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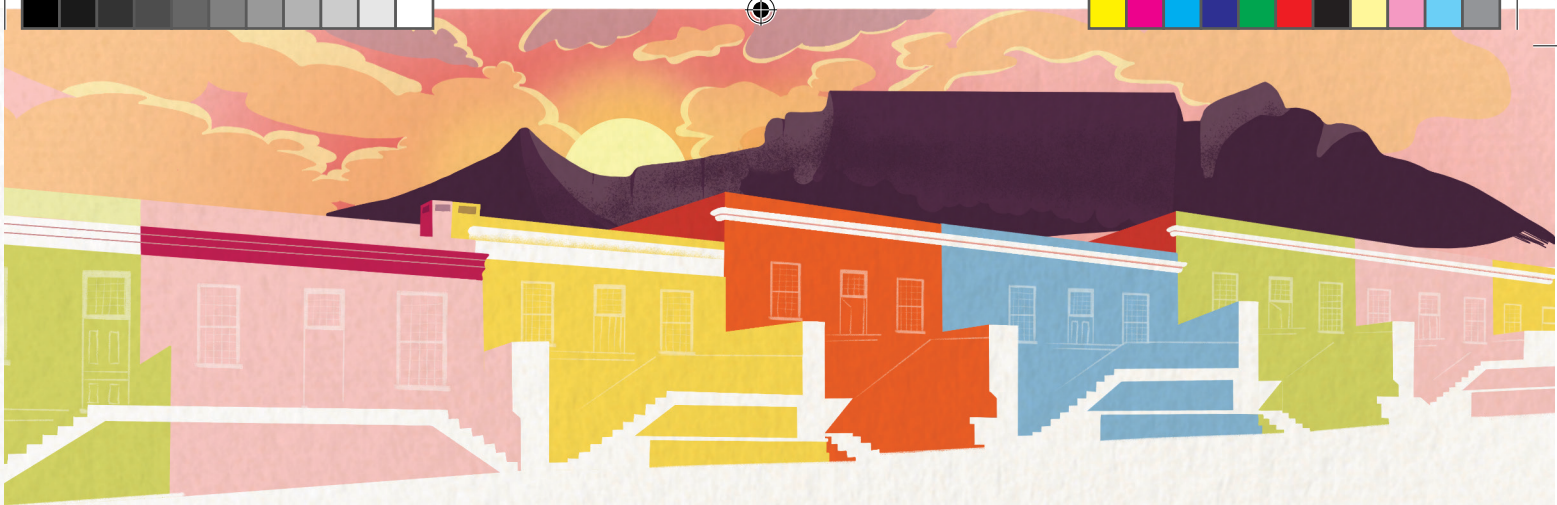
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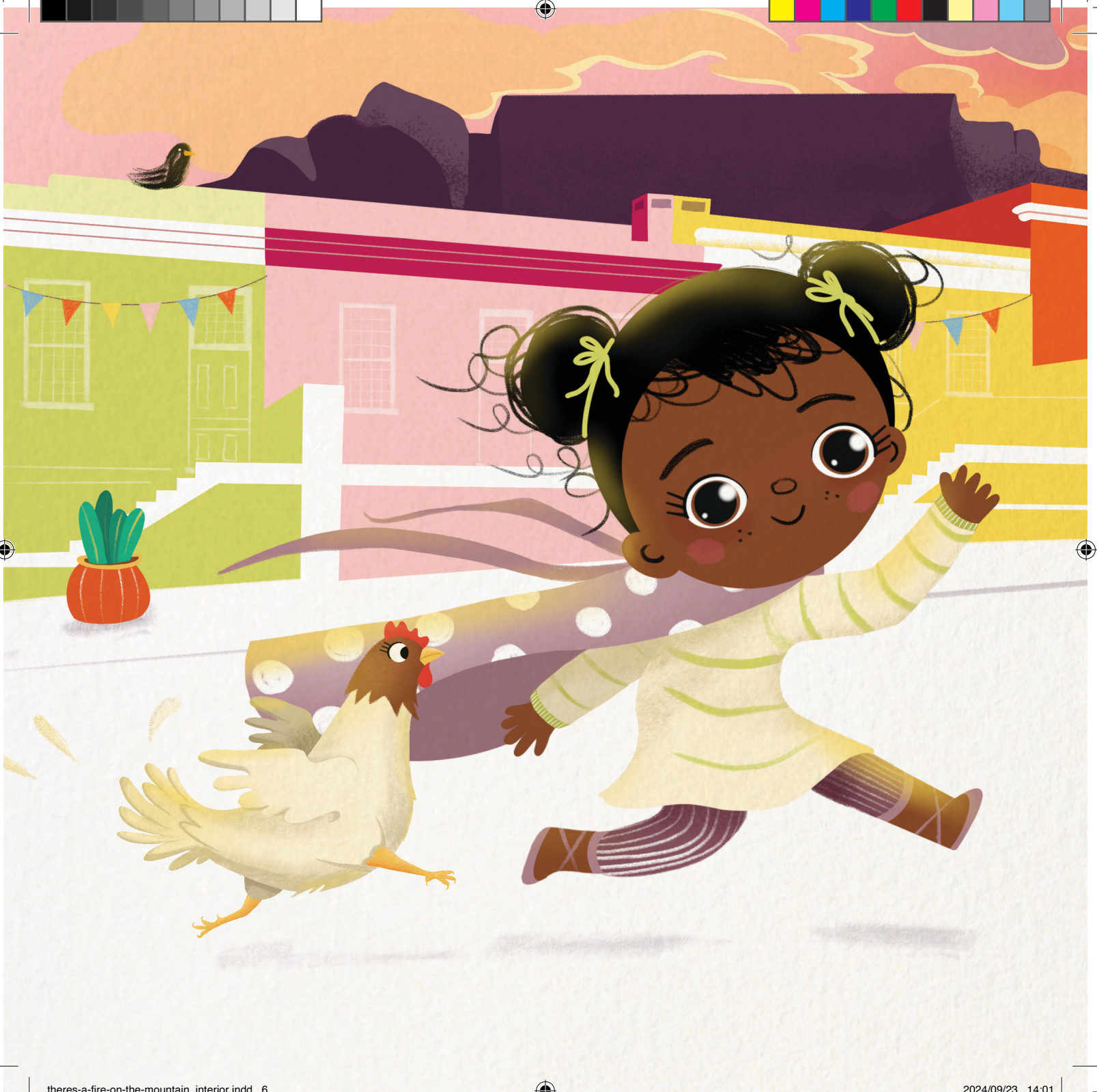
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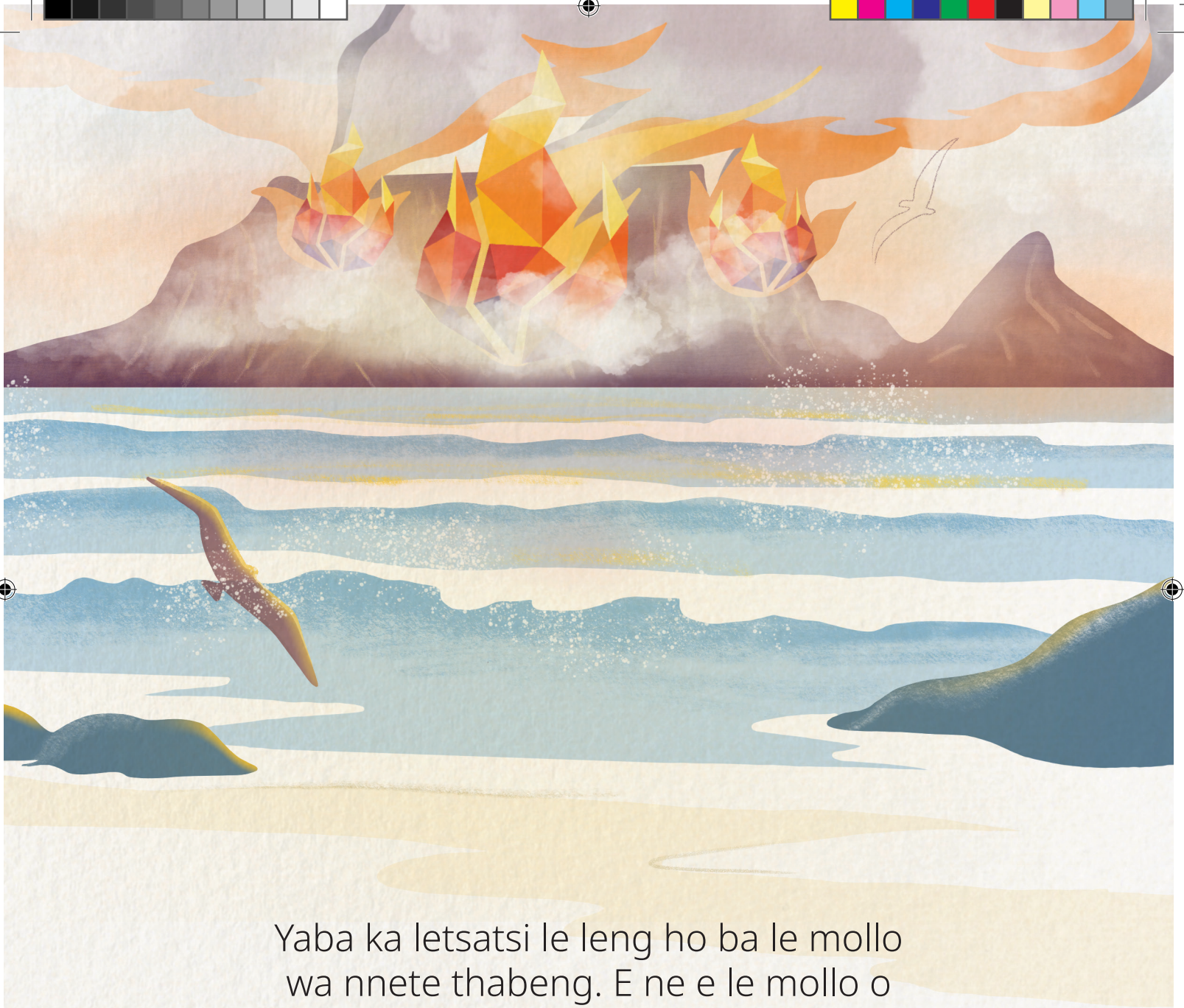


Nna le metswalle ya ka
re na le papadi eo
re ratang ho e bapala.

“Ho na le mollo thabeng. Balehang,
balehang! Kukh’umlilo kwezontaba.
Baleka, baleka!”







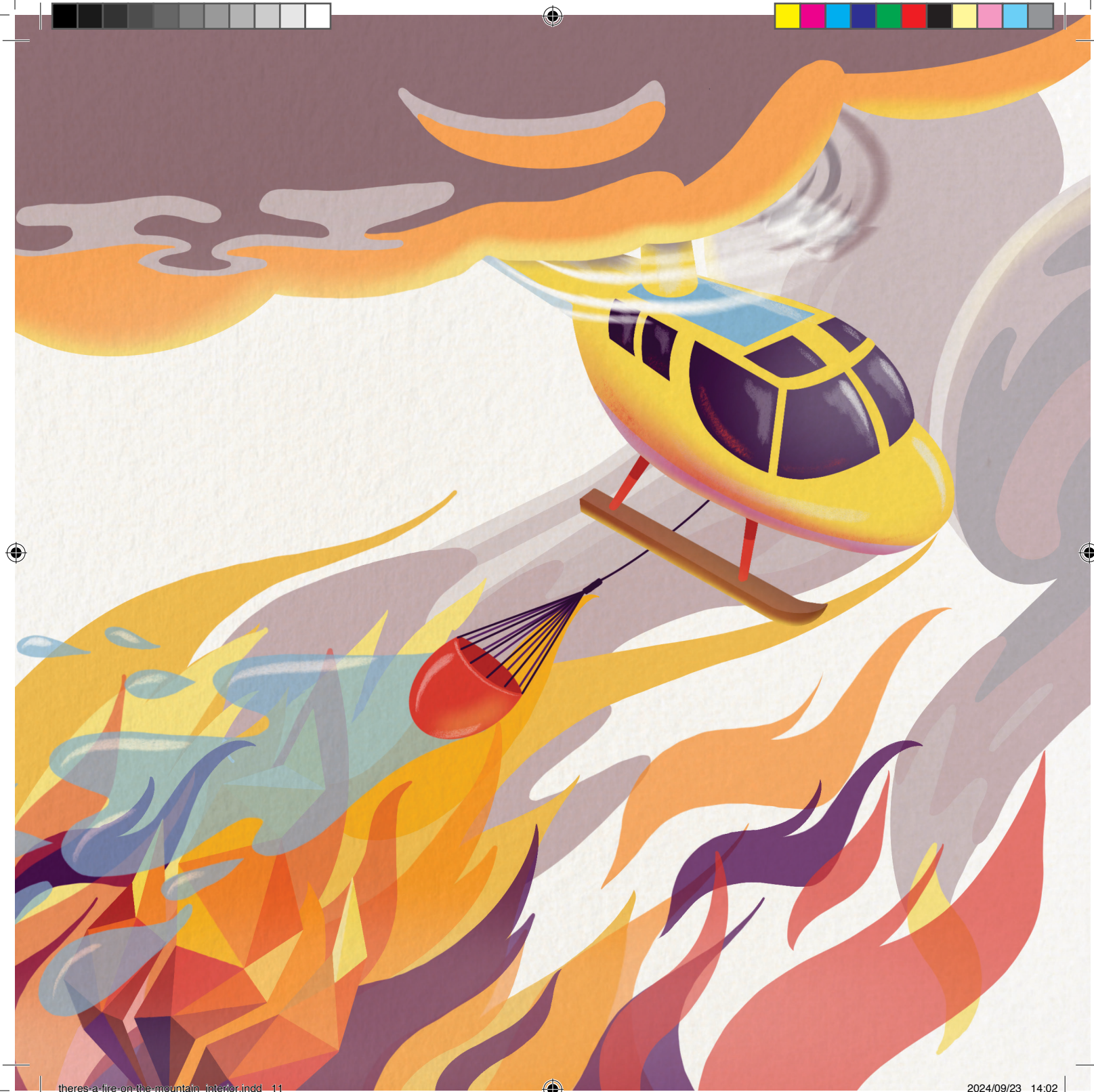
Yaba ka letsatsi le leng ho ba le mollo
wa nnete thabeng. E ne e le mollo o
tshabehang mme wa tuka, wa tuka.

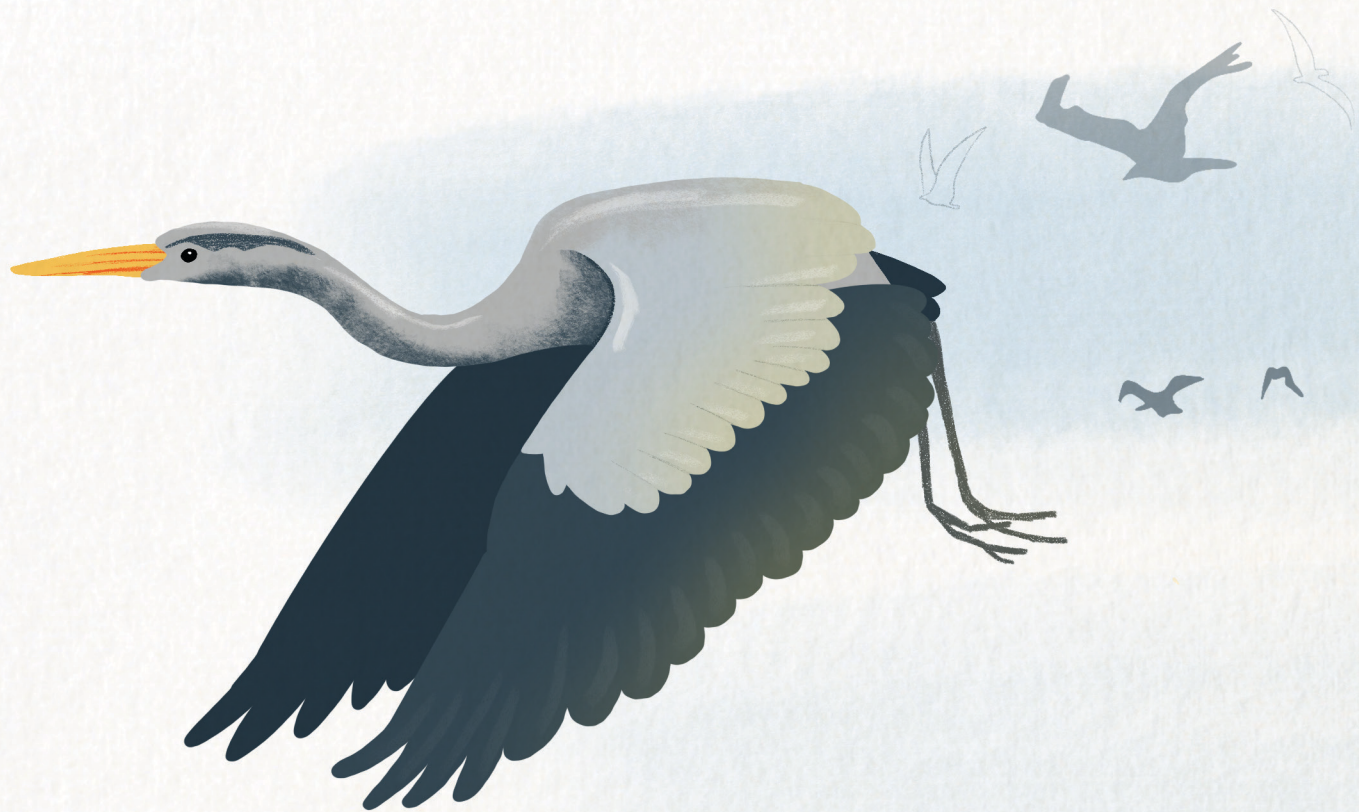




Meaho e meholo, ya kgale ya tjha,
dibuka tsa tjha, difate le jwang
tsa tjha. Helikoptara ya tshela
metsi mollong mme batimamollo
ba sebete ba tshela metsi ka
dihousephaepe tsa bona.







Mme batho ba *ile* ba baleha. Ba
phamola dibuka tsa bona mme ba
baleha mosi le malakabe.









Kamora matsatsi a malelele a mararo, malakabe
a ho qetela a ne a tinngwe.

Baditimamollo jwale ba ne ba ka phomola.

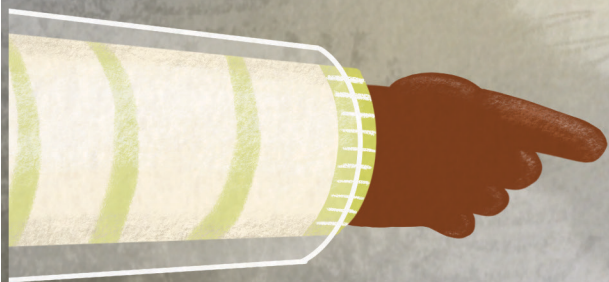






Methipolohong ya thaba ho ne ho le hotsho.
Ha re tsamaya thabeng, seo re neng re se bona
feela ke majwe le dihlahla tse tjheleng.

Pelo tsa rona di ne di le bohloko haholo.





Ho fihlela ka tsatsi le leng ... ho hlahella
bokgubedunyana ka hara botsho boo.

“Sheba, sheba. Ke eng hola?”







Bokgubedunyana
boo ba hola ba
hola ho fihlela bo
eba botle jwalo ka
dishweshwe tsa mollo,
tse telele tse kgahlisang
tse nang le ditshepe
tse kgubedu tse leketlang
bakeng sa dipalesa.







Yaba ho latela dipalesa tse kgolo tse kgubedu
tse phatlohang di hlahella ka hodima botala
jwaloka volkheno. Di ne di shebahala jwaloka
ditjhubu tse tenya tse kgubedu tse nang le
metsu e mesehla ka hodimo le diphetale tse
kgolo tse kgubedu.

Matheba a matala ane a hola hohle
lehlakoreng la thaba, a fetola botsho
ho ba jwang bo botala le dihlahla
tse nyane.





Hape ho ne ho ena le difene tsa asparakase tse hlahellang diqanthananyaneng tse bileng teng kamora pula.





Le *watsonia* e
telele e mmala
wa lamunu le
o pinki.







Ese kgale mosiko wa thaba
o ne o kwahetswe ke dimela
tseo re esokang re di bona
ka dilemo tse ngata.







Thaba e tletse bophelo bo botjha!



