a na-eme na nkwado etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx [rx "Qda Mmqnwx Ijele". Qda bx ogige ma q bx ngwuru e ji ah[h[a ma q bx igwx nkwx wee gbaa okirikiri n'ebe nd[na-eti Ijele ga-anq wee na-amx egwu [gba Ijele na egwu a na-agba mgbe a na-eti [gba ahx. Q bx kwa n'ime qda ahx ka a na-arxpxtakwa qda qzq nke q bx naan[nd[okenye na nd[bara na mmqnwx na-abanye na ya. Q bx n'ime qda d[qda n'ime a ka ngwa egwu e ji amx egwu Ijele na-ad[. Q bx na ya ka ngwongwo onye qrxnka na-arx Ijele na-ad[. Qda bx qrxnka si n'echiche ihe nzuzo bx mmqnwx wee puta, n'ihi na q bx ya na-eme ka ihe a na-eme banyere mmqnwx d[nzuzo n'anya nd[esoghi n'otu ya. N' otu aka ahx ka "Qda Mmqnwx Ijele"

na-eme ka ebe a na-amx egwu d[nzuzo n’anya qhaobodo. Qbx qda na-eme ka mmqnwx ma q bx egwu qbxla a na-amx amx nwe ugwu n’anya nd[nkiri n’xbqch[q ga-apxta ihe ma q bx xbqchi a ga-ebute ya n’ihx qhaobodo. E wezuga qda nd[mmadx ekirie mmqnwx ma q bx egwu ahx, nke ga-eme ka qtxtx ghara [b[a nkiri ya n’xbqchi q ga-agba n’ama.

A na-arxrx Ijele qda n’ihi na o buru ibu ka o wee na-esi na ya apxta [gba n’ama mgbe q ga-agba. Q bx n’ime oge ahx a na-amx egwu ka ije odo na- amalite. Q bx n’ije Odo a ka o ji aga n’obodo d[iche iche a na-alx xmxada obodo ha wee na-agwa ha na-akwado etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q bx n’ime oda a rxrx maka mmqnwx Ijele, ka a na-amx egwu Ijele na egwu odo ijele n’ihi q bxgh[ihe a na-eme n’ihu qhaobodo. Q bx nke a mere na qda bx ihe mbx a ga-ahx anya obodo na-achq izite egwu ma q bx mmqnwx ga-ewube n’ihi na q bx n’ime ya ka ha na nd[ga-ab[a ezi ha egwu ga-anq wee na-amx ya bx egwu. Ka o silad[, qda a na-arx n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ad[abxq, otu bx ebe a na-anq amx egwu mmqnwx Ijele ahx ma bxrx nke a nq n’ime ya wee rxq mmqnwx Ijele, q bx kwa na ya ka q ga-esi pxta n’xbqch[q ga-agba. Qda nke abxq na-ad[n’ama obodo, q bx na ya ka Ijele na-abanye wee si na ya gbaa n’ama ihe d[ka ugboro atq ma q bx kar[a. (A ga-ahx esereese Qda mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye gb1)

(ch) **{mx Egwu Ijele**.

Ijele nwere egwu ma q bx [gba a na-etiri ya mgbe q na-agba n’ama. Q bx nke a, mere o ji d[mkpa na nd[ga-eti Ijele ga-amx egwu ya, n’ihi na q bx otu n’ime nkwado pxtara ihe a na-eme mgbe a na-achq iti mmqnwx Ijele. Q bx xmxokorob[a na-amx egwu Ijele. Ha na nd[ga-ezi ha [gba Ijele ahx ga-anq otu qnwa ma q bx kar[a site na etu nd[ha na-akxziri si mxta egwu ahx.

Nd[b[ara nkuzi egwu ahx laa, nd[a kuziri ya na-anq otu qnwa n’obodo iji mee ka ha mxtachaa egwu ahx nke qma. Mgbe nke a gachara ha na-ab[a [mu egwu n’xbqch[anq d[na ngwxcha qnwa bx oge ukwu nd[obodo ahx. N’obodo d[ka Xmxqba Anam, q bx Xka Eke ka ha ji eme oge ukwu ha. Q bx n’ime Xka Eke d[n’qnwa ka ha ji amx egwu ahx. Nd[na-amx egwu ahx bx xmxokorob[a obodo d[n’ogo d[iche iche, nd[q bxla otu nke ha. Q bx mgbe a na-amx egwu, ka nd[okenye mara egwu nka agba ma q bx nd[mara “ihe qkpa” eme ji akxziri nd[ga-ebu xzq etu esi agba egwu e ji ebu xzq Ijele.

{mx egwu [gba Ijele abxgh[ihe siri ike nke ukwuu ma q ga-ewe ihe kar[r[qnwa isii. Q bx [gba ahx ka nd[na-eti mmqnwx Ijele zitechaa ma malite [mx ya, a mara na ha ad[la njikere etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx. Ka q silad[, q bxgh[obodo niile n’ala Igbo tiri Ijele nwere nka mmxta egwu [gba ya n’otu aka. Ihe na-eme ka [mx egwu Ijele na etimxmmqnwx ya wee ihe kar[r[otu afq, gbadoro xkwx n’ego nd[obodo ahx nwere iji rxq awxrx Ijele ahx. Iloegbunam (2015) s[q bx otu afq ka a na-amx egwu Ijele, kama na q bx ego obodo ji n’aka ga-eme ka Ijele ha gbaa qsq qsq ma q bx ghara [px n’ime otu afq. Q bx n’ime oge e ji amx egwu ahx, ka e ji amx ihe banyere odo n’ihi na q bx ya bx mmqnwx mbx na-agba tutu Ijele ad[njikere [gba n’ama. Odo nwere ike [gba ihe kar[r[qnwa atq na-eje obodo d[iche iche ebe a na-alx xmxnwaany[nd[obodo ha na-akqrq ha na ha ga-eti mmqnwx Ijele.

4.3 Achxmnta Ego Ijele

Achxmnta ego pxtara ihe nke qma na nkwado a na-eme n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Mmqnwx Ijele na-eri nnukwu ego n’qrxrx ya, mere na obodo nwere ego agagh[egbuwe oge na ya mgbe ha mxtachara egwu Ijele. Q bx nke a mere

n’obodo ga-eti Ijele na-agba mbq n’xzq d[iche iche [ch[kqba ego ha ga-eji rxq awxrx Ijele ahx ka o wee bxrx ihe mara mma na ihe nkiri. Ego d[nnukwu mkpa n’ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele mere na Qnxegbu (2006:184) zipxtara ya n’abx a kpqrq “Ego” na nkebiabx nke abxq n’qgbara nke mbx na nke abxq na “Okwu baa n’ego/Ogbenye esere qnx”. Maduekwe (n.d:51) kqwara qnqdx ego kwesiri [nq na ndx nd[mmadx n’abx a kpqrq “Ego na-Ekwu” na nkeb[abx nke abxq n’qgbara nke mbx na nke abxq. Q si “Oji ego ketara isi oche na nzxkq obodo/Oji ego bx onye qma n’etiti nd[obodo.”
Oked[ad[(2003:556) kwuo na ego na-egbu ka mmanya maka na q bx onye ji ya ka a na-as[kwube na any[na-anx n’abx a kpqrq “Ego” na nkebiabx nke anq n’qgbara nke mbx na nke abxq na kwa na nkebiabx nke ise n’qgbara nke atq na nke anq. Q s[na “Ego [na-egbu ka mmanya. Onye ji g[ka a na-as[/Kwube na any[na-anx.” Chukuezi (2001:15) s[na ego bx mma ihu abxq kpxchara dike isi ma daa ogbenye ngwqrq n’abx a kpqrq “Ego” n’qgbara abx nke mbx na nke abxq ebe q s[“I bx agxba kpxchara dike isi/ { bx ngwqrq dara onye ogbenye”. Ekegbo (2005:14) kqwara qnqdx ego kwesiri ka q nqdx na ndx nd[mmadx n’abx a kpqrq “Ego Xwa” na nkebiabx nke ise n’qgbara abx nke abxq ruo na nke ise. Mgbe q s[na ego ekwesighi iduhie onye q bxla xzq ma q bx mee ka mmadx rijuo afq dachie xzq. Q bx ezie na mmadx ga-agbar[r[mbq mana nke a ekwesighi [bx [gbara ego odibo.

Q bx n’ihi qnqdx d[etu a ego nq na ndx mmadx, mere na obodo ga-eti Ijele na-achx nta ego n’xzq d[iche iche, gxnyere [ka xtx, mbibi ego, onyinye akamkpa na ije odo. Q bx ihe banyere amxma achxmnta ego a ka Heino na Pagan (2000) s[na usoro a ga-esi nweta ego gunyere enyemaka n’aka nd[qch[ch[, ego e dewere

edewe, onyinye, ibite ego n'aka nd[enyi na xmxnna, ma q bx n'aka nd[na-ebinye mmadx ego bx usoro doro anya e si enweta ego. Obamiro, Orisajinmi, na Akande (2008: 107) kwuo na q bx ego bx isi sekpu nti na agamnihu ihe qbxla. Chiekezie, Akpan, Nzewi, na Orogbu (2008:409) kwuo na ego d[nnukwu mkpa na mmepe akxkx amxma nweta akxnaxba niile iji mee ka o nye ihe a chqrq n'ozuzu oke.

(i) **{ka Xtx Ijele**

{ka xtx bx otu n'ime amxma achxmnta ego e ji arx awxrx Ijele. Xtx mmqnwx Ijele bx qrx d[r[xmxnwoke niile nq n'obodo n'ihi na q bx ha na-eti mmqnwx ahx. Nke a mere na ihe banyere xtx ya metxtara xmxnwoke niile ma onye ukwu ma onye nta. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na q bx xmxnwoke niile na nd[n[[le d[ime n'obodo na-atx xtx e ji eti mmqnwx Ijele. Q s[na nd[n[[le d[ime n'obodo na-atx xtx a n'ihi ebumnuche ha na nd[niile d[ime ga-amx nwa nwoke ka ha wee sonye n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx.

(ii) **Onyinye Akamkpa**

Onyinye akamkpa bx otu xzq e si enweta ego e ji arx awxrx Ijele. Onyinye a bx nke na-esi n'aka qtxtx mmadx nd[nwere mmas[n'Ijele nd[obodo ha na-eti. Onyinye d[etu a na-ab[a n'xzq d[iche iche na kwa n'oge d[iche iche malite n'xbqch[nd[obodo kwekqr[tara na ha ga-eti mmqnwx bx Ijele. Onye nd[obodo ya ma q bx nd[ikwunne ya ma q bx nd[enyi ya na-eti mmqnwx Ijele chqrq inyere ha aka na-enye ha onyinye akamkpa. Onyinye a nwere ike q bxrx site n'izxtara ha ngwa egwu-"{gba Ijele." O nwere ike q bxrx mmadx iwepxta onwe ya, oge ya na ike ya wee kuzie otu ihe ma q bx ibe banyere nkwado a na-eme maka etim Ijele ahx. Onyinye d[etu a nwere ike [bx

site n’okwu agbamume ma q bx [d[na-eme nd[na-ach[kqba egwu na nd[qzq a na-eme ihe banyere nkwado etimxmmqnwx Ijele obi xtq. Nd[obodo ji eme qnx na-enye onyinye d[etu a n’ihi qkwa ha nq n’obodo na-ab[a kwa atxnye xtx ha, iji wee zara aha na ihe nd[nna ha na-eme d[ha mma.

(iii) **Xmxada**

Ebe qzq ego e ji arx awxrx Ijele si apxta bx n’aka xmxada nwoke na nwany[, q kachas[n’aka nd[ada obodo ahx a na-alx n’obodo qzq. Xmxnwaany[a na-alx n’obodo qzq ejighi ihe a na-eme n’obodo nna ha egwuri egwu. N’ihi nke a ha na-agba mbq [ch[kqba onwe ha qnx n’obodo n’obodo ma na-esi anya nd[q bx ha ka nkwado ha nyere ga-apxta ihe kar[a nke ibe ha. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na q bx xmxada ka e si n’aka ha enweta ego e ji arx Ijele. Q s[na q bx nke a mere na odo na-aga obodo d[iche iche ebe a na-alx xmx ha nd[nwaany[achxmnta ego. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na qtxtx mgbe nd[nwere mmiri a na-egbu azx na-enye Ijele mmiri ka e were ego a kxtara na ya rxq Ijele. Xmxnwaany[a na-atxkqba ego ha na-enye nd[b[ara ije odo, ma gbakwa mbq hx na ha b[ara n’xbqch[Ijele ga-agba ma nyekwa nkwado ha n’xzq pxrx iche n’oriri ya.

(iv) **Ije Odo**

Ije Odo bx otu n’ime xzq nd[obodo na-achq iti Ijele si achx nta ego. Q bx oge a ka odo ji aga n’obodo d[iche iche a na-alx xmx ha nd[nwaany[na-akqrq ha na ha na-achq iti Ijele. N’otu aka ahx xmx ha nd[nwaany[ji ohere a atx xtx pxrx iche wee na-eche mgba odo ga-ab[a n’obodo ha. “Ije Odo” ka a na-akpq njem ahx odo na xmxokorob[a nd[obodo ahx na-aga n’qtxtx obodo ebe a na-alx xmx ha nd[nwaany[. N’obodo qbxla odo na nd[otu ya batara, xmx ha nd[nwaany[a na-alx

n’ebe ahx na xmxada nwoke na nwaany[na-eji qṅx nabata ha. Tutu odo esi n’obodo ahx pxq n’xbqch[qzq, xmxada obodo ha a na-enye ha ego ha ga-etinye n’[rx awxrx Ijele na emume d[iche iche a na-eme banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx. Q bx nke a mere na q bxrx na obodo chqwa iti Ijele, odo ha na-amalite n’oge jewe obodo d[iche iche achxmnta ego a ga-eji kwado etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Na njem odo a ka e ji agwa xmxada na xmx ha nd[nwaanyi a na-alx n’obodo nd[ahx ka ha b[a nkiri Ijele. Udeoba (2015) s[na ije odo bx amxma [kqwara nd[mmadx d[ka xmxada na xmxnwadiala na Ijele na-achq [gba n’oge ad[gh[anya. Ha na-aga obodo d[iche iche na-agwa ha n’oge etimxmmqnwx Ijele ha eruola. Ego bx isi sekpu nt[n’ije ahx odo na-eje n’ihi na ije odo bx otu n’ime amxma achxmnta ego e ji arx awxrx Ijele. (A ga-ahx esereese Odo mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye gh 2)

4.4 {rx Awxrx Ijele

Ihe qzq pxtara ihe na nkwado a na-eme maka etimxmmqnwx Ijele ka emume ya gaa werewere ma gbaa n’egbughi oge ma q bx gbue oge d[na nka onye qrx nka na-arx ya n’ihi na q bx mgbe q rxchara awxrx Ijele ka q ga-eji gbaa. Iloegbunam (2015) s[, “Q na-ewe m otu qnwa [rxpxta mmqnwx Ijele”. Q s[na qtxtx nd[na-arx awxrx Ijele anagh[arx ya qsq qsq, ebe qtxtx nd[na-arx ya ji ya eme nganga mere na ha anagh[arx ya arx.” Q bx qnqdx abxq a mere na afq ole a na-amx egwu Ijele d[iche iche site n’otu obodo ruo n’obodo qzq n’ala Igbo. Q bx mgbe nd[obodo na-achq iti mmqnwx Ijele mxtachara [gba ya, mxta egwu a na-agba ma a na-eti [gba ma rxq awxrx Ijele ka e ji ekwu oge q ga-agba. (A ga-ahx esereese awxrx mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye h1-h4)

4.5 Mmekqr[ta D[n'Etiti Mmadx na Ijele

Nd[mmadx na-enwe mmas[n'ebe mmqnwx Ijele nq nke ukwuu, mere ya na nd[mmadx na-enwe mmekqr[ta n'xzq d[iche iche na n'ogo d[iche iche. Mgbe qbxla e kwuru na Ijele ga-agba, nd[mmadx na-eji qṅx aga n'ebe q ga-agba na-eche mgbe q ga-apxta. N'ihi na q bx mmqnwx nwere ugwu na nsqpxrx ma maa mma.

(a) **Obuakxpe Ijele**

Onye ya na mmqnwx Ijele na-enwe mmekqr[ta n'xzq pxrx iche bx onye na-ebu akxpe ya. Q bx Ijele na onye na-eburu ya akxpe na-ekwu etu ha ga-esi wee gbaa n'obodo ma q bx n'ama. Obuakxpe Ijele na-arx qrx pxrx iche n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele n'ihi na mgbe q bxla obuakxpe anqgh[mmqnwx Ijele nso, ihe q pxtara bx na nsogbu ad[la. Maka na q bx obuakupe Ijele na-edu ya aga ebe q bxla. Edozie (2015) zipxtara echiche a wee kwuo na naan[Ijele anagh[agba n'ihi na o nwere onye ga-ebu akxpe ya, bx ebe mmqnwx Ijele na-ele anya mgbe q na-agba. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na 'q bx akxpe ka Ijele ji ama ebe q na-aga.' Q s[na akxpe Ijele d[ka ihe na-agbazi xzq q ga-esi wee gaa. (A ga-ahx esereese Obuakxpe mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye h1)

(b) **Nd[{gba Ijele**

Nd[na-eti [gba Ijele bx nd[qzq ha na Ijele na-enwe mmekqr[ta n'xzq pxrx iche. Q bx nd[na-eti [gba na-agbazi nzqxkwx egwu Ijele, site n'aka nka [gba ha na-eti. Nd[na-eti [gba mmqnwx Ijele a gxnyere onye q bxla nwere [gba q na-eti, ma q bx na-egbu qja iji mee ka egwu Ijele wee tqq xtq, ma d[ebube. Mmekqr[ta nd[na-eti [gba na Ijele na-enwe d[omimi nke na q bxgh[onye q bxla nwere ike [ghqta ya. Mmekqr[ta a si na mkpar[taxka d[n'etiti nd[na-eti [gba na Ijele, ha

si n’xzq a agwa mmqnwx Ijele okwu n’xzq d[iche iche. Ijele n’aka nke ya na-ezipxta nghqta asxsx ma q bx mkparitaxka ahx e ji [gba ezipxta mgbe q na-agba egwu. (A ga-ahx esereese nd[na-eti [gba mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye a2 na gb2)

(ch) **Nd[Qch[agba Ijele**

Nd[mmadx qzq ha na Ijele na-emekqr[ta bx nd[qch[agba Ijele. Nd[qch[agba mmqnwx Ijele bx xmxokorob[a nd[obodo ahx, na-enye aka eme ka xzq ebe Ijele ga-esi gaa mgbe q na-agba ma q bx mgbe q na-aga n’xzq d[r[ya. Q bx ha na-eji xtar[na-achxpx nd[mmadx nqchiri xzq ebe Ijele ga-esi wee gafe.

(d) **Nd[Obuxzq Ijele**

Mmadx abxq ka cha pxta ihe n’ime nd[mxrx egwu mmqnwx Ijele, bx nd[na-ebu xzq egwu ya. Ha na Ijele na-enwe mmekqr[ta n’xzq pxrx iche. Nd[na-ebu xzq a na-abx xmxokorob[a toro nke qma ma na-agba egwu Ijele nke qma. A na-akwado mmadx abxq a n’xzq pxrx iche ka ha wee buo xzq egwu etim mmqnwx Ijele ahx. Q bx ha na-anq n’ihu ma a na-eti [gba mmqnwx Ijele. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na ndi na-ebu xzq Ijele d[mmadx abxq na-anq n’ihu mgbe a na-agba egwu Ijele. (A ga-ahx esereese onye na-ebu xzq mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye gb 3)

(e) **Nne na Nna Mmqnwx Ijele**

Mmekqr[ta mmqnwx Ijele na qhanaeze na-apxta ihe n’qkwa d[elu nd[obodo na-enye nwoke na nwanyi a na-echi nna na nne Ijele. Onye e chiri nna ma q bx nne Ijele n’obodo bx nnukwu ugwu ka a kwanyere ya. Onye ahx ga-anq n’obom ebe Ijele na-agba, nqrq n’akxkx na-agba egwu ya na nd[otu ya iji gosiputa obi xtq ha n’qnqdx ahx e nyere ha. Iloegbunam (2015)

s[na ichi nne Ijele bx qkwa nd[mmadx ji emesi ihe ike n'obodo. Q s[na q bx ha na-ach[kqta nd[na-amx egwu mmqnwx Ijele ma na-agbaziri ha. Q bx ha na-eme ka nd[mmadx ghara [kpa aghara n'ihe banyere [mx egwu etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx. (A ga-ahx esereese onye chiri nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye gb 4 na gb 5)

(f) **Mmekqr[ta Xmxnwoke na Ijele**

Xmxnwoke na mmqnwx Ijele na-enwe mmekqr[ta n'ogo d[iche iche na n'xzq d[iche iche. Xmxnwoke nd[ha na mmqnwx Ijele na-enwe mmekqr[ta n'xzq pxrx iche gxnyere onye chiri nna mmqnwx Ijele, nd[bara na mmqnwx na ogbodu. Onye chiri nna mmqnwx Ijele na Ijele na-enwe nnukwu mmekqr[ta. Onye obodo ga-ahqrq ka o chie nna Ijele ga-abx onye obodo mara aha ya. Q ga-abx onye obodo ji eme qnx nke na-agba mbq maka qd[mma obodo ya. Q bx qnqdx d[etu a ka obodo na-eti Ijele ji ahqrq onye ha ga-echi nna mmqnwx ha. Nwoke ahx ga-atxnye kwa qtxtx ihe maka agamnihu etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx. Q ga-ezi qtxtx nd[enyi ya n'obodo d[iche iche ma zie nd[ikwunne ya na obodo ha na-ebuli ya n'qkwa echim nna mmqnwx Ijele. Qkwa abxm nna mmqnwx Ijele a chqrq onye nwere ego ma nwe kwa ezigbo omume. Q bx nke a mere na q bxgh[onye q bxla ka a na-echi nna Ijele n'obodo na-eti mmqnwx Ijele n'ala Igbo, maka na "ezi aha ka ego" bx otu n'ime nkwenye na nsirihxndx pxtara ihe na ndx nd[Igbo. N'ihi nke a, a na-ap[aka nke qma wee hqrq onye ga-echi nna mmqnwx Ijele, n'agbanyeghi na a chqrq onye nwere ego n'qkwa a, onye ahx ga-enwe kwa ezi aha. Ihe ego ji d[nnukwu mkpa n'ebe onye ga-echi nna mmqnwx Ijele nq bx na q ga-esi oriri nke nd[niile ji maka ya b[a emume etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx ga-eri na mmanya ha ga-aṅx.

Mmekqr[ta xmxnwoke bara na mmqnwx na Ijele na-apxta ihe n’xzq qnqdx abxq. Nke mbx q bx nd[niile bara na mmqnwx so ahazi ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’ihi na q bx ha mara ihe banyere ihe nzuzo d[n’etimxmmqnwx. Ha na-arx qrx d[iche iche ma hqq otu d[iche iche maka agamnihx nke etimxmmqnwx ahx. Q bx ha nwe mmqnwx Ijele ahx. Ha niile so wee txq xtx mmqnwx ma na-ahazi ihe banyere etu q ga-esi wee gbaa nke qma n’xbqch[q ga-agba. Q bx ha na ogbodu so wee rxq qda mmqnwx Ijele ma na q bx naan[ha ga-abanye n’ime qda ebe a na-arx mmqnwx Ijele ma q bx oge a rxchara ya. Q bx nd[nwoke bara na mmqnwx ka e si ahqpxta nd[qch[agba Ijele. Ha na-enyere odo Ijele aka achxpx nd[mmadx ma q bx nd[nkiri n’xzq ma q bx n’obom ebe Ijele na-agba.

N’aka nke qzq mmekqr[ta ogbodu na mmqnwx Ijele na-apxta ihe n’egwu nke mere na ha abagh[na mmqnwx. Ogbodu so wee txq xtx mmqnwx mana q magh[mmqnwx mere na q na-anq n’egwu ma nqrq n’ebe d[anya mgbe mmqnwx Ijele na-agba. Ogbodu na-eso nd[bara na mmqnwx n’azx n’emume etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Ha so wee rxq qda mmqnwx Ijele mana ha anagh[abanye n’ime ime qda ebe mmqnwx na-ad[.

(g) **Mmekqr[ta Xmxnwaany[na Ijele**

Xmxnwany[pxtara ihe nke qma na mmekqr[ta qhanaeze na mmqnwx Ijele. Mmekqr[ta d[n’etiti xmxnwaany[na Ijele pxtara nke qma n’echichi nne mmqnwx a na-echi xfqdx xmxnwaany[, n’ihi na mmqnwx Ijele na-enwe onye na-echi nne ya. Echichi d[etu a pxtara nke qma na ndx nd[Igbo mere na Enekwe (1987:67) s[na n’ala Igbo a na-anabata xmxnwaany[nd[okenye mxtara nwa a maara aha ha n’otu mmqnwx, n’ihi na q d[gh[mma ka mmqnwx na-eyi ha egwu. Obasi (2010:11) zipxtara

echiche a mgbe o kwuru na q bx xmxnwaany[nd[mxtara nwa a maara aha ha ka a na-echi “nne mmqnwx”. Q s[na q bx nke a na-eme ka ha na-esonye n’ihe a na-eme n’etimxmmqnwx. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na ha anagh[ama ebe mmqnwx si apxta, kama na a na-akwanyere ha ugwu mgbe mmqnwx na-agba. Q bx otu echiche a ka Nwobi (2007:153) zipxtara mgbe o kwuru na xmxnwaany[na-arx qrx pxrx iche na mmepe obodo n’xzq d[iche iche d[ka o si metxta agbxrx d[iche iche na mpaghara d[iche iche.

Onye e chiri nne mmqnwx Ijele ga-enwe onye q bx n’obodo, n’ihi nke a q ga-ezi nd[nna ya na nd[enyi ya ka ha b[a nqnyere ya n’xbqch[mmqnwx Ijele ga-agba. Q bx n’xzq d[etu a ka e si eme ka qnx qgxgx nd[ga-ab[a nkiri Ijele na-abawanye. Qkwa echim nne Ijele abxgh[obere ihe, nke a mere na q chqrq nnukwu ego n’aka onye ga-echi ya. Nd[Igbo na-ekwu na ‘q bx anya ka e ji ama qka chara acha’. Onye e chiri nne Ijele so na nd[a na-elekwasa anya n’aka banyere onyinye akamkpa n’amxma etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Nwaany[a ga-echi nne mmqnwx Ijele were ihe siri ya obi ike. Q bxgh[naan[na a na-alx ya n’ezinaxlq nwere ihe, nd[di ya na-enye ya nkwado ka ha wee zara aha ha n’obodo. N’aka qzq q bxrx na nwaany[ahx mxtara nwa a maara aha ya, q gq-enye ya nkwado n’xzq pxrx iche n’ihi na nke a ga-eme ka aha ezinaxlq ha pxta ihe n’obodo ahx.

Xmxagbqghqb[a na xmxaka nd[nwoke na nd[nwaany[na mmqnwx Ijele na-enwe kwa mmekqrita n’ihi q bx mmqnwx qhaobodo. Mmekqr[ta d[n’etiti xmxagbqghqbia, xmxaka na Ijele bx nke na-ezipxta na ha so wee nwere ya. Xmxagbqghqb[a na xmxaka nd[nwoke na nd[nwaany[so agba egwu mmqnwx Ijele. Ha na-akwa akwa nd[obodo ha

hqqrq e ji agba egwu Ijele ma nqdx n'akxkx nke ha na-agba egwu n'xbqchi Ijele ga-agba. Xmxaghqgb[a, xmxaka na Ijele na-enwe mmekqr[ta n'xzq pxrx iche n'ihi na q bx ha na-eme ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ekpo qkx, maka na q bx ha na aka n'qnx qgxgx nd[ha na Ijele na-enwe mmekqr[ta.

(gb) **Mmekqr[ta Xmxada na Ijele**

Xmxada nd[nwoke na xmxnwaany[nd[obodo nne ha na-eti mmqnwx Ijele na-enwe mmekqr[ta pxrx iche ha na Ijele. Mmekqr[ta d[etu a abxgh[nke ga-eme ka xmxada nd[nwaany[mara mmqnwx ma q bx baa na mmqnwx, kama q bx omume [nx qkx n'obi a na-ahx n'ebe xmxnwaany[a na-alx n'obodo qzq na xmx ha na-eme mgbe q bxla a na-eme emume n'obodo nna ha na ikwunne ha ma qbx ebe ha mxrx nwadiala. Edozie (2015) s[na obodo na-eti Ijele na-ezi xmxada ha ka ha b[a n'ihi na e nwere ihe onyinye ha ga-enye mmqnwx Ijele n'otu n'otu ma q bx n'obodo n'obodo. N'ihi ya xmxnwaany[obodo ahx a na-alx n'otu obodo na xmxnwadiala ha na-agbakq qnx ma wepxtara nd[nna ochie ha ego gbara qkpxrxkpx d[ka xtx ha txnyere maka etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx. Ha na-agba kwa mbq nqrq n'obodo ahx xbqch[Ijele ga-agba ka ha wee kirie ya, ma chqpxta etu o si maa mma.

(gh) **Mmekqr[ta Nd[Nkiri na Ijele**

Nd[nkiri na mmqnwx Ijele na-enwe mmekqr[ta n'ihi na ha na-arx qrx pxrx iche n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Nd[nkiri a na-eme ka mmqnwx nwe ugwu n'ihi mmqnwx qhaobodo na-enweghi nd[na-ekiri ya ekwesighi ka a kpq ya mmqnwx. Nd[mmadx na-eje nkiri mmqnwx maka mma q mara, ma na-agbara ya qsq maka ebube ya. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na nd[nkiri ejighi obi ha ekiri mmqnwx Ijele. Q s[na ikiri Ijele d[ka ikiri {zaga n'ihi na onye jere ikiri {zaga bx ebe q ga-anq daa ka ha na-

eche. N’otu aka ahx q bx ebe mmqnwx Ijele ga-anq wee daa ka nd[nkiri ya na-eche. Maka na nd[mmadx anagh[atx anya na Ijele ga-agbacha ghara [da ada ihi na o buru ibu. ‘Nd[Igbo na-ekwu okwu as[na o nwere ihe mmqnwx na-eme e ji agbara ya qsq’. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na nd[mmadx na-asqpxrx xbqchi mmqnwx Ijele na-agba wee jee ikiri ya.

Ijele bx ihe nkiri n’onwe ya ma nwekwa qtxtx ihe nkiri n’ahx ya, mere na qtxtx mmadx jere nkiri Ijele abxgh[otu ihe ka ha hxrx n’otu oge. Q bxgh[na-eji nd[jere ikiri Ijele atxnyere nd[isi asaa jere imetu enyi aka n’ahx, ebe onye q bxla n’ime ha kqwara otu enyi ahx d[site n’akxkx ahx ya ebe ha metxrx aka. Nd[nkiri mmqnwx Ijele abxgh[nd[isi ma na ha nwere ike ikq akxkq d[iche iche banyere otu Ijele n’ihi na ihe nkiri d[n’ahx ya bara xba nke na otu mmadx agagh[eji otu ugboro Ijele gbara wee hxchaa ihe nkiri niile d[na ya. Q bx echiche banyere mmekqr[ta d[n’etiti mmqnwx Ijele na nd[nkiri ka Nwakaeze (2015) ji kwuo na nd[nkiri na-esi ebe d[iche iche na-ab[a ikiri mmqnwx Ijele. Olaniyan (2007:355) kwuo na e nwere ezi mmekqr[ta n’etiti nd[na-eme ejije na nd[nkiri n’ihi na q bx ihe itxnanya na nd[nkiri mara qd[nala banyere mgbe ha ji abata n’ejije. Q bx nd[nkiri na-aka n’qnx qgxgx mgbe qbxla mmqnwx Ijele na-agba n’ama. Nd[nkiri a, bx nwoke na nwany[, nq n’obodo ahx na nd[obodo qzq b[ara ikiri Ijele.

4.6 Qrx Odo na Mmekqr[ta Qhanaeze na Ijele

Odo bx otu n’ime mmqnwx d[n’ezinaxlq Ijele, na-arx qrx pxrx iche na mmekqr[ta qhanaeze na mmqnwx Ijele. Q bx ya bx mmqnwx izizi na-apxta n’ezinaxlq Ijele. Odo Ijele na-eje obodo d[iche iche na-akqrq ha na nd[obodo ha na-achq iti mmqnwx Ijele. Oge a, q na-

eje obodo niile na-agbasa ozi banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q na-abanye n’xlq q bxla a na-alx ada obodo ha ma na-enye akwxkwq ozi e ji agwa ha ka ha b[a emume etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx. Nd[xmxada obodo ha na-agba mbq etu ha nwere ike ka ha mee nd[obodo nne ha b[ara ije odo n’obodo ha nke qma. Ha na-eme nke a site na inye ha ihe oriri ma nye kwa ha ego. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na odo Ijele na-ad[abxq. Q s[na q bxrx mmqnwx Ijele ga-agba n’qnwa ekeresimesi na odo ya nwere ike malite njem o ji aga obodo d[iche iche ebe a na-alx xmx ha nd[nwaany[, xmxnwadiala ha na nd[enyi ha, na-agwa ha na obodo ha na-akwado etimxmmqnwx Ijele, ma gwa ha ka ha b[a mgbe q ga-agba. Nwakaeze (2015) s[na q bx n’ihi etim Ijele ka odo ma q bx polisi ya ji eke akwxkwq ozi e ji agwa nd[mmadx ka ha b[a n’xbqch[mmqnwx Ijele ga-agba.

Xmxnwaany[obodo ahx a na-alx n’obodo qzq, na-eji obi xtq anabata nd[nna ha b[ara ije odo n’obodo ha ma lee ha qb[a n’xzq pxrx iche otu abal[. Njem a odo na-eje na-eme ka xmxnwaany[obodo ha a lxrx n’obodo qzq mara na nd[mxrx ha echefughi ha echefu. Nke a na-eme ka ha were obi aṅxri nye nd[nna ha nkwado banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx. Ka odo na-agbasa ozi na nd[obodo ha na-achq iti mmqnwx Ijele, q na-agwa nd[obodo ahx oge mmqnwx Ijele ahx ga-agba. N’xzq d[etu a odo na-ezikwa nd[mmadx ka ha b[a nkiri Ijele n’xbqch[q ga-agba.

4.7 Nkwado Mpxta Mmqnwx Ijele

Nkwado qpxpx Ijele bx nnukwu qrx pxrx iche n’emume qd[nala a na-eme banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q bx na nkwado mpxta Ijele ka ihe niile obodo mere n’etim Ijele na-apxta ihe. Ijele d[ka qrxnka na mmqnwx bx ihe a na-eme n’qhaobodo. Nd[obodo na-eme emume

etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-eme ka onye qrxnka rxchapx awxrx Ijele. Ha na-ahqpxta otu d[iche iche na-eme ihe d[iche iche n'emume Ijele ji agba. Edozie (2015) s[na 'ihe obodo ji agba mbq niile banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx na q bx obodo ka ihe ihere Ijele ahx metara d[r[.' Q s[na q bx nke a mere na obodo na-achq ka Ijele ha gbaa n'abal[ga-efopxta xbqch[q ga-agba, n'ihi na q ga-eme ka ha etu q ga-esi wee gbaa ma chi foo. Q bx qhaobodo nwe mmqnwx Ijele ma na-ezipxta ugwu na nsqpxrx ha na-akwanyere ya, site na mbq na qrx d[iche iche ha na-arx iji hx na etimxmmqnwx Ijele gara nke qma.

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx ihe qhaobodo niile na-eme n'xzq d[iche iche, onye q bxla n'ebe q bx qkaibe. N'ihi na q bx n'qpxpx ihe ma q bx etimxmmqnwx Ijele ka e si amata etu obodo ahx nwedebere ihere. Q bx kwa n'ihi nke a ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele ji metxta otu d[iche iche n'obodo, nd[na-agba mbq d[iche iche iji hx na q gbara nke qma. Maka na obodo q bxla mmqnwx Ijele ha mere ihe ihere, bx obodo ahx mere ihe ihere n'ihi na etimxmmqnwx Ijele abxgh[nke otu onye. Q bx nkwado a na-eme banyere ihe d[nd[obodo mkpa ka Nwobi (2007:124) jiri kwuo na obodo na-ama amxma agamnihu nwere usoro doro anya ha ga-agbaso n'xzq d[iche iche d[ka o si metxta obodo ahx na qnqdx ha nq na ya.

Mmqnwx Ijele gbaa nke qma, ugwu ya na obodo nwe ya ad[r[ha, mana o meta ihe ihere, ma mmqnwx Ijele ma nd[nwe ya metere ihe ihere ahx. Xd[ihe ihere a mmqnwx Ijele na-emeta mgbe q na-agba bx nke akxkq ya na-ad[na ndx nd[obodo ahx ogologo oge. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na 'mmqnwx Ijele gbaa nke qma nd[nwe ya enwe ugwu, ma q daa ada ugwu nd[nwe ya akpxq n'ala.' Q bx n'ihi nke a ka o ji d[mkpa na e lebara anya na

ntqala emume d[iche iche nd[obodo si na ha wee na-ezipxta [ma mma na obixtq ha n'ebe qrxnka na mmqnwx Ijele d[. Ya mere, ka a ghara [hx ihe gbasara qrx d[iche iche, na agwa d[iche iche a na-ahx mgbe q bxla Ijele na-agba d[ka ihe nk[t[kama q bx xzq nd[mmadx d[iche iche n'ogo d[iche iche si enwe mmetxta ma na-enye aka n'amxma etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka qrxnka na mmqnwx pxrx iche n'ala Igbo. Nkwado nd[ahx bx; aja a na-achx n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele na nd[a na-agwa tutu mmqnwx Ijele a gbaa n'ama.

(i) **Achxmaja Mmqnwx Ijele**

Ndx nd[Igbo jupxtara n'emume qd[nala d[iche iche gxnyere, [gba afa, [chx aja na nkwenye na mmxq d[iche iche. Q bx afa ka e si achqpxta aja d[iche iche a ga-achx na mmxq ma q bx arxs[nd[a ga-edokwe n'amxma etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx ihe omimi maka na e zipxtara usoro obibi ndx nd[Igbo niile na ya. Okwori (2002:11) s[na o nwegh[onye ga-ebi ndu ma ewepu ekpemekpe n'ihi na q bx mmadx ikewepu onwe ya n'ebe o si b[a na ihe e ji mara ya. Q s[na q na-akqwa ihe mere na mmadx na-eme etu o si eme ma na-akq akxkq ala banyere oge d[ebube gara aga. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na 'ihe nd[a ga-agba afa wee chqpxta n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele gxnyere nd[ga-ebu xzq egwu Ijele, arxs[na mmxq a ga-edokwe tinyere nd[mmadx a ga-agwa na mmqnwx Ijele ga-agba. Afa na-eme ka a mara ihe nd[a ma mapxta amxma a ga-esi wee gbochie ihe nd[qjqq zuwere ime ma nye aka gbazie nke gaara eme n'usoro ezighi ezi.

Edozie (2015) s[na q bx afa na-ekwu mmxq a ga-edokwe na nd[ga-anq n'emume e ji edokwe ya. Q s[na qtxtx mgbe afa na-ekwu ma q bx naan[Ijele ga-eri ihe o ji dekwe chi. Mgbe xfqdx qhaobodo ga-esonye n'oriri

ndokwe chi ya ma q bx arxs[. Uchendu (1965) kwuo na nd[Igbo na-enwe emume d[iche iche na-ezipxta ntqaja n’afq d[ka [chx aja e ji emeda mmxq obi na nke mgbaghara njq. Q s[na mgbe q bxla ihe gara nke qma q bx mmxq qma ma q bx ihe qzq mere ka ha nwe ihu qma. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na q bx nke a mere nd[mmadx ji agba mbq ka ha na mmxq nqdx n’udo wee si xzq d[etu a na-eme emume inye ekele, emume ntqaja na ichx aja d[iche iche iji nye ekele maka ncheta emume ntqaja d[iche iche. Anih (1992:19) s[na ekpemekpe na-enwe emume ntqaja n’echiche mpxta si n’akara d[iche na qd[mara d[iche na-ahazi echiche ime e si na ya esonye n’xwa a nagh[ahx anya n’ihi na e kwenyere na ya. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na ntqaja na-eme ka ofufe nru a na-enye chi pxta ihe n’ezi usoro mmekqrita mmadx na mmxq. Qgugua (2005:69) kwuo na ekpemekpe bx ihe pxrx iche na-eme ka nd[mmadx na-eche echiche ma na-ebi ndx n’qd[nala ha. Edozie (2015) s[na ihe obodo ji agba mbq niile banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx na q bx obodo ka ihe ihere o metere d[r[.

(ii) **Nd[a na-Agwa Tutu Ijele Agbaa n’Ama**

O nwere nd[a ga-agwa tutu mmqnwx Ijele apxq d[ka otu n’ime nkwado a ga-eme banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Qtxtx mgbe a na-esi n’afa achqpxta nd[a ga-agwa tutu Ijele apxq. Nd[d[etu a gxnyere nne na nna Ijele. Nd[chiri nne na nna mmqnwx n’obodo ahx, qkpara na ada obodo ahx. Ihe e ji agwa nd[a bx na ha ga-agq qfq ma q bx kpee ekpere ga-eme ka Ijele gbaa n’ama nke qma. Maka na q bx ha ka a ga-ahx wee nata ikike ga-eme na mmqnwx Ijele gbaa nke qma. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na a na-agwa nd[kara ahx nq n’obodo na mmqnwx Ijele ga-agba. Q s[na nd[a ga-agwa gxnyere nne na nna Ijele, nd[dib[a, nd[amosu na nd[ns[na aja.

4.8 Mmekqrita D[n’Etiti Nd[ichie, Mmxq na Ijele

Mmqnwx Ijele, nd[ichie na mmxq na-enwe mmekqr[ta d[omimi si na nkwenye na nd[ichie na mmxq na ndx nd[Igbo. Obodo q bxla ga-eti mmqnwx Ijele na-akpqku nd[[chie na mmxq d[iche iche ha kwenyere na q ga-enyere ha aka tutu mmqnwx Ijele ha agbaa n’ama. A b[a n’emume e ji akpqku nd[[chie, nd[otu mmxq na-agba mbq [hx na a kpokuru nd[ichie tiri mmqnwx Ijele n’oge gboo n’obodo ahx. Oge a na-akpqku nd[ichie na mmxq nd[a, a na-eji qj[agq qfq, ma na-atxrx ha mmanya wee na-agwa ha na obodo ha na-achq iti mmqnwx Ijele. Nd[Igbo kwenyere na mmekqr[ta nd[d[ndx na nd[nwxrx anwx. Talbot (1926) s[na nd[[chie anwxgh[anwx n’ihi na ha d[ndx n’uju n’onwe ha na n’echiche ha. Q s[na ha na-enwe ike pxrx iche kar[a mgbe ha nq ndx n’xwa.

Nwachukwu (2003:161) zipxtara nkwenye na mmxq nwere ike ibanye n’ihe q bxla ma were ya na-eme ihe sqrq ya. Q s[na q pxtara ihe na ngwa ekpemekpe, emume ntqaja na qtxtx qrx nka na ndx d[Igbo. N’otu aka ahx onye ga-ebu Ijele na-akpqku nd[ichie obodo ya na nd[ezinaxlq ya ka ha nyere ya aka wee buo mmqnwx Ijele nke qma, ghara imetara obodo ha na onwe ya ihe ihere. Q na-erekwe qgwx e ji ebu Ijele a na-akpq “Qrabulu” na “Ibuany[danda” Mmekqr[ta nd[ichie, mmxq na Ijele na-apxta ihe n’xd[abx ntqaja e ji eme emume qd[nala pxrx iche n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Abx ntqaja na-eme ka ebumnuche obodo na onye na-ebu mmqnwx Ijele d[ire ma b[a na mmezu.

(A) **Nzipxta Abx Ntqaja n’Etimxmqnwx Ijele**

N’etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’oge gboo, a na-akpqkx nd[ichie, na-edokwe arxsi ma na-erekwe qgwx e ji eti Ijele. Abx ntqaja na-abata n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’xd[okwu ahx e

ji edo emume qd[nala nsq. Onwukwe (2009:445) zipxtara echiche a mgbe q s[na e ji egwu achx ajq mmxq ma were ya na-akpa mmadx obi xtq. Abx ntqaja na-apxta ihe mgbe a na-agq qfq, agq qj[, achx aja na agba afa n'amxma etimxmmqnwx Ijele. A na-edokwa arxs[d[iche iche ma chxq aja d[iche iche obodo na-edokwa n'igwe na nke nd[mmadx d[iche iche na-edokwe n'onwe ha n'etim mmqnwx Ijele. Qtxtx mgbe q bx n'afa ka esi achqpxta mmxq nd[ahx a ga-edokwe na aja a ga-achx ma nke qhaobodo ma nke akamkpa. Q kachas[aja ma q bx arxs[Ijele na nd[nwere qrx pxrx iche n'etimxmmqnwx ahx ga-achx ma q bx dokwee. Ebechi (2015) s[na qgwx izizi a ga-agwq n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx akwara na ume ma q bx ike e ji ibu ibu. Qmxmaatx xfqdx abx ntqaja Ijele nke e si na ha akpqku nd[ichie, chi, arxs[na qgwx bx nd[a

(i) **Qrabulu**

Chukwu Qb[ama
An[m akpqku g[

Na-akpqku ive

Na-emeli oboro any[ive

Qq Qrabuolu m Ijele

Ka m na-elekwe.

Oboro any[
Na-etili Ijele
Etili.

Mqq Qrabuluu ka e ji etie

Q q nya ka m ji nweli qj[

Nweli mmanya na xbxrx.

Na-as[ka ibu Ijele m d[mve

Mgbe q bxna m tinyele n'isi

Ka q bxlx qra bue.
Ijele jesie n'ilo nata n'udo
Nweli ewu gooli g[.

Oboro any[na-etili Ijele
Etili.
Ma onwero ovu
{ gbaral[ka ibu nyigbuo.
Arize ma ng[
Ekwene ka nkee d[iche. (Agbata 2015)

(ii) **Chi**
Chukwu eze bi n'igwe.
Chim bx Adaobi

Q bx ndokwenn[

E kwulu.
Na tupu m
Gaa ilo na m ga-ab[a
Dokwee g[ka m ji b[a.
Ejim qj[

B[a [gwa g[

Na obodo any[si na q bu m
Ga-ebulu ve Ijele.
A n[m ayq g[ka m je ije a n'udo

Ka uke mmxq na mmadx
Val[[vx m anya.
K am jee n'udo

K am naa n'udo.

Biko ekwene ka m
Buteli obodo any[ivele. (Edozie 2015)

(iii) **Oligbomgbo (Arxs[)**
Alxs[nd[ikwunne m
Ekene m ng[
Kenee ive na-emeli g[ive
Kenee ive [na-emeli ive.
Onye kwudoli nn[a
Kwudolu nd[ichie.
Ebe nwata na-ebe akwa atx aka
Nnie anqz[a nn[a anqr[a.
An[m atxgal[g[bx Oligbomgbo
Aka [buolu m xzq kpeelu m azx
Av[a naanq xbqs[naanq.
Ava eline m ma mmili eline m

Ma ezi na xzq eline m.
An[m akpqkx nd[mmili
Kpqkuo Nne nwaany[nd[mmili
Wee s[ka unu gbagote.
Ka unu na alxs[
Nd[ikwunne m solu m
Jee ije ee.
Ka uke mmxq na uke mmadx
si n'enu o si n'an[
Ive na-eku ume na nke
Anarq eku ume.
S[na any[ejero nya bx ije
Ive na-ejide mmadx jidee
Ive na-ejide mmxq jidee.
Qchx nwa qkxkx nwe ada
Nwa qkxkx nwe nwonwo qsq.
Any[ya ad[ka echi
Na echi ana agxrq agx.
Taan[qj[nwa n'otu
Ka any[taa nya n'ibe
Mx wee na-agba g[
Bx Oligbomgbo ose n'anya.
Na onye ose na-ekpoo
Na-ekwu eziokwu.
An[m agba g[ose n'anya aka nli
Na- agba g[ose n'anya aka ekpe.
Mmxq na-ata qj[
B[a taa qj[
Mmxq anarq ata qj[
Atakwana qj[.
Mmadx na-ata qj[
B[a taa qj[
Mmadx anarq ata qj[
Atakwana qj[.
Ajan[b[a jidelini m ogwu
B[a jidelini m qvq. (Ikem 2015)

(iv) **Aj[ja (Qgwx)**
Aj[ja anaawxrq oke ene
An[m akpqku g[n'anyas[[
Na-agwa g[na any[
Ga-eje ive echi.
Amaka enyi ata arx
Na ije qganyala d[ya n'xkwx.
Agha a kal[aka

Aneliro ngwxlq
Elo a kpal[akpa
Ka e ji isi ekwe.
Elonn[any[kpal[
Na [ya akwxvarq m n’ezi
Ma mx aya agbara g[qkx.
Kwunyiee n’oge
A kal[aka elugo.
Nke m nke m
Ka a na-anx n’otu Qn[cha.
Onye Chukwu nyeli ive naatq
Ndx, qmxmx na ego Oyibo
S[naq vqlx qzq
E ge-enye kwe ye
Jee nweli aka[a jee nwetie.
Q bx nweli ka ayarq enwesi
Gbal[aka ka ayarq gba.
Gidigidi bx ugwu eze
Eze sq[a y[bx qsa.
Anx ji eze al[enu
Maal[osisi na-enu inu.
Ive nine nas[a
Ka o si sq onye aya anarq.
Ma mx na-ayq g[
N’ay[yq ka imee ka m si yqq
Emene ka o si sq g[.
N’av[a naanq xbqs[naanq
Mx kpqq g[n’xtxtx zam
Mx kpqq g[n’evivie zam
Mx kpqq g[n’aban[zam.
Q bx n’uchichi ka e ji enye g[nli
Maka na mberede nyili dike
Mana q bx mberede
Ka e ji ama dike.
Oke amana xma
Taa akpa D[b[a
Ma Dib[a amana xma
Bxq oke qnx.
Nwa mmxq emegbune
Nwa mmadx
Ma nwa mamdx
Emegbube nwa mmxq.
Taan[qj[[n’otu
Ma any[taa nya n’ibe. (Ikem 2015)

Q bx nd[ichie, arxs[na qgwx nd[a a na-akpqku, ma na-erekwe ka e si na ha e zipxta abx ntqaja na-eme ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ire.

4.9 Ijele D[Ka Mmqnwx

N'ebe a, a ga-anq na ya wee leba anya n'etu nd[Igbo si ahx mmqnwx Ijele d[ka otu n'ime mmqnwx ha na-eti. Q bx n'ebe a ka a ga-anq zipxta qkwa nd[Igbo nyere ya n'etiti mmqnwx nd[qzq. Nd[Igbo na-ekwu okwu as[na mmqnwx agagh[aka Ijele aka. Nke a pxtara ihe n'qkwa d[elu mmqnwx Ijele nq na ndx ha.

4.10 Ebe Ijele Si Malite

Ijele d[ka mmqnwx b[ara n'ala Igbo n'oge, nke na o nwegh[onye nq ndx ugbu a, nwere ike ikwu mgbe Ijele mbx gbara. O nwegh[kwa onye nq ndx ugbu a nwere ike [kqwapxta onye qrx nka mbx rxrx awxrx Ijele n'ala Igbo. Ikenegbu (1981) zipxtara otu echiche a mgbe o kwuru na o nweghi onye qkpxite nq ndx mara etu qrxnka [kpx ite si bata n'obodo Inyi. Nwokike (2005) kwuo na onye ma q bx nd[na-akpx ite kwenyere na a mxnyere ha n'ime ya. Okunna (2011:84) s[na o nwebeghi onye mara onye mbx kpxrx ite n'obodo Awka Nd[agx.

Q bx n'Qmabala ka a chqpxtara na Ijele si wee gbasaa n'ala Igbo. Obodo mejupxtara Qmabala d[n'ime okpuruqch[ch[ime obodo anq nke gxnyere, Qwxwa anyanwx Qmabala Agxleri, Xmxeri, Xmxqba Anam, {gbar[am, Nando na Nsugbe. Qd[da anyanwx Qmabala: Ifite Anam, Ezi Anam, Nzam, na Olumbanasa. Oyi: Nteje, Qkxzx, Ogbunike, Xmxnya, Nkwele. Ayamelum: Anakx, Qmqq, Ifite Qgwar[, {gbakwx, Xmxmbo, Qmas[Xmxlum na Xmxeje. Q bx n'Xmxeri d[n'okpuru qch[ch[ime obodo Qwxwa anyanwx Qmabala ka a chqpxtara na mmqnwx Ijele si gbasaa n'ala Igbo. Akxkqala na agxmagx qnx kwuru na q bx n'Xmxd[an[n'Ikenga Xmxeri ka mmqnwx Ijele si malite.

O siri ike [chqpxta afq nd[Igbo malitere etimxmmqnwx Ijele n'ihi na o nweghi ebe e dere ya n'akwxkwq ma agxmagx qd[nala Igbo ezipxtagh[ya. Oge Ijele malitere n'ala Igbo s[r[ike nchqpxta n'ihi na o nweghi onye nq ndx ugbu a nwere ike ikwu afq Ijele mbx gbara n'Xmxeri. E nwere ike ikwu na mmalite etimxmmqnwx Ijele n'ala Igbo bidoro oge echiche ihe nzuzo bx mmqnwx batara n'echiche ha. A ga-elekwa mmqnwx Ijele anya d[ka ihe malitere na ndx nd[Igbo oge ha ka nq n'ime ndx jupxtara oke ntaramahxhx, [kpa ike, na ime odogwu, mere na ha na-ahx etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka nnukwu ihe n'ala Igbo. N'otu aka ahx e were qrxnka d[ka usoro e si ezipxta ogo nd[mmadx nq na n'xd[echiche na-abata n'ime ha na-eme ka ha na ebi xd[ndx ha na ebi. A ga-achqpxta na qrxnka awxrx Ijele gbadoro xkwx na ndx oke atamahxhx. Iloegbunam (2015) zipxtara echiche a mgbe o kwuru na q bx osisi a na-akpq "ukpi" ka e ji atx ihe qtxtx na-ad[n'awxrx Ijele n'oge gboo. Q bx nṅomi ihe a nagh[ahx anya d[qkpx na ndx mmadx mere na mmqnwx Ijele si na nkwenye na mmxq. Q bx nṅomi a si n'echiche onye qrxnka mere na a rxrx awxrx mmqnwx Ijele d[ka qrxnka.

4.11 Mbupute Egwu Ijele

Q bx n'abal[ka e ji ebupute egwu mmqnwx Ijele. N'abal[ga-efopxta xbqch[mmqnwx Ijele ga-agba, onye q bxla nq n'obodo ahx ma nwoke ma nwany[na-eso nd[na-eti egwu Ijele gbara egwu gaa n'ebe niile xzq gara nd[mmadx na-aga n'obodo. Q bx nd[na-ebu xzq egwu mmqnwx Ijele na edu nd[mmadx agba egwu ahx. Q bx n'abal[ahx ka nd[na ach[kqba egwu mmqnwx Ijele ahx ji na-enye otu q bxla na-agba egwu Ijele ebe ha ga-anq wee na-agba egwu nke ha. Otu nd[a gxnyere xmxaka nwoke na xmxnwaany[, xmxagbqghqb[a, nd[nne nwany[. Q bx onye chiri nne mmqnwx Ijele na-edu otu xmxnwany[

na xmxaka nd[a mgbe a na-agba egwu n’abal[ahx ma na n’xtxtx echi ya mgbe mmqnwx Ijele ga-agba n’ihu qhaobodo. Otu xmxnwoke gxnyere, ogbodu, nd[bara na mmqnwx, nd[otu mmxq na-anq n’ihu mmqnwx Ijele, nd[okenye obodo ahx ewee na-eso Ijele n’azx. Olasunkanmi (2002:65) s[na a na-enwe ezi mmekqr[ta n’etiti nd[na-agba egwu na nd[na-eti [gba na-eme ka qṅx pxrx iche d[n’ebe nd[na-agba egwu, nd[na-eti [gba na nd[nkiri nq ma mee ka ha nwe afq ojuju. O bx egwu a nd[mmadx na otu d[iche iche n’obodo na-agba n’abal[ka a na-akpq “{chq mmqnwx Ijele.” A na-agba egwu ahx n’obodo niile ka nd[mmadx wee mara na mmqnwx Ijele ga-agba echi.

(A) **{mx Anya Etimxmqnwx Ijele**

Obodo na-eti mmqnwx Ijele wepxtara otu afq ma q bx kar[a wee mxq egwu ya ma mee qtxtx nkwado banyere ya, a na-amxrx anya n’abal[ga-efopxta xbqch[q ga-agba. Q bx n’abal[ahx ka nkwado niile a na-eme etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ab[a n’isi njedebe. N’[mx anya abal[etimxmmqnwx Ijele a, xmxnwoke nd[obodo ahx na-eti mmqnwx Ijele na-amx anya. Ha-na eme nke a site n’iti egwu Ijele ahx n’ihi na q bx n’abal[ahx ka mmqnwx Ijele ahx ga-agbara nd[nwe ya ka ha wee mara ma q ga-eme kwa nke qma ma chi foo. Nwachukwu (2003:166) s[na a na-amxrx mmqnwx Ijele anya abal[n’opxpx ya d[ka ihe nkiri. Q s[na q bx egwu qnx na egwu qgbxgba ka e ji eziputa ya n’obodo maka na q bx nwoke na nwaany[na-amx anya abal[a. Q gara n’ihu zipxta na e ji ngwa egwu gxnyere [gba, ataṅx, nkegedegwu, qja na opi a na-egbu egbu wee na-eti egwu Ijele.

{mx anya abal[a abxgh[ihe a na-anqgide chi efoo kama q na-ab[a n’isi njedebe mgbe Ijele gachara n’ebe nd[a txrx anya na-q ga-aga. N’ihi na q bx n’ime abal[ka e ji aga ilo e ji elele etu ibu Ijele ahx si

d[onye na-ebu n'ahx. Edozie (2015) s[na Ijele ga-agba n'abal[ga-efopxta xbqch[q ga-agba ka e wee lelee etu ibu ahx d[. Q bx onye qrxnka ga-enye Ijele ajx, n'ihi na q bxgh[ihe niile ka e ji ebu ya.

(B) **{chq Mmqnwx Ijele**

{chq mmqnwx bx otu n'ime emume pxtara ihe n'etim mmqnwx Ijele. Q bx n'abal[a na-amx anya mmqnwx Ijele ka [chq mmqnwx Ijele na-ebido. Ka e si achq mmqnwx bx na nd[na-eti mmqnwx ga-eburu [gba a na-etiri mmqnwx ahx, tiri egwu ya na-aga n'obodo iji gwa nd[obodo na mmqnwx ha na-achq ka q pxta. Ha na-achq ya n'abal[na n'xtxtx tutu mmqnwx ahx apxq ma q bx apxta n'qhaobodo. Enekwe (1991:12) s[na e s[n'[gba egwu enweta xba nke qmxmx na ihu qma ma were ya na-achxpx ajq mmxq na ike ajq onye. Q bx nd[na-ebu xzq egwu Ijele na-edu nd[mmadx, ma nwoke ma nwaany[aga mgbe a na-achq mmqnwx Ijele. {chq mmqnwx Ijele n'abal[so n'ihe a na-eme n'[mx anya ya mana q bx mgbe nd[obodo na-eti mmqnwx Ijele chqrq mmqnwx n'xtxtx ka o ji ewo nd[obodo anya na mmqnwx Ijele ga-agbar[r[. Q bx mgbe nd[na-achq mmqnwx Ijele gachara obodo n'xtxtx xbqch[ahx q ga-agba, wee lqghach[n'ebe qda Ijele d[ka q ga-eji pxta n'qda.

(a) **Egwx {chq Mmqnwx Ijele**

Egwu e ji achq mmqnwx Ijele bx egwu a na-agwx wee na-aga obodo niile mgbe atx mpxta Ijele n'qda. Qmxmaatx egwu [chq mmqnwx bx;

([) Mmanwx any[o ooo
Mmanwx any[o ooo
Any[na-achq[a.
Ugwu eee
E eee.
Ugwu eee
E eee.
Nmx Qbal[chi eee

E eee.
Q d[ad[n'ibe any[oo
Nmx Qbal[chi
Nd[nweli ego oo
Q d[ad[n'ibe any[oo.
Any[na-abx Dimkpa
Na-abx Dike ee
Q d[ad[n'ibe any[oo.
Qbal[chu eee
E eee.
Qbal[chu eee
E eee.
Kero nd[nwe ive?
Any[nwe ive
Ibe any[tiririririri iii
Iyaa aa. (Iwqba 2015)

4.12 Mpxta Mmqnwx Ijele

Q bx n'xtxtx ka mmqnwx Ijele ji apxta [gba n'ama. Mgbe qbxla Ijele pxtara n'qda wee gawa n'obodo ma q bx n'obom ihe nkiri niile na-akwxs[. Nd[niile na-agba egwu n'ama obodo ma nwoke ma nwaany[na-abxkwa nd[na-ekiri. Naan[ihe a ga-anx kwa bx [gba Ijele na egwu ma q bx abx a na-etiri ya. Nd[mmadx na-anq okirikiri n'ama ebe nd[qzq ga-arigo elu osisi ka ha wee nwe ike [hxta mmqnwx Ijele nke qma. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na q bx n'xtxtx ka Ijele ga-agba n'ama izizi ji apxta. Q s[na q bx n'ihe d[ka elekere asaa na elekere asatq n'xtxtx ka Ijele ji apxta n'qda. Tutu mmqnwx Ijele esi n'qda pxta, a na-eme ka xzq ebe q ga-esi pxta buo ibu, site na imebi akxkx qda ahx. Ijele si n'qda na-pxta nne, nna na odo ya, nd[obodo na-agba egbe ma q bx mkpqnala e ji etipxta ya. Udeoba (2015) s[na 'mpxta mmqnwx a na-akpq "qpxpx ife" bx iti [gba, [gbu qja na [gba egwu Ijele ji esi n'qda apxta izizi.'

Ibeh (2015) s[na tutu Ijele apxq na mmqnwx a na-akpq 'Nwanzacha' na-azacha ebe niile q ga-esi wee gaa maka

at[t[emetu mmqnwx Ijele n'ahx. Ijele pxta a na etiri ha egwu Ijele ha na-agba egwu na-aga n'obodo. Mmqnwx Ijele na-aga onye na-ebu akxpe ya eburu akxpe ahx nqdx n'ihu ya na- agbasi xzq q ga-esi wee gaa. N'etimxmmqnwx Ijele, obuakxpe ya na-arx qrx pxrx iche n'ihi na mgbe q bxla obuakxpe anqgh[nso n'ebe Ijele nq ihe q pxtara bx na nsogbu ad[la. Ka mmqnwx Ijele na-agba egwu o ji eme ebube onye na-akpq abx na-anqkwa ya nsq na-abx abx na-eme ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele bxrx ihe qṅx. Nne, nna na odo mmqnwx Ijele na-agba egwu n'xd[nke ha. Qrx odo n'ubqch[mmqnwx Ijele na-agba na-apxta ihe n'qrx nchekwa, n'ihi na q bx ha na-eme ka nd[mmadx pxq n'xzq ebe Ijele ga-esi wee gafee.

(A) **Ezinaxlq Mmqnwx Ijele**

Mmqnwx Ijele na-enwe ezinaxlq gxnyere: Ijele, nne, nna na odo ma q bx polisi abxq. Mmqnwx anq a bxcha qrx nka pxrx iche n'xd[d[ha. Oguguo (2007:41) zipxtara echiche banyere ezinaxlq mgbe q s[na ezinaxlq nwere mmxq [d[n'otu na nkwudosike na-esi n'echiche nd[bikqrq qnx n'q]x. n'otu aka ahx ka Anyanwx na nd[otu ya (1981:144) ji kwuo na eriri ji nd[nwere otu ezinaxlq siri ike nke ukwuu mere na a na-enwe [d[notu n'etiti ha. Ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele a na-ekwu okwu ya n'ebe a abxgh[ihe banyere mmqnwx ya na Ijele nwere otu xd[, d[ka mmqnwx a na-akpq Akwxnaechenyi kama na q bx ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele si na ya pxta nke nd[mejupxtara ya bx mmqnwx ise nd[a, nne Ijele, nna Ijele, mmqnwx Ijele n'onwe ya na odo Ijele abxq.

(i) **Mmqnwx Ijele**

Mmqnwx Ijele kacha mmqnwx niile a na-eti n'ala Igbo ji xkwx abxq aga ije. Ijele mara mma ma buru nnkwu

ebube n’etiti mmqnwx niile nd[Igbo na-eti. Q bx ebube, mma na ibu mmqnwx Ijele buru mere e ji akpq ya eze mmqnwx. Ijele bx mmqnwx were qkwa d[elu n’ala Igbo na kwa n’ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele mere na q bx ya ka e ji akqwa mmqnwx nd[qzq mejupxtara ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele. Q bx mmqnwx a na-akwanyere nnukwu ugwu na nsqpxrx. (A ga-ahx ihe banyere mmqnwx Ijele n’isi nke abxq edemede nchqcha a ebe e mere ntuleghar[agxmagx nakwa mgbakwunye h1-h4)

(ii) **Nne Mmqnwx Ijele**

Nne mmqnwx Ijele bx otu n’ime mmqnwx ise d[n’ezinaxlq Ijele. Q bx mmqnwx pxrx iche n’ime mmqnwx niile d[n’ezinaxlq a, n’ihi na q na-ezipxta akparamagwa nne nwaany[. A na-amata nne mmqnwx Ijele site n’akparamagwa ya na ejiji ya. Iloegbunam (2015) s[‘nne Ijele na-ad[ka nwany[na-eme omenala kere ekike nd[chiri [yqm’. Nne mmqnwx Ijele na-abx mmqnwx mma ya na-apx iche site n’etu onye qrxnka txrx ya si wee tuq ya. Nne Ijele na-ejikere d[ka nne nwaany[a lxrx na obi nd[nwere akxnaxba, nke a mere na mma ahx ya na ejiji ya na-apx iche. Nne Ijele na-ad[ka nwany[chiri {yqm, n’ihi na q na-agba qdx n’aka na n’xkwx ma nyara aka n’olu. Q na-ama nnukwu mma ka nwaany[ma jiri qdxdx any[nya n’aka nke o ji na-agba egwu qja na egwu d[nro. (A ga-ahx esereese nne mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye gw1)

(iii) **Nna Mmqnwx Ijele**

Nna mmqnwx Ijele n’aka nke ya bx otu n’ime mmqnwx mejupxtara ezinaxlq a. A na-amata ya site n’okpu mmemme na abxba ugo e tubere ya. Q na-ebu qdx enyi-okike ma jide akxpe nd[nze n’aka. Q na-anya aka n’olu ya ma yiri akwa dara oke qnx ah[a nke na-ezipxta na q bx onye chiri qzq. Nna mmqnwx Ijele a

na-akpq “Onuku” na-enwe nnukwu ihu ma jiri ejiji nd[ichie ma q bx nd[qzq. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na nna mmqnwx Ijele na-ad[ka onye chiri qzq n’ala Igbo. Q s[na q na-agba egwu [gba mmqnwx Ijele ahx n’xzq na-eziputa ebube nd[ch[r[qzq n’ala Igbo. Q bx ya na nne mmqnwx Ijele na-aga aka n’aka mgbe q bxla mmqnwx na-agba. (A ga-ahx esereese nne mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye gw 2)

(iv) **Odo Mmqnwx Ijele**

Odo ma q bx polisi mmqnwx Ijele bx mmqnwx mejupxtara ezinaxlq Ijele na-eme ka qhanaeze mara na Ijele na-akwado [gba. Q na-arx qrx d[ka nd[uweojii nyere mmqnwx Ijele ma na agba kwa ama oge q ga-agba. Polisi mmqnwx Ijele na-eme ka nd[mmadx ghara [b[a Ijele, nne na nna ya nso. Odo na-enye aka achxpx nd[mmadx nq n’ebe Ijele ga-esi gafee. Ha bx mmqnwx mbx a na-ahx mgbe q bxla obodo chqrq iti mmqnwx Ijele. (A ga-ahx esereese Odo mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye gh 2)

4.13 Oriri Etimxmqnwx Ijele

Obodo q bxla tiri mmqnwx Ijele gbara nke qma na-eri oriri ya d[ka otu n’ime emume obodo na-eti Ijele na-eme. Oriri a na-ab[a ma mmqnwx Ijele gbachaa, q kachas[mgbe Ijele gbara na-enweghi nsogbu qbxla. Oriri a bx nke ha ji egosipxta qṅx nd[obodo nwere na mmqnwx Ijele ha gbara nke qma. N’qnqdu d[etu a nd[obodo tiri mmqnwx ahx na-eri oriri q]x ya n’xzq pxrx iche. Q bx n’echiche a ka Mvula (1990:92) s[na ‘[gba egwu, ikx aka, [gx egwu, [gbaliaja elu na emereeme jikqtara aka qnx wee ruo n’ebe kacha elu n’emume ahx’. Oriri na mmqnwx Ijele gbara nke qma na-ad[ka oriri nd[nwetara mmeri n’agha ma q bx obodo nnukwu ihe qma mere na ndx ha. Oriri a d[xzq abxq pxtara ihe. Oriri obodo na-eri na oriri nd[mmadx d[iche

iche na-eri n'ezinaxlq ha d[iche iche maka na etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwetara ha qṅx.

A b[a n'oriri qhaobodo, ha na-eji ehi na ewu eri oriri ahx, ma were ya na-eleta nd[qb[a b[ara maka mmpxta mmqnwx Ijele ahx. Nd[qb[a na-ab[a n'oriri ahx gxnyere nd[enyi ha, nd[qgq ha na nd[ikwunne na ibe ha. A ga-ele nd[ahx qb[a n'xzq pxrx iche n'ihi obi qma ha na nkwado ha mgbe ha na-akwado nkwado etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na q bx chi ga-efopxta xbqch[mmqnwx Ijele ga-apxta ka e ji akwado qnqdx ebe nd[mmadx d[iche iche, nd[enyi na xmxada si n'obodo d[iche iche ga-anq. Q s[na q bx ebe ahx a kwadoro qnqdx ka nd[mmadx a ga-anq wee rie oriri ma mmqnwx Ijele gbachaa. Ihe kacha apxta ihe n'oriri obodo na-eri n'etimxmmqnwx ha, bx na q bx ohere ahx ka e ji enye nd[obodo onyinye banyere mmqnwx Ijele ha ch[kqbara egwu ya. Nd[obodo tiri mmqnwx Ijele na-enweta onyinye d[iche iche n'aka nd[enyi obodo ha, xmxada obodo ha, nd[nwoke na nd[nwany[, nd[na-ab[a egosi nd[obodo mxrx nne ha obi xtq na Ijele ha gbara nke qma. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na q bx n'oriri qpxpx ihe ma q bx etimxmmqnwx Ijele ka nd[mmadx nwere onyinye ha ga-enye nd[obodo ma q bx nd[nwere qrx pxrx iche n'egwu ahx onyinye.

Ezinaxlq d[iche iche na-eri kwa oriri ha ji enwe qṅx etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx, n'ihi na e kechaa n'ama e kee na mkpuke. N'oriri nke nd[mmadx nq n'obodo ahx na-eri n'ezinaxlq ha d[iche iche, ha na-agba mbq hx na ha ji anx xlq d[ka ewu na qkxkq wee sie oriri ahx. Ka q silad[, q bxgh[onye qbxla nwere ike igbu qkxkq ma ya fqdxzie igbu ewu, n'ihi na aka onye qbxla nq n'obodo ahagh[. Oriri ahx na-ekpo kwa qkx n'ezinaxlq mmadx anq qrx ha pxrx iche n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx. Mmadx anq nd[a gxnyere mmadx abxq buru xzq Ijele na mmadx abxq qzq, chiri nne na nna mmqnwx ahx. Oriri

ahx na-apxta ihe n’ezinaxlq mmadx anq a n’ihi ya q bx qrx d[r[nd[ezinaxlq ha na ha ga-egbu ewu wee sie oriri maka qrx pxrx iche nd[nke ha rxrx n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx.

Nd[qb[a si ebe d[iche iche na-ejupxta n’ezinaxlq mmadx anq a maka na ibu xzq ma q bx ichi nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele abxgh[obere ihe. Nwany[e chiri nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele na-eri oriri ya n’xzq pxrx iche n’ihi na ka obodo na-eri oriri etimxmmqnwx Ijele, nd[chiri nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele a na-eri nke ha. N’oriri a, ha na-enwe nd[qb[a gxnyere, nd[enyi, na ikwu na ibe n’xlq ha n’ihi na q nagh[abx obere oriri na qṅxṅx. Onye chiri nne na mmqnwx Ijle ga-eji ewu wee sie oriri maka na e buliri ha n’qkwa ichi nne na mmqnwx Ijele. Qtxtx mmadx na-ab[a egosi ha obi xtq maka na Ijele ha so wee tie gbara nke qma, ma na-enye ha onyinye d[iche iche d[ka mmekqr[ta ha si wee di.

N’aka nke qzq obodo mmqnwx Ijele ha dara ada ma q bx mee ihe ihere anagh[eji qṅx eri oriri ya. Mgbe qbxla mmqnwx Ijele nwere qdach[n’ama ka na-agba obi na-ajx nd[obodo tiri ya oyi. Qtxtx mgbe ha na-ewere ya ka nnukwu ihe qghqm mere obodo ahx. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na ‘etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere ike ibutere mmadx qbara mgbali elu mgbe q na-achq imetara nd[nwe ya ihe ihere’. Nd[mmadx si obodo qzq b[a na-amalite [la n’obodo ha d[iche iche, n’ihi na o nweghi onye ga-achq ka a mara na o so wee tie mmqnwx Ijele dara ada ma q bx nke mmiri ozuzo ma q bx ikuku kwaturu. Qnqdx d[etu a ga-eme ka ahx jxq mmadx niile n’obodo ahx nnukwu oyi. Mgbe xfqdx ihere agagh[ekwe nd[na-et[[gba Ijele a eti ya si n’ama lqghachi n’ebe qda ha d[. Onwegodu nd[na-eri oriri etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx n’obi ike ha q bx ka ihe oriri ahx ghara imebi maka na q bxrx na ha erighi ihe oriri nd[ahx o mebie. Q bx n’qnqdx d[etu a ka e ji ekwu n’okwu as[na ‘nd[

mmqnwx ha dara ada mara na q dara, na [ch[wa ha qch[ma q bx [kwawa ha emu bx ka a mara ma a ga-alxrx ya qgx.’

(a) **Egwu Oriri Mmqnwx Ijele**

Egwu a na-eti n’oriri etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx [gba Ijele kacha ha niile, n’ihi na egwu nd[qzq bx aka ka e ji enyere ya. Maka na q bx egwu na-amas[nd[obodo, ka ha na-eti n’oriri etimxmmqnwx Ijele ahx iji mee ka oriri na-ekpo qkx. Q bx echiche a ka Nwachukwu (2003:164) s[na ihe banyere egwu d[nnxkwu mkpa n’ebe nd[Igbo nq ma egwu a gxrx n’qnx ma q bx nke e tiri n’[gba. N’otu aka ahx ka Blacking (1971:86)ji kwuo na egwu abxgh[naan[usoro mmepxta xda kama na q bx qd[mara na-egosipxta mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya, a haziri n’qd[nala ka o wee zipxta ihe nd[ahx ha ji kpqrq ihe n’oge gara aga n’usoro obibi ndx ha n’oge ugbu a. Egwu a na-eti n’ama obodo ma q bx nke a na-eti n’ezinaxlq d[iche iche, e nweghi onye n’ime nd[na-eti egwu ahx a na-akwx xgwq. Maka na nd[na-eti egwu n’oriri ahx ji ya d[ka onyinye ha na-enye obodo ha ma q bx nd[enyi ha banyere etimxmmqnwx ahx. Qmxmaatx egwu a na-agx n’oriri mmqnwx Ijele bx nd[a.

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Ijele akal[sigo oo
Ijele bx enyi oo
Ijele akal[si go oo. (Edozie, 2015)

(ii) Idiganga
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma.
Onye Awxsa nq n’elu Ijele

Na-asx Awxsa.
Idiganga
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma.
Nwata akwq nq n’enu Ijele
Na-ede akwxkwq.
Idiganga
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma.
Nd[atala nq n’enu Ijele
Q na-adachanyakwa?.
Mgbe nine ka any[
Gbal[va nk[t[
Ekwe ngeregwu m
Qchaligbo baa.
Ogbodu chakwaa n’xzq
Maka mmanwx any[
Azqgbue mmadx.
Onye o gbulu o naa n’iyi
Any[gwal[va agwa
An[va akave.
Ofeke chakwaa n’xzq
Maka Ijele azqjie g[qkpa
Onye o gbulu q naa n’iyi.
Mgbe nine ka any[
Gbal[va nk[t[
Ekwe ngeregwu m
Qchaligbo baa. (Udeqba, 2015)

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Akwalq nwa Ogolo
Qra ejego ije
Amal[aka nweli ive.
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Polu Qfqzq
Qra ejego ije
Amal[aka nweli ive.
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Ololooo
Nnaluo Nnekwe

Qra ejego ije
Amal[aka nweli ive.
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Igwuoba Okonkwq
Qra ejego ije
Amal[aka nweli
ive.(Chibxqgwx, 2015)

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(Xwanze, 2015)

(v) {ya agba egwu ee?
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Nkeli nwa nkeli
{ya agba egwu ee?

Ajaya mma.
Idiganga
Okwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma.
Qra amaligo na Ijele
Kas[mmanwx.
(Qnwxjekwe, 2015)

4.14 Ndiiche D[n’Etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’Oge Gboo na n’Oge Ugbu a

E nwere qtxtx nd[iche ma q bx mgbanwe n’ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’oge gboo na n’oge ugbu a. Nd[iche na mgbanwe nd[a si n’qtxtx ihe banyere usoro obibi ndx nd[Igbo n’oge gboo na n’oge ugbu a. E kewara etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’edemede nchqcha a xzq abxq; etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’oge gboo na n’oge ugbu a. N’edemede a, mmqnwx Ijele nd[a kpqrq nke oge gboo, gxnyere Ijele e tiri n’ala Igbo tutu a lxq agha obodo Na[jir[a. Ya bx malite mgbe nd[Igbo malitere obibi ndx d[ka agbxrx wee ruo oge a lxrx agha Na[jir[a na B[afra. N’aka nke qzq, q bx kwaz[mmqnwx Ijele nd[e tiri n’ala Igbo oge a lxchara agha obodo Na[jir[a wee ruo taa ka a gxnyere na mmqnwx Ijele nke oge ugbu a.

(a) Ijele D[Ka Mmqnwx n’Oge Gboo

N’oge gboo obodo ga-eti mmqnwx Ijele na-ata nnukwu ahxhx tutu Ijele ha agbaa, n’ihi oke ihe isi ike d[n’usoro achxmnta akxnaxba d[n’ala Igbo oge ahx. Q bx n’ihi qnqdx a ka xmx nwoke niile nq n’obodo na nd[niile d[ime ji atx xtx etimxmmqnwx Ijele, ma gaa n’ihu na-achq enyemaka xmx ha nd[nwaany[lxrx di n’obodo qzq, xmxada ha, nd[nwoke na nd[enyi ha. Q bx kwa n’ihi ajq qnqdx akxnaxba d[n’oge gboo mere na a na-eme nkwado etim Ijele ihe kariri otu afq. N’oge gboo obodo na-enwe mmqnwx Ijele, q bx onye nwere ike ibu ya ka obodo na-enye ka o buo ya. Mmqnwx

Ijele a na-eti n’oge gboo na ebu ibu ma maa mma nke ukwuu, n’agbanyeghi na nd[Igbo n’oge ahx na-ata nnukwu ahxhx banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Obadiegwu (2015) s[na q bx akwxkwq joko ka e ji agwq ajx Ijele n’oge gboo. Q bx onye na-arx Ijele rxchaa o were akwxkwq joko gwqq ajx. E ji qgwx eti mmqnwx Ijele n’oge gboo. Q bx ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele ka qgwu bx “Qrabulu” na “Ibuany[danda” pxtara ihe. A na-eme kwa qtxtx emume qd[nala ka Ijele wee gbaa nke qma.

Mmqnwx Ijele na-eju eju ma maa mma n’oge gboo n’ihi ogologo nkwado a na- eme tutu q pxta n’ama obodo. N’aka nke qzq, q bx n’oge gboo ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta ntqaja e ji mara nd[Igbo n’ozuzu oke. Jegede (2005:354) zipxtara na ejije Yoruba gxnyere ntqaja d[ka nd[na-aba n’otu na imepe ogbe, [sxpx ichafuisi ha, [tx mmanya, ekele, [gq qj[na iji mkpqku bxq abx otito. N’oge gboo q bx ihe siri ike [hx mmqnwx Ijele n’obodo qtxtx mgbe n’afq n’ihi nkwado a na-eme maka etim Ijele buru ibu. Q bx nke a mere na mmqnwx Ijele nwere ike [gba otu ugboro n’qtxtx afq, maka na mgbe qbxla a ga-eti ya a ga-ebido kwa n’isi mxwa egwu ya qzq ma gbasoo usoro niile a na-eme n’ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q bx nke a mere na a nagh[ahx qtxtx mgbe n’oge gboo, o wee nye aka mee ka mmqnwx Ijele nwe ugwu na nsqpxrx.

(b) **Ijele D[Ka Mmqnwx n’Oge Ugbu a**

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele ad[gh[kwa ike etu q d[n’oge gboo n’oge ugbu a, n’ihi na qtxtx mmadx n’obodo enweela ezi amxma achxmnta akxnaxba, mere ka nd[obodo ghara kwa [ta nnukwu ahxhx n’ihi na ha na-eti mmqnwx Ijele. Mmadx ole na ole n’ime nd[a mara aha ha n’obodo ezuola inye nd[obodo ha ego ga-ezu ihe niile a na-

eme banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele n'oge ugbu a. Qtxtx ihe si n'usoro obibi ndx qgbara qhxx mere na q bxgh[kwa mmadx niile nq n'obodo mgbe mmqnwx Ijele na-agba na-enwe ohere apxta ikiri ya. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na n'oge ugbu a q bx n'oge oriri ekeresimesi ka nd[mmadx ji eme emume etim Ijele n'ihi mmetxta ahx nd[uka qgbara qhxx n'oriri Ekeresimesi ha. Ajq qnqdx a mere na e nweghi qtxtx nd[mmadx na-enwe mmas[n'ikiri mmqnwx Ijele. Nke a nwere ike ime ka nd[qrxnka kwxs[[rx awxrx Ijele nke e si na ya ezipxta nkamma a na-ahx n'Ijele. Nke a ga-eme ka nd[nkiri ghara [hx mmqnwx Ijele ka ihe ha ga-atxnye ohere ha.

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx ihe onye qrxnka, na nd[mmadx ji akpa ego, mere na qtxtx mmqnwx ha na Ijele so agba anagh[kwa apxta n'oge ugbu a. Mmqnwx nd[ahx ha na Ijele so agba n'oge gboo a nagh[kwa ahx n'oge ugbu a, gxnyere nne, nna na odo ma q bx polisi mmqnwx Ijele. Iji mmqnwx Ijele d[ka amxma achxmnta ego mere ka nd[mmadx n'oge ugbu a were etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-akpa ego n'agbanyeghi na q bx mmqnwx nd[Igbo na-akwanyere ugwu ma na-ekiri ya mgbe qbxla q na-agba. Nwando (2015) zipxtara echiche a wee kwuo na 'nd[Qn[cha na-eti mmqnwx Ijele n'ihi na ka q d[ugbu a otu d[iche iche na-enwe Ijele nke ha'. Q bx echiche a ka Nzekwu (1981:134-5) ji kwuo na q bx nd[Igbo malitere etimxmmqnwx na [gba egwu qd[nala d[ka ihe ngosi n' emume pxrx iche nd[uka Krisiti na-eme n'ala Na[jir[a. Nwas[na ibobo e ji mara mmqnwx Ijele oge gboo n'ala Igbo ad[gh[kwa'oge ugbu a. N'otu aka ahx ebube mmqnwx Ijele si n'etu o si ebu ibu ma maa mma ad[gh[kwa n'oge ugbu a, maka na mmqnwx Ijele anagh[kwa eju eju.

4.15 Nd[iche D[n’Ezinaxlq Mmqnwx Ijele n’Qtxtx Obodo n’Ala Igbo

Mmqnwx Ijele bx otu ma na-akpa kwa otu xd[agwa, ma na emume a na-emere ya d[iche iche si n’otu obodo ruo obodo qzq n’ala Igbo. N’otu aka ahx ka usoro ngosipxta ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele si d[kwa iche n’qtxtx obodo. Nd[iche a na-ahx n’usoro etimxmmqnwx Ijele a si na mmas[obodo nwere n’qd[nala ha, mere na mmqnwx mejupxtara ezinaxlq Ijele abxgh[otu n’ala Igbo. A b[a na mpaghara Qmabala Ijele si gbasaa n’ala Igbo, ezinaxlq Ijele na-ad[ise gxnyere; nne, nna, odo abxq na mmqnwx Ijele. N’etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’Xmxeri oge gboo “Nwanzacha” na “Qs[as[r[” so na mmqnwx mejupxtara ezinaxlq Ijele. Obodo d[n’Ayamelum na-enwe “Onye Qcha Ijele” d[ka otu n’ime mmqnwx so n’ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele. Mana xfqdx obodo na mpaghara ala Igbo nd[qzq na-enwe odo ma q bx polisi Ijele isii.

Ebe e nwere nnukwu nd[iche n’ezinaxlq Ijele bx n’Xmxlqkpa d[n’Enugwu Steeti. Maka na mmqnwx ha na Ijele so agba n’Xmxlqkpa n’otu oge bara xba. Nd[iche a na-ahx n’ etimxmmqnwx Ijele site n’obodo ruo n’obodo gbadoro xkwx n’xzq ha si egosipxta mmas[ha nwere n’qd[nala ha. Q bx n’ihi mmas[a mere na ha na-agbakwunye qd[nala nd[a n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele ha, ke e wee si n’xzq d[etu a mee ka omenala na qrxnka e ji mara ha na-apxta ihe. Echiche a pxtara ihe n’okwu Amankulor (1990: 22) s[na q d[mkpa na e mere ka qrxnka ala any[txsaa aka n’isiokwu, xd[d[na agwa ya ka o wee nabata ihe na-eme n’oge ugbu a.

4. 16 Ejije Mmqnwx Ijele

N’ebe a, a ga-eleba anya n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele, d[ka ejije mmqnwx pxtara ihe na njije na ntqaja. Q bx site

n'ejije mmqnwx Ijele a ka e si na ya ezipxta nkamma keanya, kent[na keqnx. Nkamma atq a mjupxtara ejije mmqnwx Ijele nke nwere emume anq gxnyere Emume Odo, Emume Ntqaja Mmqnwx Ijele, Emume Izugbe Mmqnwx Ijele na {jq Mmqnwx Ijele. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere nhazi bx [gba gxnyere mmalite, etiti na mmechi. Ejije mmqnwx Ijele na-amalite n'Emume Odo ruo n'Emume Ntqaja mmqnwx Ijele. Etiti ya na-ebido na mpxta mmqnwx Ijele n'qda ruo n'qda d[n'ama obodo ebe q ga-anq gbaa nke mbx, nke abxq na nke atq. Mmechi etimxmmqnwx Ijele a na-amalite n'{jq, mgbe Mmqnwx Ijele gbachara nke atq, wee na-alqghachi n'qda ebe o si wee pxta. D[ka ejije qd[nala Igbo nd[qzq, etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere oge, qnqdx na ebe a na-eme ya. O nwekwara qtxtx njirimara ejije qzq ga.

(A) **Nzipxta Ejije Etimxmmqnwx Ijele**

E nwere ike ileba etimxmmqnwx Ijele anya site n'xzq ejije abxq gxnyere Ejije Mkpaobiqma na Ejije Qdachi. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta ejije mkpaobiqma, mgbe mmqnwx Ijele gbara nke qma n'ihu qhanaeze na nd[nkiri. N'qnqdx d[etu a etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx ejije na-akpa obi qma n'ihi na qhanaeze na nd[nkiri na-enwere qṅx wee na-ala makana malite na mbido etimxmmqnwx Ijele ruo na njedebe ya jupxtara n'ihe d[iche iche na-akpa nd[mmadx obixtq d[ka egwu d[iche iche mmqnwx Ijele na nd[mmadx na-agx ma na-agbakwa. N'aka nke qzq, etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta ejije qdachi, oge otu n'ime ihe na-echere mmqnwx Ijele aka mgba d[ka nd[ns[na aja, nd[mmxq qjqq, nd[amosu, ji ikuku ma q bx mmiri ozuzo wee mee ka mmqnwx Ijele daa ada n'ihu qhanaeze. Qhaobodo na nd[nkiri na-eji obimwute esi n'ama ebe mmqnwx Ijele na-agba wee na-ala. Mmqnwx Ijele [da ada bx nnukwu ihe mwute nyere

obodo ahx. Mgbe qnqdx d[etu a dapxtara n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele, q na-ezipxta ejije qdachi.

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta ejije n’xzq pxrx iche n’ihi na o nwere qtxtx emume mejupxtara ya, a na-egosi qhanaeze na-apxta ihe n’xd[njije ihe na-eme n’xwa a na n’xwa a nagh[ahx anya. Q na-ezipxta ntqaja e si na ha eme ka nd[mmadx mata xd[ndx nd[Igbo biri n’oge gara aga na n’oge ugbu a iji kpaa nd[mmadx obi xtq. Nwanaju (2008:96) s[na ejije bx ntqaja na-eme ka ihe mezue n’xzq zuru oke. Richard (1998:10) zipxtara na ejije bx xzq e si eji ahx ezipxta akxkq ala n’usoro [gba egwu, [gx egwu na iti [gba si n’aka fere aka ma site n’qgbq ruo n’ogbo qzq. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere njirimara ejije d[ka nṅomi ma q bx njije, ntqaja, agwa, nhazi, emereeme, mkpar[taxka, ar[a, egwu, nd[nkiri na obom q bx ha na-eme ka etim mmqnwx Ijele d[ebube. Q bx n’echiche a ka Nwadike (2003:59) s[na ejije mmqnwx bx nch[kqta ihe niile a na-eme na mmqnwx d[ka [ma mbem, [gx na [gba egwu, [kpq xgba, mkpar[taxka, [chxghar[nd[mmadx na ime ihe itxnanya xfqdx. Q s[na otu onye ma q bx kar[a nwere ike yiri awxrx ma q bx gbara ahx efu pxta n’qgbq bido igosi nd[nkiri emume mmqnwx. Ikeokwu na Onyejekwe (2004:32) kwuo na ejije mmqnwx bx ejije qd[nala nwere qtxtx ihe pxrx iche nwere nṅomi ma d[kwa uchu n’uju n’ihe qbxla banyere ya. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na q bx nke a mere e ji ekwu na mmqnwx bx naan[ejije qd[naala Igbo nwere emereeme n’uju ma nwekwa mmebere ejije zuru oke.

Ugonna (1983:38) zipxtara na ejije n’emume nd[Afr[ka bx nke a ga-ahx n’usoro qd[nala n’ihi na o nwere xd[nhazi na obom nke ya. Q bx n’echiche d[etu a ka Iloegbunam (2015) ji kwuo na ‘etim mmqnwx Ijele bx

ihe nkiri e nwere ike ime ka q puta ihe n’xd[ejije nke a ga-esi na ya kpata ego ma e see ya n’onyonyo’. Obuh (1992:138) zipxtara na ejije na-emetxta mmadx n’ahx kar[a xzq qzq e s[ezipxta ihe nka maka na o ji obere oge egosi qtxtx ihe a ga-ewere d[ka eziokwu. Coleridge (1974) s[na ‘ejije pxtara ihe nke ukwuu n’ihi na q bx ebe nd[mmadx na-agbakq ka e wee kpaa ha qch[ma mee ka ha nwe obi xtq site n’ihe ngosi nyere qhanaeze n’otu ebe na n’otu xd[na n’otu oge.’ Schenb (2007:92) kwuo na ejije bx ihe ngosi na-eziputa onyinyo ya n’uju ma mee ka nd[nkiri na-ahx ntqala oge gara aga, nke oge ugbu a ma na-enye aka n’[gbazi ndx a na-ebi n’oge ugbu a. (A ga-ahx usoro nzipxta ejije mmqnwx Ijele, agwa na-emepxta ejije mmqnwx Ijele, aww e ji eme ejije mmqnwx Ijele na ejije mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye b1)

4.17 Emume Odo

A b[a n’ihe banyere ejije mmqnwx Ijele, q bx odo bx ihe nkiri mbx qhanaeze na-ekiri. Odo na-ejije agwa nd[qrx nchekwe ndx na akxnaxba- nd[uweojii na nd[qrx mgbasaozi site n’usoro o si eje n’obodo d[iche iche na-ezisa ozi banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Ha na-ejije nd[uweojii ma q bx nd[qrx nchekwe, n’usoro ng[gara ije ha mgbe ha na-aga ije ngara a kpqrq *parade* n’Asxsx Bekee. Ha na-eme nke a, ka nd[mmadx, na ekiri ha ma na-egosi ha obi aṅxr[ha nwere site [kxrx ha aka. N’otu aka ahx kwa odo amagh[aga ije ngara a nke qma na-eme ka ahx jxq nd[nkiri oyi. Adedeji (1971:14) s[na ‘nd[nkiri na mba Afr[ka anagh[achq ka ha nqrq nk[t[n’ihi na emume qd[nala ha na-eme ka ha sonyesie ike n’amxma mmepxta ejije’. Mmekqr[ta d[n’etiti odo na nd[nkiri anagh[eme ka q ghara [chx ha qsq ugboro ugboro ma nwere mgboro ma q bx osisi ha na-eji n’aka na-atx ha.

Awugosi (2009) zipxtara nke a wee kwuo na qgbq niile na-enwe mmas[n'ebe mmqnwx nq, maka na o nwere nkamma d[na mmqnwx mere na nd[agbq qhxx nabatara ya ka ihe na-eme ha obi xtq. Q s[na mmqnwx na-eme ka nd[mmadx na-enwe qṅx site njije, [gba egwu na egwu qgxgx d[n'etimxmmqnwx. Isichie (1976):113) kwadoro echiche a mgbe o kwuru na etim mmqnwx bxz[kwa ihe e ji akpa nd[mmadx obi xtq. Odo d[ka otu n'ime ihe nkiri mejupxtara ejije mmqnwx Ijele, nwere usoro e si ezipxta ya. Usoro nziputa ihe nkiri odo pxtara ihe na njije ndx nd[uweojii na-echetara qhanaeze qrx nd[uweojii nyere qhaobodo. Q bx nke a mere na ihe nkiri odo na-abx site na mmeghar[ahx na igosipxta onyinyo ga-eme ka nd[mmadx mata ihe ha na-ezipxta.

Adeoti na Elegbeleye (2005:319) s[na "Ejije na-eṅomi ndx." Emume odo n'ejije mmqnwx Ijele nwere ar[a pxtara ihe e jiri mara ya. Otu n'ime ar[a e jiri mara odo bx mgboro ma q bx osisi ahx ha na-eji n'aka. Umar-Buratai (2002:111) s[na ejije gbadoro xkwx n'ihe banyere etu nd[na-eme ya na nd[nkiri ga-esi mata akara e ji eme ejije ahx. Q bx osisi odo na-eji n'aka ha ji achxpx nd[mmadx ma q bx nd[nkiri mgbe ha b[ara ha nso, ma q bx oge ha b[ara mmqnwx Ijele nso n'ejije izugbe ezinaxlq Ijele bx ar[a na akara nd[nkiri ji mara ha d[ka nd[qrx nchekwe. Emereeme pxtara ihe n'emume odo d[xzq mmeghar[ahx abxq o si na ya ejije etu nd[uweojii si aga ije ngara na [gba qsq. Aniakq (2002:319) s[na echiche banyere ihe ngosi ma q bx ejije mmqnwx gbadoro xkwx na nkwenye na etimxmmqnwx bx xzq e s[ezipxta nka [gba egwu, iti ngwa egwu na [gx egwu, ntqaja n'xdi ya d[iche iche n'xzq pxrx iche n'ala Igbo. {gba qsq odo d[xzq abxq; qsq ha ji achx nd[mmadx ma q bx nd[nkiri mgbe ha

b[ara ha nso na qsq ha na-agba ka ije wee d[r[ha mfe.

(a) **Egwu Odo**

Odo nwere egwu d[iche iche pxtara ihe n’emume ya na-ezipxta nkamma keqnx. Forchu (2009:105) s[na egwu qd[nala d[nnukwu mkpa n’ime ka omenala obodo guzosie ike. Q s[na a gagh[ewepu egwu n’emume xbqch[nd[Afr[ka malite mgbe a mxrx mmadx ruo n’qnwx ya. Agx (2007:16) kwuo na egwu bx otu ihe pxtara ihe ma sie ike n’amxma [chqpxta ihe pxrx iche n’qd[nala na njirimara nd[. Ani (2011:29) zipxtara na egwu si n’xda d[iche iche na xdandakqr[ta d[iche iche na-arx qrx n’oge gboo e j[akpa mmadx obi xtq. Odee a gara n’ihu kwuo na egwu nwere qnqdx pxrx iche na ndx onye Hibru. Emume odo nwere ngwa egwu e ji egosipxta ya gxnyere; ogene, qja Bekee a na-akpq *whistle* na qja Igbo abxq. Q bx ngwa egwu nd[a na-agbazi ihe odo na-aga n’ije ma q bx ihe q na-agba n’qsq. Qmxmaatx egwu a na-agxrx Odo bx nd[a.

(i) Onye teeli odo
Etego Ijele ooo.
Qy[m
Na mmanwx
Ad[rq iche n’iche eee.
Mgbomgbo ooo
Aha aaa.
Mgbomgbo ooo
Aha aaa.
Qsq ndunege
Ajq mmqnwx
Al[wqqq
Mme mmem.
Emma nwa Onyeaka
Egwu m b[al[.
Xjq etigo dike eee
Mgbomgbo ooo
Aha aaa.

Mgbomgbo ooo
Aha aaa.
Qsq ndunege
Ajq mmqnwx
Al[wqqq
Mme mmem.
Nna g[
O develi g[
Isi kankamo ooo?
Nna g[
O develi g[
Amx ezi eee?
Mgbomgbo ooo
Aha aaa.
Qsq ndunege
Ajq mmqnwx
Al[wqqq
Mme mmem. (Udealq, 2015)

(ii) Ije odo
Ije odo
Nd[nweli ego
Nnata mmanwx
Nnata mmanwx
Ad[gq nso o.
Qpxpx mmanwx
Qpxpx mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.
Qra amal[gq
Na Ijele kas[mmanwx.
Ije odo
Ije odo
Nd[nweli ego
Nnata mmanwx
Nnata mmanwx
Ad[gq nso o.
Qpxpx mmanwx
Qpxpx mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.
Qra amal[gq
Na Ijele kas[mmanwx. (Iloegbunam, 2015)

(iii) {gba ayamma ayamma
{gba ayamma ayamma

Ijele kas[mmanwx
Qpxpu mmanwx
Qpxpu mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.
Nnata mmanwx
Nnata mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.
Qra amal[go na Ijele
Kas[mmanwx.
{gba ayamma ayamma
{gba ayamma ayamma
Ijele kas[mmanwx
Qpxpu mmanwx
Qpxpu mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.
Nnata mmanwx
Nnata mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.
Qra amal[go na Ijele
Kas[mmanwx. (Udeqba, 2015)

(iv) Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Idiganga
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma.
Obele okwu egbugo g[oo
Ajaya mma.
Obele okwu egbugo ve ro
Ajaya mma.
Avxvx Ijele egbugo odo
Ajaya mma.
Idiganga
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma.
Qpxpx mmanwx
Qpxpx mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Idiganga
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma.

Obele okwu egbugo g[oo
Ajaya mma.
Obele okwu egbugo ve ro
Ajaya mma.
Avxvx Ijele egbugo odo
Ajaya mma.
Idiganga
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma.
Qpxpx mmanwx
Qpxpx mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.   (Nwqf[a, 2015)

(b) **Qja Odo**

Q bx qja kacha pxta ihe n'egwu a na-etiri mmqnwx Ijele na odo nke na-egosipxta nkamma kent[. A na-egburu odo xzq qja atq gxnyere qja o ji agba qsq ka ije wee d[r[ya mfe, qja o ji aga ije ngara na nke a na-egbu ma mmqnwx Ijele pxq.

(i) **Qja Odo Ji Agba Qsq**

Mgbe Odo na-agba qsq o were qja a na-egburu ya. Qmxmaatx qja Odo ji agba qsq bx

Tololoo
Tololoo
Tololoo
Nnata mmanwx
Nnata mmanwx
Ad[gq nso o.
Qpxpx mmanwx
Qpxpx mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.
Tololoo
Tololoo
Tololoo
Nnata mmanwx
Nnata mmanwx
Ad[gq nso o.
Qpxpx mmanwx
Qpxpx mmanwx
Ad[go nso o.
Nd[oboro any[

Kwulu Ijele [nq
Ovu ugo
Na ovu odo sxwqta.
Nd[oboro any[
Kwulu Ijele [nq
Ovu ugo
Na ovu odo sxwqta.
Nd[oboro any[
Kwulu Ijele [nq
Ovu ugo
Na ovu odo sxwqta.   (Udeqba, 2015)

(i) **Qja Odo Ji Eje Ije Ngara /Qja Oyibo-*Whistle***
Qmxmaatx qja Odo ji eje ije ngara bx;
P[m
P[m pim
Pim
Pim pim
Piriri pim.
Pim
Pim pim
Pim
Pim pim
Piriri p[m.
Pim
Pim pim
Pim
Pim pim
Piriri p[m.   (Udeqba, 2015)

(i) **Qja A Na-Egburu Odo Na Ijele**
Odo na Ijele na-agba a na-egburu ha qja a.

Emma Nneke
Emma Nneke
Egwu eee.
Emma Nneke
Emma Nneke
Egwu eee.
Obidike.
Obidike d[ka
Ojele egwu vaatakana.
Obidike vaatazxx
Emma
Oke obele okwu
Egbxgo g[ooo.   (Udealq, 2015)

(ch) **Ogene A Na-Etiri Odo**

Ogene bx otu n'ime ngwa egwu a na-etiri Odo d[ka qja, ma bxrxkwa ngwa egwu na-egosipxta nkamma kent[. A na-eti ogene Odo ji aga ije na nke o ji agba qsq.

(i) **Ogene Odo Ji Aga Ije**

Qmxmaatx ogene Odo ji aga ije bx nke a na-eti n'xzq a;

Gom
Gom gom
Gom
Gom gom
Gom
Gom gom
Gom
Gom gom
Gom
Gom gom
Gom
Gom gom.

(ii) **Ogene Odo Ji a Agba Qsq**

Qmxmaatx ogene Odo ji agba qsq bx nke a
Gogo
Ngogogo
Gogo
Ngogogo
Gogo
Ngogogo
Gogo
Ngogogo
Gogo
Ngogogo
Gogo
Ngogogo (Qnwxjekwe, 2015)

4.18 Emume Ntqaja Mmqnwx Ijele

Emume ntqaja Ijele bx otu n'ime emume d[qkpx a na-eme n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije qd[nala. N'emume ntqaja a, e si na ya ezipxta ntqaja d[iche iche banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q bx ebe a ka a na-ezipxta

nkwenye d[iche iche d[ka [gba afa Ijele na nd[a ga-agwa tutu mmqnwx Ijele agbaa gxnyere nne na nna Ijele na qkpara na ada obodo ahx. Mmxq d[iche iche na qgwx d[iche iche a ga-edokwe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Ihe nd[a niile na nkiri ha d[iche iche na-ezipxta ntqaja ejije qd[nala n'xzq pxrx iche.

(a) **Mkpqku Nd[ichie**

Qmxmaatx okwu e ji akpqku nd[ichie ka a na-ahx n'xd[abx ntqaja a.

(i)Nna any[Okeke Malive.
Ije mmanwx ka any[
Na-agaa.
Ka any[jee nye n'arxike
Jee nye n'udo.
Any[jesie ilo nata
Any[nweli ewu
B[a kenee g[
Ma nwa any[jeli ije
Nweli arxsi ike nata
N'udo n'qṅx.
Diko ekwene
Ka ivele mee nye. (Iloegbunam, 2015)

(b) **Ndokwe Chi**

Q bx okwu d[etu a ka e si na ya ezipxta abx ntqaja e ji edokwe chi

(i)Chim ekenee m g[
Kenee ive na-emeli g[ive
Kenee ive [na-emeli ive.
An[m ekene ezi na xzq
Kenee enu kenee an[.
An[m akpqku ive d[na mmili
Na-akpqku Ezenwaany[nd[mmili
Na-akpqku Ezenwoke nd[mmili
Na-akpqkx Nne nd[mmili
Na-akpqkx Nna nd[mmili.
Mu mal[mee nabata n[m
Mu amaz[mee nabata n[m.
Qkx a gunyeli nwata n'aka
A na-arxgburie.

bx nwata ka m bx
Na-awx arx n'avq.
Mx nweli aka nli nye unu
Unu nal[m
Mx nweli aka ekpe nye unu
Unu nal[m.
Mal[n[ililo
Ma unu amana nsq.   (Ikem, 2015)

(ch) **Nrekwe Qgwx**

Q bx n'okwu nd[a ka e si na ya ezipxta abx ntqaja mgbe a na-erekwe qgwx e ji eti mmqnwx Ijele.

(i) **Abqokili**
Ekenee m ng[
Keneee ive na-emeli g[ive
Keneee ive [na-emeli ive.
Keneee Olu kenee Igbo
Keneee enu kenee an[.
Mmxq q bxna s[na
Ng[bx Okili emero ive
{ ne eme ma e jee
N'ama agbam egwu.
Ive na-egbu mmxq
B[a gbuo nye.
Mmadx q bxna s[na
{ yarq eme ive [ne eme n'qgbq
Ma any[jee agbam egwu.
Ive na-egbu mmadx
B[a gbuo nye.
Q bx okilikili
Ka a na-agba ukwu ose
A na-al[rq ukwu ose enu.
Akwx chal[n'ikiliko
Chal[nnunu nweli ogologo qnx.
Otuqkpa ana eturo
Qkpa nn[a n'aj[l[ja.
Onye ji akwx nye nchi
Na nchi anal[rq enu.
Ogo egbune m ka a na-agwx n'ava
Ogo mx meli aya egburo m. (Ikem, 2015)

4.19 Emume Izugbe Mmqnwx Ijele

N'etimxmmqnwx Ijele, a na-ezipxta ndx a na-ebi n'ezinaxlq. Mmqnwx ise mejupxtara ezinaxlq Ijele na-egosipxta agwa ha ma na-arx qrx d[r[ha. Nne mmqnwx Ijele nq n'qkwa nne na-anq n'ezinaxlq, nna ya nqdx n'qnqdx nna ma na-arx qrx d[r[ya. Mmqnwx Ijele n'aka nke ya nq kwa ka oke nwa nke ezinaxlq ya na obodo na-asqpxrx ma na-akwanyere ugwu. Iloegbunam (2015) s[ugwu na nsqpxrx nd[Igbo na-enye mmqnwx Ijele kar[r[ya. Q bx nke a mere nd[Igbo ji ekwu n'okwu na-agx n'egwu na 'mmqnwx agagh[aka Ijele aka'.

Mmqnwx qzq qrx ha pxtara ihe nke qma bx odo abxq na-arx qrx nd[njeozi na nd[xwa ojii nyere Ijele. Tutu mmqnwx Ijele eruo [gba n'ama odo na-ebu xzq gaa obodo d[iche iche wee buru akxkq na nd[obodo ha na-akwado iti Ijele na-aga. E ji ekwu okwu as['na ahxhx Ijele egbugo odo'. Odo d[ka nd[uwe ojii n'oge ugbu a na-ar[q nd[mmadx ego, q kachas[xmxnwaany[obodo ahx a na-alx n'obodo d[iche iche. Ego nd[ahx bx ego a ga-agbakwunye n'ego e ji arx awxrx Ijele. Mvula (1990:94) s[na onye [gba a na-eti metxtara n'ahx na-enye onye na-eti [gba ego. N'agbanyeghi na odo na-apxta qtxtx mgbe na-arx qrx d[r[ha n'ime nkwado etim mmqnwx Ijele, ha niile na-eso agba n'ama xbqch[Ijele ga-agba. Q bx xbqch[mmqnwx Ijele na-agba n'ama izizi ka nne na nna ya na-agbakwa. Q bx eziokwu na Ijele na mmqnwx qzq anagh[agbakq n'ama otu oge. Ka o siladi, okwu a emetxtagh[mmqnwx so n'ezinaxlq Ijele d[ka a gxpxtara n'elu ebe a, n'ihi na Ijele d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka na-agba d[ka otu ezinaxlq na-ezipxta otu ihe nkiri.

4.20 {jq Mmqnwx Ijele

{jq bx otu n'ime emume pxtara ihe n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije. Q bx [jq na-eme ka etim mmqnwx Ijele na-

ekpq qkx. N’[jq mmqnwx Ijele nd[mmadx na otu d[iche iche na-eti egwu ha na-qchq mmqnwx Ijele. Nd[nq n’isi [jq mmqnwx Ijele gxnyere qbuxzq Ijele abxq, mmadx abxq nd[chiri nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele. Nd[[gba Ijele na-edu mmadx nd[a na-aga n’obodo niile. Ka ha na-aga onye q bxla a na-eme nke o ji bxrx qkaibe. Otu xmxokorob[a, xmxada, na nd[iyomdi na-ebu egwu nke ha na-ajq [jq ha ji achq mmqnwx Ijele.

E nwere xd[[jq abxq a na-ajq mgbe a na-eti mmqnwx a. Nke mbx bx ijq e ji achq mmqnwx. {jq e ji achq mmqnwx na-eme ka nd[mmadx malite [tx anya mpxta mmqnwx Ijele. Nke abxq bx [jq e ji enwe aṅxr[na mmqnwx Ijele gbara nke qma. N’ime ijq abxq nd[a a na-eti [gba mmqnwx Ijele aga n’obodo na-agx egwu. Ugonna (1983:92) s[na ngwa egwu na-etipxta ihe onye abx na-abx n’abx ma na-enye aka ime ka nd[nkiri na-enwe echiche [tx egwu na mmas[n’ebe mmqnwx nq. {jq e ji enwe aṅxr[na mmqnwx Ijele gbara nke qma na-anabata egwu d[iche iche d[ka egwu otito na egwu ikpe n’ihi na nd[mmqnwx ha gbara nke qma enweghi ihe rxrx ha. Qnqdu d[etu a ha ji ya na-agx egwu ha ji aja onwe ha ike, ma na-agxkwa nke ha ji ekpe nd[obodo qzq ikpe.

(A) **Egwu {jq Mmqnwx Ijele**

E ji egwu amalite [jq mgbe mmqnwx Ijele gbachara. Egwu e ji ajq [jq mmqnwx Ijele na-ewepxta nkamma keqnx na kent[site ihe a na-agx n’egwu na ihe [gba na-eti. Qtxtx mgbe egwu nd[obodo ji enwe aṅxr[ma q bx ajq [jq na mmqnwx ha gbara nke qma na-abx egwu niile na-amas[ha. Ibekwe (2009:66) s[na qtxtx mmadx mara na egwu nwere qkwa d[elu n’ihe niile mmadx na-eme. Nd[obodo na-eti mmqnwx Ijele na nd[enyi ha na-eji obi aṅxr[malite iti egwu. E nwere egwu [jq

xmxnwoke na xmxnwaany[na-anq n'otu n'otu wee na-agx mgbe ha na-ajq [jq. Q bx ihe nd[a niile na-eme ka etim Ijele buru ihe nkiri. Xfqdx egwu e ji ajq [jq mmqnwx Ijele gxnyere

(a) **Egwu {jq Xmxnwoke**
Qmxmaatx egwu [jq xmxnwoke bx;
(i) Qkwx jeli ibe qkwx
Chqq mmanwx.
Qkwx g[qbqlx any[nnu ego?
Chqq mmanwx.
Qkwx jeli ibe qkwx
Chqq mmanwx.
Qkwa g[q na-eli akpx ji?
Chqq mmanwx.
Qkwx g[q na-alx nnuji?
Chqq mmanwx.
Qkwx jeli ibe qkwx
Chqq mmanwx.
Qkwx g[qbqlx any[nnu ego?
Chqq mmanwx.
Qkwx jeli ibe qkwx
Chqq mmanwx.
Qkwa g[q na-eli akpx ji?
Chqq mmanwx.
Qkwx g[q na-alx nnuji?
Chqq mmanwx. (Ibeh, 2015)

(ii) Onye q na-ewo iwo
Nya gava xna oo
Ooooo.
Onye q na-ewo iwo
Nya gava xna oo
Ooooo.
Onye q na-ewo iwo
Nya gava xna oo
Ooooo.
Onye q na-ewo iwo
Nya gava xna oo
Ooooo. (Ibeh 2015)

(iii) Enyi m agana eee
Ikegbune m
{gba mma e buolu xzq oo

Enyi m agana ooo
Oganyala na-abq ego
As[m ng[jide kwe uche ego
Enyi m agana eee.
Maka oganyala
Emekata jeve mbibi ego
Enyi m agana ooo.
Qsx ndende
{gba mma ebuolu xzq oo
Enyi m agana eee.
Ikegbunem
{gba mma ebudu uzq oo
Enyi m agana ooo.
Ji na-abx qgwx n'oba
Xmxnwaany[azavazie oku ike
Enyi m agana eee.
Qsx ndundu
Igba mma ebuolu uzo ooo
Enyi m agana ooo. (Ekwqba, 2015)

(iv) Onye q na-ewo iwo
Q na-eti isi
Q na-elo avq
Nya baa n'xnq o
Ka q baa n'okpuluakwa
Ka o jee roli iwo o
Maka Akpaka
Azqgbuo nye
Q b[a bulu okwu ochuo.
Onye q na-ewo iwo
Q na-eti isi
Q na-elo avq
Nya baa n'xnq o
Ka q baa n'okpuluakwa
Ka o jee roli iwo o
Maka Akpaka
Azagbuo nye
Q bia bxlx okwu qchxo. (Udeqba, 2015)

(b) **Egwu {jq Xmxnwaany[**

Xmxnwaany[were qtxtx egwu ha na-agwx ma a na-aj mmqnwx Ijele.Xfqdx n' ime ha bx nd[a.

(i) Onye akpana nganga
Ma olu ooo
Ejemmeye.
Onye akpana nganga
Oboro dike akpana nganga
Ma olu ooo
Ejemmeye.
Tie Nmxoche eee
E eee
Choko chooo
Chooo.
Oche enyi enyi ooo
Enyi enyi ooo.
Kero nd[nwe ive?
Any[nwe ive.
Ibe any[tiririri
I yaaa. (Qkafq, 2015)

(ii) Ojieee
Eeeeee.
Ojieee
Eeeeee .
Kero nd[nwe ive?
Any[nwe ive
Ibe any[tirririi
Iyaaa.
Any[ekero gwa va
Nke bx okwu ego
Mgbe any[gwal[va
Amal[va.
Ego Ojixda bx qganuche
Oji ab[a ava ego
Nd[Nmxojixda
Nd[di m na-emeli m ive
Mgbam kwara jam.
Nd[Nmxojixda
Nd[nna m ji ego
Mgba kwara jam.
Any[ekero gwa va
Nke bx okwu ego
Mgbe any[gwal[va
A mal[va.
Ego Ojixda bx qganuche
Oji ab[a ava ego.

Ijele eee
Any[nweli
Unu nweli
Mba enwerie.
Okpube eee
Any[nweli
Unu nweli
Mba enwerie.
Qkagba eee
Any[nweli
Unu nweli
Mba enwerie. (Nnekwe, 2015)

(iii) Udekwe Ateli
Agwagq Anam
Ve ewozine iwo.
Na ego d[na
Nmx Ebendu isi riline
A na-esi ego njo.
Qgx eee
Nwa onye Nmx Ebendu.
Qgxguq Chinweude eee
Nwa onye Nmx Obinando Okpoko.
Agwagq Anam
Ve ewozine iwo.
Na ego d[na
Nmx Ebendu isi riline
A na-esi ego ngq.
Okoye nwa
Agbata Ejezu
Agwagq any[
Chqva mmanwx
Amal[va arx e ji
Achq mmqnwx
Ovu na-ad[va mma
Ebonwoke eee
Ebo nwee ego ooo
Any[achqqgq
Mmanwx nwanyq.
Okoye nwa
Agbata Ejezu
Agwagq any[
Chqva mmanwx
Amal[va arx e ji
Achq mmqnwx

Ovu na-ad[va mma
Ebonwoke eee
Ebo nwee ego ooo
Any[achqqgq
Mmanwx nwanyq. (Obadiegwu, 2015)
(A ga-ahx usoro nzipxta ejije mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye b1)

4.21 Njirimara Ejije D[n'Etimxmmqnwx Ijele

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere qtxtx ejirimara ejije q na-ezipxta mgbe a na-egosipxta ya n'ihu qhanaeze. Ugonna (1983:4) s[na etimxmmqnwx nwere qtxtx ihe jikqtara ha qnx nke na o siri ike ikwapu nke qbxla n'ime ya. Q s[na ihe nd[ahx jikqtara ha qnx gbadoro xkwx n'usoro mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya na ntqaja. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na ntqaja na-agbaso usoro kwesiri ekwesi wee na-emepxta ejije. Ejirimara ejije d[n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele a gxnyere oge, qnqdx, njije/nṅomi, ntqaja, agwa, emereeme, ejiji, obom, mkpar[taxka, nhazi, ar[a, nd[nkiri, egwu, asxsx, nkoweobinelu, ntxh[kq dgz.

(i) **Oge Mmqnwx Ijele Ji Agba**

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije qd[nala nwere oge e ji egosi ya. Nke a bx otu n'ime njiri mara o nwere d[ka ejije qd[nala. N'oge gboo, q bx n'udummiri ka e ji eti mmqnwx Ijele n'ala Igbo. Ka o silad[, etimxmmqnwx Ijele esila n'usoro qkpx e ji mara ya pxq n'oge ugbu a, n'ihi mgbanwe si n'qb[b[a nd[qcha wee b[a. Q kachas[Ekpemekpe Xka nd[otu Krisiti nke mere ka a na-eme qtxtx emume n'ala Igbo n'oge qkqch[, site n'[gbaso emume oriri qmxmx Krisiti a na-akpq Ekeresimesi.

(ii) **Qnqdx Mmqnwx Ijele Ji Agba**

E nwere qnqdx abxq pxtara ihe e ji mara etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije qd[nala n'oge gboo. Qnqdx abxq ahx

mmqnwx Ijele ji agba n’oge gboo gxnyere, mgbe a na-eti mmqnwx Ijele izizi n’obodo na n’emume akwamozu nd[eze na kwa akwamozu otu n’ime ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele. Oge mmqnwx Ijele na-agba izizi n’ama obodo, q na-ezipxta ejije mgbe e si na ya echeta etu nd[Igbo n’oge gboo si eme ya. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’xzq d[etu a, bx ihe nkiri e ji eme qhaobodo obixtq.

A b[a n’akwamozu onye eze na nke otu n’ime ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele, mmqnwx Ijele na-agba iji gosi nkwanye ugwu nyere onye ahx nwxrx anwx. Q bx naan[eze mmqnwx bx Ijele kwesiri [gba n’akwamozu onye eze iji kawanyere ya ugwu na nsqpxrx d[r[ya d[ka onye eze. N’otu aka ahx, a na-eti mmqnwx Ijele n’akwamozu otu n’ime ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele, iji kwanyere ya ugwu nke e ji echeta na q bx ha na ya so eti ya oge q nq ndx. N’akwamozu abxq a, etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta ejije site n’ime nd[mmadx obixtq, nke ebumnuche ya iji kasie nd[na-eri uju obi.
Ka o silad[, qtxtx mgbanwe batara n’qnqdx a e ji eti mmqnwx Ijele n’oge ugbu a. Q bx nke a mere na mmqnwx Ijele na-agbaz[n’qtxtx emume d[iche iche, q kachas[n’qgbakq nd[otu ndqrqndqrq qch[ch[, mgbe ha na-eti mmqnwx Ijele iji nabata onyeisiala ma q bx akanach[obodo. N’xzq d[etu a etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx kwa ihe nkiri ha ji eme onye qb[a ahx pxrx iche obixtq.

(iii) **Njije/Nṅomi**

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta nṅomi ma q bx njije d[ka otu n’ime njirimara ejije. Q na-ejije ihe a na-ahx anya mgbe q na-egosi njije nd[eze. Mmqnwx Ijele na-ejije nd[eze site n’ejiji ya d[ka eze mmqnwx na nzqxkwx egwu ya jxpxtara n’ebube a na-ahx mgbe q na-agba egwu d[ka nke nd[eze mgbe ha na-agba egwu

‘[gba eze’. Ka mmqnwx Ijele si eṅomi nd[eze n’etu o si agba egwu mere n’qtxtx obodo na-akpq [gba Ijele [gba eze. Mmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta njije nd[nq ndx na-ejije mmxq ha kwenyere na q nq n’ala mmxq nke ha na-ezipxta d[ka mmqnwx Ijele. Oge a na-eti mmqnwx Ijele iji ṅomie ma q bx cheta etu nd[nna nna any[ha si eme ya n’oge ochie, n’xzq di etu a q na-ezipxta nka nṅom[ahx d[okpx na ndx mmadx. Ugonna (1983:6) s[na ejije na-amalite na ndx mmadx n’oge kar[a ekpemekpe na nkwenye qd[be nd[maka na q d[na ndx mmadx bx nṅomi.

Nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele na-ejije ndx nd[chiri qzq na nd[chiri [yqm mgbe ha na agba egwu. Nne mmqnwx Ijele na-agba egwu si n’obi xtq na q bx ya buru afq ime nnukwu mmqnwx a bx Ijele. Q na-agba egwu, q na-emetx aka n’afq ya na-egosi qhanaeze na q bx ya bx nne mmqnwx Ijele. Ogbuagu (2012:196) zipxtara na ‘q bx site na njije ka e si ezipxta echiche na omume nd[mmadx n’xd[mmeghar[ahx na ifeaka oge a na-akq akxkq.’ Odo n’aka nke ya na-ejije nd[uweojii na nd[qrx nchekwa ndx na akunaxba na nd[qrx mgbasa ozi.

Agwa na-emepxta ejije mmqnwx Ijele ma agwa mmqnwx ma agwa mmadx gbadoro xkwx na njije ihe na-eme n’xwa a na-ahx anya na n’xwa a nagh[ahx anya. Njije ihe na-eme n’xwa a pxtara ihe n’agwa nne, nna na odo Ijele, ebe mmqnwx Ijele n’onwe ya na-ejije ihe a na-ahx anya na ihe a nagh[ahx anya. Q bx echiche d[etua ka Chinweizu (1978:298) ji kwuo s[na o kwesiri ka e nye ndx nd[Afr[ka gara aga na nke ugbu a qkwa d[elu n’qrxnka. Bakare (2002:45) s[na [di ukwu na [ma mma ejije si n’ebumnuche ya bx I si na ya gbazie echiche nd[mmadx n’usoro kwesiri ekwesi. Q s[na q bx ihe e ji mara any[ka any[ga-atxnye n’amxma ime ka mba xwa niile bxrx otu.

(iv) **Ntqaja**

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta ntqaja d[ka otu n’ime njirimara ejije. Ntqaja d[iche iche si na nkwenye na mmxq ma q bx nd[ichie na abata n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q bx ntqaja ka q na-egosipxta oge nd[na-eti Ijele gbadoro xkwx na otu nkwenye ma q bx ibe ya a na-emere emume qd[nala. Nneke (2015:2) s[na ‘ntqaja bx usoro qkpx a na-agbaso n’ime ihe q bxla d[ka nd[nwe ya si eme ya.’ N’etimxmmqnwx Ijele a na-ezipxta nkwenye na nd[ichie na mmxq nd[qzq d[iche iche nd[obodo na-eti Ijele kwenyere na ha ma na-emere ha emume tutu mmqnwx Ijele agbaa. Ntqaja a na-apxta ihe mgbe nd[na-eti Ijele na-achx aja, na-agq qfq, na-efe nru d[iche iche ka mmqnwx Ijele wee gbaa nke qma. Q bx echiche banyere ntqaja a ka Okebalama (1989:37) ji kwuo na ‘abx ntqaja na-eme ka obi sie nd[nta n’ala Igbo ike n’ihi na o nwere ike na-eme ka Dinta malite achxmnta.’

Rotimi (1981:77) zipxtara na emume ntqaja nwere akanka n’usoro nz[pxta ya, ebumnuche ya na mpxtara ya na njije, nkuzi na [kpa mmadx obi xtq d[ka ejije. Odee a gara n’ihu kwuo na qtxtx emume qd[nala nd[Afr[ka gbadoro xkwx na njije ihe na-eme na ndx ma q bx akparamagwa xfqdx. Q bx echiche d[etu a ka Enekwe (1981:155) ji s[na ntqaja nwere ike [bx ihe e ji eme obi xtq mgbe o si n’ emume qd[nala ahx pxq n’ihi na q bx na ya ka ike ntqaja q bxla d[. Iwuchukwu (2001:6) kwuo na ntqaja na-eziputa ekpemekpe e si na ya emeda ‘chi’ obi d[ka q d[n’emume qd[nala nd[Afr[ka ebe nd[na-ekpere chi nd[a na-ele anya nchedo n’aka ya. Q s[na mgbe nd[mmadx mejoro chi ha na-efe q na-ewetara ha ntaramahxhx, mere na ha na-achx aja maka njq ma q bx mmehie nd[

obodo. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na emume ntqaja na-ezipxta njirimara ejije.

(v) **Agwa**

Agwa bx otu n’ime njiri mara ejije etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta n’xzq pxrx iche. N’etimxmmqnwx Ijele, e ji agwa ezipxta nkwenye na nsirihxndx nd[Igbo. O nwere qtxtx agwa na-emepxta etim mmqnwx Ijele n’obom na n’ihu qhaobodo. Agwa na-emepxta ejije a d[xzq agwa abxq pxtara ihe. Agwa abxq nd[ahx bx agwa mmqnwx na nke mmadx. Agwa mmqnwx mejupxtara ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele d[ise gxnyere Ijele, Nne na Nna Ijele na Qdo-Polisi Ijele, ebe agwa mmadx d[qtxtx na-eme ihe d[iche iche banyere agamnihu etimxmmqnwx ahx. Agwa pxtara ihe na mmadx so eti Ijele d[isii gxnyere mmadx abxq na-ebu xzq egwu Ijele, obuakxpe Ijele, nd[chiri nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele, nd[na-eti [gba, qkpqabx na egwu xmxnwany[. Q bx agwa nd[a na-eme ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-enye qṅx ma bxrx ihe nkiri. Mvula (1990:83) s[na ‘agwa d[iche iche na-ezipxta ihe d[ka [gba egwu na [gx egwu so n’ihe na-eme ka ejije pxta ihe.’ Q bx ihe agwa na-eme na mmepxta ejije a ka Ikeokwu na Onyejekwe (2004:26) ji kwuo na a na-enye nd[na-emepxta ejije nnukwu qzxzx banyere agwa q bxla ha na-ejije n’ihi na q ga-eme ka ejije gaa nke qma na nzipxta agwa q bxla d[na ya. (A ga-ahx agwa na-emepxta ejije mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye b1)

(vi) **Emereeme**

Emereeme bx otu n’ime njirimara ejije pxtara ihe n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere emereeme doro anya na-ezipxta ihe na-eme n’oge gboo na n’oge ugbu a. Oge Ijele na-agba, q na-eme qtxtx ihe nd[mmadx mara n’etu o si agba egwu. Q kacha pxta ihe

n’emereeme n’ejije etimxmmqnwx Ijele gxnyere emume odo, [jq mmqnwx Ijele na ejije izugbe mmqnwx Ijele. Nasidi (1999:7) s[na ‘usoro obibi ndx qd[nala na-eme ka ndx nwe mpxtara.’ N’ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele, mmqnwx q bxla n’ime ha nwere ihe q na-eme e ji mara ya. Ihe d[iche iche agwa mmadx na mmqnwx Ijele na-eme n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx emereeme. Q bx n’echiche d[etu a ka Ikeokwu na Onyejekwu (2004:26) ji kwuo na ‘emereeme a ga-ad[n’xd[onye lechara ya anya, q mata n’otu ntabianya ihe a na-eme n’ejije ahx n’ewebataghi ekwumekwu’. Emereeme na-apxta nke qma n’agwa nne, nna na odo ebe ha na-egosiputa qrx ha na qkwa ha d[iche iche n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele.

(vii) **Mkpar[taxka**

Mkpar[taxka bx otu n’ime njirimara ejije d[n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele nke na-ewepxta nkamma keqnx n’xzq pxrx iche. Mkpar[taxka n’etim Ijele pxtara ihe n’xzq abxq nd[a, mkpar[taxka na-ad[n’etiti nd[na-eti [gba na mmqnwx Ijele na n’etiti Ijele na nd[mmadx qzq e ji okwu ha agbaizu ma q bx onye nwere qrx pxrx iche q na-arx n’etimxmmqnwx ahx. Ikeokwu na Onyejekwe (2004:28) s[na mkpar[taxka bx otu n’ime mmebere ejije maka na q na-eme ka ejije d[ka ihe mere eme. Mkpar[taxka na-ad[n’etiti nd[na-eti [gba na mmqnwx Ijele na-apxta ihe n’omume q na-eme mgbe nd[[gba ji [gba ha na-eti agwa ya okwu. Ernest-Samuel (2008:83) s[na mkpar[taxka d[mkpa maka na q gxnyere e nye a nara d[n’okwu e kwuru ekwu na nghqta ozi e ji ya ezi nd[mmadx. Q gara n’ihx kwuo na ejije abugh[naan[xgbq na-ebu mkpar[taxka, kama na q bx ebe a na-akpar[ta xka.

N’otu aka ahx mmqnwx Ijele na-agwa nd[na-eti [gba na [gba ha anagh[eke ya ahx qkx ma q bx q na-aba mba

na-as["[gba na-ekwu na ana m anx". "Q d[gq mma?" na "Meghepu qda". Q bxrx na q bx qja kpqwara Ijele na-ajx ya ajxjx, q na-aza onye qja s["Onye qja na-egbu na nt[echighi m." Mkpar[taxka na-ad[n'etiti mmqnwx Ijele na nd[mmadx eji okwu ha agba izu na-ad[n'xd[itu aha na ajxjx. Nd[mmadx eji okwu ha agba izu na-anq mmqnwx Ijele nso mgbe q na-agba na-etu ya aha, q na-etukwa ha. Qtxtx mgbe q na-etu mmadx aha jxq ya ma 'i soz[kwa m aga n'ijele'. Onye ahx azaghachi tuo ya aha si ya obi sie ya na so ya aga. Ugonna (1983:103) zipxtara na 'aha otutu d[nnukwu mkpa n'emume a na-eme n'ala Igbo mere na q na-abata n'ejije na n'abx ha.' Ijele na onye na-ebu akxpe ya na-akpar[ta xka oge niile n'ihi na q bx ha abxq na-akpa etu ha ga-esi wee gaa.

(viii) **Asxsx**

Asxsx pxtara ihe n'ejije mmqnwx Ijele d[ka otu n'ime njirimara ejije. Ezikeojiaku (2004:15) kqwara na asxsx bx ewumewu na-enye aka na mkpar[taxka na kwa na mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya site n'okwu qnx. Asxsx a na-asx n'ejije a bx asxsx a na-asx na mpaghara ala Igbo nd[na-eti mmqnwx Ijele. N'ihi nke a, e nwere ike ikwu na q bx olund[bx oluasxsx a na-asx n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q bx olund[a ka e ji abx abx, ma na-ezipxtakwa asxsx [gba mmqnwx Ijele. Asxsx na-ezipxta nkamma keqnx na kent[n'ihi na q na-enye aka n'ime ka isiokwu na echiche banyere ihe a na-eme n'ejije pxta ihe nke qma. N'ejije mmqnwx Ijele, q bx asxsx na-eme ka ihe a na-ekwu n'okwu, ihe a na-abx n'abx na ihe [gba na-eti doo anya.

(A) **Asxsx {gba Ijele**

{gba Ijele nwere ihe q na-ekwu nke na-egosi nkamma kent[mere na mmqnwx Ijele na nd[mmadx na-agba egwu

ya etu ha si agba. {gba a bxkwa qrxnka zuruoke n'onwe ya, ma na-eme ka nzqxkwx mmqnwx Ijele d[ebube mgbe q na-agba. Agu (2003:58) s[na ihe banyere [hqrq ngwa egwu bx ihe d[nd[Na[jir[a nnukwu mkpa. Q s[na [hqrq ngwaegwu abxgh[ihe a na-eme ka q bxrx na a na-eme, kama na q bx ihe nd[otu egwu na-ehi aka n'anya wee na-eme ka o wee wepxta ebumnuche nd[otu egwu ahx. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na egwu qd[nala bx naan[ngwaegwu ka e ji eti ya, n'ihi na ngwaegwu ya nwegara ihe q na-ekwu nd[nkiri Na[jir[a maara. Maka na nd[na-eti [gba a na-ezipxta nka qd[nala oge ha na-eti ya. Odee a s[na egwu abxgh[naan[ihe banyere mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya ka q na-eme n'qd[nala Na[jir[a, kama na q na-arx qrx pxrx iche n'emume qd[nala na ekpemekpe. Q s[na nd[Na[jir[a d[ka mba Afr[ka nd[qzq hxrx egwu n'anya nke nkwuu, mere na ha na-eti ma na-agba egwu n'emume d[iche iche malite na mgbe a mxrx mmadx ruo n'oge qnwx ya.

{gba a na-eti n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele gxnyere [gba mpxta Ijele, [gba Ijele ji agba, [gba ojekadike, [gba onye qcha jeli nd[da, na [gba [jq Ijele. Q bx n'usoro [gba nd[a ka ekwe, xyq na ogene na-ezipxta xda ha d[iche iche. Ihe ahx [gba Ijele na-ekwu si na mb[akqta qnx xda akarangwa d[iche iche e ji etiri mmqnwx Ijele egwu na-apxta n'xd[echiche xda nd[a. (A ga-ahx asxsx d[iche iche [gba Ijele na-asx na mgbakwunye ch1.)

(B) **Egwu /Asxsx Qja Ijele**

Qja bx otu n'ime ngwa egwu na-ezipxta nkamma kent[nkeqma n'etimmmqnwx Ijele. Igbo na-ekwu okwu as['qja na-egbu na nt[echighi m'. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na qja bx otu n'ime ngwa egwu Ijele a na-egburu Ijele e ji aja ya ike ma na-agba ya ume. Q s[na q bx qja a

na-egburu Ijele ka a na-egburu odo. Agbata (2015) kwuo na q bx qja ka e ji etu mmqnwx Ijele aha, were ya na-agba ya ume. Q s[na q bx qja na-eme ka ibu d[r[onye na-ebu Ijele d[mfe. Qja a na-egburu mmqnwx Ijele gxnyere qja mpxta Ijele, qja Ijele ji agba na qja [jq Ijele (A ga-ahx egwu/asxsx qja Ijele na mgbakwunye ch 2.)

(ix) **Obom**

Obom bx otu n'ime njirimara ejije pxrx iche n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele n'ihi na q bx n'obom ma q bx n'ama obodo ka a na-egosi ya. Q bx kwa n'qbom ka nd[nkiri na-anq ekiri mmqnwx Ijele. Qtxtx mgbe obodo niile na-abx obom nyere mmqnwx, mere e ji ekwu na a nqgh[otu ebe ekiri mmqnwx. Ikeokwu na Onyejekwe (2004:27) s[na okwu bx qbom nwere nghqta kar[a ogbo ya bx *Theatre* n'Asxsx Bekee. Ha s[na obom bx ebe dum nd[obodo nabatara maka [nq wee na-egosi ejije. Ha s[na nke a mere na ama obodo, mbaraezi, qmaah[a, ama nd[mmadx, useekwu, xzq mmiri na mpxta xzq d[cha n'ime obodo bxcha obom.

(x) **Ejiji**

Ejiji bx isi sekpu nt[n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele ma na-ezipxta nkamma keanya n'ebe q d[ukwuu. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere ejiji ma q bx awxrx onye qrxnka rxrx d[ka otu n'ime njirimara ejije ya. Ejiji na-enye aka ezipxta agwa so emepxta ejije ma na-eme ka nghqta ihe agwa na-eme n'ejije doo anya ma d[mfe. Q bx ejiji ma q bx awxrx Ijele mere ya ihe q bx n'etiti mmqnwx nd[qzq. Awxrx Ijele bx qrxnka e si na ya wee zipxta echiche [bx eze n'etiti xmxmmxq. Q bx ejiji Ijele mere ya eze mmqnwx etu ahx okpu eze si eme ka onye eze d[iche n'ebe nd[chiri qzq nq. Asigbo (2012:7) s[na 'mmqnwx ya na qhanaeze na-emekqrita na-enwe

ejiji mara mma’. Q s[na q bx ejiji kacha d[mkpa n’qrxnka etim mmqnwx. Awxrx Ijele d[ka qrxnka e ji ezipxta [bx eze mmqnwx Ijele, mara mma ma d[ebube etu ahx ejiji nd[eze si ad[. Ejiji nd[eze na-ama mma ma daa oke qnx ah[a, mere na q bxgh[onye q bxla na-echi eze.

Akwa e ji arx awxrx a na-akpq ododo na-ama mma ma daa oke qnx ah[a, iji zipxta na ejiji ya d[ka eze mmqnwx tosiri ya n’ezie. Q bxrx na onye eze ekpughi okpu ya, onye amagh[ya agagh[etu ya “Igwe”, n’otu aka ahx q bxrx na ododo ad[gh[n’isi Ijele na q gagh[agba n’ama. Ododo bx akwa dara oke qnx ah[a mere na q d[nnukwu mkpa na ndx nd[Igbo na n’iji ya wee rxq awxrx Ijele. Q bx ka o wee gosi na q bx ejiji eze mmqnwx mere na e ji ododo arx ejiji Ijele. E nwere xd[ejiji abxq pxtara ihe n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele gxnyere ejiji mmqnwx ma q bx awxrx agwa mmqnwx na-eji na ejiji agwa mmadx na-eji. Q bx ihe banyere agwa mmqnwx ka Nwadike (1992:29) s[na nd[na-eti mmqnwx na-eyi awxrx iji gosi na a nagh[ahx mmqnwx anya. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na q bx nke a mere na nd[na-eti mmqnwx na-esi na ya ejije mmxq.

Ejiji nne mmqnwx Ijele na-ad[ka ejiji nne nwany[chiri [yqm n’ala Igbo. A b[a n’isi nne mmqnwx Ijele, echiche nka onye qrxnka rxrx ya na- ezipxta [chafxisi nwany[o ji ejije nd[chiri [yqm. Q na-anya aka n’olu ya ma gbara qdx aka n’aka ya abxq. Nne mmqnwx Ijele na-eyi akwa chapxrx achapx ma daa oke qnx ah[a. Q na-agba qdx n’xkwx ya abxq ma jiri nza n’aka mgbe q na-agba egwu, o ji agwa qhanaeze na q bx ya mxrx nnukwu nwa ahx bx Ijele.

Ejiji odo na-ama mma nke ukwuu n’ihi na q bx akwa a na-akpq nkqnkq ka e ji akwa ya. Roberts (1974:6) s[na ‘agbxrx qbxla ga-enwe ejiji na ihe otite.’ Q s[na qrx ejiji na ihe otite bx iji meghar[a nd[mmadx anya ma mee ka a mara agwa onye ji ejiji ahx na-ejije. Odo na-enwe isi na-ad[ka okpu nd[Awxsa e ji nkqnkq wee chqq mma. Ihu ya na-ama mma, imi ya akwuru ekeresu d[ka imi onye qcha. N’aka nke qzq nd[mmadx so emepxta ejije a na-eji ejiji. Ikeokwu na Onyejekwe (2004:27) zipxtara na onye qbxla ga-eme ejije ga-eji ejiji dabara n’ihe ahx ma q bx onye q na-ejije. Echiche a pxtara ihe mgbe Utoh (2002: 83) s[na ihe pxtakar[cha ihe na ngwa e ji eme ejije bx ejiji, n’ihi na q bx ya ka anya na-ahx n’ebe q d[ukwxx. Q s[na q na-ezipxta nkamma ma na-akqwara nd[nkiri agwa na-emepxta ejije.

Nd[na-ebupute egwu mmqnwx Ijele na-eji ejiji e ji ebuputa egwu ahx. Mmadx niile na-agba egwu [gba Ijele na-eji ejiji mana mmadx anq ejiji ha pxrx iche gxnyere; mmadx abxq na-ebu xzq, nwoke na nwany[e chiri nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele. Ejije e ji agba egwu mmqnwx Ijele na-ad[n’otu xd[. Qtxtx oge nd[na-eti mmqnwx Ijele na-eyi akwa e sere mmqnwx Ijele n’ihu ya, nke ha ga-eyi n’abal[oge a na-amx anya Ijele. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na nd[na-ebu xzq mmqnwx Ijele na-eji akwa ime ahx qcha n’elu ahx ha, ma yiri qgqdq qcha na mbenukwu aka Ijele n’ukwu ha. Q si na ha na-ebu mma qdx n’aka nri ha, turu abxba ugo n’isi ma kedo ego ayqrq n’aka ekpe ha. Nwadigwe (2008:159) kwuo na ejiji na ihe otite bx isi a hxrx kwawa okpu n’ejije n’ihi na q na-eme ka q d[wanye ire. Ejiji pxtara ihe e ji agba egwu mmqnwx Ijele gxnyere akwa qcha na akwa mme xmxnwoke niile na-eke n’isi. Ma na nd[na ebu xzq na-etu abuba ugo n’isi, jiri mma qla

ma q bx mma qdx n’aka mgbe ha na-agba egwu mmqnwx Ijele. (A ga-ahx esereese banyere ejiji agwa pxtara ihe n’ejije mmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye h1-h4.)

(xi) **Ar[a**

Ar[a bx otu n’ime njirimara ejije etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxtakwa nkamma keanya. Q bx ar[a na-eme ka ejije ma q bx ihe nkiri doo anya. Ar[a bx akarangwa niile na-eme ka ejije gaa nke qma. Ar[a pxtara ihe n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele gxnyere, akxpe, mgboro, xtar[, qdx enyi, aka, qdx aka, qdx xkwx na nza. Ikeokwu na Onyejekwe (2004: 27) s[na ar[a bx ihe dum e ji eme ejije na-abxgh[ejiji. Ha gara n’ihu kwuo na ejije q bxla ga-enweriri ar[a n’ihi na q bx ya na-agba ama ihe onye ma q bx ihe bx. Q bx ar[a nd[a niile e ji eti mmqnwx Ijele na-eme ka q d[ebube.

(xii) **Nhazi**

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere usoro nhazi doro anya d[ka otu n’ime njirimara ejije. A haziri etimxmmqnwx Ijele ka o nwe mmalite, etiti na mmechi. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-amalite n’Emume Odo Ijele, etiti ya na-ebido n’{jq Mmqnwx Ijele ruo mgbe Ijele si n’qda wee na-aga n’obom na n’qda d[n’ama obodo ma gbaa nke mbx, mmechi etimxmmqnwx Ijele a na-amalite oge q na-gba nke ugboro abxq na nke atq n’ama wee ruo mgbe q na-ala n’qda ebe o si wee pxta. Ikeokwu na Onyejekwa (2004:29) s[na a na-ahazi ejije qd[nala Igbo n’emume n’emume ma na-ahazi emume qbxla na nkebi na nkebi. Ha s[na q bx nhazi na-eme ka ejije gaa n’usoro n’usoro. Echiche d[etu a ka Kennedy na Gio[a (2007) ji kwuo na nhaz[bx usoro a gbasoro wee gosipxta emereeme, emume na qnqdx ihe si wee mee n’akxkq. Ha s[na q bx ka odee si hazie ihe o dere ka nd[nkiri ma q bx nd[qgxx ga-esi wee ghqta ya.

(xiii) **Nd[Nkiri**

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-enwe nd[nkiri d[ka otu n’ime njirimara ejije pxtara ihe. Nd[nkiri na-ezipxta nkamma n’ihi na ha na-arx qrx pxrx iche n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Ha na-aga n’akxkx obodo niile nakwa n’obom ebe mmqnwx Ijele na-agba ma soro na-akx aka ma na-agba egwu. Ha na-etikwa mkpu mgbe egwu mmqnwx Ijele na-agba kpalitere mmxq ha n’ihi egwu ma q bx xjq na qṅx si n’ebube mmqnwx Ijele. Akporobaro (2005:9) s[na agwa na-emepxta ejije na-enwe mmas[n’[kpalite mmxq nd[nkiri. Q na-eme nke a site ime ka nd[nkiri nqdx qnqdx [tx egwu, qṅx, mmas[, mwute ma q bx [kpq as[s[na mgbago na mgbada si na mmxq mmadx [nqgidesi ike n’usoro mmepxta ejije. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na nd[nkiri na-enwe mmas[n’ebe onye na-emepxta ezigbo ejije nq, n’ihi na q na-eme ka mmxq ha d[qkx ma jxpxta n’olileanya.Onye amagh[emepxta ejije na-eme ka xra txwa nd[nkiri.

N’etimxmmqnwx Ijele, nd[nkiri na-anq n’xzq ebe abxq wee na-ekiri ya. Nke mbx bx n’okporoxzq, mgbe Ijele pxtara n’qda na-aga nd[nkiri na-ekiri ya ka q na-agafe. Nd[nkiri na-esi akxkx d[iche iche n’obodo na-apxta n’ebe q ga-esi gafee ka ha wee hxta otu ihe ma q bx nke qzq. Ebe qzq nd[nkiri na-anq ekiri mmqnwx Ijele nke qma bx n’obom ma q bx n’ama obodo d[ka nkwago pxrx iche nyere mmqnwx Ijele ma na-enye nd[nkiri ohere ikiri ya. Nd[nkiri na-eme ka etim Ijele na-ekpq qkx, n’ihi na q bx ha ka n’qnx qgxgx mgbe Ijele na-agba. Obasi (2010:1) s[na nd[nkiri nwere qrx pxrx iche ha na-arx na mmeputa ma q bx ngosiputa ejije qbxla. Odee gara n’ihu kwuo na q bx etu onye na-eme ejije si eme ya n’xzq nka mgbe q na-egosipxta ya na-eme ka a mata ma q bx ezigbo onye mmepxta

ejije, n’ihi na q bx nke a ga-eme ka nd[nkiri nwe mmas[na ya.

Awugosi (2009) zipxtara na mmqnwx nwere nkamma, mere na qtxtx mmadx na-ab[a ikiri ya mgbe q na-agba. Q s[nd[nkiri so n’ihe a na-eme n’emume qd[nala, n’ihi na q na-egosipxta nnukwu qrx nka n’oge mmemme. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na nd[nkiri na-agba qsq maka ndx ha ma laghach[azx n’oge ad[gh[anya mgbe mmqnwx na-atxghar[chxq ha qsq. Q s[na nd[na-ekiri mmqnwx na-echefu onwe ha mgbe anwans[mmqnwx na-eme r[r[elu. Nd[nkiri na agba egwu, na-ekwe n’isi ma nqdx n’ebe d[anya.
Q bx mmadx niile nq n’obodo na-ekiri mmqnwx Ijele n’oge gboo n’ihi na q bx mmqnwx qhaobodo na-eti n’igwe. Ma nwoke ma nwany[, ma okenye ma nwata na-ekiri ya. Ugonna (1983:19) s[na q bx mgbe a na-agx egwu n’qgbq ka nd[nkiri na amx ya, ma na e mechaa q bxrx ihe mara ha ahx, n’ihi na q ga-eso n’agxmagx qd[nala obodo ahx. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na nd[nkiri gxnyere nwoke, nwany[na xmxaka, nd[gxrx akwxkwq nke ukwuu na nd[agxgh[akwxkwq. Q s[na nd[mmadx na-abata n’qgbq oge mmqnwx na agba ka ha txq ya ego iji gosipxta obi xtq ha. Ma na n’oge ugbu a, nd[xfqdx nd[na-eje xka nchegheri anagh[apxta ikiri mmqnwx Ijele n’ihi okwukwe ha. Q bx echiche banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka otu n’ime ejije a na-egosipxta n’obom ma q bx n’ama obodo ka okwu a bx na a nqgh[otu ebe ekiri mmqnwx pxtara ihe. Echiche a pxtara ihe n’okwu Coachingconer (2009) mgbe o kwuru na q bx nd[nkiri bx isi a hxrx wee kwawa okpu n’ejije, n’ihi na q bx ha ka a na-ebu n’uche wee na-ahazi ejije. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na nd[nkiri na-abx o ji anya eri n’ebe ejije d[. Q s[na q bx nd[nkiri

na-esikwu ma q bx na-atxle ejije site n’ihe nd[mmadx kwurula banyere ya.

(xiv) **Egwu**

Egwu bx otu n’ime ejirimara ejije etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta nkamma keqnx na kent[n’xzq pxrx iche. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-enwe xd[egwu d[iche iche nke na e nweghi ike ikewapx ya iche n’emume qbxla. Q bx nke a mere na e nyere egwu a na-eti n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele ohere n’ebe a ka e wee ziputa ha nke qma, maka na Ijele nwere usoro egwu d[iche iche. A na-ezipxta xzq egwu anq e ji eti mmqnwx Ijele n’xzq atq gxnyere nkamma kent[bx egwu [gba na-akx mgbe a na-eti mmqnwx Ijele, nkamma keanya bx ihe a hxrx n’anya n’egwu mmqnwx Ijele na nd[mmadx na-agba mgbe [gba Ijele na-eti nakwa nkamma keqnx bx egwu a na-agx ma q bx abx a na-abx n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q bx egwu qṅx Ijele kacha wee baa xba n’ime egwu e ji eti mmqnwx Ijele. Ekwueme (1977) s[na ‘egwu na ejije ad[gh[iche kama na ha bx otu ihe.’ Q bx maka mmqnwx Ijele ka e ji eti egwu, n’ihi na malite mgbe odo pxtara ruo mgbe ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele zuru oke na-agba, ruo n’xla ha jupxtara n’egwu n’esepxghi aka. Egwu d[nnukwu mkpa na ndx nd[Igbo mere na malite na mgbe a mxrx mmadx wee ruo n’oge qnwx ya, egwu na-abata n’oge d[iche iche na n’ogo d[iche iche na n’emume d[iche iche na ndx ha. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka otu n’emume nd[Igbo na-eme nwere egwu a na-etiri ya. Malite n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele ruo na mmechi ya jupxtara n‘egwu gxnyere egwu [gba, egwu qgxgx, egwu qja na egwu qgbxgba. Agx (2007:16) s[na egwu bx otu n’ime ngwa qd[nala siri ike ma nwe xd[pxrx iche na nkqwa ndx nd[obodo qbxla.

Q bx echiche a ka Forchu (2009:104) ji kwuo na q bxgh[ihe mgbagwojuanya na egwu pxtara ihe n’otu na-akpa nd[mmadx obi xtq, n’ihi na q bx omenala na-arx qrx d[ka amxma achxmnta akxnaxba n’usoro obibi ndx nd[Afr[ka. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na etu ahx egwu qd[nala si eme ka usoro obibi ndx na omenala na-aga n’ihu ka egwu pxtara ihe na-eme na ndx nd[mmadx n’usoro mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya n’obodo Na[jiria n’oge ugbu a. N’otu aka ahx Sen (2001) s[na ‘egwu abxgh[naan[na q na-eme ka nd[mmadx nqdx n’udo, kama na q na-enye aka n’[hazi mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya n’usoro omenala ma gaa n’ihu na-eme ka a ghara inwe qgba aghara na nkwafu qbara n’akxkx mba Afr[ka na mba nd[qzq. Mbanugo (2003:152) kwuo na egwu bx xzq puru iche e si akwalite omenala. Q s[“q na-eme ka ugwu mmadx pxta n’amxma qch[ch[na-eme kwa ka xfqdx mmadx chxq aja maka qhaobodo.” Ka o silad[, egwu qṅx Ijele na egwu xla ya anagh[abata mgbe qbxla mmqnwx Ijele obodo mere ihe ihere. Maka na o nweghi onye ga-enwe obi ime ihe aṅxr[ma ya fqdxzie [gx egwu. Egwu mmqnwx Ijele na-apxta ihe n’xd[egwu qgbxgba, egwu qgxgx na eegwu otiti ma q bx nkwa. (A ga-ahx [gba a na-etiri Ijele na mgbakwunye ch1.)

(A) **Egwu Qgxgx Ijele**

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele nwere qtxtx egwu a na-agx iji zipxta mmas[na obi xtq nd[obodo nwere na mmqnwx Ijele. E si n’egwu nd[a ewepxta nkamma keqnx n’xzq pxrx iche n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q echiche a ka Egudu na Nwoga (1973) zipxtara mgbe ha s[na a na-enwe onye qkpqabx na-egosiputa emume qd[nala d[iche iche nke q bx ya na-eme ka q maa mma. Ikeokwu na Onyejekwe (2004:28) zipxtara na egwu qgxgx nakwa qgbxgba na-akpalite mmxq nd[mmadx ma na-eme ka ha nwe mkpafx ime mmxq na-apxta ihe n’emume nka. Segun (2005:299)

kwuo na q bxgh[naan[qr[a ka e ji qrx nka agwq na q na-akxzi ihe ma na-akpa kwa obi xtq. Ani (2011:54) s[na “Qrxnka qbxla mara mma na-enwe xda na-ezipxta [hxnanya na-ekpalite mmxq mmadx. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na q na-eme ka obi ruo mmadx ala, gbochiere ya mgbakas[ahx, ike qgxgx, qbara mgbalielu, okeahx qnwunwu na anqgh[n’udo. (A ga-ahx egwu qgxgx Ijele na mgbakwunye ch 3.)

(B) **Egwu Xmxnwaany[n’Etimxmmqnwx Ijele**

Xmxnwaany[nd[iyom di na nd[a na-alx n’obodo qzq pxtara ihe n’egwu etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Ha nwere qtxtx egwu ha na-agx n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele mere Okeke (2009:175) ji kwuo na nkamma xmxnwaany[gbadoro xkwx nke ukwuu n’egwu qgxgx, egwu qgbxgba na [kq akxkq. Odee a gara n’ihu kwuo na egwu na-eziputa isiokwu d[n’ejije ka nd[mmadx wee nwe obi a]xr[ma na ekwu ihe ga-eme n’ejije ahx iji mee ka nhazi emereeme gaa n’ihu. N’etimxmmqnwx Ijele xmxnwaany[na-eji egwu ha eme ka qnqdx ha n’emume ahx pxta ihe ma bxrx otu n’ime ihe na-eme ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ekpo qkx. (A ga-ahx egwu xmxnwaany[n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele na mgbakwunye ch 3.)

(CH) **Egwu Qgbxgba n’Etimxmmqnwx Ijele**

Egwu qgbxgba bx otu n’ime nkamma keanya pxtara ihe nke qma n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Q bx otu n’ime ihe na-eme ka nd[mmadx jee nkiri Ijele. Mmqnwx Ijele na-agba egwu oge nd[na-etiri ya [gba na-eti [gba. Nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele na qhaobodo na-agba egwu iji gosipxta obi xtq ha. Malite na mpxta Ijele n’qda ebe a nq mxq egwu ya ruo n’qda nke d[n’ama ebe q ga-anq wee gbaa, q na-agba xd[nzqxkwx egwu ise si na ntxghar[aka [gba ma q bx egwu Ijele. Obadiegwu (2015) s[na Ijele gbaa egwu obere oge, q baa n’qda

ahx a rxrx n’ama obodo. Q bx n’ime qda a ka Ijele ga-esi apxta wee gbaa n’ama ihe d[ka ugboro atq ma q bx kar[a n’ama tutu q laa. Q s[na ‘q gbaa nke mbx q baa n’qda, wee pxta nke abxq. N’otu aka ahx q baa n’qda nke ugboro abxq, o wee pxta nke atq, wee laa.

Q bx naan[Ijele na-agba n’qgbq.Q bx mmqnwx [kpeazx na-agba n’ama. Ugonna (1983:107) kwuo na nd[Afr[ka a na-agba egwu iji gosipxta mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya na nkamma d[na ndx. E were xzq egwu abxq a na-agba n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. Xzq egwu abxq a bx egwu nseli na [zq qk[ka. Nd[na-ebu xzq egwu mmqnwx Ijele bx egwu nganga ka ha na-agba. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na q bx mmadx niile nq n’obodo ma nwoke ma nwaany[na-agba egwu mmqnwx Ijele. Q s[na mmadx abxq na-ebu xzq egwu mmqnwx Ijele na-agba egwu pxrx iche a na-akpq “Izq Qk[ka,” ma q bx “{txnkwe”. Na q bx nke a mere ha ji bxrx isi sekpu nt[na nd[na-agba egwu mmqnwx Ijele. Olasunkanmi (2002:54) s[na xzq e si eme ka egwu qd[nala any[digide bx otu n’ime usoro e si eme ka ndx mmadx na-akawanye mma. Nwadigwe (1999:99) kwuo na qrxnka ngosipxta ihe kwesiri ka q na-aga n’ihu na-eme ka e nwe nhatanha n’usoro mmekqr[ta mmadx na ibe ya ka udo wee bata n’obodo.

(xv) **Ntxh[kq**

D[ka otu n’ime njirimara ejije d[n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele, ntxh[kq na-ab[a n’xd[qgbatauhie ma q bx ihe nh[ahx nyere mmqnwx Ijele. Kennedy na Gioia (2007:G6) s[na ntxh[kq bx esemokwu [d[n’etiti ike abxq ma q bx kar[a n’akxkq, nke na-apxtakar[ihe mgbe mmadx ma q bx ihe gbochiri isiagwa imezu nzube ya. Ntxh[kq a nwere ike isi n’aka agwa qzq, ma q bx n’akparamagwa isiagwa wee pxta. Nke a pxtara ihe n’qnqdx otu abxq na-ama onwe ha aka n’ihu banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele.

Otu abxq nd[ahx gxnyere nd[ajq mmxq na ajq mmadx na-achq etu ha ga-esi kwatuo mmqnwx Ijele n’otu aka na nd[ezigbo mmxq na mmadx na-agba mbq etu Ijele ga-esi gbaa nke qma n’aka nke qzq.

(xvi) **Nkoweobinelu**

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije, nwere nkoweobinelu d[ka otu n’ime njirimara ya. Kennedy na Gioia (2007:G28) s[na nkoweobinelu bx etu odee si wee hazie qrx nka ya ka qgxx wee nqrq n’q]x na [ch[obi n’aka. Nkoweobinelu na-apxta nke qma mgbe mmadx amagh[ihe ga-eme na njedebe akxkq, nke ga-eme ka qgxx ma q bx nd[nkiri were [ch[obi n’aka wee na-achq [mata etu ihe siri mee n’ikpeazx. Q kachas[n’ebe agwa a na-emere ebere nq, ma q bx mgbe nd[nkiri maara ihe ga-eme agwa ma na agwa ahx amagh[ihe ga-eme ya, mere na ha na-eche agwa ahx ga-ezuta qghqm na-eche ya. Echiche a pxtara ihe n’okwu Igbo na-ekwu as[“{zaga s[na nd[na-ab[a nkiri na-ab[a na nk[t[n’ihi na q bxgh[egwu ka q na-agba, kama na q bx ka ha mara ebe q ga-ada.” N’otu aka ahx, nd[na-ekiri mmqnwx Ijele na-ach[obi n’aka, n’ihi na ha na-ele ya anya ka ihe ga-ada ada site n’etu nzoxkwx ya si d[. N’aka nke qzq, ha maara ihe akamgba d[iche iche chere ya. Q bx n’qnqdx d[etu a ka, etimxmmqnwx Ijele si ezipxta nkoweobinelu. Maka na nd[nkiri nq n’echiche etu mmqnwx Ijele ga-esi gbanahx ihe ihere d[n’[da ada ya, nke ha na-atx anya ya.

4.22 Nd[iche D[Ejije Mmqnwx Ijele n’Oge Gboo na n’Oge Ugbu a

N’ebe a, e lebara anya n’ejije mmqnwx Ijele n’oge gboo na n’oge ugbu a, ka e wee si n’xzq d[etu a zipxta nd[iche d[na ha.

(a) **Ejije Mmqnwx Ijele n'Oge Gboo**

N'oge gboo, onye qrxnka na-arx awxrx Ijele n'oge gboo si na ya egosipxta onyinye qrxnka ya. Q bx n'oge ahx ka onye qrxnka na-arx awxrx Ijele ji qṅx na obi qcha egosipxta qrxnka ya. Ihe na-echu onye qrxnka n'oge ahx xra bx ka qrxnka ya maa mma ma bxrx ihe e ji amaatx. Q bx n'ihi nke a ka ha ji ewepxta oge nqrq n'qda ihe d[ka qnwa atq ma q bx karia ebe ha na-arx awxrx Ijele, n'ihi o nwere qtxtx ihe a ga-ap[ap[, nd[a ga-akwa akwa ma nd[a ga-atx atx onye qrxnka ahx ga-eji anya iruala na-ach[kqba ka awxrx ahx wee maa mma. Awxrx Ijele a siri ike qrxrx, ya mere na mmqnwx Ijele anagh[agba qtxtx oge n'afq n'oge gboo.

Nd[qrxnka n'oge gboo na-arx awxrx Ijele buru ibu n'ihi na q bx qhaobodo na-eme nkwado banyere ya. Nke a mere na a ga-azx kwa onye ga-ebu ya n'anx ahx na kwa n'ime mmxq. Obiakq (2015) s[na q bx n'oge gboo ka Ijele na-enwe qtxtx ihe na-ad[arq na ya d[ka ododo, alq na mgbo. Q bx n'echiche a ka Nweke (2015) jiri kwuo na ododo bx akwa na-ada nnukwu oke qnx ah[a ma na-ad[arq na onye bu naan[otu isi ya bu ibu. Q s[na q bx ododo ahx ka Ijele na-ebu, ya na ihe nd[qzq d[arq, wee na-agba egwu. Q bx etu ododo siri d[nnukwu mkpa n'orxnka bx Ijele mere e ji ekwu na ododo ad[gh[n'isi Ijele na q gaghi agba n'ama. Obadiegwu (2015) s[q bx nd[gboo na-eti Ijele mere na q na-ad[nnukwu arq maka ma mmqnwx ma mmadx ma anx qh[a d[ka eke, enyi, agx, atx na anx nd[qzq d[cha n'elu Ijele. Q s[na q bx kwa n'oge gboo ka nd[na-eti [gba Ijele na-ezipxta echiche nka n'xzq pxrx iche na-eme ka egwu ya nwe ugwu ma d[kwaa ebube. Nd[Igbo n'oge gboo ji echiche nka na qtxtx nkwadebe wee mxta [gba Ijele.

Q bx n’oge gboo ka nka etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka usoro njije ihe na-eme n’xwa a na-ahx anya na kwa n’xwa a nagh[ahx anya pxtara ihe. Njije pxtara nke qma n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’oge gboo mgbe nd[obodo d[iche iche na-eti ya ka mmqnwx nwere ezinaxlq nke na-ad[agwa ise na-egosipxta ihe nkiri na emume d[iche iche. N’oge gboo ka odo Ijele na-eche Ijele nche d[ka usoro o si ejije nd[qrx nchekwe, mere ha ji achxpx nd[mmadx n’xzq ebe mmqnwx Ijele ga-esi wee gafee. N’oge gboo ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta ntqaja. Ntqaja a na-apxta n’etim Ijele n’xzq d[iche iche n’amxma imejupxta qtxtx emume qd[nala a na-eme ka o wee gbaa nke qma. Q kachas[mgbe a na-ago qj[, a na-agq qfq ma q bx na-akpqku mmxq ukwu na nke nta nd[Igbo kwenyere na ha nwere ihe ha na-eme maka qd[mma nd[mmadx n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele. A na-eme emume ntqaja nd[a site na nkwenye na nd[ichie na kwa mmxq d[iche iche.

(b) **Ejije Mmqnwx Ijele n’Oge Ugbu a**

Etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije n’oge ugbu a esila n’ihe e ji mara ya n’oge gboo pxq. Agwa na-emepxta ejije mmqnwx Ijele anagh[ezukwa oke d[ka ezinaxlq n’oge ugbu a. Qnqdx d[etu a mere ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele bxrx naan[ihe nkiri kama ejije mmqnwx Ijele ka q d[n’oge gboo. Ntqaja e ji mara ejije mmqnwx Ijele na nka n]qmi emume ntqaja na-eme ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka ejije d[ebube lara kpam kpam n’oge ugbu a. Ilu Igbo na-ekwu na ‘mmqnwx Ijele gbakar[a n’qgbq xmxmmqnwx agbaa ya aja’, pxtara ihe n’oge ugbu a n’ihi na nd[nkiri anagh[enwe mmas[n’ebe mmqnwx Ijele d[. Maka na Ijele ad[gh[kwa ama mma nke agwa na-emepxta ya ji ezukwa oke n’oge ugbu a.

ISI NKE ISE

NKQWPXTA NA NTXCHA ECHICHE

5.0 Ndubanye

N'ebe a a ga-eleba anya n'awxrx mmqnwx Ijele d[ka qrxnka onye qrxnka rxrx, ma kqwaa akxkx ahx ya d[iche iche na etu ha si ezipxta nkamma keanya n'xzq pxrx iche n'ala Igbo.

5.1 Awxrx Mmqnwx Ijele

Awxrx Ijele anqkatagh[d[, q bx qrxnka na-ezipxta nkamma keanya n'xzq pxrx iche onye qrxnka si n'echiche miri emi wee rxpxta. A rxrx awxrx Ijele n'xd[nwere ike izipxta ozuzuoke nsirihxndx na qd[mara d[ka otu n'ime amxma nchekwaba ngwa qd[nala na ihe d[iche iche nd[Igbo ji ebi ndx. Achebe (2012:59) zipxtara echiche a mgbe q s[na nd[Igbo kwenyere na qrxnka,ekpemekpe na ihe niile banyere ndx ka a ch[kqbara n'qrx nka etimxmmqnwx. Iloegbunam (2015) s['ihe d[n'[rx awxrx Ijele d[xzq abxq nd[gxnyere mmxta etu e si arx awxrx Ijele na [rx ya n'aka qkx n'aka qkx.' Qrxnka qbxla na-ezipxta n'xzq pxrx iche ihe nd[nwe ya nwere na ihe na-agx ha agxx ka ha nwee. N'awxrx Ijele, a ga-ahx qrxnka d[iche iche ma nd[yiri mmadx, nd[yiri anxqh[a, osisi na qtxtx ihe nd[nwere mpxtara d[iche iche na ndx nd[Igbo. Q bx ihe nd[ahx onye qrx nka ch[kqbara qnx n'xzq pxrx iche, mere na Ijele bx ihe nkiri na ihe mara mma. Echiche a pxtara ihe n'okwu Iloegbunam (2014) bx ebe o zipxtara na awxrx Ijele bx nch[kqta qnx qrx nka d[iche iche na ndx nd[Igbo. Q s[na qmxmaatx awxrx Ijele bx etu ahx nd[dib[a si ch[kqba onwe ha qnx wee na-eti mmqnwx a na-akpq "{satq" ka onye qrx nka si ch[kqba qrx nka d[iche iche n'awxrx Ijele. Q s[na q bx ya mere na q d[gh[ihe q bxla bx qrx nka n'emume qd[naala Igbo ad[gh[n'awxrx Ijele. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na okirikiri awxrx Ijele na-ad[nkaakara asatq nke a na-akpq *ruler* n'Asxsx Bekee,

maka na q kar[a etu ahx q gagh[agakwa n’qtxtx xzq d[n’ime obodo.

Awxrx Ijele d[, awxrx Ijele d[kwa n’ihi na n’agbanyeghi na Ijele bx otu n’ala Igbo, q bxgh[otu onye qrxnka rxrx ha. Awxrx Ijele nwere nke ka ibe ya mma maka na onye qrx nka na-aka ibe ya. Mma Ijele mara si na etu onye qrx nka rxrx ya si were echiche nka ya ziputa nkamma na ya site n’[hqrq akwa d[iche iche wee chqq ya mma n’xzq pxrx iche. Iloegbunam (2014) s[na o nwere etu onye qrxnka ga-esi ch[kqq akwa o ji arx mmqnwx q rxq mmqnwx qcha. N’aka nke qzq o nwere etu q ga-esi hazie akwa ahx kwa q rxq mmqnwx ojii. Mmqnwx kwesiri igosipxta nkamma kar[a mgbe q nq n’etiti mmqnwx qcha na nke ojii. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na mmqnwx na-aka mma ma q d[ojii, n’ihi na q bx n’[d[ojii ka ugwu ya na-ad[. Asigbo (2012:6) zipxtara na ejiji bx ihe niile n’qrxnka bx mmqnwx n’ihi na e wepu ejiji a gagh[enwe mmqnwx. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na e wezuga na mmqnwx Ijele buru ibu na q bx akwa nwere qcha d[iche iche e ji ruo ya na qtxtx mmqnwx nq n’elu ya mere o jiri bxrx eze mmqnwx nd[Igbo. Akwa e ji arx awxrx Ijele nwere ike ime ka q maa mma ma q bx jqq njq. Mma awxrx Ijele ma q bx njq ya na-esi na nhaz[akwa na owu e ji wee rxq ya. Utoh (2010:135) zipxtara echiche ya n’ebe ihe gbasara qcha d[. O wee kwuo na qcha d[iche iche nwere mpxtara pxrx iche nyere nd[q bxla n’omenala ha. O nwere ihe d[omimi n’ejiji nd[Na[jir[a.

5.2 Nzipxta Awxrx Ijele D[Ka Qrxnka

Awxrx Ijele bx qrxnka na-ezipxta nkamma n’uru q bara, nakwa qrx q na-arxrx nd[nwe ya. Qrxnka na-apxta ihe na nṅomi ihe a na-ahx anya na nke a nagh[ahx anya. Awxrx Ijele bx ihe aka rxrx nke anya na-ahx. O nwere ihe na-akpalite echiche d[etu a n’ime onye qrxnka o

si n’aka ya wee pxta ihe. Achebe (2012:56) s[“q d[mkpa ime ka qrxnka na-ad[ndx site n’iweghachi ya azx na ndx ka ha abxq wee nwe mkparitaxka.” Iloegbunam (2015) kwuo na qrxnka bx mmadx ime ihe ka q maa mma. O nwere ike ime ihe jqrq njq ka q maa mma, ma q bx ime ihe mara mma ka q maa mma kar[a. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na qrxnka d[ka ihe mmxq n’ihi na q bx etu mmxq si egosi dib[a ah[h[a n’qh[a, ka ihe a naghi ahx anya s[ab[a n’uche onye qrxnka, o wee rxpxta ya n’qrx nka ya. Nkwenye nd[mmadx na-enwe n’ebe qrxnka d[si na etu ha si anabata ya n’etiti qrxnka nd[qzq. Iwoba (2015) s[na q bx Ijele kas[n’qrxnka niile a rxrx n’ala Igbo. Osisi, anxqh[a, onye qcha, na ihe qrxnka niile d[n’awxrx Ijele na-egosi na o zuruoke n’usoro obibi ndx nd[Igbo.

Ihe qbxla bx qrxnka nwere nkamma nke onye qrxnka si na ya egosipxta. Mma qrxnka mara pxtara ihe na nkwenye nd[nwe ya, n’ihi na o nwere ihe omimi pxrx iche na ndx ha, qrxnka ahx na-anqchite anya ya. E lee awxrx Ijele anya nke qma, e nwere ike ikwu na onye qrxnka izizi rxrx ya aghagh[inwe echiche banyere xlq na-eme ngaghar[mgbe q na-arx ya. Iloegbunam (2014) zipxtara echiche a mgbe q s[na qrxnka bx ihe onye qrxnka rxpxtara n’ekere uche ya na-ad[n’xd[akpxrxakpx, ap[r[api, atxrxatx, ekereeke, akwxrxakwx nakwa edereede d[iche iche. Ani (2011:26) kwuo “qrxnka bx usoro iji anya ime uche wee rxpxta ihe mara mma.” Qrxnka bara nnukwu uru na ndx mmadx. Awxrx Ijele na-ezipxta qrxnka n’ihi uru q bara siwe qnqdx ya n’etiti qrxnka nd[qzq n’omenala Igbo.

Awxrx Ijele bara omenala Igbo uru n’ihi na q bx otu n’ime ihe e ji mara ha. Omenala agbxrx na obodo d[iche iche na-enwe qrxnka d[ka njirimara ha. Asigbo

(2012:7) si na qrxnka na-atxga aka, ma q bx na-anqchite anya ihe anagh[ahx anya, n'ihi na q bx mmepxta ihe anagh[ahx anya si n'uche onye qrxnka pxta. Odee a gara n'ihu kwuo na nd[mmadx na-elegara qrxnka anya ka ihe mara mma na-echetara ha qtxtx ihe a na-ahx anya ma nke anagh[ahx anya. Q s[na qrxnka bx xzq nd[mmadx si elegara ndx anya, mere na onye qrxnka na-enwe ugwu, na nsqpxrx n'etiti mmadx nd[qzq.

John Keats n'abx q kpqrq "Ode to a Grecian Urn," zipxtara na qrxnka na-ad[gide maka na q na-ezipxta eziokwu ma maa mma. Q s[na ihe mmadx kwesiri [mata na ndx bx na qrx nka bx eziokwu, eziokwu bxrx qrx nka. Qrxnka qbxla d[n'awxrx Ijele nwere mpxtara aka ya mere o ji bxrx ozuzu oke qrxnka na ndx nd[Igbo. Q bx nkamma ahx ezipxtara n'awxrx Ijele mere ka q d[ebube. Iroegbu (1994:137) s[na nd[Afr[ka na-ezipxta qtxtx echiche qd[nala ha n'qrx nka nd[gxnyere ihe a txrxatx, ihe e sere ese, na onyinyo q kachas[onyinyo Chi na nke nd[a mara aha ha. Q s[na q bx site n'qrxnka ka e si ezipxta ntqala qd[nala Afr[ka a gagh[enwe ike izipxta n'okwu qnx n'ihina q na-ezipxta echiche obi mmadx ma q bx qgxgxisi mmadx n'eziokwu. Awxrx Ijele na-enye aka n'[kqwa qkwa mmqnwx Ijele nq n'obodo site n'qrxnka qd[nala e zipxtara na ya.

Aniakor (1982) s[na qtxtx mgbe a na-ekwu na qrxnka mara mma, q bxgh[onye qbxla na-aghqta ya oge niile n'ihi na q bxgh[ka onye bara n'otu mmqnwx si ahx mma mmqnwx mara ka ogbodu si ahx ya. Q s[na q bx nke a mere na onwegodu etu obodo si ahxta qrxnka ma q bx uru q bara na ndx ha, na q bxghi mmadx niile ga-anabata ya n'otu aka. Mma awxrx Ijele mara bx nd[nwe ya ka q d[r[izipxta ya nye obodo nd[qzq, n'ihi mma

bx etu nd[nwe ya si wee na-egosipxta ya ka q d[makana q bxgh[ihe mara otu onye mma n'anya mara nd[qzq. Awxrx Ijele mara mma ma bxrx ihe e ji eme nd[mmadx obi xtq, maka na o nwere qtxtx qrxnka na-eme nd[mmadx ka ha nwee obi aṅxri. Nd[qch[ch[na mba Afr[ka na-enwe nnukwu mmas[n'ebe qrxnka mara mma d[. Nke a pxtara ihe n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele n'ihi na q na-eme ka nd[nkiri nwe obi xtq mgbe qbxla ha na-ab[a ekiri ya. Ernest-Samuel (2012:54) s[na qtxtx qrxnka pxtara ihe n'Afr[ka malitere mgbe nd[mmadx hxwara ha ka amxma nchekwaba, ngosipxta na nkwalite qrxnka na qd[nala nd[mmadx karia [di na-ahx ha ka ihe e ji akpa obi xtq.

Awxrx Ijele na-eme ka mmadx nwe mkpalite mmxq ma na-eme ka mmadx chee echiche banyere xwa n'ihe d[n'ime ya. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele pxtara ihe na nṅomi ma q bx njije nke na-eme ka mmadx na ibe ya na-enwe ezi mmekqr[ta, n'ihi na nd[mmadx na-esi n'ebe ha gara ikiri ya wee na-amata mmadx ibe ha. Qtxtx mgbe nwoke na-anq n'ama ebe nd[mmadx na-ekiri mmqnwx Ijele ahx nwany[q ga-alx. Heidegger (2001) s[na nd[obodo si n'qrxnka arxpxtara onwe ha usoro nzipxta echiche ha na nkqwa ha. E ji ododo wee chqq awxrx Ijele mma, mere e ji ekwu n'okwu na 'ododo ad[gh[n'isi Ijele q gagh[agba.' Q bx kwa echiche a mere na a na-ekwu na 'q bx nkiri ka a na-ekiri ododo na e jighi ododo eli ozu.' Ododo na mma q mara na qnqdx ya n'awxrx Ijele mere ya q pxrx iche n'qrxnka na ndx nd[Igbo. Ani (2011:27) kwuo na qrxnka nwere ike [bx amxma ikpachara anya na-ahazi ihe n'xzq q ga-esi metxta qgxgx isi ma q bx echiche mmadx. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na a na-ezipxta nkamma d[n'qrxnka site n'uru q bara. Q s[na mmas[nd[mmadx na-enwe n'qrxnka mere ha ji ewere qrxnka ka ihe mara mma kar[a ibe ya. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na qrxnka na-egosipxta nkwenye nd[Igbo,

n’ihi na onye qrxnka qbxla na-arx site na nsirihxndx ya, nakwa nke obodo ya. Q bx nke a emere na nkwenye na mmxq pxtara ihe n’qrxnka d[iche iche a na-ahx na mmqnwx d[iche iche n’ala Igbo. Q bx nkwenye d[etu a, mere na mmqnwx Ijele bx qrxnka gbadoro xkwx na nkwenye mmxq.

5.3 Akarangwa Awxrx Ijele

E nwere qtxtx akarangwa pxrx iche e ji arx awxrx Ijele, na-eme ka nkamma ya pxta ihe. Akarangwa nd[ahx na-arx qrx pxrx iche na nkwube ogwe awxrx Ijele gxnyere qfqlq, ekwe, ngwq, qwx, kolocha, nkqnkq na ijele. Q bx na mwube awxrx Ijele ka akarangwa nd[a na-ezipxta nkamma ha nke qma. Q bx akarangwa nd[a e ji arx awxrx Ijele na-eme ka q ghara idi nnukwu arq d[ka o si wee buo ibu.

5.4 Nkqwa Ihe Mejupxtara Awxrx Ijele

E nwere qtxtx qrxnka mejupxtara awxrx Ijele, e si na ha ezipxta nkamma keanya na ya. Qrxnka nd[a d[n’ododo, na n’agbamibe. E kewara awxrx Ijele xzq abxq. Ha gxnyere ododo na agbamibe. Ododo d[n’awxrx Ijele d[xzq abxq nd[gxnyere isii nd[a na-ahx anya bx ele, nkwx, agbxrx, ugegbe, ute, qchqokwu na atq nd[a nagh[ahx anya bx ndq, akpxch[na mkpx. Ha niile na-arx qrx pxrx iche na mwube awxrx Ijele ma na-ewepxta nkamma ya .

(a) **Ododo Nd[a na-Ahx Anya**

(i) **Ele**

Ele bx otu n’ime qrxnka na-ezipxta nkamma keanya n’awxrx Ijele na-eme ka mma ya pxta ihe. Q bx owu a na-akpq kolocha d[n’xd[xcha d[iche iche ka e ji eke ma q bx akpa ele. A b[a n’awxrx Ijele onye qrxnka

rxrx nke qma, q na-enwe ele iri ise na ya. Q bx ha na-akxcha n'elu Ijele mgbe q na-aga ije.

(ii) **Nkwx**

Nkwx bx otu n'ime nkamma keanya d[n'awxrx Ijele. Nkwx na ele na-arx otu qrx n'awxrx Ijele, kama na xd[d[ha abxgh[otu. Ele na-ad[ogologo, ma na nkwx na-ad[ka akxpe. Q bx kwa owu a na-akpq kolocha ka e ji akpa nkwx. Q na-ad[iri atq n'awxrx Ijele a rxrx nke qma.

(iii) **Agbxrx**

Q bx otu n'ime qrxnka mejupxtara ododo n'awxrx Ijele mere nkamma keanya ya pxta ihe. Q bx n'agbxrx ka qtxtx qrxnka nd[qzq na-ad[n'awxrx Ijele na-adi. Agbxrx d[ka otu n'ime ododo, na-ezipxta qrx ya nakwa nkamma ya n'awxrx Ijele pxtara nzogo, ma q bx obe a na-akpq *step/staircase* n'Asxsx Bekee. Qrxnka nd[ahx d[n'agbxrx d[ga n'xd[, atxrxatx, ekereeke, ap[r[ap[, akwxrxakwx, nd[na-ad[n'xd[onyinyo mmadx, anxqh[a d[iche iche, nke Eke Qgba gbara Ijele gburugburu bx otu n'ime ha. Nkamma qzq agbxrx na-ezipxta n'awxrx Ijele bx na q bx ya na-eme ka Ijele d[n'xd[ya ma gbaa gburugburu si n'ala ya gbagoo n'elu ya. Agbxrx na-ad[asaa ma q bx kar[a n'awxrx Ijele a rxrx nke qma, maka na q bx ya na-eme ka o ju eju, ma maa mma mgbe e kenyechara ya qrxnka nd[qzq.

(iv) **Ugegbe**

Ugegbe bx otu n'ime ihe mejxpxtara ododo n'awxrx Ijele. Q bx otu n'ime ihe onye qrxnka ji chqq awxrx Ijele mma. Q bx ihe nkiri e si na ya ekiri ihe qzq, ma bxrx ihe na-egbuke egbuke q kachas[mgbe ihe si n'anyanwx chakwasara ya. Ugegbe na-ad[n'elu Ijele na-ad[n'xd[d[na kwa n'ogo d[iche iche.Ugegbe Ijele

na-eme ka nkamma keanya ya pxta ihe. N'awxrx Ijele a rxrx nke qma, q na-enwe ugegbe iri na asatq nd[gxnyere agbata ugegbe isii na nd[obere iri na abxq. Q bx ugegbe nd[a na-eme ka Ijele maa mma ma na-eru eru ka mmiri ma q na-agba.

(v) **Ute**

Ute bx otu n'ime qrxnka mejupxtara ododo d[n'awxrx Ijele. Ute na-ezipxta nkamma keanya n'awxrx Ijele, n'ihi qnqdx ya nakwa xd[d[ya. Q na-ad[n'okpuru agbxrx nke mbx. Ute bx qrxnka a rxrx n'xd[nkaakara a kpqrq *ruler* n'Asxsx Bekee. A na-akpa ute a ka q gbaa awxrx Ijele gburugburu.

(vi) **Qchqokwu**

Qchqokwu bx otu n'ime qrxnka d[n'awxrx Ijele, nakwa otu n'ime ihe mejxpxtara ododo ya. Qchqokwu d[n'awxrx Ijele a rxrx nke qma na-ad[ka aka e weliri elu d[atq. Qrx qchqokwu na-arx n'awxrx Ijele nke mere ka nkamma ya pxta ihe bx na q na-eme ka mmqnwx Ijele ghara [ga n'ebe xzq d[wara wara, ma q bx n'ebe osisi juru. Q bx kwa n'qchqokwu ka eke gbara gburugburu n'awxrx Ijele nq n'ime ya.

(b) **Ododo Nd[a Nagh[Ahx Anya**

Q bx ododo nd[a nagh[ahx anya mebere ogwe Ijele d[atq nd[gxnyere mkpx, akpxch[na ndo. Ododo nd[a nwere qrx pxrx iche ha na-arx n'agbanyegh[na a nagh[ahx ha anya. Nkamma ha pxtara ihe n'ihi na q bx ha mere ka ogwe ahx ma q bx xd[d[Ijele pxta ihe ma na-eme ka q maa mma ma ju eju n'anya. Edozie (2015) s['q bxrx na ododo ad[gh[n'Ijele na q gagh[agba n'ama.' Ododo bx akwa dara nnukwu oke qnx ah[a. Q bx ka awxrx Ijele n'oge gboo si wee buo ibu ma maa mma

mere na etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-enwe ugwu na nsqpxrx ma buru ebube d[ka eze mmqnwx niile n’ala Igbo.

(ch) **Agbamibe**

Agbamibe bx otu n’ime qrxnka na-ewepxta nkamma keanya n’awxrx Ijele mgbe e kere ya xzq abxq. Q bx akwa e ji kwaa awxrx Ijele a na-akpq “nkqnkq” na-ebido n’ebe ute Ijele d[wee ruo n’ala. Agbamibe na-ad[n’ibe n’ibe ma d[iri na isii n’awxrx Ijele a rxrx nke qma. O jxpxtara n’qrxnka na-ad[n’xd[esereese d[iche iche mara mma.

(d) **Nkamma D[ga n’Awxrx Ijele**

N’ebe a a ga-akqwa qrxnka d[iche iche na-ewepxt nkamma keanya n’awxrx Ijele. Qrxnka nd[ahx na-egosi nkamma keanya n’awxrx Ijele bx onyinyo mmqnwx, mmadx na anx nq n’awxrx Ijele. Ha niile bxcha qrxnka mejupxtara awxrx Ijel ma na-ezipxta nkamma ha n’xzq d[iche iche. Onyinyo mmqnwx, mmadx na anx nd[a na-ad[n’xd[ap[r[ap[, atxrxatx, ekereeke, akwaraakwa na akwxrxakwx a na-ahx n’awxrx Ijele.

(i) **Onyinyo Mmqnwx Nq n’Awxrx Ijele**

Mmqnwx nq n’awxrx Ijele na-ewepxta nkamma keanya d[qtxtx. Ha bx Enyi, Odumodu, Agx, Okpube, {zaga dgz. {zaga anq pxtara ihe n’awxrx Ijele na-anqchite anya ah[a anq na-azx n’xwa nd[Igbo. Mmqnwx bx ihe d[ebube ma nwee ugwu na nsopuru n’ala Igbo. Mmqnwx nq n’awxrx Ijele ka e ji na-anqchite anya qrxnka a na-ahx na ya n’oge ugbu a. Ihe na-ezipxta mmxq mmiri n’elu Ijele na-egosi na q bx ya kacha mmqnwx niile. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na q bx mmqnwx iri ise na abxq na-anq n’awxrx Ijele.

(ii) **Onyinyo Mmadx Nq n’Awxrx Ijele**

Onyinyo mmadx nke e si na ha ezipxta nkamma keanya n'awxrx Ijele na-ad[iri isii na otu n'oge gboo. Mana n'oge ugbu a onyinyo mmadx na-anq n'awxrx Ijele anagh[ad[qtxtx, n'ihi na q bx nd[qrxnka na nd[ha na-arxrx awxrx Ijele na-ekwu ihe a ga-arxrx ha. Q bx nke a mere na e nwere nd[iche n'awxrx Ijele a na-ahx n'oge ugbu a. Mmadx bx anx d[elu, n'ihi na o nwere uche kar[a ihe niile e kere eke. Mma Eke chqrq ndx mmadx bx ihe mara mma ile anya mere na n'qnx qgxgx ya na qnqdx ya n'etiti ihe e kere eke pxtara ihe n'awxrx Ijele. Mmadx d[nd[Igbo mkpa nke ukwuu n'ihi na q bx ya nq n'etiti ihe niile na-eme na ndx nd[Igbo. Ihe banyere mmadx na qkwa q nq na ya pxtara ihe n'qnx qgxgx ya n'awxrx Ijele. Obienyem (n.d:59) zipxtara echiche a n'ebe q s["mmadx bx mma Chineke gbara m gburugburu." N'abx q kpqrq "Mmadx" na nkebiabx nke mbx n'qgbara nke anq na nkebiabx nke ise n'qgbara nke anq na mmadx bx "Mma Chineke gbara m gburugburu/Ibe any[, mmadx bx naan[akwa Chineke jiri machaa aka". Chukuezi (2001:27) zipxtara qnqdx mmadx n'etiti ihe Chukwu kere eke n'abx q kpqrq "Mmadx bx Nnu" n'qgbara abx nke iri na ise ruo na nke iri na asaa, mgbe q si:

> Mmadx bx nnu
> I tinyeghi ya n'ofe, njq
> I tifee ya njq.

Iroegbu (1995:352) s[na mgbe e kwuru na q bx mmadx, ihe q pxtara bx na q bxgh[mmxq ma q bx ihe onye qbxla maara na q bxgh[ihe pxrx iche ma nwe ike ime anwans[na qrx [txnanya d[ka mmxq maka na q bx aja na ntx. Ukwamedua (2012:198) kwuo na "mmadx bx onye qd[nala n'ihi na bido mgbe a mxrx ya q na-esonye ma na-eto n'ime qd[nala obodo ya. Q s[na o si n'ihe banyere akxkqala na okike mere ka a mata na mmadx si n'qd[nala. Q gara n'ihu na-ekwu na mmadx na-ezipxta

qd[nala ma bxrx nnukwu ihe na-emetxta qd[nala, n'ihi na e wepu mmadx, qd[nala agagh[egosipxta onwe ya maka na q bx ya kacha eri uru d[n'qdinala. Echiche banyere mmadx pxtara ihe n'okwu s[na e mere ihe niile maka qd[mma mmadx na n'aha mmadx.

Ezeanya (1976:6) s[na "ekpemekpe qd[nala gbadoro xkwx na mmadx na maka nchekwaba ndx ya". Basden (1926:224) kwuo na q bx maka nchekwaba ndx mmadx ka e ji achx aja ma na-enye onyinye, na-ekpe ekpere, na-agba afa, ma na ejekwuru D[b[a Afa na Dib[a Qgwx ga. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na ndx mmadx d[asq nke na a gagh[ewepx ya mgbe q sqrq onye. Dukor (2007:55) s[na q d[mkpa na mmadx bi n'obodo n'ihi na q bx site na mmekqr[ta ya na nd[qzq ka o si na ya na-enwere onwe ya ma na-amatawanye onwe ya. Ezeigwe na Ewuim (2008:317) zipxtara echiche a banyere mmadx wee s[na nd[qchich[n'xwa niile na-agba mbq etu ha ga-esi mee ka usoro obibi ndx d[r[mmadx mfe. Q bx nke a mere e ji si na njikqaka otu onye na qhanaeze na-eme ka ndx kawanye mma n'amxma itinye ihe na-enyere ndx aka. Onah (2003:121) s[na ihe o ji d[nnukwu mkpa na a zxrx mmadx nke qma bx na o doro anya na q bx mmadx na-eme obodo ihe q bx. Fuller (1979) n'Abxqma (8:4-8) kwuo:

> G[n[ka mmadx bx nke na { na-ebu ya n'uche.
> Nwa nke mmadx nke na { na-eleta ya anya.
> I mere ka o were obere ihe kar[a nd[mmxq nta
> I jikwa ugwu na nsqpxrx chqq ya mma d[ka okpueze
> I mere ya nnaukwx ihe niile e kere eke.
> Ma were ihe niile dewe n'okpuru ya
> Q na-ach[xmxatxrx na ehi, ya na xmxanxqh[a nd[qzq niile

Q na-ach[xmxnnunu nke igwe, azx na anx nd[qzq nq n’oshimiri.

Oked[ad[(2003:7-8) zipxtara na o nweghi ihe mmadx bx n’abx q kpqrq “Mmadx” na nkebiabx nke atq n’qgbara nke anq ruo nke asaa mgbe q si:

Mmadx d[ka flawa.
Nke na-etopxta na mma
Ma na otu ntabi anya q kpqnwxq
O nweghi ihe mmadx bx.

Onyinyo mmadx nq n’awxrx Ijele nq n’ogo d[iche iche na n’qnqdx d[iche iche n’emume d[iche iche a na-eme n’omenala Igbo. Mmadx nd[pxtara ihe n’awxrx Ijele bx, nd[chiri qzq, nd[bu igbe ozu, diochi na-ete nkwx, nd[na-edu mmqnwx, onye nq n’elu [ny[nya wdg. Mmadx nd[a niile ka e si na ha egosi omenala d[iche iche nd[Igbo na-eme ma si na ha na-ezipxta nkamma n’awxrx Ijele n’xzq d[iche iche.

(iii) **Onyinyo Anx Nq n’Awxrx Ijele**

Awxrx Ijele na-ezipxtakwa xwa xmxanxmanx. Anx abxq pxtara ihe n’awxrx Ijele na-zipxta nkamma keanya gxnyere [ny[nya mmadx nq n’elu ya na eke. {ny[nya mmadx nq n’elu bx qrxnka mara mma ma bxrxkwa anx nwere ugwu n’ala Igbo. Q bx n’ebe kacha d[elu ka q na-ad[n’ awxrx Ijele. Eke bx anx qzq pxtara ihe, ma bxrx qrxnka na-ad[n’awxrx Ijele n’xd[na e nwere ike iji ya wee kqwa mmqnwx Ijele n’ebe mmqnwx nd[qzq d[, n’ihi na q bx naan[ya bx mmqnwx na-ebu Ekeqgba n’isi ya. Eke nq n’awxrx Ijele na-eziputa [bx eze na [d[ukwu ya. {ny[nya na-eziputa kwa [d[ukwuu na [bx eze mmqnwx Ijele.

Qnqdx eke n’elu Ijele bx nke na q bxrx na a ghxgh[eke n’awxrx Ijele, a mara na mmqnwx ahx abxgh[Ijele. Eke na-agba gburugburu n’elx Ijele n’ihi na q na-ebu ibu, ma too ogologo nke ukwuu. Q bx anx qh[a na-ebu ibobo ma na-atx egwu. Ihe nd[a na-eme ka mmqnwx Ijele d[ebube. Q bx otu n’ime qrxnka nwere nkamma d[n’elu Ijele pxtara ihe n’xda ngwa egwu ma q bx [gba Ijele. Chukuezi (2001:38) zipxtara na Eke bx anx d[egwu n’abx q kpqrq “Eke” na nkebiabx nke mbx n’qgbara nke asatq ruo na nke iri na nkebiabx nke abxq n’qgbara nke anq ruo na nke asaa:

Onye i suturu qnx q bxrx qnwx.
I metu nwata qdx q laa mmxq.
Dike [gbakqrq, q bxrx ozu.
Eke,[mara mma
Ma agagh[m efe g[
Asx mmiri g[bx qnwx
Q bx qkx gbara qzara.

Obienyem (1987:4) kwuo n’abx q kpqrq “Agwq” na nkeb[abx nke abxq n’qgbara nke asaa na asatq ebeq s[na agwq na mmadx ejighi anya ahx onwe ha. Q bx nkamma nd[a na-eme ka awxrx Ijele maa mma n’anya ma na-egosi kwa nsirihxndx nd[Igbo. Q bx kwa ihe banyere mma ahx awxrx Ijele mara mere na Maduekwe (1980:49) zipxtara echiche ya banyere mma n’abx a kpqrq “Chi kere Mma” n’qgbara nke abxq, iri abxq na ise ruo na iri abxq na asa, mgbe q s[:

Chi kere ya kere mma.
Chi kere ya bx mma n’obi wee kpxq ya.
Gosi anyi, s[xwa
Kiriwenu xd[nka any[pxrx [kwa.

Awxrx Ijele mara mma ma na-ezipxta nkamma site n'ihe nkqwa e nyerela banyere akxkx ahx ya d[iche iche. Ugwumad[(2006:38) zipxtara mma na nkamma na nkebiabx nke abxq n'qgbara nke mbx ruo na nke atq n'abx q kpqrq "ebube mma" mgbe q si:

I bx egwugwu txrx n'igwe
{ bx anyanwx wara n'ehihie
{ bx qnwa tiri n'abal[.

Nwamah (2006:67) kwuo n'abx q kpqrq "Mma" na nkebiabx nke abxq n'qgbara nke mbx rxq na nke atq, na ihe maa mma qṅx nwanne mma awxchie were qnqdx n'obi mmadx. Echiche niile a banyere mma bx nke e si na ya akqwapxta na awxrx Ijele bx qrxnka mara mma.

5.5 Nd[iche D[n'Awxrx Ijele D[Ka Qrxnka n'Oge Gboo na n'Oge Ugbu a

A b[a na nkewa e mere banyere awxrx mmqnwx Ijele d[ka qrxnka n'oge gboo na n'oge ugbu a. E were awxrx mmqnwx Ijele malite mgbe nd[Igbo malitere ruo n'oge a lxrx agha obodo Na[jir[a d[ka oge gboo. N'aka nke qzq, awxrx mmqnwx Ijele d[ka qrxnka n'oge ugbu a, bx awxrx Ijele a rxrx malite mgbe a lxchara agha obodo Na[jir[a wee ruo taa.

(a) Awxrx Ijele D[Ka Qrxnka n'Oge Gboo

N'oge gboo, onye qrxnka na-arx awxrx Ijele n'oge gboo si na ya egosipxta onyinye qrxnka ya. Q bx n'oge ahx ka onye qrxnka na-arx awxrx Ijele ji qṅx na obi qcha egosipxta qrx nka ya. Ihe na-echu onye qrxnka n'oge ahx xra bx ka qrxnka ya maa mma ma bxrx ihe e ji amaatx. Q bx n'ihi nke a ka ha ji ewepxta oge nqrq n'qda ihe d[ka qnwa atq ma q bx karia ebe ha na-arx awxrx Ijele, n'ihi o nwere qtxtx ihe a ga-ap[ap[,

nd[a ga-akwa akwa ma nd[a ga-atx atx onye qrxnka ahx ga-eji anya iruala na-ach[kqba ka awxrx ahx wee maa mma. Awxrx Ijele a siri ike qrxrx, ya mere na mmqnwx Ijele anagh[agba qtxtx oge n'afq n'oge gboo.

Nd[qrxnka n'oge gboo na-arx awxrx Ijele buru ibu n'ihi na q bx qhaobodo na-eme nkwado banyere ya. Nke a mere na a ga-azx kwa onye ga-ebu ya n'anx ahx na kwa n'ime mmxq. Obiakq (2015) s[na q bx n'oge gboo ka Ijele na-enwe qtxtx ihe na-ad[arq na ya d[ka ododo, alq na mgbo. Q bx n'echiche a ka Nweke (2015) jiri kwuo na ododo bx akwa na-ada nnukwu oke qnx ah[a ma na-ad[arq na onye bu naan[otu isi ya bu ibu. Q s[na q bx ododo ahx ka Ijele na-ebu, ya na ihe nd[qzq d[arq, wee na-agba egwu. Q bx etu ododo siri d[nnukwu mkpa n'orx nka bx Ijele mere e ji ekwu na ododo ad[gh[n'isi Ijele na q gaghi agba n'ama. Obadiegwu (2015) s[q bx nd[gboo na-eti Ijele mere na q na-ad[nnukwu arq maka ma mmqnwx ma mmadx ma anx qh[a d[ka eke, enyi, agx, atx na anx nd[qzq d[cha n'elu Ijele. Q s[na q bx kwa n'oge gboo ka nd[na-eti [gba Ijele na-ezipxta echiche nka n'xzq pxrx iche na-eme ka egwu ya nwe ugwu ma d[kwaa ebube. Nd[Igbo n'oge gboo ji echiche nka na qtxtx nkwadebe wee mxta [gba mmqnwx Ijele.

(b) **Awxrx Ijele D[Ka Qrxnka n'Oge Ugbu a**

Awxrx mmqnwx Ijele anagh[ebukwa ibu qzq, ma q nagh[kwa ama mma d[ka q na-ad[n'oge gboo. Qnqdx d[etu a si na-etinyeghi uchu n'qrxnka na oke qch[chq d[n'oge ugbu a. N'oge ugbu a, nd[qrxnka na-arx awxrx Ijele na-etinye qtxtx echiche nka ha si n'aka nd[gboo ṅomiri ma na-arx kwa awxrx Ijele d[ka onye ga-eti ya ga-ebu. Q bx nke a mere na qtxtx ihe d[arq e ji arx Ijele n'oge gboo abxgh[kwa ha niile ka e ji

arx ya n’oge ugbu a. Nweke (2015) s[“n’oge ugbu a, q bx akwa a na-akpq ‘uberu’ ka e ji arx mmqnwx Ijele n’ihi na q na-ad[mfe. Q bx nke a mere na Ijele n’oge ugbu a anagh[ad[kwa arq makana ma ugegbe, alq na mgbo enwegh[kwa nke e ji osisi wee rxq. Kama q bx qfqlq, ekwe na owu na-anqchite anya ha.”

Nd[qrxnka ejighi kwa [rx awxrx mmqnwx Ijele kpqrq ihe n’oge ugbu a nke mere na qrxnka ha anagh[kwa ama mma. O nwegh[onye ga-eme nke qma n’qrx o jighi obi aṅxr[arx. N’oge ugbu a, nd[qrx nka na-arx awxrx Ijele na-arx ya qrx gbanugbanu, mere na q na-ad[kwa obere ma na-ajq njq n’anya. Qtxtx qrxnka a na-ahx n’awxrx Ijele n’oge gboo n’xd[akpxrxakpx, ap[r[ap[, atxrxatx, akwarakwa dgz anagh[ezu kwa oke n’oge ugbu a. N’otu aka ahx ha na-aga n’ihu [rx awxrx Ijele n’ihi oke qch[chq maka na ego e ji arx ya anagh[ad[obere. Nd[qrxnka gbanx gbanx na-arx awxrx Ijele n’ugbu a. Awxrx mmqnwx Ijele n’oge ugbu a, bxkwa ihe nd[qrxnka rxrx ha na-arx ka q d[mfe, site n’xzq d[etu a, nd[mmadx na-ach[kqba onwe ha qnx ma rxq awxrx Ijele. Awxrx Ijele a na-arx n’oge ugbu a na-ad[mfe n’ihi na ha ji ya achx nta ego. Nke a mere na nd[mmadx na-enwe mmas[[txkqta ego iji rxq ya.

5.6 Akamgba Chere Ijele D[Ka Mmqnwx na Qrxnka

Ijele d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka nwere qtxtx akamgba chere ya. Q d[nnukwu mkpa na a nq n’ebe a lebaa anya n’qtxtx akamgba a chere qrxnka na mmqnwx Ijele ka e wee mee ka o doo onye q bxla anya na o nweghi uru q bara na a ga-agba mbq ka etimxmmqnwx Ijele na nka [rx awxrx ya laa n’ala Igbo kpamkpam. Nd[Igbo dewere mmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka ya n’qkwa d[elu na ndx ha, q bx nke a mere na akamgba chere ya ad[gh[obere, makana q bx ka onye ha ka isi na-awa ya na-aha.

Akamgba a chere mmqnwx Ijele ugbu a na-ezipxta agha d[n'etiti ihe na qch[chir[. O kwesighi na a kpagburu etimxmmqnwx Ijele ka o si n'xzq d[etu a laa, makana q bxrxgodu na o nwere ebe na-eri mperi na ndx nd[Igbo oge ugbu a, q bxgh[site n'[hapx ya ka q laa ka a ga-esi wee gbazie ya. Akamgba nd[ahx chere Ijele d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka gxnyere:

(a) **Ijele Anagh[Enwe Ego**

Otu n'ime akamgba chere mmqnwx Ijele malite n'oge gboo bx nkwenye na Ijele a nagh[enwe ego. Nkwenye a na-ekwu mmqnwx Ijele bu ihe niile mara mma n'ala nd[Igbo n'elu isi ya, n'ihi ya na q gagh[enwekwa ihe nd[ahx mara mma n'xwa a. Iloegbunem (2015) zipxtara echiche a wee s[na 'Ijele anagh[enwe ego maka na ihe niile mara mma d[n'elu Ijele.' Ikem (2015) s[na Ijele anagh[enwe ego. Q s[na 'o nweghi Ijele gbal[moto mbx.' Q gara n'ihu kqwaa na q bx obodo na-akpata ego e ji arx Ijele, n'otu aka ahx kwa na q bx obodo na-eke ego q datara. Edozie (2015) s[na ego Ijele datara mgbe q na-agba ma ihe nd[mmadx d[iche iche wetere bx nd[obodo nwe ya. Q s[na e mechaa e kee ego ahx xzq atq Ijele ewere otu.

(b) **Nr[anr[a na Qghqm D[Iche Iche**

Qtxtx mgbe Ijele na-enwe nsogbu nr[anr[a n'xzq d[iche iche. Ajq qnqdx a bx akamgba chere etimxmmqnwx Ijele mere na qtxtx mmadx achqgh[kwa ka ha buo Ijele n'agbanyeghi qkwa nd[obodo dewere ya. Echiche a pxtara ihe n'okwu Iloegbunam (2015) s[na na q bx nkwenye nd[mmadx na o nwere ajq mmxq na-eso Ijele. Q bx mmxq ahx na-akpatara onye buru ya qdach[ma q bx qghqm. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na nd[mmadx na-ahx na ihe qbxla mmqnwx Ijele si n'etimxmmqnwx ahx.

(ch) **Mmekq Xmxnwaany[**

Akamgba qzq chere etimxmmqnwx Ijele bx nwany[. Obodo na-eti Ijele na-ama iwu ka onye ga-ebu Ijele ghara inwe mmekqr[ta ya na xmxnwaany[mgbe a na-akwado etim mmqnwx ahx. Maka na xmxnwaany[na-agba mbq ka ha Ijele nwe mmekqrita n'ihi na onye qbxla na-ahx Ijele ka ime ihe siri ike n'obodo. Nkwenye a gbadoro xkwx na mmekq xmxnwaany[na Ijele ga-eme ka Ijele ghara [gba nke qma. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na nwaany[bx nsogbu n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele maka na ha na-agbaso Ijele. Q s[na Ijele kwesiri ka o zeere mmekq xmxnwany[n'ihi na ha na-arx ike. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na nso nwaany[d[n'ihe niile mmadx na-eme pxtara ihe, maka na xmxnwaany[agagh[ekwe ka onye ahx mepxta ihe obodo ga-eji mara aha ya.

(d) **Mmqnwx Ijele {da Ada**

Otu n'ime akamgba chere mmqnwx Ijele malite mgbe etimxmmqnwx ya malitere n'ala Igbo bx [da ada. Mmqnwx Ijele [da ada na-abxrx nd[obodo nwe ya nnukwu qghqm, mere na qhaobodo na-agba mbq d[iche iche [hx na q dagh[ada n'ama. Nd[obodo na-eti mmqnwx Ijele mara na q daa ada, q bxrx ihe ihere na ihe akqmqnx d[r[ha. Q bx echiche a mere na a na-eme emume qd[nala na-ezipxta ntqaja d[iche iche iji medaa mmxq na mmadx obi ka mmqnwx Ijele wee gbaa n'udo. E nwere qtxtx xzq nd[ajq mmxq na ajq mmadx si agba mbq ka mmqnwx Ijele daa ada, ma q bx metere nd[obodo ahx ihe ihere. N'otu aka ahx ka ada mmqnwx Ijele na-ada si d[iche iche. Nd[ajq mmxq na ajq mmadx na-eji ajq obi ha ma q bx ajq echiche ha na-eme ka ikuku, mmiri ozuzo, ajx, ns[na amosu kwatuo mmqnwx Ijele mgbe q na-achq [pxta n'qda ma q bx mgbe q na-agba n'obom.

Ihe nd[a enweghi nke ya na mmqnwx Ijele d[na mma ma q na-agba n’ihi na nke q bxla n’ime ha nwere ike ikwatx ya. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na ihe nwere ike ime ka Ijele daa ada gunyere o nwere ike q bxrx na ibu Ijele ahx ekweghi Ijele obubu, ikuku, nd[dib[a na nd[amosu na-akxkwa mmqnwx Ijele ns[ka ha kqtuo ya, dgz. Ikuku bx nnukwu akamgba chere mmqnwx Ijele maka na o nwere ike ikwatx ya, n’ihi na ikxkx kwaba n’ime ya q ga-eme ka q d[arq kar[a etu q d[. Ma q bx i duru mmqnwx Ijele gawa ebe ikuku chere ihu, n’xzq d[etu a q bxrx na nd[obodo malite itinye aka n’[zq mmqnwx Ijele ahx ka ikuku ghara ibuga ya ebe q mas[r[ya, ihe q pxtara bx q adaala. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na mgbe xkwx abxq bara n’ime mmqnwx Ijele a mara na q na-achq [da ada. Q s[na mgbe qbxla xkwx d[n’okpuru mmqnwx Ijele kar[a abxq, xkwx nd[qzq bx nd[b[ara inye aka ka q ghara [da n’ala.

Akamgba qzq chere mmqnwx Ijele ga-eme ka q daa ada bx mmiri ozuzo. Mmiri ozuzu abxgh[ihe na-enye obodo na-eti mmqnwx Ijele obi aṅxri q kachas[mgbe q na-achq mpxta n’qda ma q bx oge q na-agba n’obom. Qtxtx mgbe mmiri ozuzo na-ebu ikuku, n’aka nke qzq q bxrx na ikxkx ya akwatughi mmqnwx Ijele, mmiri ozuzo n’onwe ya emee ka q d[arq ma q maa ya nke ga-eme ka Ijele aghara ibunwu arq ahx. N’xzq d[etu a Ijele ahx nwere ike ida n’ala n’ihu qhaobodo ma q bx nd[mmadx enyere ya aka ka q ghara [da ada n’ihu nd[mmadx. Iloegbunam (2015) s[na o siri ike ka mmiri ghara [ma Ijele malite n’xbqch[a rxwara ya ruo n’xbqch[q ga-agba, n’ihi na mmqnwx Ijele na-ebu mmiri. Q bx nke a mere na qtxtx mgbe a na-arx xlq ebe a na-anq arx awxrx Ijele.

Q bx qnqdx di etu a ka a ga-ahx kwa oge nd[ajq mmxq na ajq mmadx si n'otu n'ime ihe a nagh[ahx anya wee na-achq [kwatu mmqnwx Ijele. Xzq a nagh[ahx anya e si eme ka Ijele daa ada gxnyere ife ya ajx, ikq ya ns[ma q bx iji amosu wee mee anwans[d[iche iche nwere ike ime ka obi daa Ijele mba. Mgbe nd[ajq mmxq na ajq mmadx si n'xzq nd[a wee na-agba mmqnwx Ijele mgba ka q daa, q bxrx na obodo nwe ya akwadoghi nke qma, o nwere ike [da ada n'ihu nd[mmadx ma q bx nwe nd[ga-enyere ya aka. Qnqdx d[etu a pxtara na Ijele ahx dara ada.

5.7 Mmepe Anya

Mmepe anya bx aka mgba qzq chere mmqnwx Ijele na qrx nka awxrx ya. Mmepe anya a si n'xzq d[iche na n'xdi d[iche iche. Mmepe anya a si n'aka nd[qcha wetere mgbanwe n'usoro obibi ndx nd[Igbo n'xzq d[iche iche. Qb[b[a nd[qcha a wetere usoro obibi ndx na nsirihxndx qhxrx gxnyere nkwenye na chi na ekpemekpe qgbaraqhxx, amxma agxmakwxkwq na qrx bekee n'ala Igbo.

(i) **Ekpemekpe na Nkwenye na Chi Qgbara Qhxx**

Ekpemekpe na nkwenye na chi qgbara qhxx bx otu n'ime akamgba chere mmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka awxrx ya. Ekpemekpe nd[otu Kirisiti na nkuzi ha mere na qtxtx mmadx n'ala Igbo na-ahx ihe banyere qrxnka na mmqnwx Ijele d[ka ihe onye na-amagh[Chukwu na eme. Okpaku (1970:283) s[na a na-ele emume na ejije anya d[ka ihe nd[amagh[Chukwu na-eme maka na ha gbadoro xkwx na ntqaja na emume qd[nala ga. Nwadigwe (2008:169) kwuo na ekpemekpe nd[otu Kirisiti na Islam si na mmepe anya bx nnukwu akamgba chere ejije qd[nala nd[Afr[ka. Nkuzi di etu a na-akxda mmxq onye ma q bx nd[Igbo n'usoro obibi ndx ha nke ekpemekpe na nkwenye

na chi qgbaraqhxx na-ahx ka ihe qjqq. Nwachukwu (2003:167) zipxtara na mmqnwx esila n’ihe banyere ekpemekpe o si na ya b[a ma bxrx nke na-enye ya ugwu qtxtx qgbq gara aga pxq nke mere na nd[Afr[ka qgbaraqhxx na-ahx ya ka ihe aghxghq.

Ogonna (2008:465) kwuo na q bx ihe jqgburu onwe ya na ekpemekpe nd[otu Kiristi na-eleda mmqnwx anya nke na taa, a na-ahx mmqnwx ka amxma e ji emebi ihe n’eleghi anya n’qrx qma q na-arx n’ala Igbo. Awugosi (2009:14) s[na qtxtx omenala a na-eme n’ala Igbo ka qb[b[a nd[qcha na ekpemekpe nd[otu Krisiti mekpara ahx. Nwaozuzu (2015:29) gosipxtara ajq qnqdx a wee s[na oge any[nq ugbu a bx oge ‘Preezi de Lqqdx!’, oge ihe niile e ji mara nd[Igbo bx njq. Q s[na ihe a na-ahx ka njq gxnyere etimxmmqnwx, [wa ji, iru mmgbede, [gba mkpe, [zx ah[a nwa na echichi d[iche iche. N’xzq d[etu o nweghi onye ga-eji obi siri ike na abagide ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele ma q bx nwe qṅx n’igosipxta qrxnka d[n’irx awxrx ya. Nd[mmadx n’oge ugbu a na-ahxz[ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka [ta ahxhx, n’ihi nghqta xmx Igbo qgbara qhxx na-ezipxta na e jighi ahxhx anyaisi.

(ii) **Agxmaakwxkwq**

Agxmaakwxkwq bx otu n’ime usoro obibi ndx si n’aka nd[qcha wee b[a bx nnukwu amxma mmepe anya mere na e nwere nsirihxndx qhxx na ndx nd[Igbo. Agxmaakwxkwq na-eme ka mmadx pxq n’egwu ma bxrx amxma e si eme ka ihe niile miri emi gbaa n’anwx maka mmxta na qd[mma mmadx n’xwa gbaa gburugburu. Nwadigwe (2008:168) s[na q bx ihe jqgburu onwe ya etu qtxtx emume qd[nala n’Afr[ka si maa afq n’ala, kpxq ugwu ya n’ala ma na-anyx ka qkx. Agxmaakwxkwq mere ka qtxtx mmadx kwesiri [nq n’obodo wee ch[kqba egwu mmqnwx Ijele nqrqchaa n’xlqakwxkwq d[iche iche na-achx nta mmxta na

amamihe. Ufford (2002:148) s[na usoro obibi ndx nd[qcha ebiela qtxtx ihe d[mkpa banyere [gba egwu na-arx na ndx nd[mmadx na omenala ha aka qjqq. Q s[na nke a mere na nchekwaba ihe qd[nala nd[a enweghi isi na ndx ha. Ihe nd[a bx qdach[nyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka d[n'[rx awxrx ya, n'ihi na q bx obodo ch[kqba onwe ha maka etim Ijele, onye qrxnka ewe nwe ihe q ga-arx.

Q bx n'echiche a ka Osofisan (1997:5) ji kwuo na e nyebeghi ejije mba Afr[ka ohere, o wee bxrx ihe jqgburu onwe ya na njq na qtxtx n'ime any[amagh[ihe banyere qd[nala any[. N'otu aka ahx o mere ka nd[mmadx na-ahxta mmqnwx ka ihe e ji emeghar[ogbodu na xmxnwaany[anya wee napx ha ikike d[r[ha n'obodo. Qnqdx d[etu a mere na mmqnwx niile n'ala Igbo nakwa Ijele enwegh[kwa ugwu na nsqpxrx n'ebe qtxtx mmadx nq n'ala Igbo. Okodo (2003:92) zipxtara echiche ya banyere ajq qnqdx a mgbe q s[na nd[omenala ha na-achq ka q nwxq ga-agba mbq ka ha tulite ya. Asigbo (2013:9) s['ihe a chqrq bx xzq kacha mma a ga-esi ch[kqba nkanaxzx any[. Nkanaxzx kwesiri ka e nye ha ndonye ukwu. Q gara n'ihu kwuo na mbq any[na-agba bx inye xsa na nsogbu na-apxta na ndx oge niile. Agxmaakwxkwq anagh[enye nd[Igbo ohere ibi ndx n'usoro qd[nala ha, nke q na-enye ha ohere [hazi etimxmmqnwx Ijele ga-eme ka nd[qrxnka s[n'xzq a kpata ihe ha na-eri ma q bx na-agba aka ah[a

(iii) **Qrx Bekee**

Qrx bekee bx otu n'ime mmepe anya si n'qb[b[a nd[qcha, ma bxrx kwa akamgba chere etimxmmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka awxrx ya. Qtxtx xmxafq Igbo bagidere qrx Bekee d[ka xzq achxmnta akxnaxba nd[qcha wetere n'ala Igbo. Amankulo (2002: 409) s[na mmekqr[ta any[na

nd[qcha butere nnukwu nsogbu enweghi atx n’uto na ahxike qrxnka. Qrx bekee anagh[enye nd[na-arx ya ohere ime ihe d[r[ha n’onwe ha wee fqdxzie ohere a ga-eji wee ch[kqba egwu mmqnwx Ijele. N’xzq d[etu a nd[nwere mmas[n’etimxmmqnwx na qrxnka Ijele enweghi kwa ohere ha ga-eji mee nke a. Usoro obibi ndx nd[Igbo na-enye ha ohere ha ji ebido qrx ugbo ha na mgbe ha na-amalite owuwe ihe ubi ha ma na-enye ha ohere ime ihe ga-eme ka ndx na-atq xtq d[ka [mx egwu, iti mmqnwx na qrx nka nd[qzq ad[gh[kwa.

(iv) **Nleghar[Anya n’Ejirimara Nd[**

Akamgba qzq chere mmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka bx nleghara anya ma q bx nleda anya xmxafq Igbo na-eleghara ejirimara ha nke mmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka ya bx otu n’ime ha anya. Qb[b[a nd[qcha na usoro obibi ndx ha wetara mgbanwe pxrx iche na ndx nd[Igbo, mere na qtxtx hapxrx ejirimara ha ma bagide nṅomi usoro obibi ndx na nsirihxndx nd[qcha. Ogu-Raphael (2009:78) s[na emume qd[nala nd[Afr[ka ka e mere ka o jiri nwayqq laa. Oke amxma nṅomi a pxtara ihe n’xzq d[iche iche na ndx nd[Igbo, mere na ha anagh[ahx ihe mara mma d[n’omenala ha. Nwadigwe (2008:168) zipxtara na q bx ihe nwute na qtxtx qrxnka ngosipxta nd[Afrika na-anyx ka qkx. Q s[na ugwu na nsqpxrx a na-enye ya n’ebe mmadx nq ad[gh[kwa. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na qrxnka ngosiputa nd[a anaghi eto kwa eto mere na ha anagh[kwa egosi kwa n’ihe a na-eme n’oge ugbu a.

Q naghi esiri onye Igbo ike [mxta ihe nd[mba qzq na-eme, n’otu aka ahxkwa ka o si d[r[ya mfe [txfx ihe e ji mara ya ebe q na-agba mbq ka q bxrx qkaibe n’omenala nd[mba qzq. Asigbo (2013:8) s[na any[nq ebe any[nq taa makana any[enyeghi qrxnka na omenala

any[nkwado. Q bx ihe banyere oke nṅomi ihe nd[mba qzq na nleghara anya n’ejiri mara nd[Igbo mere na nd[qrxnka enweghi ugwu na nsqpxrx n’ebe nd[ogbo ha nq n’aka qrx d[iche iche nq. Qnqdx d[etu a mere na qtxtx mmadx kwesiri [d[na-eri uru d[n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele na qrxxnka awxrx ya nq na e nwegh[akaqrx taa n’ala Igbo.

(v) **Enweghi Akaqrx**

Ihe zipxtara etu nd[Igbo n’oge ugbu a si emeso qrxnka na mmqnwx Ijele omume, bx ajq qnqdx enweghi akaqrx. Enweghi akaqrx jupxtara n’ala Igbo n’oge ugbu a si n’usoro obibi ndx nd[qcha pxtara ihe n’ekpemekpe, agxmakwxkwq na qrx bekee bx isi sekpu nt[na ya. Q bx ihe nd[a mere na qtxtx mmadx kwesiri isi n’qrx nka akpa ihe oriri bx nd[nqz[nk[t[. Okodo (2003:95) s[na o kwesiri ka any[na-agba nd[qrx nka any[ume site n’[zxrx ihe nka ha ji ihe nd[be any[wee rxq. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na o kwesiri na any[mere ka qrxnka any[na-ezipxta qd[nala na nkwenye any[. Q bxgh[na q bx ihe jqrq njq mmadx iṅomi usoro obibi ndx nd[qzq, kama q bx ihe jqrq nnukwu njq na mmadx]omiwere usoro obibi ndx nd[mba qzq wee chefuo qd[nala e ji mara ya.

Ebe qnqdx a si jqgbue udele na njq ma sigbue nkap[n’isi bx na nd[Igbo anagh[echeta na e kwesiri ka ha chekwaba qd[nala ha, ma q bx chqta ihe qzq iji nochie anya qtxtx qd[nala ha nd[usoro obibi ndx qgharaqhxx ahxgh[ka ihe bara uru. Bakare (2002:42) s[na any[ga-ebili rxq qrx kwesiri na any[ga-arxrx nd[be any[nke gxnyere ime ka a mara ha site n’ide oge niile ihe banyere akxkq ndx na usoro mmekqr[ta mamdx na ibe ya na [d[na-egosipxta ihe e ji mara ha. Q bx qnqdx a mere na nd[qrxnka na-arx awxrx Ijele enweghi akaqrx

ugbu a etimxmmqnwx Ijele abxgh[ihe na-anx nd[mmadx qkx n’obi. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka awxrx ya anagh[kwa aga n’ihu n’ala Igbo, nke a tinyere ha na qtxtx nd[qrxnka ihu qrx ha mechiri emechi n’agxx. Q bx n’ihi ajq qnqdx a ka Anyasodo (2008:44-5) zipxtara mgbe q s[na inye nd[qrxnka nkwado ga-eme ka onye qrxnka d[uchu n’qrx ya ma nwe kwa nd[mmadx ga-agba ya aka ah[a n’qrxnka ya kar[a ka q d[n’oge gara aga. Q bxrx na nd[qch[ch[nke mpaghara ma q bx izugbe akwado qrx nka na q ga-eme ka nd[na-azx ah[a qrxnka q kachas[nd[si mba qzq na-ab[a [zxrx qrxnka any[. Ka e wee si n’xzq d[etu a napxta qrxnka na nleghara anya na nleli a na-enye ya. Q gara n’ihu kwuo na onye qrxnka e si na ya eme ka qrxnka na-aga n’ihu ga-ezipxta echiche nka ha ma mee ka onye ahx nweta mmeri na rita ihe nrita n’ihe ngozipxta qrxnka ahx a ch[kqbara.

Q bxrx na e nye qrxnka na nd[qrxnka nkwado pxrx iche site n’aka nd[qch[ch[obodo, echiche nka ga-apxta ihe n’ime ha n’uzq d[iche iche ga-eme ka mba d[iche iche na-ab[a nkiri qrxnka n’ala Igbo. N’otu aka ahx ka Nkamnebe na Thompson (2008:87) kwuo na ebe nleghara anya ma q bx ihe nkiri ka a maara d[ka ihe na-enye qtxtx mba xwa nnukwu akxnaxba kar[a akxnaxba a na-egwupxta n’ala. Nke a pxtara ihe n’qrxnka mara mma d[ka ezi usoro nweta akxnauba site n’ego a na-eweta n’ebe nleghara anya na ihe nkiri n’xwa niile. Okodo (2005:54) s[na mba na-emepe emepe ga-agba mbq [kwalite omenala ha maka na o nweghi mba mepere emepe ga-ahafe omenala ha n’aka mba qzq n’ihi na q ga-eme ka ha ghara [nq n’isi n’ihe banyere omenala ha. Nd[qrxnka enweghikwa ugwu na nsqpxrx n’ala Igbo, n’ihi na nd[mmadx amagh[kwa uru qrxnka bara na ndx ha. Q bx site n’xzq d[etu a ka qnx qgxgx nd[enweghi qrx

n’ala Igbo si wee bawanye, n’ihi na ha leghara anya ma q bx nleda anya ha ledara omenala Igbo bx etimxmmqnwx. Q bx nkx nd[na mba na-eghere mba ite. Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka ya bx mma any[nwere, ka any[were obi aṅxri jiri ya na-ana aka, n’ihi na onye kpqq qba ya mkpqkqrq agbataobi ewere ya kpoo ntx.

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NCH{KQTA NA MMECHI

6.0 Ndubanye

N'ebe a a ga-ach[kqta ihe pxtara ihe a chqpxtara n'edemede nchqcha a, txq elo Nwanchqcha ma mechie edemede a.

6.1 Nch[kqta

Edemede nchqcha a lebara anya n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka otu n'ime ejije qd[nala Igbo na-ezipxta nkamma atq gxnyere nkamma keanya, kent[na keqnx ma nwekwa qtxtx njirimara ejije. N'otu aka ahx a nq n'edemede a wee zipxta awxrx Ijele d[ka qrxnka pxrx iche n'ala Igbo nke qrxnka mejupxtara ya zipxtara nkamma keany nke qma. Q bx ihe banyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele na nkamma ya mere na e zipxtara emume qd[nala d[iche iche obodo na-eti Ijele na-eme maka nkwado etimxmmqnwx Ijele. N'xzq d[etu a ka e si lee mmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka ya anya, ka e wee si na ya zipxta nkamma d[n'Ijele d[ka qrxnka nd[Igbo.

6.2 Ihe a Chqpxtara n'Edemede Nchqcha a

- Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta ejije qd[nala Igbo, n'ihi na o nwere njirimara ejije d[iche iche.
- Etimxmmqnwx Ijele na-ezipxta nkwenye na nd[ichie na mmxq nd[qzq d[iche iche.
- E ji qgwx eti mmqnwx Ijele n'oge gboo na kwa n'qtxtx mgbe n'oge ugbu a.
- Q bx mmqnwx Ijele kacha mmqnwx a na-eti n'ala Igbo nwere xkwx abxq.
- E nwere mgbanwe n'emume qd[nala n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele n'oge ugbu a.

- E nwere mgbanwe n’usoro etimxmmqnwx Ijele n’ufqdx obodo n’ala Igbo.
- E nwere nd[iche n’ezinaxlq mmqnwx Ijele n’obodo na-eti mmqnwx Ijele n’ala Igbo.
- Xmxnwaany[nwere qtxtx egwu ha na-agx n’etimxmmqnwx Ijele.
- Nd[qrxnka na-arx awxrx Ijele n’oge ugbu a na-ebube ego xzq mere na awxrx Ijele anagh[ama mma ma q bx ju eju.
- E nwere qtxtx nd[qrxnka na-arx ma q bx rxrx Ijele n’Xmxeri kar[a obodo nd[qzq.
- Q bx akwa asaa nwere xcha d[iche iche gxnyere uye, edo, nji/oji, qcha, mmee mmee, ndxndx na qlammanx qlammanx ka e ji achq awxrx Ijele mma ka a na-akpq nkqnkq.
- Awxrx Ijele nwere akxkx ahx gxnyere ododo, agbxrx, mkpu, nndq, akpxchi, ugegbe, ute, eke, qchqokwu, agbamibe.
- Qrxnka d[n’awxrx Ijele gxnyere; mmadx, anxqh[a na mmqnwx d[n’xd[, atxrxatx, ekereeke, akwxrxakwx, akwaraakwa na ap[r[ap[.
- Etimxmmqnwx na qrxnka awxrx Ijele nwere qtxtx akamgba chere ya si n’usoro obibi ndx nd[qcha nke nd[Igbo qgbaraqhxx na-eṅomi.

6.3 Elo Nwanchqcha

Q bx ihe kwesiri ekwesi na xmxafq Igbo na nd[qch[ch[nq n’ala Igbo nyere etimxmmqnwx Ijele, nka [rx awxrx ya na qrxnka nd[qzq nkwado. Maka na nke a ga-eme ka nd[mmadx rxpxta qrxnka n’xzq d[iche iche ga-eme ka amxma achxmnta akxnaxba nd[qrxnka na nd[qch[ch[bawanye n’ala Igbo. Nwanchqcha wee na-ar[q nd[nkuzi

na xmxakwxkwq n'xzq pxrx iche ka ha lebe anya n'qrxnka d[iche iche n'ala Igbo ma gaa n'ihu dee edemede nchqcha banyere ha. N'ihi na nke a ga-eme ka qtxtx mmadx chqpxta nkamma d[n'qrxnka nd[ahx, nabata ha ma were ha kpqrq ihe. Edemede nchqcha d[etu a ga-eme ka nd[mmadx matawanye uru d[n'qrxnka. Q ga-eme ka a na-enye onye qrxnka ugwu na nsqpxrx d[[r[ya n'etiti qhanaeze. N'xzq d[etu a, qtxtx mmadx ga-ewere qṅx nabata irx qrxnka d[ka otu xzq mmadx si eweta ihe qnx ga-eri q kachas[n'ebe xmx na-eto eto nq. Nd[Igbo na-ekwu okwu as[na q bx mma onye nwere ka o ji ana aka, maka na q bx nkx d[na mba na-eghere mba ite. N'ihi ya o kwesiri ka a ch[kqba ma chekwaba etimxmmqnwx Ijele na qrxnka ahx bx awxrx Ijele d[ka onyinye pxrx iche n'ala Igbo. Makana onye kpqq qba ya mkpqkqrq agbataobi ya ewere ya kpoo ntx.

6.4 Mmechi

Nd[Igbo na-ekwu n'okwu na ihe nwere mbido ga-enwe kwa njedebe. A nq n'edemede a ezipxta etimxmmqnwx Ijele d[ka otu n'ime ejije qd[nala nd[Igbo nwere nkamma, ma nqrqkwa na ya kqwaa akxkx ahx d[iche iche d[n'awxrx Ijele mere ka nkamma keanya ya pxta ihe. N'otu aka ahx e zipxtakwara akamgba chere mmqnwx Ijele na nka [rx awxrx ya.

Ka o s[lad[, nwanchqcha na-eweta edemede nchqcha a isiokwu ya bx "Nkamma Ijele: Otu n'Ime Qrxnka Nd[Igbo" n'isi njedebe site n'ikwu na e mejupxtara ebumnuche edemede nchqcha a site n'ihe e dere n'edemede a nke gbadoro xkwx n'inye etimxmmqnwx Ijele na nka [rx awxrx ya ohere tosiri ya n'edemede nchqcha

a. N'ihi na nke a ga-eme ka e si n'xzq d[etu a kpqghachi echiche nd[Igbo azx n'ihe banyere Ijele ma mee ka qnxqgxgx nd[mmadx ga-enwe mmas[n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele na nka [rx awxrx ya d[ka mmqnwx na qrxnka nwere nkamma pxrx iche n'ala Igbo bawanye.

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MGBAKWUNYE A2

Nd[{gba Ijele Amaokpo Xmxanunwa -Nteje

09/04/015.

Nweke Ebechi
Nweke Igbanugo
Chukwukeli Udemmadx

Ikechukwu Abeh
Chukwud[Obiakq
Mmadxkqlx Nweke
Afamd[Udenka
Ifeany[Uderika

Nd[Nyere m Aka na Nchqcha a

1. Chukwud[Obono
2. Dinyeli, Daniel
3. Maaz[na Oriakx SundayMmaneme (Kangol Dijital Fotos)
4. Maaz[Onyeka Nwabunwanne
5. Nwachebelu, Lawrence
6. Nwannebxike, Ferdinand
7. Ofodile, Raphael Ikechukwu
8. Oriakx Veronica Okonkwq

MGBAKWUNYE B1

Usoro Nzipxta Ejije Mmqnwx Ijele

Ejije mmqnwx Ijele nwere emume anq gxnyere Emume Odo, Emume Ntqaja Mmqnwx Ijele, Emume Izugbe Mmqnwx Ijele na {jq Mmqnwx Ijele.

Agwa na-Emepxta Ejije Mmqnwx Ijele

1. Odo (Polisi) Ijele abxq
2. Qs[as[r[
3. Nwanzacha
4. Obuxzq Ijele abxq
5. Nne na Nna Ijele (nwoke na nwany[chiri nne na nna Ijele)
6. Nna Onye ga-ebu Ijele
7. Nne Onye ga-ebu Ijele
8. Nd[{gba Ijele
9. Nd[Qja
10. Onye Ogene
11. Nd[Qch[agba
12. Nd[Okenye
13. Qkpqabx
14. Qkpara
15. Ada
16. Xmxada
17. Nd[Iyomdi
18. Obuakxpe Ijele
19. Nne na Nna Ijele (mmqnwx)
20. Ijele

Awa E ji Eme Ejije Mmqnwx Ijele

N'agbanyeghi na etim mmqnwx Ijele na-enwe otu abal[na otu xbqch[d[ka ejije qd[nala, e nwere ike [ch[kqba ejije mmqnwx Ijele n'awa anq. Emume Odo were otu awa. Emume Ntqaja Mmqnwx Ijele were qkara awa. Emume izugbe mmqnwx Ijele ewere awa abxq. {jq mmqnwx Ijele ewere qkara awa.

MGBAKWUNYE B2

Ejije Mmqnwx Ijele

Emume Odo

Nkiri Nke Mbx

Egwu {gba Ijele: ([gba Ijele ga-amalite na nkwago.)

Onye Qja-whistle: (Malite igbu qja.)

Odo: (Bido pareedi.)

Nd[Mmadx: (Kxwa aka.)

Otu Olu: Q bx a mxwa a amxta. Odo abxq a na-azx ije nke qma.

Nkiri Nke Abxq

Onye Qja Abxq: (Malite igbu qja.)

Onye Ogene: (A kxwa ogene.)

Odo: (Malite igba qsq.)

Xmxokorob[a: (A na-agwx egwu Odo d[ka ha na-agba qsq.)

Qs[as[r[: (Si n'otu akxkx na-abata.) Nd[obodo any[ekelee m unu. Qhaobodo o nwere akxkq m ga-akqrq unu.

Olu Onye Mbx: Onye ma nke Qs[as[r[b[ara [kq ugbx a.

Qs[as[r[: (B[a nd[mmadx nso.) Agwq niile na-eto ogologo

Ma na e nwere eke nwe qh[a.
E nwere mmqnwx nwekwa mmqnwx
Ma na q bx Ijele kacha mmqnwx.
Ihe m na-akqrq unu bx na eze mmqnwx niile
Bx Ijele nd[obodo any[ga-agba izu echi bx Eke.

Olu Onye Abxq: (Jxq n'olu njak[r[.) Qs[as[r[onye ma ihe [s[r[e ji kxq g[qkpx qnx?

Qs[as[r[: Q bx nd[mmqnwx ha dara ada
Ji iwe ya txq m okwute n'ach[
Ka m ghara ihx qnx m ga-eji
Kqrq unu na Ijele any[ga-agba.

Nkiri Nke Atq

Olu Onye Mbx: (Ogene, qja na egwu kwxs[tx, ha gbakqq otu ebe.) Any[eruole obodo any[na-eje. Q d[mkpa na any[maara ebe any[kwesiri ibu xzq banye.

Olu Onye Abxq: Ka any[buru xzq gaa obodo ogologo, ka any[na-aga any[ga-ajxta onye q bx ya tqchara nd[ada any[a na-alx n'obodo a. Maka na q bx na be ya ka any[ga-abanye.

Olu Onye Abxq: Nnamd[I kwuru nke qma. Nd[be any[na-ekwu na okwu pere mpe ad[gh[mma inwe ogologo ilu. Ebe any[ga-akwxs[ma any[gachaa obodo bx na be nne m Ezeagbq, n'ihi na q bx ya tqchara nd[ada any[nq ndx a na-alx n'obodo a.(Ogene, qja na egwu wee malite kwa qzq, ha niile wee were qsq gawa obodo ogologo.)

Nkiri Nke Anq

Ekwenze: (Kwachaa akp[r[.) Nd[An[ime bara n'obodo any[,

Any[na-as[unu nnoo qzq.
Ka any[kwuwe ihe unu ji b[a
Ebe q bx na any[emechaala emume qj[.
Q bx eziokwu na q bx nd[ada unu ka unu chqtara,
Ma na q bx any[na-alx ha.
Qd[m ka q bx ihe ziri ezi na any[na unu
Kwuwere ihe unu ji b[a maka na q bx okwu mmqnwx.
Any[maara na unu na-ab[a,
N'ihi ya any[ga-ezi unu ozi nd[ada unu ziri unu,
Ma na ha agagh[etinye qnx n'okwu mmqnwx.

Olu Onye Mbx: (N'olu njak[r[.) Ihe a na-achq n'ike qkx abxgh[azx q bxrx anx. Xmxada na ada any[nq n'obodo a mee etu nna any[Ekwenze si kwu, mmqnwx Ijele any[abxrx q pxrx iche. Any[na-atx anya unu n'qpxife mmqnwx

any[, n'ihi na any[na-akwadoro unu qnqdx pxrx iche.

Olu Onye Abxq: (Kwuo n'olu d[elu.)
Q bx izu taa ka mmqnwx Ijele any[ga-agba,
Q d[mkpa na e mere ka unu mara ya.
Maka any[ewere xtq nwa chefuo iba aha
O wee bxrx ojewere akwa chezoo anya.

Olu Xmxada: Tie An[ime eee!

Xmxada: (Ha kweere ya.) Yaa!

Olu Xmxada: Kero nd[nwe ive?

Xmxada: (Ha kweere ya.) Any[nwe ive.

Xmxada: (Gxwa egwu.)

Any[ekero gwa va
Nke bx okwu ego
Mgbe any[gwal[va
Amal[va.
Ego An[ime bx qganuche
An[ime ab[a ava ego.

Nd[Qja Abxq: (Malite igbu qja Odo ji agba qsq.)

Onye Ogene: (Tiwe ogene.)

Odo: (Gbapx qsq.)

Xmxokorob[a: (Gxrx egwu,were qsq na-eso Odo n'azx.)

Ajaya mma

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Idiganga

Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele

Ajaya mma.
Obele okwu egbugo g[oo

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Obele okwu egbugo ve ro

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Avxvx Ijele egbugo odo
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Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
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Emume Ntqaja Ijele

Nkiri Nke Mbx

(Egwu {gba Ijele ga na-eti n'olu d[tx ala.)

Dib[a: (Wxq afa n'ala.) Q bx a jxs[a qra ndx
E kwuwe isi ije.
Nd[An[ime b[ara be m ndx unu d[.
(Che ha ihu jxq.) Kedx ihe unu ji maka ya b[a?

Okenye Nke Mbx: Ogbuebunu ndewo.
Any[b[ara [chqta ajx ibu Ijele
Nd[obodo any[na-akwado iti.

Okenye Nke Abxq: Ogbuebunu
Ihe Qkafq kwuru bx ihe obodo any[
Ziri any[ka any[gaa chqpxta.

Okenye Nke Atq: Q bx maka ya ka any[mmadx anq ji b[a.
Ihe nke a pxtara bx na ihe any[
Na-ekwu abxgh[okwu aka any[.

Okenye Nke Anq: Any[anq na-ezipxta ozuzu Eke
Ozuzu Orie, ozuzu Afq na ozuzu Nkwq.
Ah[a anq xbqch[anq Igbo na-azx.
Agwq otu onye hxrx na-abx Eke
Ma na ama mmadx anq gbara abxgh[ama xgha.

Dib[a: Okwu unu dara nke qma.
Q bx ka e si eme ka unu na-eme.

Gaa nu jie ogwu nd[unu bu n'uche
Na q bx ha ga-ebu ya bx Ijele.
Unu bata ka any[were xkwx
Chqwa ihe d[na mmiri.
(Ha pxq n'ezi jie ogwu anq wee lqghachi.)

Okenye Nke Mbx: Any[alqghachitala. Lee ogwu anq any[jiri.
(Q ghasa mkpirisi osisi anq ahx n'ala.)

Dib[a: (Were mpi atx kxq n'elu ogwu nd[ahx.)
Eziokwu ka any[chqrq.
Onye kwuo eziokwu ala zqq ya.
Onye txq as[ala jide ya.

Nkiri Nke Abxq

(Xda {gba Ijele ga na-ada n'ebe d[anya.)

Olu Onye Mbx: Okwu dere, okwu dere na nd[any[zipuru ije alqtala.

Eze Ala: Qkafq Umeebe b[a kqqrq any[
Etu unu si wee jee banyere [chqpxta
Onye ga-ebu mmqnwx Ijele any[na-amx.

Qkafq: (Kwachaa akp[r[.) Ojije kaara eze q na-ala q kaara eze.
Any[alqtala ozi unu zipuru any[.
Any[jikwa mpxtara ozi unu wee lqta
Ma onye q bxla gee nt[.
N'ime mmadx anq any[ji aha ha wee jee [jx ese
Mmxq ukwu na nke nta nq n'ala An[ime
Hqqrq Obiechina nwa Mgbakq Ikeagwx.

(Nd[mmadx wee nqrq n'ahx oyi.)

Okenye Nke Abxq: Ozi unu jere amaka.
Ihe d[n'ije bx na q makagh[mma q jqqkaa njq.
Q bx etu a ka ihe nke mmxq si ad[,
Maka na q bxgh[etu echiche mmadx d[
Ka nke ihe nwe mmadx d[.
Ya bx na ana m as[unu nnqq ije.

Okenye Nke Atq: (Kwuo n'[da mba.) Osisi kpqrq nkx
A na-atx anya qd[da ya kwx qtq
Nke d[ndx si n'ukwu foro.
Mbxrx ahapxla nd[nq n'ihu
Wee maa nd[azx.

Eze Ala: Qkafq na nd[otu ya jere any[ije,
Eji m aha obodo any[bx An[ime
Ihe na-emere obodo any[ihe
Na ihe obodo any[na-emere ihe
Wee na-ekele unu.
Unu jere nke qma.
Ebe q bx na nd[mmxq nwere xzq
Ha s[na any[ga-esi pxta
Ihe q pxtara bx na ya bx xzq d[mma.

Nkiri Nke Atq

Uchendx: (Kwachaa akp[r[.) Eeem. Mgbakq any[kelere g[na
Nd[ezinaxlq g[n'qj[unu chere any[.
Ebe any[mechara emume qj[,
Ka any[kwuwe ihe any[ji b[a.

Udealq: (Nara ya okwu.) Uchendx Qnwxelomma,
Ebe I kwudewere ad[go mma,
Ka Izuqba kwuo isi ije any[, maka na q bx n'xlq ya ka q b[ara.
N'ihi ya q bx y ka okwu d[n'aka.

Mgbakq: (Jxq n'olu njak[r[.) Nd[be any[nke a unu na-ete okwu ude,
Mx na ezinaxlq m o bikwe?
Any[ekoteela okwu mmqnwx?

Izuqba: Mgbakq nwanne m onweghi onye butere okwu mmqnwx ma ql[.

Kama na nd[obodo any[s[any[gwa g[na nwunye g[
Na q bx Obiechina nwa g[nwoke
Ka ihe nwe mmadx hqqrq iburu.
Ama m na [mara ihe m na-ekwu?
Q bx ihe siwe ike ka enwe na edi ji-eme nwanne
Nd[Igbo ji ekwu na nwanne enwe bx edi.
Ya bx na a ga-akpq nwa g[nwoke na nwunye g[.
N'ihi na a nagh[ezoro ogwu ili ozu.

Uchendx: (Tuo ya.) Izuqba onye nwe okwu.
{ gbqrq ihe mmadx na-eri.
Q bx ihe obodo ziri any[ka i kwuru.

Mgbakq: (Kpqq.) Ezeagbq!

Ezeagbq: (Za n'ilo.) Eee nna any[.

Mgbakq: Gaa chqq Obiechina s[ya onye m hxrx k[taa ka q bxrx ya.

Izuqba: Q d[mkpa na nwunye g[nq ebe a ka o were nt[ya nuru,
Maka na a magh[ka e mere ikpe ikpe esoro ya.
Xd[ikpe a anagh[agha ikpe amosu,
Ma na e mee ngwa e meghara qdachi.
(Ezeagbq na Obiechina bata kelee ha.)

Udealq: Mgbakq [nxla ihe any[kwuru.
Q bx g[ka q d[r[[gwa nwa g[na nwunye g[ihe any[gwara g[.

Mgbakq: Akwxkwq niile juru qh[a o wee bxrx qkaz[ka a hqqrq.
Q d[mma. Ezeagbq! Obiechina, nd[obodo any[s[na qbx g[
Ka ha na-afqrq ibu n'xkpa, q d[mkpa na i kwuru uche g[n'ihu ha,
Ya mere na m agagh[echewe emesia m gwa g[.
Ezeagbq, q bx qrx biakwutere any[, n'ihi ya a ga-arx ya arx.
Obiechina kwadowe maka na q bx okorob[a ka [bx,
Ebutekwelere obodoany[ihe ihere.
Ana m enye g[nkwado niile m nwere
Maka na q baara isi q baara agxba.

Obiechina:(N'ihu qch[.) Nna m anxla m ihe I kwuru.
Anq m n'ihu nd[obodo any[nq ebe a

Ekwe nkwa na q bxrx uche ihe kere mmadx
Agagh[m ebutere obodo any[ihe ihere.

Ezeagbq: (Baa n'xlq ch[r[ukwu akwa pxta.)
Enweghi m ogologo okwu
Obiechina ch[r[akwa a.
Were ya mere ajx n'ihi na q bx ajx ka e ji ebu ibu.
Isi agagh[eti g[nke afq na-alx g[.
Mgbq Chukwu na Ala?

Nkiri Nke Anq

(Xda egwu [gba Ijele na-ada n'olu d[ala.)

Qbagha: Qkpara Obiqma
Qkpara Udenze Asigwe
Qkpara An[ime ekeleoo!

Qkpara: Onye na-ekwu?

Qbagha: Q bx m nwa g[Qbagha Eboechi.

Qkpara: Nwa m, nwa Eboechi q bx g[?

Qbagha: Eee. Qkpara any[b[ara ka any[na g[
Nqq maka na qnx e gburu n'izu abxq ad[la na nwanne echi.
Okwu mmqnwx any[kqrq g[ihe banyere ya oge gara aga,
Ka any[b[ara imezu omenala d[na ya.
(Txq Obiechina aka.) Onye a bx nwa g[nwoke
Nwa Mgbakq Ikeagwx any[na-agwqrq ajx ibu
Obodo any[na-afqnye n'xkpa.

Qkpara: Nnqq nu xmx m na nd[obodo any[.
Udefi nke m anqgh[ya ka q chqq qj[cheere unu.

Nzeakq: Biko nna any[hapxwa nke ahx.
Any[mara na qj[d[n'xlq a ma na q bxgh[g[
Ga-agbawa kpurukpuru iche qj[.

Qkpara: Eheee.
Ebe unu s[ka okwu qj[d[wa
Nwa m nwa Ikeagwx ngwa b[a.

Obiechina: (Gaa n'ihu ya sekpuru ala.)

Qkpara: (Bido ya aka n'ubu.) Any[kwuru na q bx g[
Ga-ebu Ijele any[na-amx egwu ya.
Q d[kwa g[mma?

Obiechina: Q d[m mma.
Qkpara: Nd[obodo any[mx na ha nq unu anxla ihe o kwuru.
Maka na any[anagh[amanye mmadx amanye imere obodo ihe.
Ya bx na m nyewe ngozi m d[ka onye nnqchite
Anya mmxq na mmadx na q bxgh[ihe efu.
Udealq: Qkpara Udenze gawa n'ihu na q bx ob[any[ka { na-ekwu.
Qkpara: Aga m agwa unu na unu nwere nna.
Ka q d[taa n'obodo An[ime ihe d[any[mma
Ad[la ihe a nagh[ahx anya mma.
Ebe na any[bx nd[nwe obodo
Kwekqritara na q bx g[ga-ebu ibu ahx d[n'xkpa
Q bxgh[mmadx ga-egbochi ya.
Atxla egwu onye ga-akq g[qgwx
Qnye ga-eme g[amosu, obi sie g[ike.
Onye qgwx na amosu q ga-akq ga-ad[ire ga-ajx any[ese.
Any[na-ekwu na o nweghi ihe qjqq ga-eme g[,
I wee gbachaa n'ama lqta.
Nd[Mmadx: (Ha niile kwee.) Iseee!
Nzeakq: (Tuo ya.) Qkpara Udenze, Qkpara Obiqma.
Nna An[ime niile. Q bx nke a ka any[ji ekwu maka g[.
Ihe d[ka g[akqkwala any[. Unu ahxla na onye nna ya
ziri ohi ji xkwx agbawa xzq.(Qkx nyxtx.)
Qzqemena: Nne any[Izualq Ada An[ime ekele ooo!
Ada: Onye na-ekele batawa na xzq ghe oghe.
Qzqemena: Q bx xmx g[bara [kpqtara g[
Onye ga-ebx xkpa nd[obodo any[na-akwanye ibu.
Ada: (Kelee ha n'obi qcha.) Nnqq nu.
Q bx Chukwu na-eme ihe niile.
Any[esila n'[d[ogologo ndx wee banye na nwoke.
Maka na q bx nwoke na-aba na mmqnwx.

Ihe unu na-eme bx ihe a d[na mbx eme.

Kedu ya bx onye? Ya b[a ka m metu ya aka.

Obiechina: (B[a n'ihu ya hulata ala.)

Ada: { bx nwa onye?

Obiechina: Abx m nwa Mgbakq Ikeagwx.

Ada: Enyi esugo onye bu qdx ya. Mgbakq Ikeagwx bx Ikeagwx nke m?

Mgbakq: Nne any[Izualq q bx nwa m.

Ada: Chukwu na Qd[nala.

Otu mkpxrx akwx anagh[efu efu n'qkx.
Nke a agagh[efu.
Ama m na unu ejewo be Qkpara?
N'ihi na a gagh[ahapx isi gwqqrq ike ajx.
Q bx Chukwu werechaa nwoke ewere.
Nwa m xkwx qjqq agagh[akpq g[.
Kwadowenu [ga iro na any[nq ya.

Qbagha: Nne any[Izualq ana m ekele g[n'aha nd[m na ha so wee b[a.

Nka g[erughi n'okwu qnx g[. Any[ga-ebili xla (Qkx nyxtx.)

Obiechina: (Malite idokwe chi, mmxq na qgwx.)

Chi m ekenee m g[
Kenee ive na-emeli g[ive
Kenee ive [na-emeli ive.
An[m ekene ezi na xzq
Kenee enu kenee an[.
An[m akpqku ive d[na mmili
Na-akpqku Ezenwaany[nd[mmili
Na-akpqku Ezenwoke nd[mmili
Na-akpqkx Nne nd[mmili
Na-akpqkx Nna nd[mmili.

Mu mal[mee nabata n[m
Mu amaz[mee nabata n[m.
Qkx a gunyeli nwata n'aka
A na-arxgburie.
Q bx nwata ka m bx
Na-awx arx n'avq.
Mx weli aka nli nye unu
Unu nal[m
Mx weli aka ekpe nye unu
Unu nal[m.

Mal[n[ililo
Ma unu amana nsq.

Nd[Mmadx: Q bx ka { gqrq ka o rere!

Obiechina:

Nna any[Ikeagwx Okeke.
Ije mmanwx ka any[
Na-agaa.
Ka any[jee nye n'arxike
Jee nye n'udo.
Any[jesie ilo nata
Any[weli ewu
B[a kenee g[
Ma nwa any[jeli ije
Weli arx isi ike nata
N'udo n'q]x.
Biko ekwene
Ka ivele mee nye.

Nd[Mmadx: Q bx ka { gqrq ka o rere!

Obiechina:

Abqokili

Ekenee m ng[

Keneee ive na-emeli g[ive

Keneee ive [na-emeli ive.
Keneee Olu kenee Igbo
Keneee enu kenee an[.
Mmxq q bxna s[na
Ng[bx Okili emero ive
{ ne-eme ma e jee
N'ama agbam egwu.
Ive na-egbu mmxq
B[a gbuo nye.
Mmadx q bxna s[na
{ yarq eme ive [ne eme n'qgbq
Ma any[jee agbam egwu.
Ive na-egbu mmadx
B[a gbuo nye.
Q bx okilikili
Ka a na-agba ukwu ose
A na-al[rq ukwu ose enu.
Akwx chal[n'ikiliko
Chal[nnunu nweli ogologo qnx.
Otuqkpa ana eturo

Qkpa nn[a n’aj[l[ja.
Onye ji akwx nye nchi
Na nchi anal[rq enu.
Ogo egbune m ka a na-agwx n’ava
Ogo mx meli aya egburo m.

Nd[Mmadx: Q bx ka [gqrq ka o rere!

Emume Izugbe Mmqnwx Ijele
Nkiri Nke Mbx
Nwanzacha: (Pxta were az[za na nkata na-azacha ma na-ekpocha
ihe niile d[n’xzq ebe mmqnwx Ijele ga-esi gafee.
Nd[na-eti [gba ga-amalite iti [gba Ijele ji apxta n’qda.
Nd[na-egbu qja a na-akpq Ijele n’ike n’ike.)
Qkpqabx: (N’olu d[elu n’ime qda.)
Nnekwu Ijele oke mmqnwx
Oboro etejugo
Mmqnwx Ijele g[
Ka any[na-echez[
Oke mmqnwx Ijele eee!.
Otu Olu: (Tie mkpu q]x.) Eeeee!
(Gbapx qsq n’ama zqwa qk[ka, onye qzq pxta gbapx qsq,
malite [zq qk[ka. Ha abxq zqruo qk[ka nso bie qma.)
Nd[Mmadx: (Na-akx aka, qsxaka dawa.) Kwii! Kwii! Kwii!
Otu Olu: (Tie.) Kpii!
Nd[Mmadx: (Kwee.) Ori ooo!
Ijele: (Jxq n’olu d[ebube) Kedu ka o si d[?
Q d[go mma?
Otu Olu: (Zaa.) Q d[go mma.
(Jxq.) { txkwas[go ya nke qma?
Ijele: (Baa n’olu d[ebube ka q na-akwxghar[n’ime qda.)
Mepee qda!
Mepee qda!
Xmxokorob[a: (Nye aka e mepee otu akxkx qda ahx ebe Ijele,
nne na nna ga-esi pxta.)
Egbe: (Xda mkpqnala asaa daa.)
Gbim! Gbim! Gbim! Gbimgbim!

Gbimgbim! (Xzx
txq n'elu txq n'ala.)
Obuakxpe Ijele: (Buru akxpe Ijele.) Anya n'ala. Anya n'ala kwa.
Qkpqabx: Ononooo!
Nnekwu mmqnwx Ijele eee!
Ibu juru xkpa asaa aaa!
Mmqnwx akarq Ijele aka
Oke mmqnwx Ijele eee!
(Ijele, nne na nna ya na-agba egwu nd[[gba na-eti,
Odo na nd[qch[agba were Osisi-mgboro ya na xtar[
na-achxpx nd[mmadx n'xzq Ijele ga-esi gaa.)
Ijele: (Zaa n'olu d[ebube.) Eeee! Eeee!
Elu na Ala ngwa nu ka any[pxq n'ama.
(Tuo Qkpqabx aha.) Chieke!
Ile ka ngedegwu na-ekwu na nt[echighi m.
Nna Ijele: (Na-agba egwu nd[qgaranya.)
Nne Ijele: (Na-akwq aka n'afq ya ka q na-agba egwu, o ji agwa qhanaeze na q bx afq ya a ka o ji buo afq ime ma mxq Ijele.)
Ijele: (N'olu d[ebube.) Q bx mmqnwx ooq!
Q bx mmqnwx ooq!
Ogbonga Nnekwe!
I sokwe m aga n'ijele?
Nnaeluo: Onono ibu juru xkpa.
Obuibu obi sie g[ike na eso m g[aga.
Ijele: (N'olu d[ebube.) Agbata Chixmxanx!
Any[nq n'ijele.
Chixmxanx [nqz[kwa ya?
Agbata: Qny[mqqny[!
Ijele amabulu elu an[adqrq gbii.
Ijele: (Ruo n'ama, gbaa ya gburugburu wee baa n'qda.)

Nkiri Nke Abxq

({gba Ijele na-eti, nd[qja na-egbu, nd[xzq,
nne na nna mmqnwx Ijele na-

agba egwu n’qgbq ka a na-eche ka Ijele gbaa nke mbx.)

Ijele: (Kulie gaghar[wa n’qda, nd[[gba na qja b[a ya nso.)

Xmxokorob[a: (Mepee qda, Ijele pxta gbawa, gbachaa, wee baa n’qda qzq.)

Nkiri Nke Atq

({gba Ijele na-eti, nd[qja na-egbu,
nd[chiri Nne na Nna Ijele na-agba egwu.
Xmxada nd[nwoke na nwany[si obodo d[iche iche
na-ab[a inye nd[otu mmxq onyinye d[iche iche.
nd[qbxla na egwu ha nq n’qgbq ka a na-eche
ka Ijele gbaa nke ugboro abxq.)

Ijele: (Kulie n’qda, gaghar[wa nd[[gba na qja gaa ebe q nq.)

Xmxokorob[a: (Mepee qda, Ijele ji apxta gbawa, [gba nke ugboro abxq ya.
Xmxnwoke na-ab[a enye onyinye d[iche iche a na-akpq
“{bq ah[a”. Odo na nd[qch[agba na-eme ka ohere d[r[
nd[mmadx na-ab[a enye Ijele onyinye,
o wee gbachaa baa n’qda.)

Nkiri Nke Anq

({gba Ijele na-eti, nd[qja na-egbu,
nd[mmadx na-agba egwu n’ama n’qṅx wee na-eche
ka Ijele gbaa nke ugboro atq.)

Ijele: (Kulie n’qda, nd[[gba na qja gaa ebe Ijele nq.)

Xmxokorob[a: (Mepere ya qda.)

Ijele: (Pxta n’qda nke ugboro atq, bx nke [kpeazx q ga-gbaa.
Q gbaa qgbq gburugburu,
wee lawa n’qda ebe o si pxta izizi.
Nd[mmadx gxrx egwu qṅx si n’ama

na-ala n'obodo n'ihi na
mmqnwx Ijele ha gbara nke qma.)

{jq Mmqnwx Ijele
Nkiri Nke Mbx

(Nd[[gba Ijele na-eti, nd[qja na-egbu.)

Obuxzq Ijele Nke Mbx: (Zqwa qk[ka.) Tie nne mee!
Q bx n'ihu ka qrx d[, nseke bx [lqghachi azx.

Obuxzq Ijele Nke Abxq: (Zqwa qk[ka.) Mmqnwx any[oo!
Mmqnwx any[oo!
Q bx okorob[a ka e bu eme ihe.

Okenye Nke Mbx: (Kwuo n'obia]xr[.) Xmx m q bx ihe a kara aka
ka unu na-eme. isie nu ike. Jisie nu ike.

Okenye Nke Abxq: Ihe xmxaka a na-eme na-awx m akpataoyi n'ahx.
Q na-abx ha na-eme ya etu a q d[ka emeghi ya mbx.
Onye b[a xwa ihe q ga-eme ab[a.

Nkiri Nke Abxq

Qkpqabx: (Kpqwa abx.) Mmadxbxeze!
Ikele nwa Nnekwe
S[na ebe xzx d[ka ezi d[.
Isi ga-ebu ogidi na-ebu ogidi
Isi akara aka buo ogidi
Q dajie ya olu.
Qkaaoburuxzq nna mmqnwx Ijele
Ekelee m g[.

Mmadxbxeze: Chi meee!
Nna m Nnekwe An[zq. (Zqwa qk[ka)

Olu Onye Nke Mbx: (N'olu d[elu.) A kaa a mal[ad[gh[efele!
Ikele Nnekwe o lugo
Oge nk[ta ji ata onye nwe ya alx.

Olu Onye Nke Abxq: (Gxbie.) Ibe any[tiririr") tiriririi!

Nd[Mmadx: (Kwee.) Iyaaa!

(Gxwa egwu.)
Ololooo
Ololooo
Ololooo
Polu Qfqzq
Qra ejego ije
Amal[aka nweli ive.
Ololooo
Ololooo
Ololooo
Nnaluo Nnekwe
Qra ejego ije
Amal[aka nweli ive.

Nkiri Nke Atq

Qkpqabx: Ezi nd[qba orimmili
Orimmili bulu ibu
Na nnu a na-ekero [tx ya.

Eziqba: (Zaa.) Eeee! Agbala onye tie nd[di ya
Tie nd[nna ya, ya tikwuo nd[nne ya.
(Malite itxnkwe.)

Olu Onye Mbx: Ezi nd[qba Orimmili Makqd[!

Otu Nne Nwany[: (Mapxta ukwu akwa tqqrq ya n'ala.)
Nwunye m tinyere ego isi ya!
Ezi nd[qba nne mmqnwx Ijele.

Olu Onye Abxq: (Tie) Kakaka ooo!

Nd[Mmadx: (Kwee.) Iyooo!
(Ha malite [gx egwu.)
Q d[ad[n'ibe any[oo
Nmx An[ime
Nd[nweli ego oo
Q d[ad[n'ibe any[oo.
Any[na-abx Dimkpa
Na-abx Dike ee
Q d[ad[n'ibe any[oo.

Otu Olu: (Tie.) An[ime eee!

Nd[Mmadx: (Kwee.) E eee!

Otu Olu: (Tie.) An[ime eee!

Nd[Mmadx: (Kwee.) E eee!

Otu Olu: (Jxq.) Kero nd[nwe ive?

Nd[Mmadx: (Azaa.) Any[nwe ive

Ibe any[tiririririri iii!

Nd[Mmadx: (Kwee.) Iyaa aa!

Nkiri Nke Anq

Xmxokorob[a: (N’otu d[iche iche na-agx egwu abata n’ama.)

Onye q na-ewo iwo
Q na-eti isi
Q na-elo avq
Nya baa n’xnq o
Ka q baa n’okpuluakwa
Ka o jee roli iwo o
Maka Xmx An[ime
Azqgbuo nye
Q b[a bxlx okwu qchxo.

Qkx Nyxq.

MGBAKWUNYE CH1

Egwu Ijele

{gba Ijele

(i) **{gba Mpxta Ijele**

{gba mpxta Ijele bx [gba e ji agwa Ijele ka o si na qda wee pxta. Qmxmatx ihe [gba mpxta Ijele na-ada bx nke a;

Ijele pxtava n’qda
Ijele pxtava n’qda
Ijele pxtava n’qda.
Eke bi n’qv[a
Jee gwam
Onye gwal[g[
Na-as[na Ijele akwxnyigo?
Ijele pxtava n’qda
Ijele pxtava n’qda
Ijele pxtava n’qda.

Eke bi n’qv[a
Jee gwam
Onye gwal[g[
Na-as[na Ijele akwxnyigo?
Ijele pxtava n’qda
Ijele pxtava n’qda
Ijele pxtava n’qda.
Eke bi n’qv[a
Jee gwam
Onye gwal[g[
Na-as[na Ijele akwxnyigo?
Ijele pxtava n’qda
Ijele pxtava n’qda

Ijelepxtava n’qda.
Eke bi n’qv[a
Je gwam
Onye gwal[g[
Na-as[na Ijele akwxnyigo? (Obiakq na nd[otu egwu ya, 2015)

(ii) **{gba Mmqnwx Ijele Ji Agba**

{gba Ijele Ji Agba bx [gba a na-etiri mmqnwx Ijele mgbe q na-awa n’ama. Q bx n’xzq d[etu a ka [gba Ijele ji agba na-ada;
Ijele gbanaga n’qda
Ijele gbanaga n’qda
Ijele gbanaga n’qda.
Aligidi mgbam
Aligidi mgbam
Aligidi mgbam.
Ijele gbanaga n’qda.
Ijele gbanaga n’qda
Ijele gbanaga n’qda
Aligidi mgbam
Aligidi mgbam
Aligidi mgbam. (Obiakq na nd[otu egwu ya, 2015)

(iii) **{gba Ojekadike**
{gba Ojekadike bx [gba mmqnwx Ijele ji eme ebube n’xzq pxrx iche oge a na-eti ya. Xda egwu [gba ojekadike na-ada ka qmxmaatx a;
Kaka kpim
Kakaka kpim.
Kaka
Ojekadike.
Kaka kpim
Kakaka kpim.
Kaka
Ojekadike.

Gbagba dim
Gbagbagba dim.
Gbagba
Ojekadike.
Gbagba dim
Gbagbagba dim.

Gbagba
Ojekadike. (Obiakq na nd[otu egwu ya, 2015)

(iv) **{gba Onye Qcha Jeli Nd[da**

{gba Onye Qcha Jeli Nd[da bx [gba qzq mmqnwx Ijele ji eme ebube, nke e zipxtara qmxmaatx ya n’xda [gba nd[a;

Kpqt[kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqti kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqti kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqt[kpomkpq ndem.
Kpqt[kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqti kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqti kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqt[kpomkpq ndem.
Kpqt[kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqti kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqti kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqt[kpomkpq ndem.
Kpqt[kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqti kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqti kpqmkpq ndem
Kpqt[kpomkpq ndem. (Obiakq na nd[otu egwu ya, 2015)

(v) **{gba {jq Mmqnwx Ijele**

{gba [jq mmqnwx Ijele bx [gba e ji enwe qṅx ma a na-eri qriri mgbe Ijele gbara nke qma. Xda [gba ya na-ejupxta na ngaga na qṅx n’xzq d[etu a,

Kpam
Kpakpa akpa mgba m.
Kpam
Kpakpa akpa mgba m.
Gbam
Gbagbagba mgbam
Gbam
Gbagbagba mgba m.
Kpam
Kpakpa akpa mgba m.
Kpam
Kpakpaakpa mgba m.
Gbam
Gbagbagba mgbam.
Gbam
Gbagbagba mgba m. (Obiakq na nd[otu egwu ya, 2015)

(a) **Xda Ekwe Mmqnwx Ijele**

Ekwe nwere xda nke qnqdx ya n'egwu [gba mmqnwx Ijele pxtara ihe nke qma. Xda ekwe na-ezipxta bx nd[a,

Okpube nq n'isi Ijele
Kam kpom
Kakaka kpom
Kam kpom.
Any[ga-eje
Nkili Ijele?
Kam kpom.
Okpube nq n'isi Ijele
Kam kpom
Kakaka kpom
Kam kpom.
Any[ga-eje
Nkili Ijele?
Kam kpom.   (Obiakq na nd[otu egwu ya, 2015)

(b) **Xda Xyq Mmqnwx Ijele**

Xyq bx otu ngwa egwu d[n'[gba Ijele na-eme ya ka q d[qgq site n'xda q na-ezipxta. Qmxmaatx xda xyq bx nd[a,

Chaka m
Ncha m nchaka.
Chaka m
Ncha m nchaka.
Chaka m
Ncha m nchaka.
Chaka m
Ncha m nchaka.
Cham chaka
Ncha nchaka ncha.
Cham chaka
Ncha nchaka ncha.
Cham chaka
Ncha nchaka ncha.
Cham chaka
Ncha nchaka ncha.
Chqkqm
Nchqm chqkqm .
Chqkqm
Nchqm chqkqm .
Chqkqm
Nchqm chqkqm.
Chqkqm
Nchqm chqkqm .
Chqkqm

Nchqm chqkqm .
Chqkqm
Nchqm chqkqm .
Chqkqm
Nchqm chqkqm. (Obiakq na nd[otu egwu ya, 2015)

(ch) **Xda Ogene Ijele**

Ogene na-ewepxta xda pxrx iche n’egwu [gba mmqnwx Ijele. Ihe xda oge na-ada bx nke a,

Gogom
Ngom gogom.
Gogom
Ngom gogom.
Gogom
Ngom gogom.
Gogom
Ngom gogom.
Gom
Gogom.
Gom
Gogom.
Gom
Gogom.
Gom
Gogom. (Obiakq na nd[otu egwu ya, 2015)

MGBAKWUNYE CH2

Qja Ijele

(i) Qja Mpxta Ijele

Qja mpxta mmqnwx Ijele bx a na-egbx iji wee kpqpxta Ijele n'qda, nke e si na ya agwa ya ka q pxtawa. Qmxmaatx qja mpxta Ijele bx nke a na-egbu n'xzq a,

Ijele pxta ngwa ngwa
Ijele kxlite na oge elugo
Ijele pxta ngwa ngwa
Ijele pxta ngwa ngwa
Ijele kulite na oge elugo.
Ijele pxta ngwa ngwa
Ijele kxlite na oge elugo
Ijele pxta ngwa ngwa
Ijele pxta ngwa ngwa
Ijele kulite na oge elugo.
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma
Qra amal[go

Na Ijele kas[mmanwx.
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma
Qra amal[go
Na Ijele kas[mmanwx. (Udeoba,2015)

(ii) **Qja Ijele ji Agba**

Qja Ijele ji agba bx qja a na-egbu oge q na-agba n'ama. Q bx n'xzq d[etu a ka e si egbu qja mmqnwx Ijele ji agba.

Kw[ya qkx ngwa
Qja ekwe ngeregwu.
Kwiya qkx ngwa
Qja ekwe ngere gwu.
Kw[ya qkx ngwa
Qja ekwe ngeregwu.
Kwiya qkx ngwa
Qja ekwe ngere gwu.
Kw[ya qkx ngwa
Qja ekwe ngeregwu.
Kwiya qkx ngwa
Qja ekwe ngere gwu. (Udeoba,2015)

(iii) **Qja Ijq Ijele**

Qja [jq mmqnwx Ijele bx qja a na-egbu ma Ijele gbachaa, q kachas[mgbe q gbara nke qma. A na-egbu qja [jq mmqnwx Ijele n'xzq d[etu a,

Tololoo
Tololoo
Tololoo
Qra amal[gq
Na Ijele kas[mmanwx.
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma.
Idiganga
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma.
Tololoo
Tololoo
Tololoo
Qra amal[gq

Na Ijele kas[mmanwx.
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma
Ajaya mma.
Idiganga
Qkwan[mmanwx Ijele
Ajaya mma. (Udeoba,2015)

GBAKWUNYE CH3

Egwu Qgxgx Ijele

Egwu Xmxnwoke

Qmxmaatx egwu qgxgx xmxnwoke na-agxrx Ijele gxnyere

(i)O sooo Ijele eee

N’aka nli ooo
O sooo Ijele eee
N’aka ekpe eee
Ijele Xmxd[an[
N’egwu any[ebidogoo
Oke ebooo.
{gba kwuve nq qvx eee
Ijele kwuve nq qvx ooo
{gba kwuve nq qvx eee
Ijele kwuve nq qvx ooo.
O sooo Ijele eee
N’aka nli ooo

O sooo Ijele eee
N'aka ekpe eee
Ijele Xmxd[an[
N'egwu any[ebidogoo
Oke ebooo.
{gba kwuve nq qvx eee
Ijele kwuve nq qvx ooo
{gba kwuve nq qvx eee
Ijele kwuve nq qvx ooo. (Nwakaeze, 2015)

(ii) Kwara aja mma
Any[ga-egbulu
Egwu mmadx.
Kwara aja mma
Any[ga egbulu
Agx mmadx.
Kwara aja mma
Any[ga-egbulu
Egwu mmadx.
Kwara aja mma
Any[ga egbulu
Agx mmadx.
Kwara aja mma
Qkanga mmanwx eee
Otigba aaa
Ojemba enweilooo.
Akwobu Nwaejee
Jee kqlx nwa g[
Qnx kwal[
Ka [gba na-ara?
{gba na-aral[Mmaneke.
Nwany[mma
Onye kweli [gba nwa
Anqrqz[a o mee.
Aheee
Ojemba enweilo.
Kpakpando na qnwa
Na-eti an[
Q kwan[any[nwa eee.
Aheee.
Ojemba enweilooo. (Obiakq na nd[otu egwu ya, 2015)

Egwu Xmxnwaany[

Qmxmaatx xfqdx egwu xmxnwaany[na-agx n'etimxmmqnwx Ijele

bx nd[a.

(i) Mgbakq nwa Xyaalq
Ekene ooo
Nna m Igwe
Na mmanwx any[na-egbu
Amxma ka qnwa
Txlx n’igwe.
Any[akarq gwa va
Nd[bx any[nwa.
Na-eji ve ugegbe akpa amx
Ijele amxta nwa n’ubi
Ijele akal[s[go eee.
Ovu agwal[va
E kwuo va
Nteje Nnebo d[egwu.
Xyaemesi nwa Ajaegbo
Ekene ooo
Xyaemesi mmanwx any[
Na-egbu amxma ka qnwa
Txlx n’igwe.
Any[akarq gwa va
Nd[bx any[nwa.
Na-eji ve ugegbe akpa amx
Ijele amxta nwa n’ubi
Ijele akalisigo eee.
Ovu agwal[va
E kwuo va
Nteje Nnebo diegwu.
Mmaduegbu nwa Amaokpo
Ekene ooo
Mmaduegbu na mmanwx any[
Na-egbu amxma ka qnwa
Txlx n’igwe.
Any[akarq gwa va
Nd[bx any[nwa.
Na-eji ve ugegbe akpa amx
Ijele amxta nwa n’ubi
Ijele akalisigo eee.
Ovu agwal[va
E kwuo va
Nteje Nnebo diegwu.
Akutaebo nwa Nnechi
Ekene ooo -
Ee nwa nnechi.

Nwa mmanwx any[
Na-egbx amxma ka qnwa
Txlx n'igwe.
Any[akarq gwa va
Nd[bx any[nwa.
Na-eji ve ugegbe akpa amx
Ijele amxta nwa n'ubi
Ijele akalisigo eee.
Ovu agwal[va
E kwuo va
Nteje Nnebo diegwu.
Obiad[nwa Xyaalq
Ekene ooo
Nwa uyaalo na mmwanwx any[
Na-egbu amxma ka qnwa
Txlx n'igwe.
Any[akarq gwa va
Nd[bx any[nwa .
Na-eji ve ugegbe akpa amx
Ijele amxta nwa n'ubi
Ijele akalisigo eee.
Ovu agwal[va
E kwuo va
Nteje Nnebo diegwu.
Iveude Emenogha
Ng[emene qka
Ma egwu alx na g[.
Yee nne Ekwegbeli
Xzx egwu.
Nne Rafelu
Ijele any[araagq
Emoo.
Any[bx oti akpata
Na-etiebe n'qda.
Alxs[qd[bend[
Na-eme nd[.
Na-eme nwa Xdxmaga
Xzx egwu.
Mx bx Igwe
G[ramafonu akpqchal[va.
Ijq any[na-ewu
Ijele a na-ewu.
Ive naabq bulu ibu
Na Nnebo Nwesilie.
Iveude Emenogha

Ng[emene qka
Ma egwu alx na g[.
Yee nne Ekwegbeli
Xzx egwu.
Nne Rafelu
Ijele any[araagq
Emoo.
Any[bx oti akpata
Na-etiebe n'qda.
Alxs[qd[bend[
Na-eme nd[.
Na-eme nwa Xdxmaga
Xzx egwu.
Mx bx Igwe
G[ramafonu akpqchal[va.
Ijq any[na-ewu
Ijele a na-ewu.
Ive naabq bulu ibu
Na Nnebo Nwesilie.
Nnekwu Ijele
Oke mmanwx
Jee warxge ama
Nnekwu Ijele
Oke mmanwx
Jee warxge ama.
Oke mmanwx
A na-akpq n'arq.
Nnekwu Mmanwx
D[ebube.
Ive naabq bulu ibu
Na Nnebo nwesilie.
Ee nwa Nnavan[
Nwa isi a na-ebuliego
Ume nwa Nneenu
{ d[xkq na mba.
Nwa Nnavan[
Orimili achawxxla
Ijele any[arawoo
E moo.
Any[bx oti akpata
Na-etiebe n'qda.
{jq any[na-ewu
Ijele a na-ewu.
Ive naabq bulu ibu
Na Nnebo nwesilie.

Ee Nnego Igwe Chileze
Je nyeli any[aka
Ka Ijele waruge
Egwu ego.
Xmxqba any[wo mmadx ooo
Nteje onye siligq
Ya jee n'Amaokpo
Ka qvx n'anya.
Onye jxlx Nnebo
Na-emed[n[
Na qkwan[any[nwa.
Any[nd[qka ego
Nd[qka ive
Egwu ego.
Xmxqba any[wo mmadx ooo
Nteje onye siligq
Ya jee n'Amaokpo
Ka qvx n'anya.
Onye jxlx Nnebo
Na-emed[n[
Na qkwan[any[nwa.
Any[nd[qka ego
Nd[qka ive
Egwu ego.
Eee Mmaneke
Nwa mba a na-abal[agx
Oziko na ive
A kal[n'arq
Abxqlx echi ooo
Oziko eee.
Ive a kal[n'arq
Abxqlx echi ooo
Oziko eee.
Na-akpqrawo m nya ka jita eee
Na-atxrqwo m nya ka jita aaa.
Ee Xmxoba bulu ibu
Ive a na-ekwu n'ubi
Obodo bx enyi ooo.
A na-ajxso xmxqba
Na-emed[n[?
Any[na-ekwu n'qnx
Any[na-eme n'aka.
Ive a na-ekwu n'ubi
Obodo bx eny[ooo.
Mee chans[

Na otu na-ab[a ooo
Mee chans[
Na otu na-ab[a ooo
Iyom Qn[cha
Mee chans[
Na otu na-ab[a
Otuqcha otu Qn[cha
Azqchiela.
Mee chans[
Na otu na-ab[a ooo
Mee chans[
Na otu na-ab[a ooo
Iyom Qn[cha
Mee chans[
Na otu na-ab[a
Otuqcha otu Qn[cha
Azqchiela. (Oguguo, 2015)

(ii) Anam
Kero ive ka any[?
Ive ka any[
Bx so av[v[a
Ive ka any[.
Anam
Kero ive ka any[?
Ive ka any[
Bxsq aviv[a.
Ive ka any[.
Anam
Kero ive ka any[?
Ive ka any[
Bx so av[v[a
Ive ka any[.
Anam
Kero ive ka any[?
Ive ka any[
Bxsq aviv[a
Ive ka any[.
Mmanwx akaro
Ijele aka ooo.
Mmanwx akaro
Ijele aka ooo.
Nnekwu mmanwx
Pxta obele mmanwx
Aw[l[qsq.

Any[na-achq mmanwx ooo
Any[na-achq Ijele.
Mmanwx akaro
Ijele aka ooo.
Mmanwx akaro
Ijele aka ooo.
Nnekwu mmanwx
Pxta obele mmanwx
Aw[l[qsq.
Any[na-achq mmanwx oo
Any[na-achq Ijele . (Nnekwe, 2015)

MGBAKWUNYE D

Ilu D[n'Etimxmmqnwx Ijele

1. Q bxgh[mmxta igba Ijele bx isi kama na q bx etim mmqnwx.
2. Onye buru Ijele s[na nd[mmadx lachaa na be ha ya na Ijele ya a nqrq.
3. Awq hxchara Ijele jxq q ra arxx-q ha etx a? (Q bx ya ka awq na-ebe na mkpu).
4. Ijele na mmqnwx qzq anagh[agbakq n'ama otu oge.
5. Mmqnwx agagh[aka Ijele aka.
6. Ijele gbakar[a n'qgbq xmx mmqnwx agbaa ya aja.
7. Nkiri Ijele jiri chi.
8. Ododo ad[gh[n'isi Ijele, q gagh[agba n'ama. (Nkiri ka a na-ekiri odoodo e jighi ya eli ozu.)

MGBAKWUNYE E

Xzq Atq Pxrx Iche a Ga-Esi Kewaa Mmqnwx

1. E nwere ike ikewa mmqnwx site n'oge o ji agba d[ka mmqnwx abal[na nke ehihie.
2. E nwere ike ikewa mmqnwx site n'xd[agwa q na-akpa ya na ebumnuche e ji wee na-eti.
3. E nwekwara ike ikewa mmqnwx site na nd[na-eti ya ma q bx nd[na-eso ya aga. N'ebe a, a ga-enwe mmqnwx nd[okenye na mmqnwx xmxaka.

Xd[d[Mmqnwx Ga

Mmqnwx na-Agba Egwu: Ugobueze, Olicheliqkx, {gbamma, Otiokpokpo, Udendelegwu, Adamma, Awala, Kat[kanga dgz.

Mmqnwx na-Eme Anwans[: Wqnda, Nwangwu, Ajqqf[a, Odododo, Odumodu, Isaatq, Qgbakutaazx dgz.

Mmqnwx Nwere Ugwu: Ijele, Akwunaechenyi, Odo, Qzqebunu, Ekpe, {zaga, Odumodu, Atx Ayaka, Odododo, Okpube, Qgbalxobodo, Ugo, Enwinnunu, Enyi, Mbe, Wqnda Awala dgz.

Mmqnwx Mara Mma: Udendelegwu, Adamma, Ijele, Akwunaechenyi, Onyeqcha, Nwanzacha dgz

Mmqnwx Jqrq Njq: Nwangwu, Ajqqf[a, Odododo, Odumodu, Isaatq, Qgbakxtaazx, Mgbike, Agaba, Obuxka, Soja, Qmaba dgz

Mmqnwx na-Akpa Ike: Mbike, Agaba, Agabaidu, Obuxka, Akataaka, Soja, Odumodu, Qzqdimgba, Idumqqtali, Okwomma dgz

Mmqnwx na-Agx Egwu: Ayaka, Oyo, Udendelegwu, {zaga, Atxmma dgz.

Mmqnwx na-Akq Akxkq: Nwangwu Qs[as[r[, Odo, Ojiqnx, Qkxekwe dgz

Mmqnwx Abal[: Odumodu, Qgbalxobodo, Ayaka dgz

Mmqnwx na-Ar[Elu: Otikpokpo, {gbamma, Enwe, Ajxkwundeli dgz

Mmqnwx na-Ap[a Xtar[: Qmaba, Awala, Odumodu, Xlaga, {ga, Agq, Aj[buusu, Xsx, Aturu, Soja, polisi, Odo dgz.

Mmqnwx Nd[Qrx Agha: Soja, Polisiugo, OdoIjele dgz.

Mmqnwx na-Agba Qsq: Awala, Qmaba, Aj[buusu, Xlaga, Xsx, Agq, Egbe dgz.

Mmqnwx D[n'Xd[Xmxanxmanx: Enyi, Ugo, Enyinnunu, Atx, Mbe, Ewu Awusa, Agx, Qzqdimgba, Enwe dgz.

MGBAKWUNYE F

Nd[Qrxnka na-Arx Ijele n'Ala Igbo

1. Cei	Mgbede Xmxeri
2. Nnaluo	Mgbede Xmxeri
3. Obiakq	Mgbede Xmxeri
4. Ezinwa Augustine	Mgbede Xmxeri
5. Obeche	Xmxeri
6. Xzqamaka	Xmxeri
7. Qranyeli	Xmxeri
8. Mbanefo Iloegbune	Xmxqba Anam
9. Izuqba Nwakas[	Xmxqba Anam

10. Nzedigwe Walter

Xmxefi Nteje

11. Ikem Chizoba Amadiaba

Nteje

12. Olota Andrew

Inqma

13. Obiora Patrick

Qmqq

14. Mmenna Joseph Qmqq

15. Muneli Michael (Akunne) Ifite

Qgwuari

16. Nwoji Ejike (Masiko) Ifite Qgwar[

17. Ekweozo Nwagbogu XmxawaIfiteQgwxar[

18. Nwankwo Okwuobodo Anakx

19. Nwawu Anakx

20. Qkwa {gbar[am

21. Chinwuba Qka

22. Uche .G. Aghad[nunq

Qn[cha

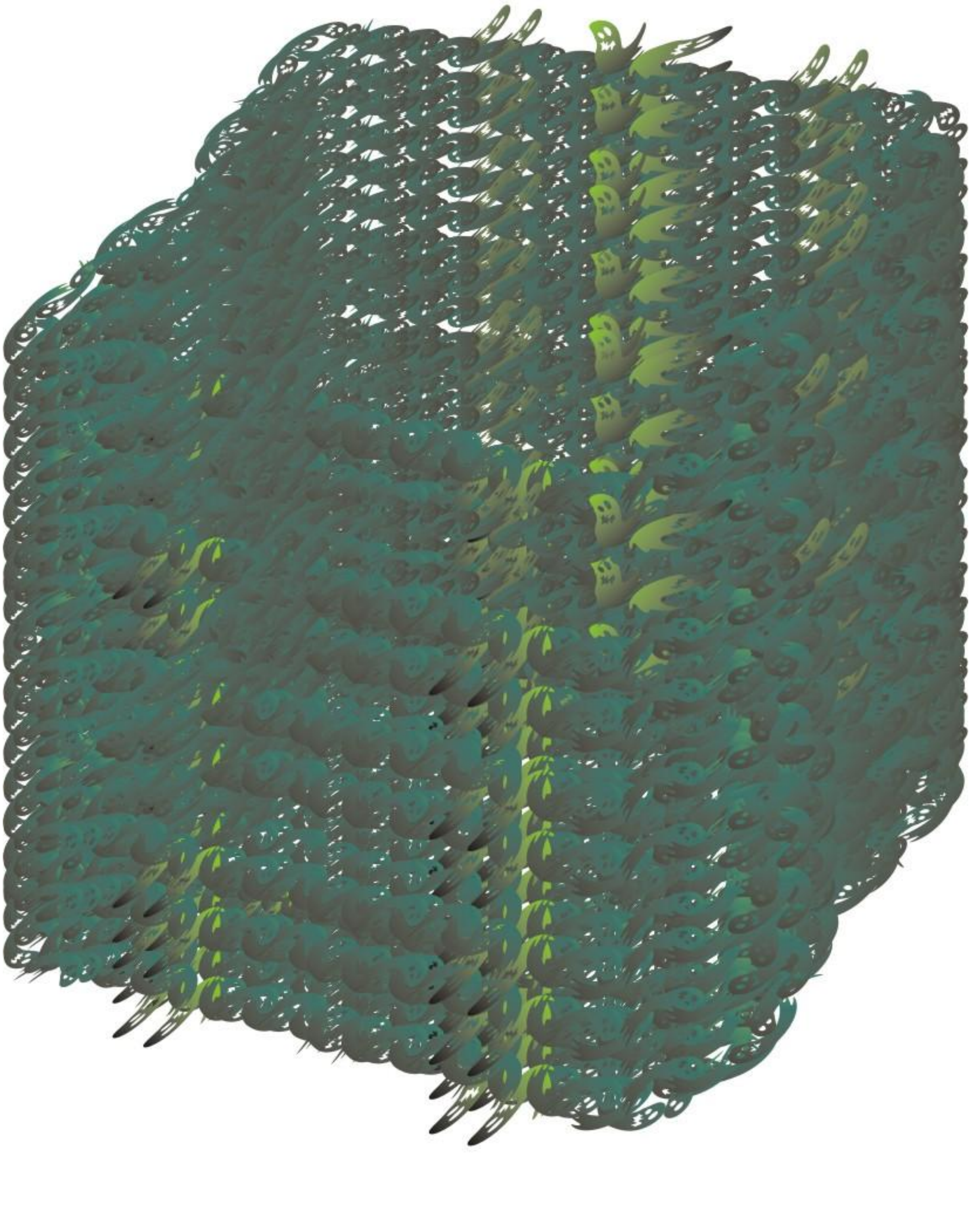
MGBAKWUNYE G

Obodo Nd[na-Eti Ijele n'Ala Igbo

1. Atan[
2. Abagana
3. Ifitedunu
4. Qka

5. Igbedq
6. Anam
7. Qn[cha
8. Nneobi
9. Xmxeri
10. Agxleri
11. Nando
12. Nsugbe
13. {gbar[am
14. Qmqq
15. Nteje
16. Qkxzx
17. Ogbunike
18. Achala
19. Mgbakwx
20. Urum
21. Ukwulu
22. Amanuke
23. Naqgx
24. Enugwu Ukwu
25. Nri
26. Xmxlxqkpa
28. Uboloafq
29. Agbq

MGBAKWUNYE GB 1



Esereese Oda Ijele

MGBAKWUNYE GB 2

Esereese ịgba na ndị ịgba Ijele

MGBAKWUNYE GB 3

Esereese Obuụzọ Ijele

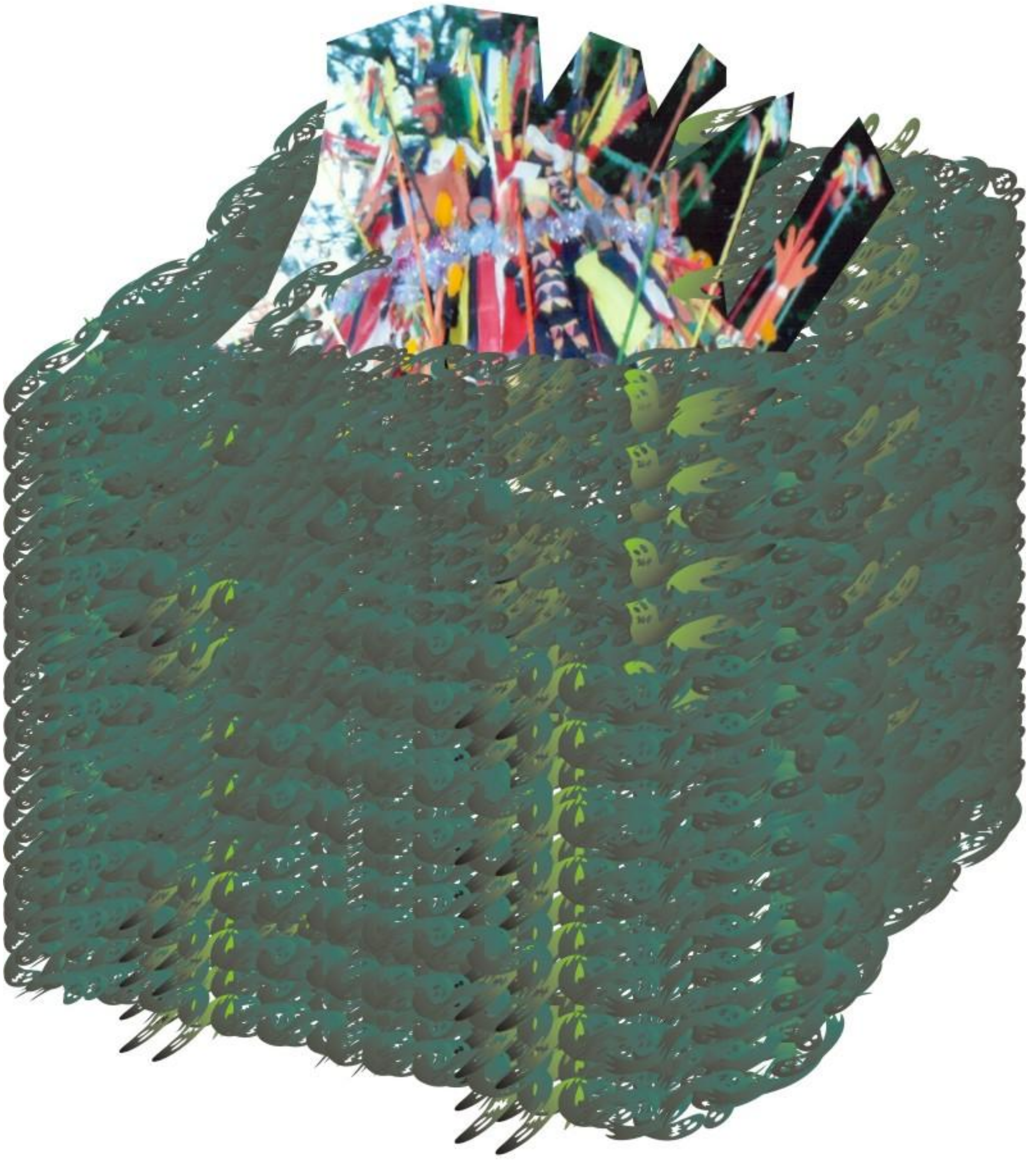
MGBAKWUNYE GB 4

Esereese onye chiri nne mmọnwụ Ijele

MGBAKWUNYE Gb5

Esereese onye chiri nna mmọnwụ Ijele

MGBAKWUNYE GH 1



Esereese Ọda mmọnwụ Ijele nọ n'ime ya

MGBAKWUNYEGH 2

Esereese Odo mmọnwụ Ijele

MGBAKWUNYE GH 3

Esereese Ọsịasịrị mmọnwụ Ijele

MGBAKWUNYE GH 4

Esereese Nwanzacha mmọnwụ Ijele

MGBAKWUNYE GH 5

Esereese Onyeọcha mmọnwụ Ijele

MGBAKWUNYE GW 1

Esereese Nne mmọnwụ Ijele

MGBAKWUNYE GW 2

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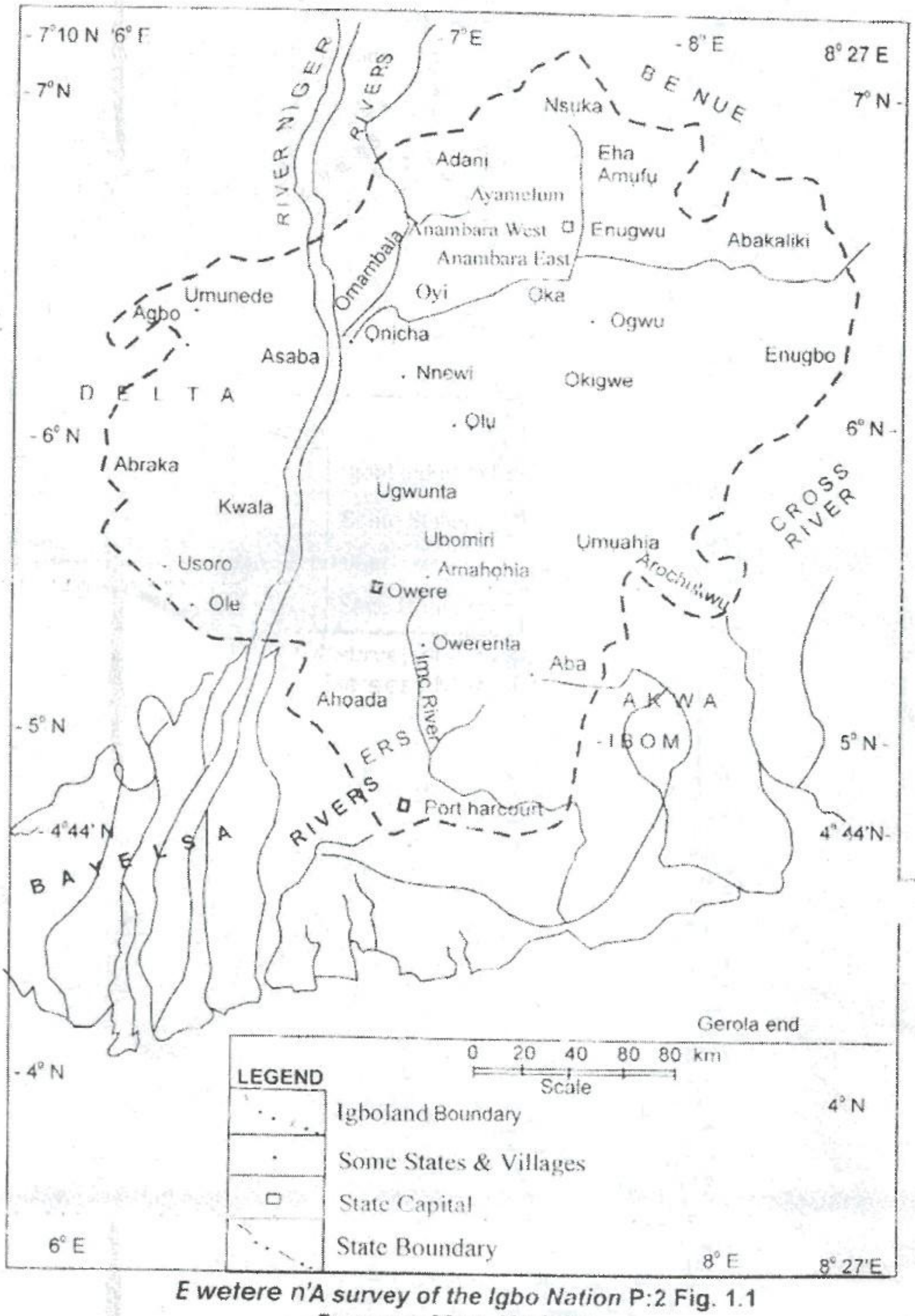

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