



# Mzansi **Taal** Dictionary



# “7 colours”

## Definition

*A meal normally cooked on a Sunday when one has more time than usual. Meal includes a starch, meat, vegetables, and salads which all make for a colourful plate.*

## How to use it

*“ I am making  
**7 colours** today, you  
should come over. ”*



# “Awe”

## Definition

1. Greeting

2. Yes

3. Thanks

## How to use it

“Awe  
gents”



# “Cav/Cava”

## Definition

1. Look

2. Know

## How to use it

“*Cav/Cava*  
*the swag.*”

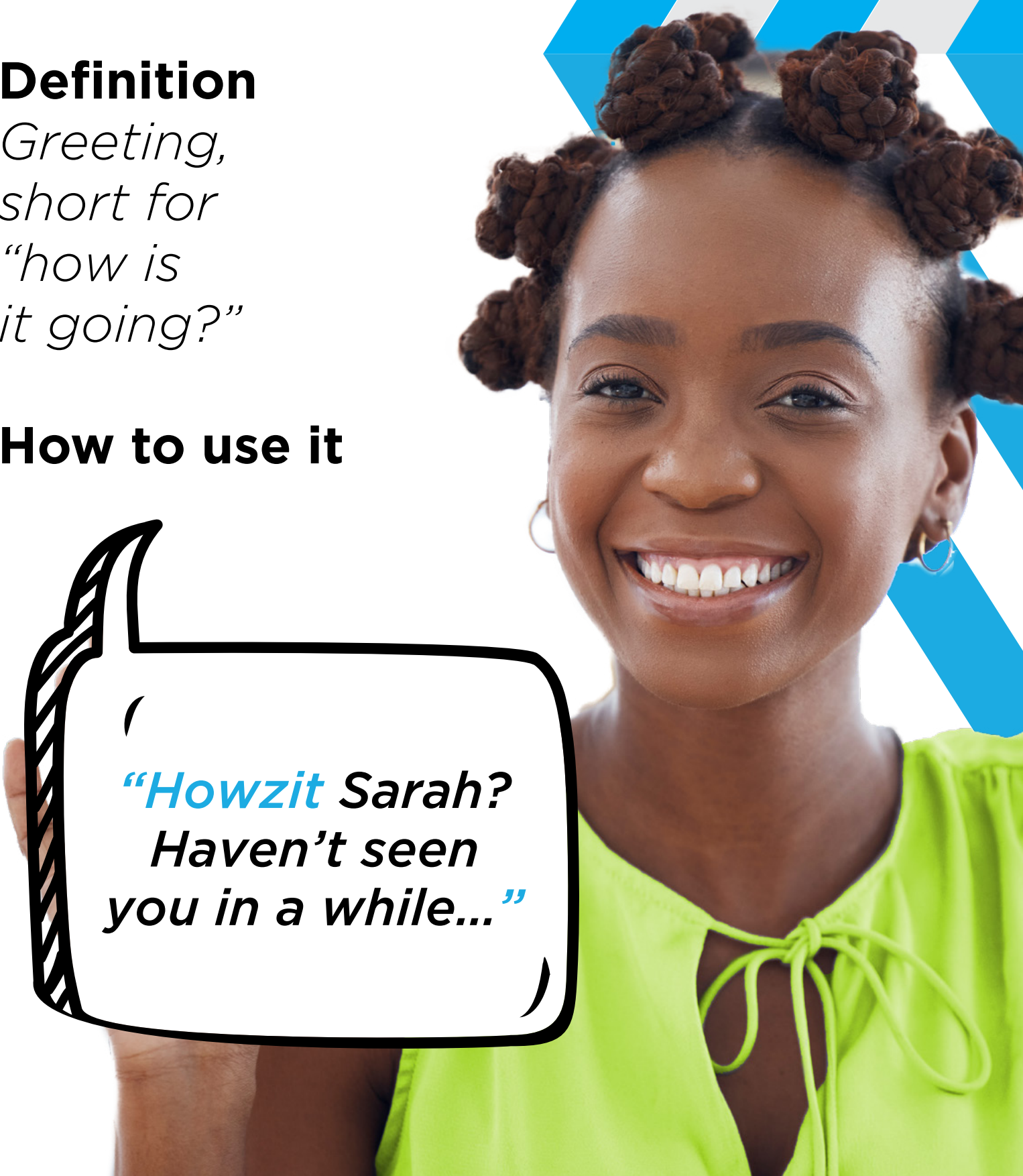


# “Howzit”

## Definition

*Greeting,  
short for  
“how is  
it going?”*

## How to use it



*“**Howzit** Sarah?  
Haven’t seen  
you in a while...”*

# “Eish”

## Definition

*Used to  
express pain or  
disappointment.*

## How to use it

*“I just got my  
exam results  
and **eish**”*



# “Yasis”

## Definition

*Used to  
express pain or  
disappointment.*

## How to use it



*“ **Yasis!** Did you  
see that goal? ”*

# “Lekker”

## Definition

1. Great

2. Cool

3. Nice

## How to use it

*“ We had a  
**lekker** time  
at Bianca’s  
birthday. ”*



# “Eina”

## Definition

*An exclamation used when one is in pain.*

## How to use it

*“ **Eina!** I hurt my arm at netball practice. ”*



**“9-9”**

**Definition**  
*For real!*

**How to use it**

*“ I saw them  
running into the  
field **9-9!** ”*



# “Chappies”

## Definition

*Any type of bubble gum, despite the brand.*

## How to use it

*“ Don’t chew your **chappies** so loud. ”*

