

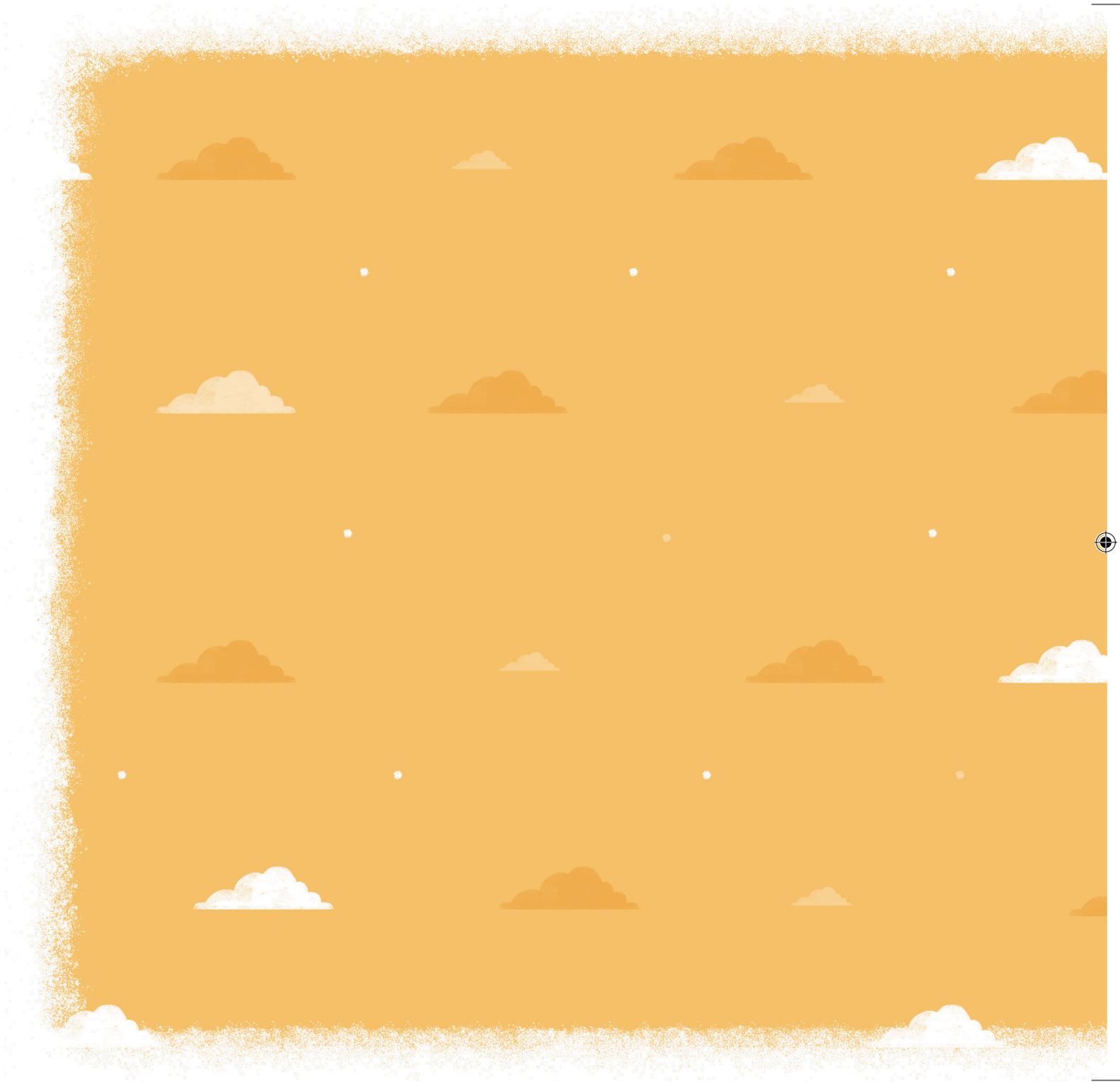


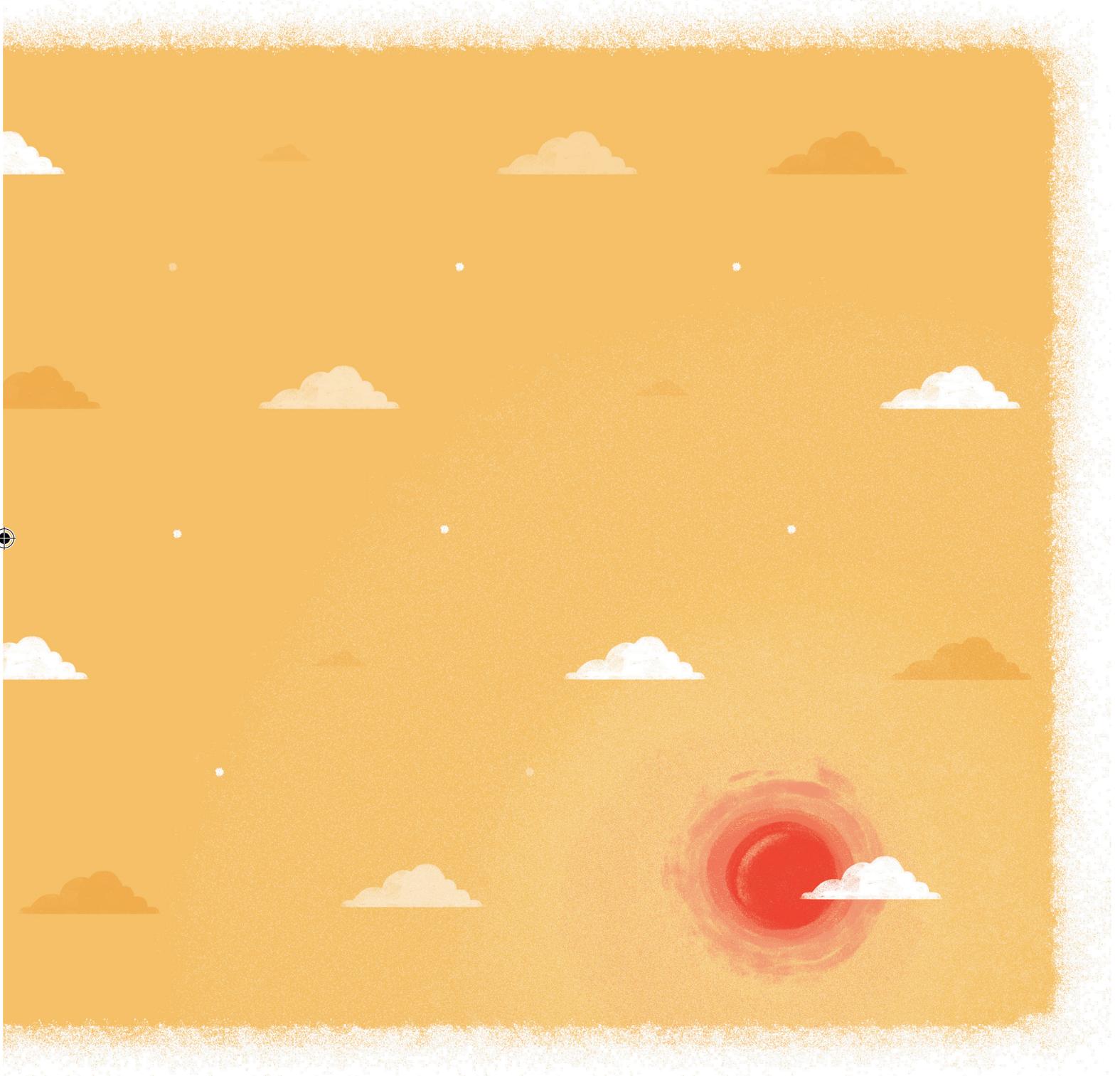
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leyo karhala

Buku leyi i ya

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# NGHALA YA

## NKATI LEYO KARHALA





**Ku tshame ku va na nghala  
ya nkati ya khale swinene** na  
ku karhala swinene.

A yi karhala lero a yi tlela  
nhlikani hinkwawo. **Na  
vusiku hinkwabyo.**









**“Tana u ta hlota na hina,”**  
ku vula vasesi wa yena na  
vanhwana va yena.

Kambe nghala ya  
nkati **a yi va yi**  
**karhele swinene.**





**“Xana xo biha i yini hi yena?”** ku  
vutisa mhala leyitsongo.

**“U nga tshineleli,”** ku tshinya  
vamanana wa tona. **“A nga ku dya.”**

Kambe nghala ya nkati  
yi hlakahla tindleve  
ta yona **ku hlongola  
tinhongani.**









Siku rin'wana nghala ya nkati  
yi pfukile yi titwa hi ndlela ya  
ku nga tolovelekanga onge  
**xin'wana a xi yi langutile.**

Loko a languta ehenhla, a vona xivumbiwa  
lexi vilaka, lexi khungulukaka ensinyeni.

**“Xana hi wena mani?”** ku vutisa nghala  
ya nkati.





“Hi mina dyambu.  
**Ndzi tile ku ta ku teka.”**

**“Fambela kule,”** ku  
gungula nghala ya nkati.  
**“Ndzi lava ku etlela.”**









Loko nghala ya nkati yi pfula mahlo nakambe, dyambu a ra ha ri kona ensinyeni.

**“Xana a wu swi voni, wa hi hisa naswona u hi vangela torha?”**

**“Se ra xa,”** ku vula dyambu.  
**“Ndzi landzi.”**



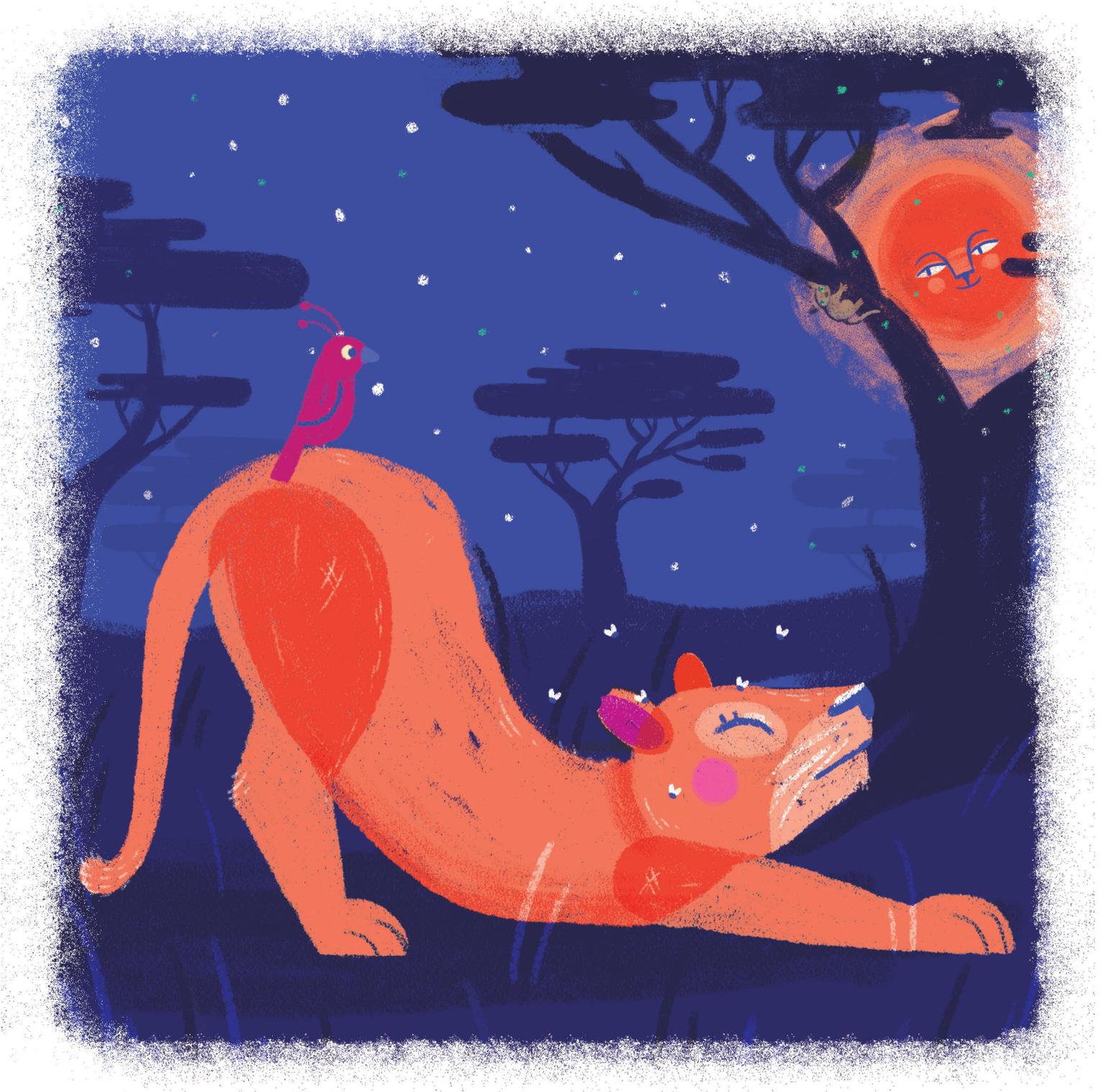


Kwalaho nghala ya nkati  
hi ku nonoka **yi tlakuka yi  
landzelela dyambu.**

**“Nhloto lowunene,”** ku huwelela  
vasesi wa yena na vanhwana va yena.

**“Hi ta vonana! Hi ta vonana!”** ku  
ri xinyenyani.









Kambe nghala ya nkati  
**a yi twanga nchumu.**

A yi ri karhi yi khandziya yi  
ya ehenhla na le henhla  
**emapapeni.**





**“Eee, i kule,”** ku vula  
nghala ya nkati.









**“A ka ha ri kule ku ya kona,”** ku  
vula dyambu. **“U ta wisa loko hi  
fika kona.”**





Hi leswi nghala ya nkati  
yi tile **ku tshama ni  
dyambu.** Siku hinkwaro  
a yi titshamela **yi  
tikufumeta.**









Kambe nivusiku, loko dyambu  
ri etlele, **a languta ehansi**  
emisaveni leyo saseka **leyi a yi**  
**siyeke endzhaku.**



