

Chinua Achebe wrote three books titled: 'Man of the People,' 'No Longer at Ease,' and 'Things Fall Apart.' Therefore, I say, 'When the man of the people is no longer at ease, things will fall apart.'

BLACK?

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*Black? We were born
Coal melanin popping on casings
Of our body's architecture
Smoothened in the **caves of ashes***

*Black? We were made,
Carved in the hidden caves of the **Olumo**
Hid in treasure boxes of erudites
And polished after the similitude of a palace*

*Black? We were planted
On the shores of the **Eleko**,
Stiffened in the **Forest of the Almighty**,
And freed from the slavery of the **Badagry***

*Blacks? Joyed like happy goats
Feeding on the leaves of the **Iroko**
At the muttering waves of the **Elegushi**
And whispering breezes
From the **hills of the Idanre***

*Black? We are,
Playing hide-and-seek
On Mount Kilimanjaro*

Sitting by the road-side

Mandela, Lumumba,

Desmond Tutu, Soyinka, Awolowo

Bode Thomas

All dancing to the dawn of freedom