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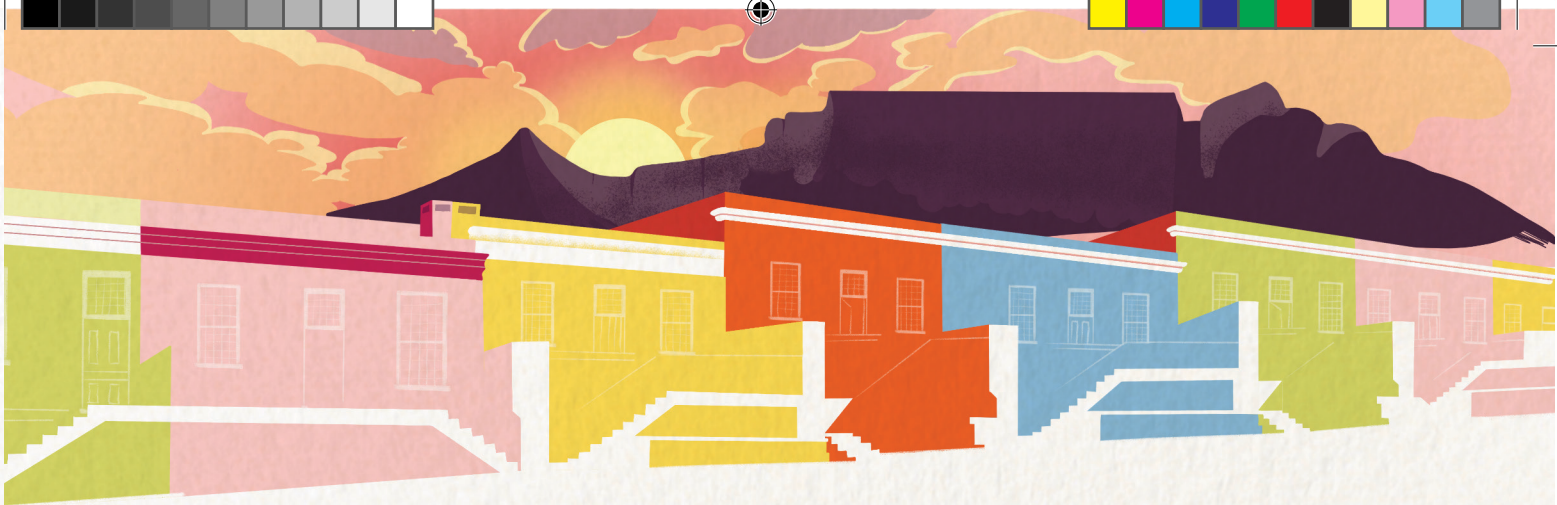
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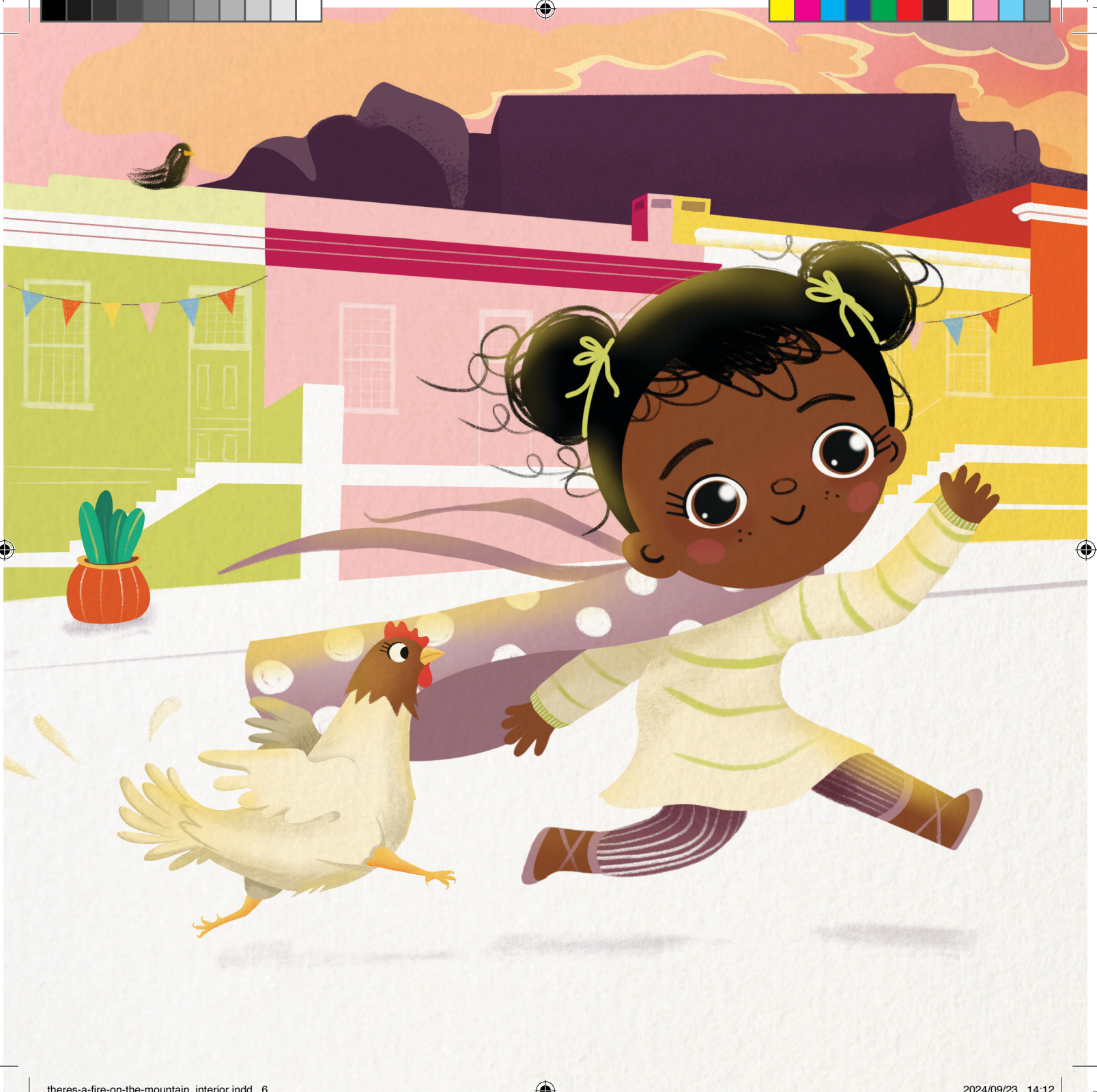
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Ku na ntlangu lowu mina
na vanghana va mina hi
rhandzaka ku wu tlanga.

“Ku na ritshwa entshaveni.
Tsutsumani, tsutsumani!
Ku na ritshwa entshaveni.
Tsutsumani, tsutsumani!”





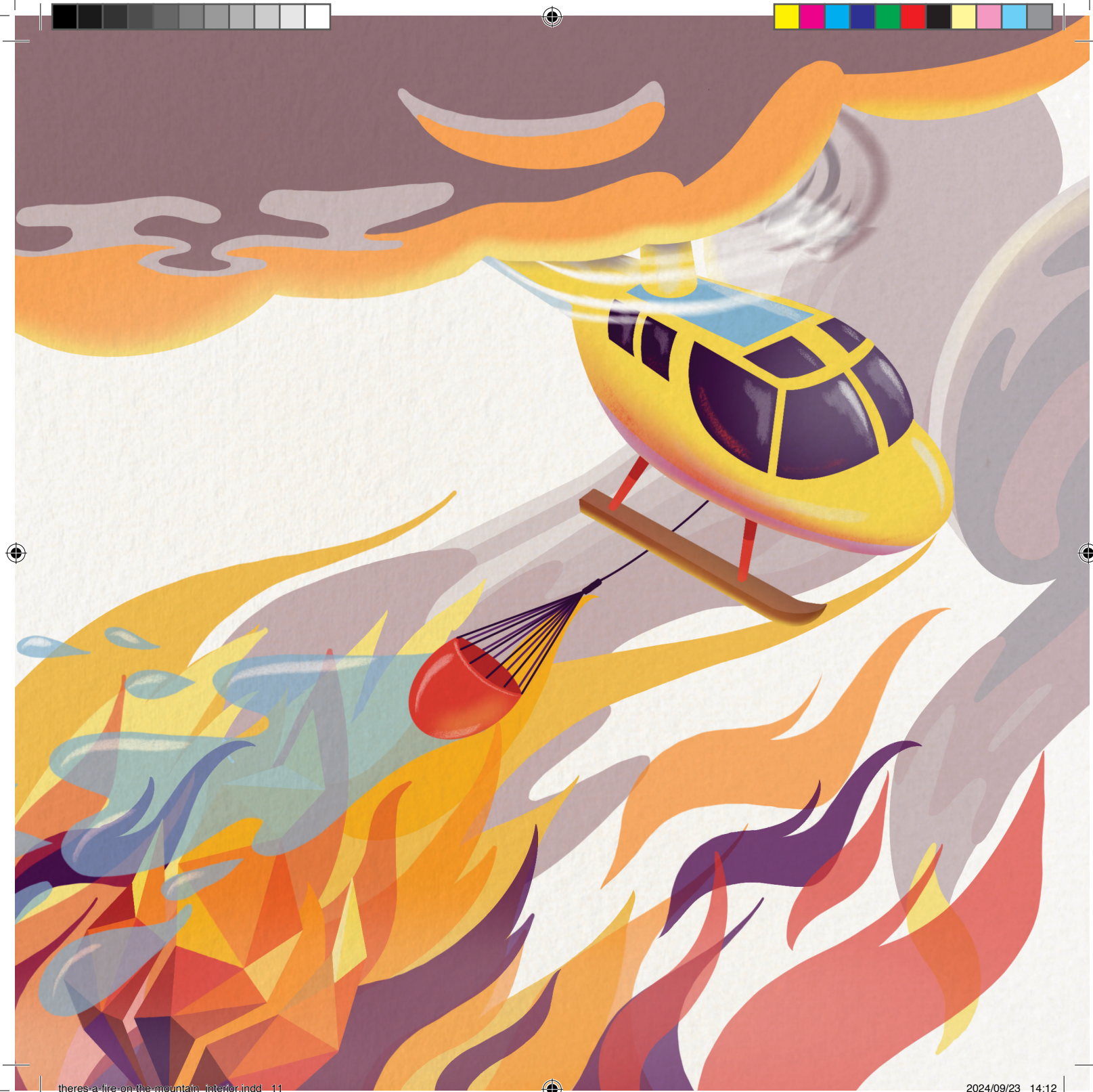


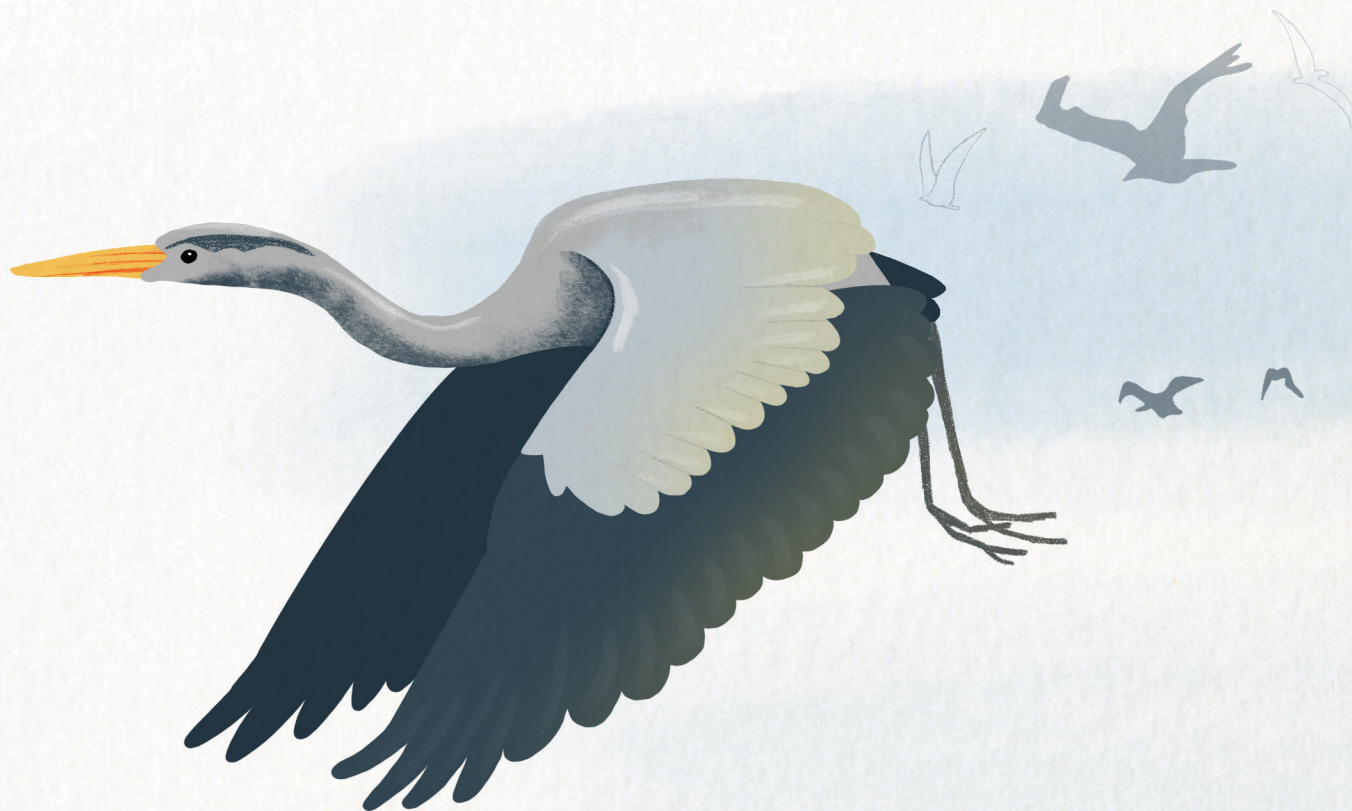
Hiloko siku rin'wana ku va na ritshwa
hakunene entshaveni. A ku ri ritshwa
lerikulu leri a ri ya emahlweni ri nga timeki.



Ku tshwe miako ya khale
leyikulu, tibuku, mirhi na byanyi.
Tihelikopitara ti timele
ndzilo hi mati, vatimelandzilo va
vurhena va pfulela tiphayiphi
ta vona.







Hiloko vanhu va *tsutsuma*. Va dodombisane na
tibuku ta vona ni minkwama va balekela
musi na malangavi.









Endzhaku ka masiku manharhu,
malangavi a ma timeriwile.

Vatimelandzilo va kote ku humula.

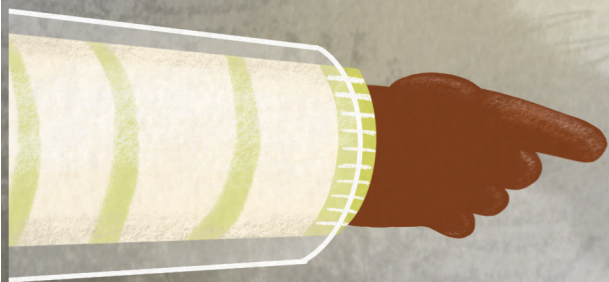






Ntshava a yi funengetiwe hi nsiti. Loko hi ya
ehenhla ka yona, a ku vonaka maribye ni nhova
leyi tshweke ntsena.

A swi twisa ku vava.





Ku fikela loko siku rin'wana ... ku hluka
swimilana swo tshwuka exikarhi ka nsiti.

“Vonani, vonani. Ku nga va ku ri yini?”







Swimilana leswi
swo tshwuka
swi hamba
swi kula swi
va makhon'wa yo
saseka yo tshwuka ma
tlhela ma leha.







Hiloko ku tlhava swiluva leswikulu swo tshwuka
exikarhi ka byanyi bya rihlaza, swi baleka bya
vholikhenno. A wu vona onge i machupu yo
bumbula yo tshwuka lawa ehenhla ka wona
ma nga ni swirhabyana swa xitshopani leswi
khomeke swiluva, leswi u nga ehleketaka
ongwe swi endliwe hi munhu.

Ntshava hinkwayo yi funengetiwe hi
byanyi bya rihlaza na swimidyana.





Kutani ku hluka swimilana swa tifene laha ku humeke nhlangasi loko mpfula ya ha ku na.





Hala tlhelo a ku ri
na makhon'wa yo
leha yo tswuka
ni ya pinki.







Xikan'wekan'we hi vone ntshava
hinkwayo yi funengetiwe hi
swimilana leswi se a ku hundze
malembe swi nga vonaki.







Se a ku ri na vutomi!



