



“Thwithi! Thwithi! Thwithi!

“Kwa! Kwa! Kwa!”

“Kwak! Kwak! Kwak!”

UDada noZuba bahlangana endaweni epheli bahlangane
kiyo edamini eliseduze nomlambo. Bebabangani abakhulu.



Bekutjhisa khulu mhlokho. UDada watjuza ngaphakathi kwamanzi. UZuba wacabanga, "Kutjho bona kumnandi ukududa."

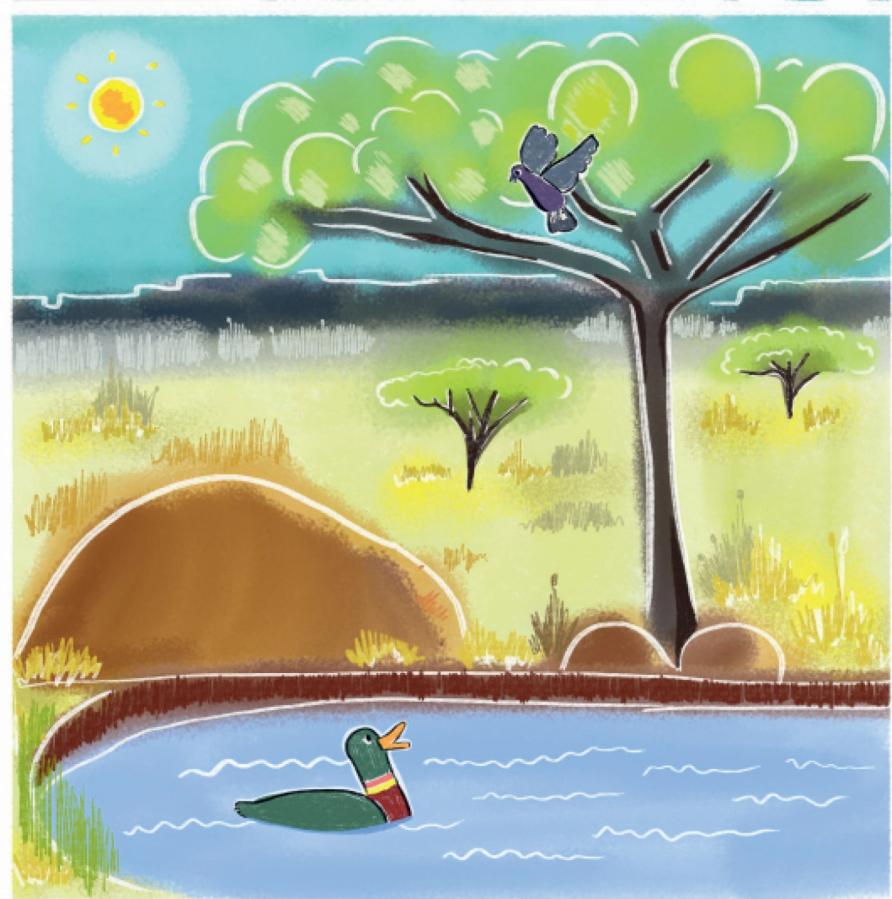
Ngemuva kokufaka ihloko yakhe ngemanzini, uDada wathi, "Ingabe ungathanda ukududa? Buya uzokukhwela emhlana bese mina ngizakufundisa."



Ngaso soke isikhathi uDada nakazama ukungena ngaphasi kwamanzi neZuba lisemhlana, uZuba uyaphapha.

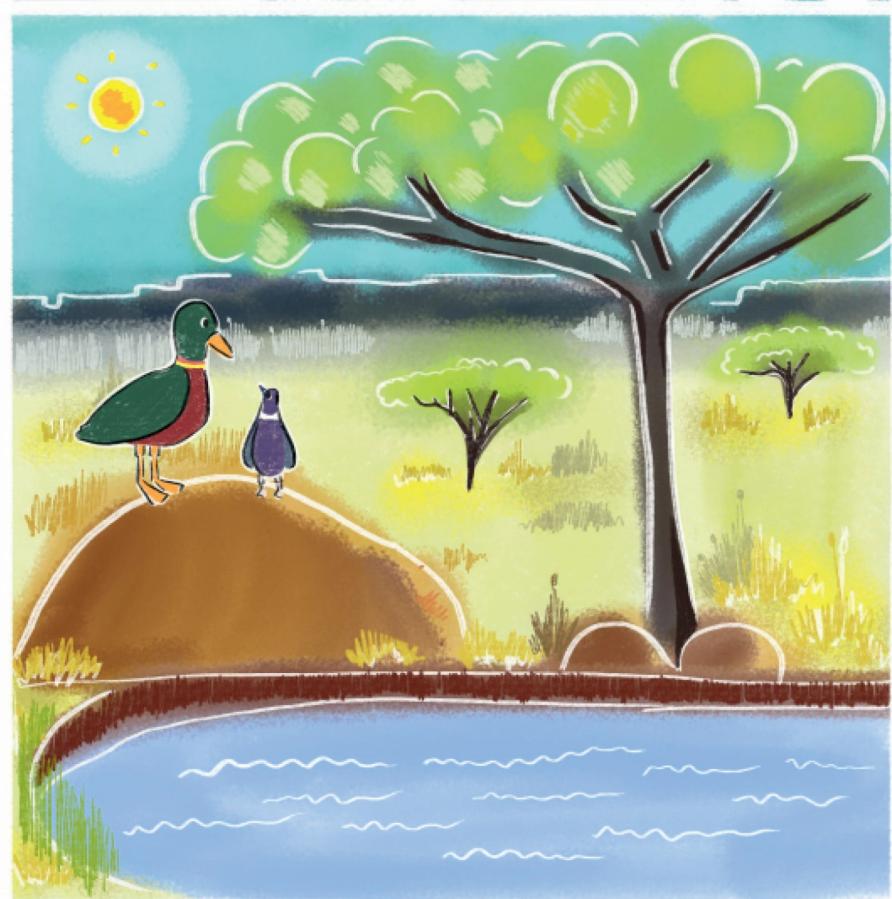
UZuba wacabanga adanile wathi, "Angeze ngakghona ukududa njengoDada."

UDada wasala ayedwa ngemanzini.



"Kwenzenjani Zuba? Wu! Uyangiphoqa.
Ungangitjhiya njani ngingedwa ngemanzini?"
kunghonghoyila uDada.

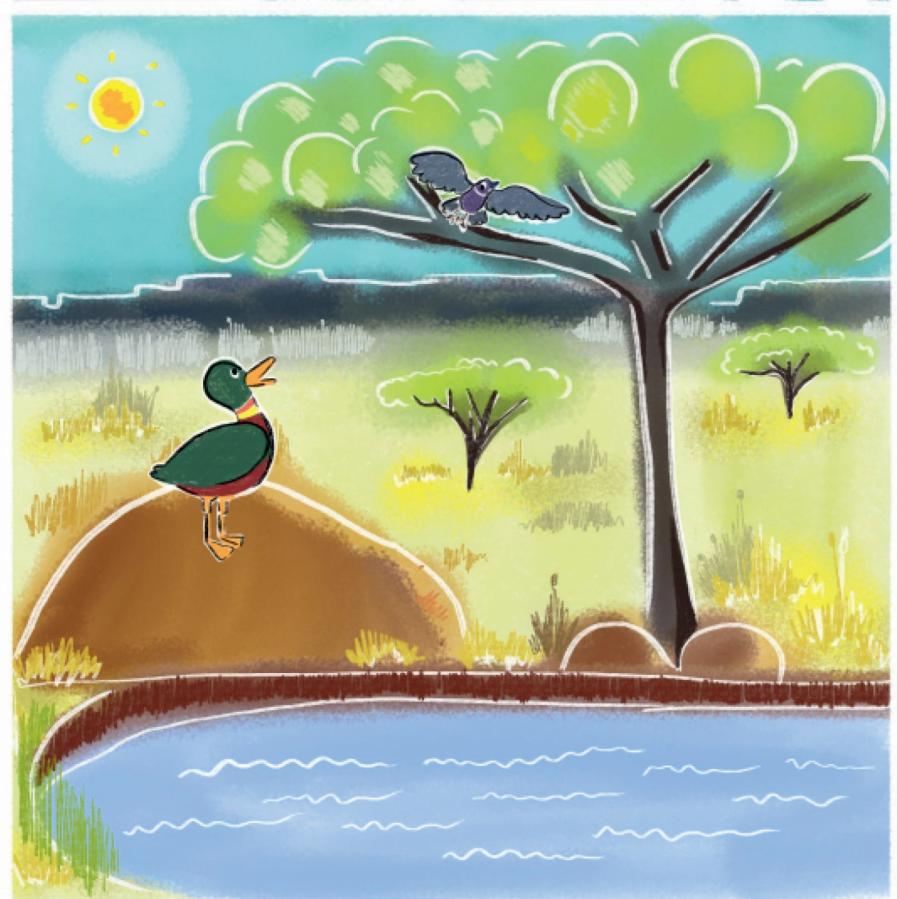
UZuba waphendula wathi, "Ngisaba ukucwila."
Bengicabanga bona bewufuna ukufunda ukududa
njengami," kutjho uDada.



"Twithi! Thwithi! Thwithi! Dada buya okungcono
ngikufundise ukuphapha. Ukududa kubudisi khulu!"

UZuba wakhamba wayokukhwelela ilitje elikhulu. UDada
walandela.

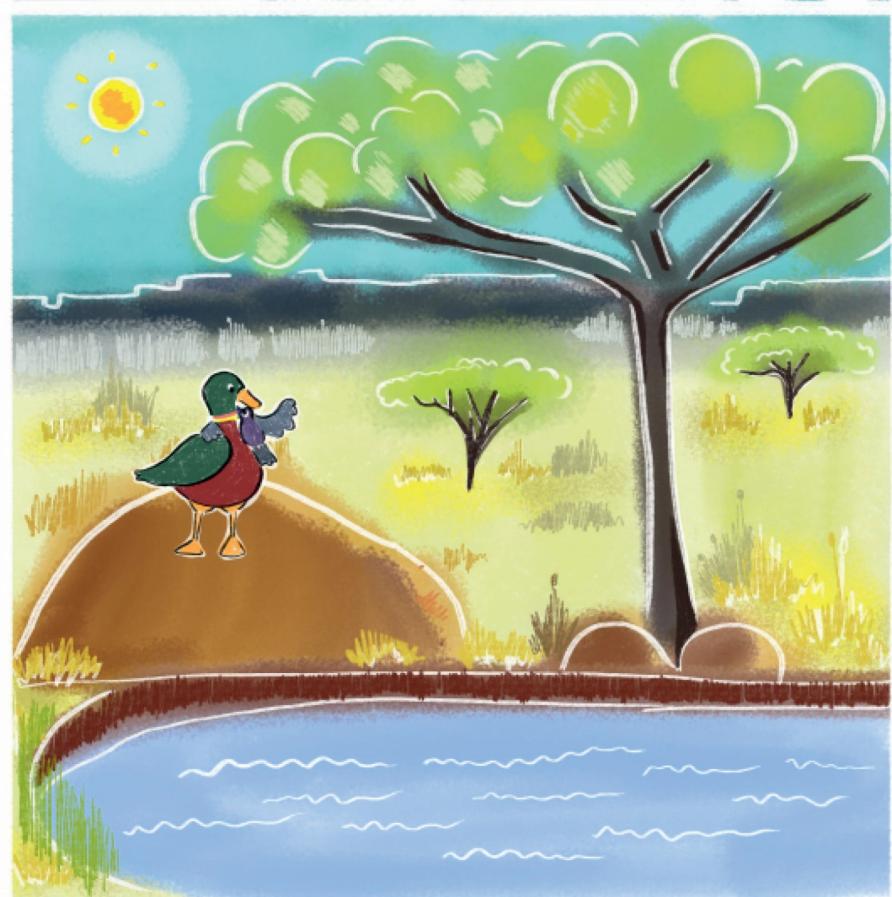
Ngokukopeza kwelihlo, uZuba besele aphezulu emthini,
uDada wabhalelwu kulandela.



UDada wadana khulu. Wakhulumo ngehliziyo wathi, "UZuba akanamusa.

Ngilidada angisilo izuba. Ngijayele ukududa ingasi ukuphapha."

UZuba bekafuna ukududuza umngani wakhe.

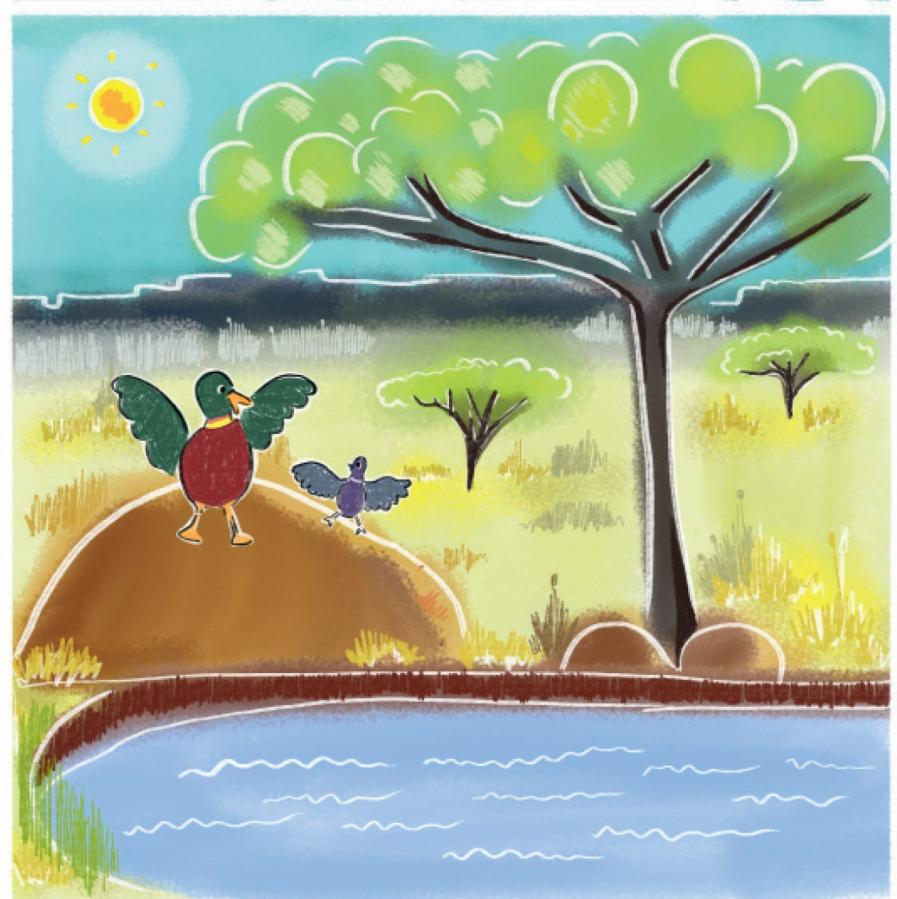


Bahlala phasi elitjeni bathula.

Ekugcineni, uZuba wathi, "Mngani, namhlanjesi ngifunde bona angeze ngakghona ukududa njengawe.

Begodu nawe angeze waphapha njengami. Mina ngiyaphapha wena uyaduda."

Basingathana bathabile.



"Thina simadada, nasidudako, sifaka iinhloko zethu
ngemanzini sithi, 'Kwaa kwaa kwaa rhadada! Kwaa kwa kwa
rhadada!"'

"Thina siziinyoni, nasiphaphako sibetha amaphiko wethu
sithi, 'Tsiyo, tsiyo, tsiyo!"'