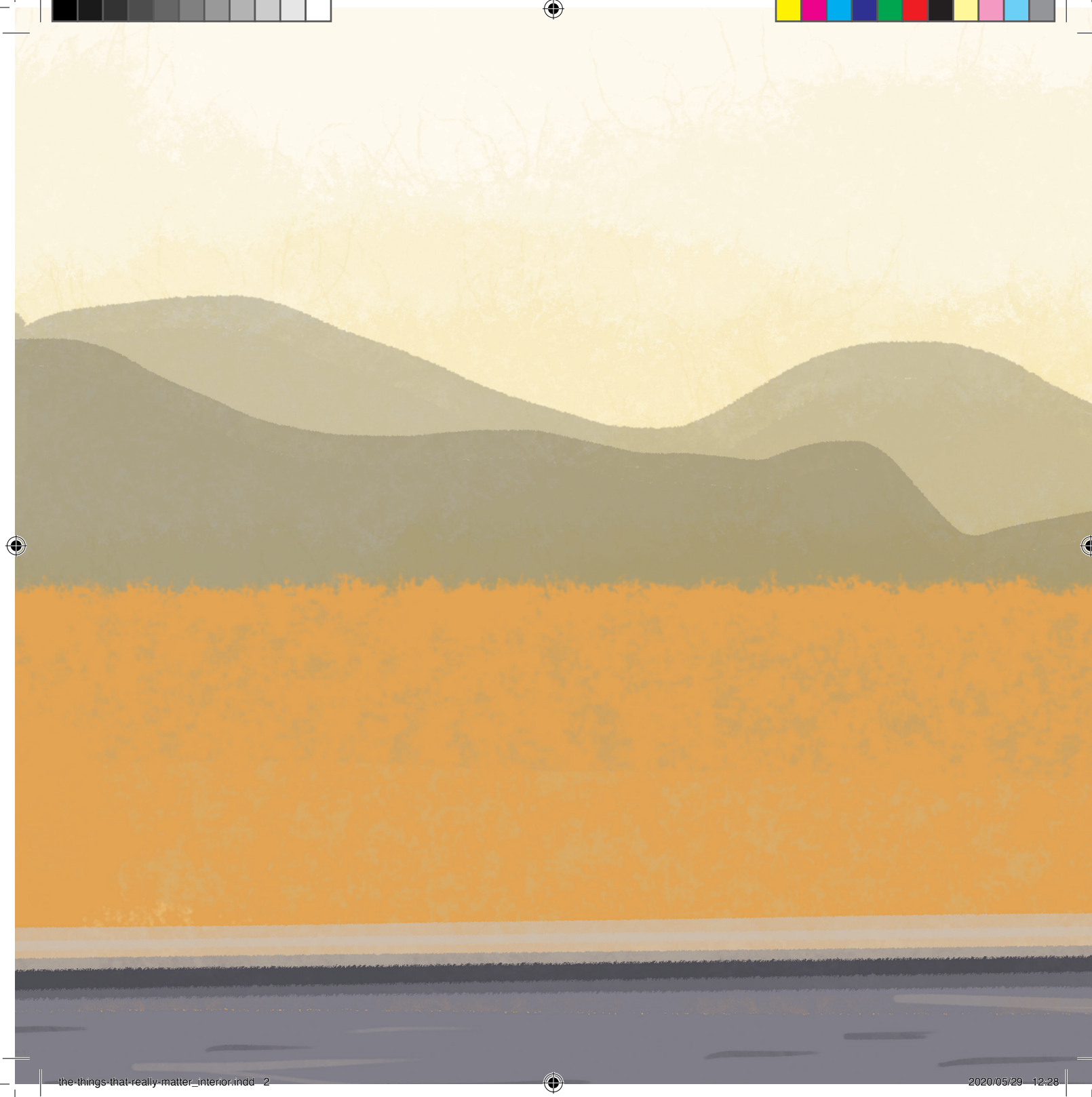


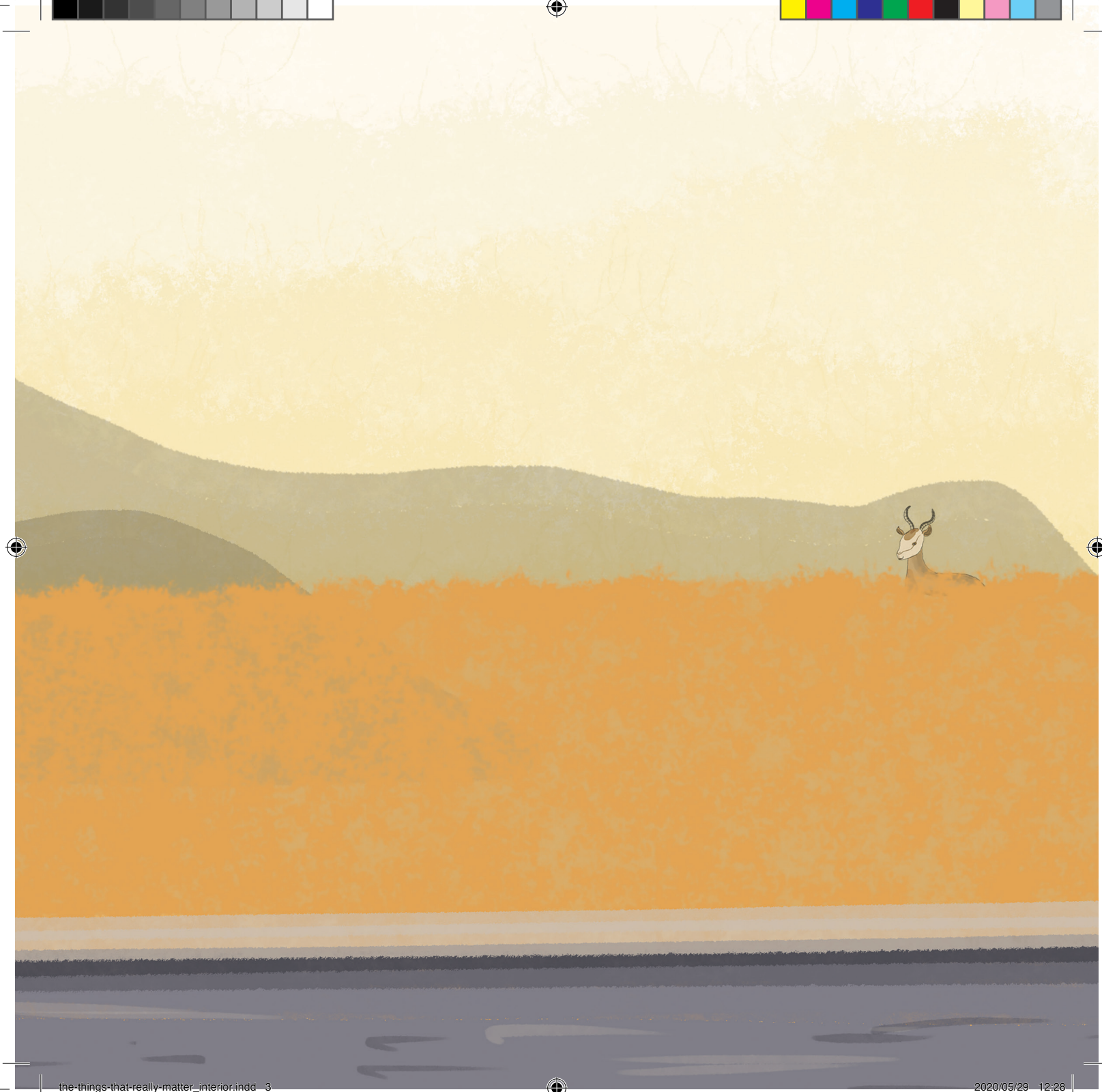


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**Sithatha uhambo.
Ndibuza uMama ukuba
ndipakishe ntoni.**

‘Ezona zinto zibalulekileyo,’ utsho.



Simisa eWindmill ukuze sitye isidlo sakusasa,
umtyibilizi uyonwabisa kakhulu.





Ndilibala ithoyi yam.

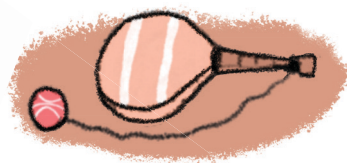






Ndikhathazekile emotweni,
kodwa uTando wonwabile.

‘He-kee!’ Ngoku ungadlala
nam!’ utsho.





Simisa efama ukuze sibone izilwanyana.
UTando ukhangela kakhulu ukubona imbabala.





Inkawu ibaleka nezinto zakhe
zokumamela zasezindlebeni.







Ukhathazekile emotweni,
kodwa mna ndonwabile.

‘He-kee!’ Ngoku ungacula
nam!’ nditsho.



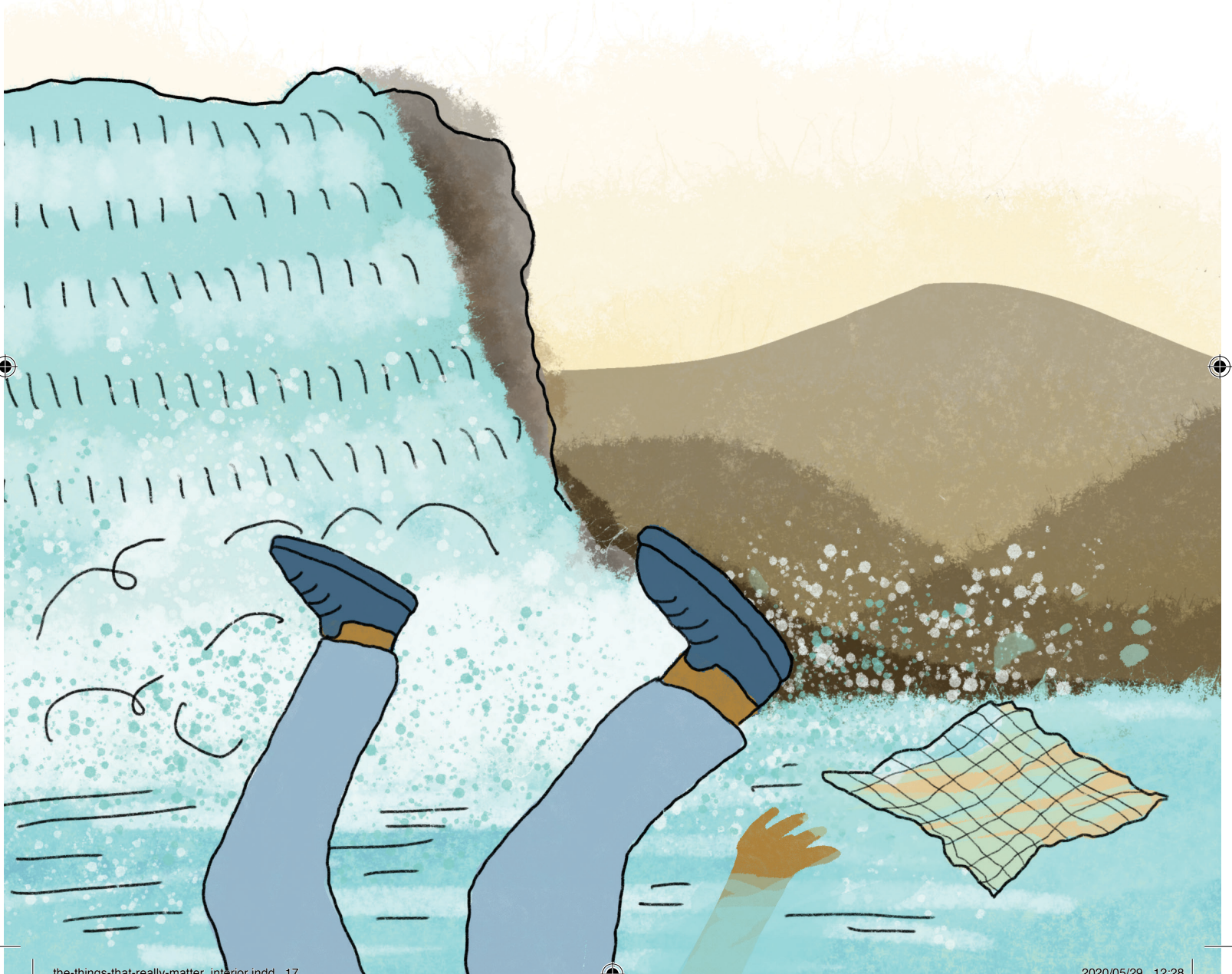


Simisa kwiingxangxasi ezigqumayo.
Sonwabe kakhulu, siyatyhalana size sitsalane.





UTata utshona emanzini,
kanjalo nemephu yakhe.

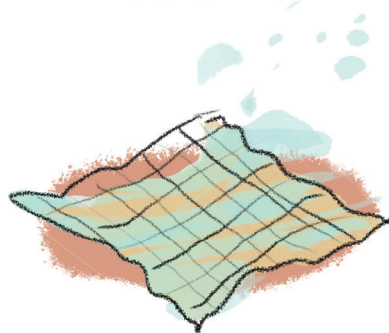






UTata ukhathazekile
emotweni, kodwa uMama wonwbile.

‘He-kee!’ Ngoku ndingakuncedisa
sifumane **indlela** yethu!’ utsho.





Simisa kumntu othengisa ecaleni
kwendlela ukuze sithenge umbona.





UMama uyagoba ukukhetha owona
umnandi, zize izispeksi zakhe ziwe zophuke.







UMama ukhathazekile
emotweni, kodwa uTata wonwabile.

‘He-kee!’ Ngoku ndingakunceda sifumane
indlela yethu **kunye!**’ utsho uTata.





**Simisa kwinduli endala ukuze sikwazi
ukubona intlambo. UTata uyasiqhula
ukuze sincumele ifoto,**





kodwa ...







xa sibuyela emotweni,
ayifuni kuduma.

Wonke umntu uyayeka ukuhleka.

‘Ningakhathazeki ...’ utsho uMama.

‘Sisenganexesha elimnandi.

Sithi ezona zinto
zibalulekileyo.’





**Ngoko ke, siba
nexesha elimnandi.**

**Ngokudlala nangokucula
nangokufumana indlela kunye,**

**logama sonwabela owona
mbona umnandi.**



