

Lirieke van Jannie du Toit se album

## Die maan deur 'n gaatjie in die nag

liedjies van Marie Tredoux en Jannie

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## SANDVELD DROUGHT (SANDVELDDROOGTE)

Music: Marie Tredoux

Lyrics: Marie Tredoux

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Chickens in front of the back door
And Grandma on the step
And little ones with bare bums dance a jig
Around limping uncle Flip Flap
Mother washes the dishes
And chucks out the water
The orphan lamb and the tame Moscovy duck
Come sniff and snort at it

And the drought dances its whirlwind dance Over rocky outcrops and ditches
The nanny-goat gave birth last night
But the twin kids are dead
Oh, stop nagging in my ears
I thought you were grown up already
This evening again each one will get
A mug of chicory and bread.

Chickens in front of the back door And Grandma on the step Little Bet tore her dress And Grandma gives her a slap Oh, stop with your snot and tears, child Why are you still so dumb? It's high time you learned Where cash and clothes come from And the drought dances its whirlwind dance Over rocky outcrops and ditches The jam tin has been empty for ages Here's lard for the bread The sugar must last until Sunday I'll hit you if you touch the jar You can chew young grass stalks Why do you crave sweetness so?

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