



UBuhle noThuthumbo



Ntombizanele Nkence



Iinyoni ezimbili zabe zihlezi emthini. Enye
yabe inguBuhle, enye inguThuthumbo.





“Ngilambile, Buhle,” kubalabala uThuthumbo
abethanisa amaphiko wakhe amancani.

UBuhle bekasaqale esibhakabhakeni
elangeni elibonakala lithe bha ngomkhango.



UThuthumbo wanabisa amaphiko wakhe
waphapha ngombana begade alambile,
watjhiya umnakwabo, ebegade athakasela
ilanga.



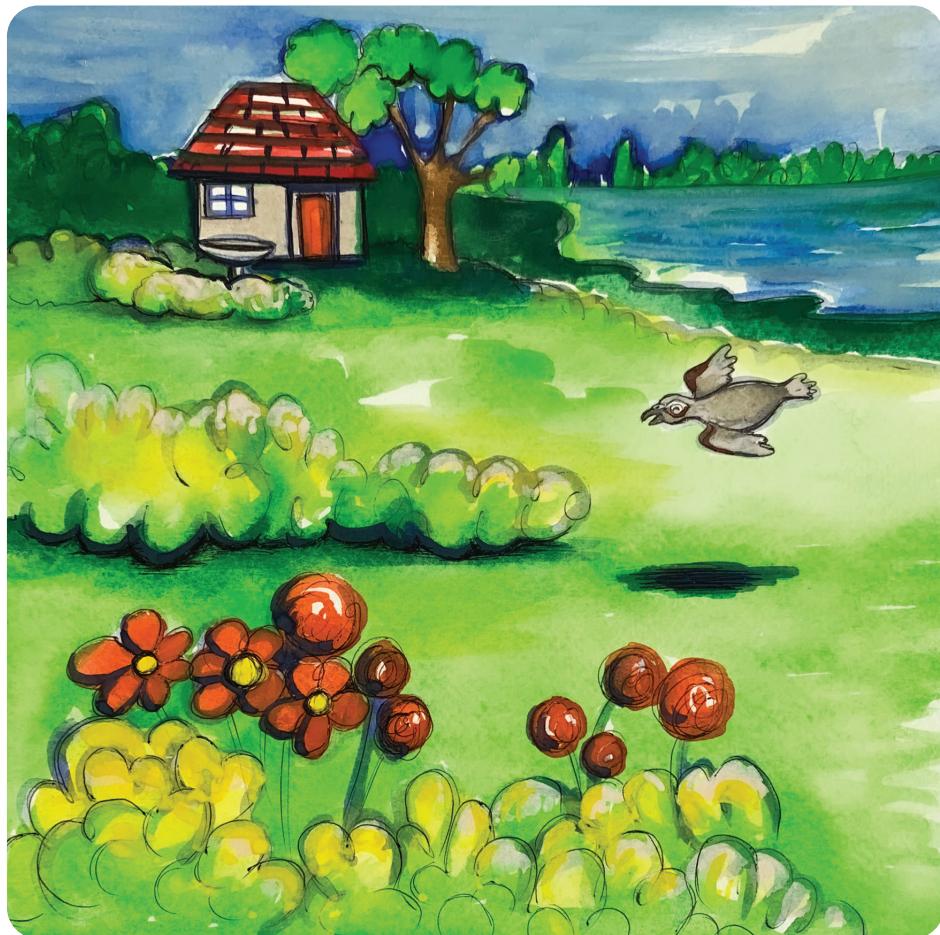


Ngemva kwesikhathi, uBuhle walemuka
bonyana uThuthumbo wabe angasekho
eqadi kwakhe.

Wakhumbula bonyana besele kusikhathi
sokudla, begodu uThuthumbo wabe
angakhange akhambe yedwa ukuyokufuna
ukudla ngaphambilini.



Ngamaphiko wakhe amakhulu, waphapha
wayomfuna.





Wabona ezinye iinyoni zidobha ukudla
emehlelweni.

“Akhange nibone inyoni encani igama layo
nguThuthumbo?”

“*Tswi tswi...*”

Ezinye iinyoni akhange zimbone
uThuthumbo.



Ngamaphiko wakhe amakhulu, waphapha wayokufuna uThuthumbo.

Wabona amadada eduze nedamu, bese wabuza.

“Akhange nibone inyoni encani igama layo nguThuthumbo?”

“Kwa kwa...”

Amadada akhange ambone uThuthumbo.





UBuhle otshwenyekileko wabona umzoba kudanyana. Wabandamela. Waba nethemba njengombana asazi bonyana uThuthumbo uyawuthanda umzoba.



Njengokucabanga kwakhe, nangambala
uThuthumbo wabe adla umzoba.

UBuhle wamomotheka ngaphakathi
nakabona uThuthumbo. Wazibonela
bonyana akasese yinyoni encani gadesi
kodwana sele ayinyoni ekhulileko. Sele
akwazi ukuzizumela ngokwakhe.





UThuthumbo wamomotheka nakabona
uBuhle.

Bobabili badla umzoba bebasutha, bavuma.

Basuka lapho baphaphela phezulu,
uThuthumbo adosa phambili.



Besele kusentambama nababuyela
endaweni yabo abayithandako. UThuthumbo
wacocela uBuhle ngekhambo lakhe.
Bobabili bebathabile.

