

### **Praise for Bo Aku, Undisputed King of the Forest**

"The setting is very engaging and the characters are very vivid...The story framework is complicated and better for suited for middle school

- **C. Higgins, Media Expert, Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools**

*The book presents universal themes for children and adults alike... One of the central characters connects the reader with a sense of acceptance often misplaced in society...Ngwainmbi (through the book) demonstrates how conversation can cure the deepest misconceptions.*

**-The Charlotte Post**

*"Emanuel Ngwainmbi brilliantly explores the funny, thrilling, and shocking encounters between young African boys and girls with the gorilla, Bo Aku. Bo Aku is a beautifully crafted story that is sure to hold the reader's attention. Ngwainmbi's place is on the same road as Achebe, Armah, Ngugi, and Aidoo!"*

**-Prof. Molefi Kete Asante, Leading figure in African-American Studies, African Studies and Communication Studies and author of over 70 books and 200 articles**

*Ngwainmbi's love for children's literature is ....inspired. The stories were edited and incorporated into a story geared toward young western readers.*

**-Matthews Mint Hill Weekly Newspaper**

*The stories flow well and provide ample opportunity for classroom teachers to develop critical questions related to the plots, characters, and cultural issues, as well as the major themes in each story. The book can easily be used as a springboard into further classroom discussions and investigations. Classroom teachers can build a thematic unit from each story or the entire collection*

**-Elizabeth Reynolds, Ph.D. Secondary education, administration and professional development**

Bo Aku is a collection of short stories taken from the storytelling tradition of the Bantu culture of West Africa. They are stories that have stood the test of time on one continent"

*-Daily Advance*