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Description:

There was a man that hoed a garden and planted cassava, and took bark-cloth and twisted, and took thorns and put through this bark-cloth, and said, "Bark-cloth, I place you in my garden; bite those that come to steal." So he went to hang the bark-cloth in his garden.

Then came a thief and took hold of a cassava plant, and the thorns pierced him, and that lad said, "War!"

It said, "My master left me in the garden, saying: If people steal cassava, bite them."

The person died.

Then came the man and said, "Bark-cloth, you have bitten a lad; you have a bad heart."

Then it went away in the bush, and when it saw people it bit them.

Hence came the serpent.