



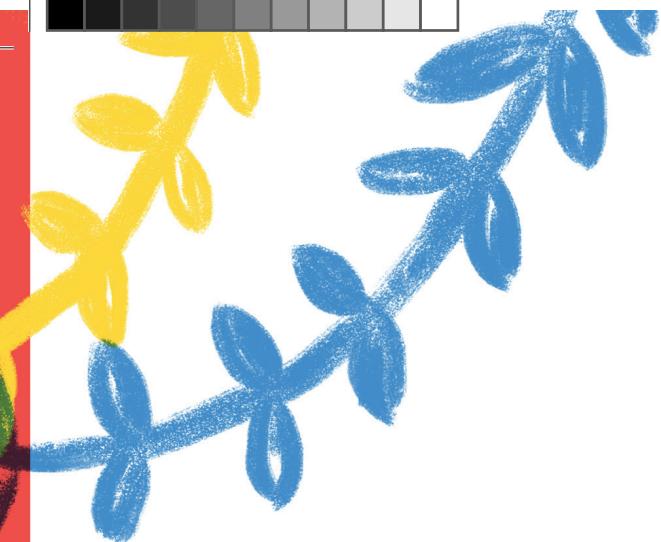
# Silwane LeSihle Kunato Tonkhe



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Lidvuba licabanga kutsi lona lihle  
kunato tonkhe tilwane. Ingani lihlala  
liphuma embili yonkhe iminyaka  
eMincintiswaneni yaboLobuhle.







Ngalelinye lilanga Lunwabu luya esigangeni.  
Lidvuba liyatigcabha.

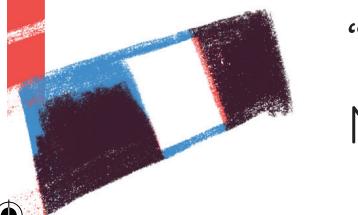
Lidvuba liyahlabela,

**“Hwee-hwee-hwee!**

Ngisilwane lesihle kakhulu eveni.”

**“Hwee-hwee-hwee!**

Ngisilwane lesihle kakhulu eveni.”





Lidvuba lichubeka nekutigcaba aliyiboni  
iNkhosi Bhubesi.

“Lidvuba, ucasula wonkhe umuntfu nyalo.  
Sesifikile sikhatsi sekubuyisa lomchele  
kute sibe nemncintiswano walomnyaka,”  
kubhodla iNkhosi Bhubesi.



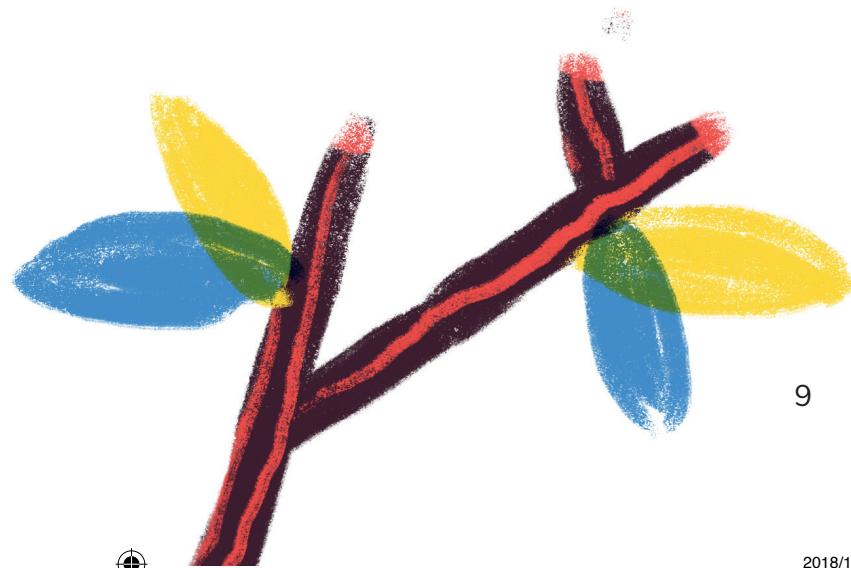






Lunwabu nalo lucasulwa  
kutikhukhumeta kweLidvuba.  
Lwacela kungenela umncintiswano.

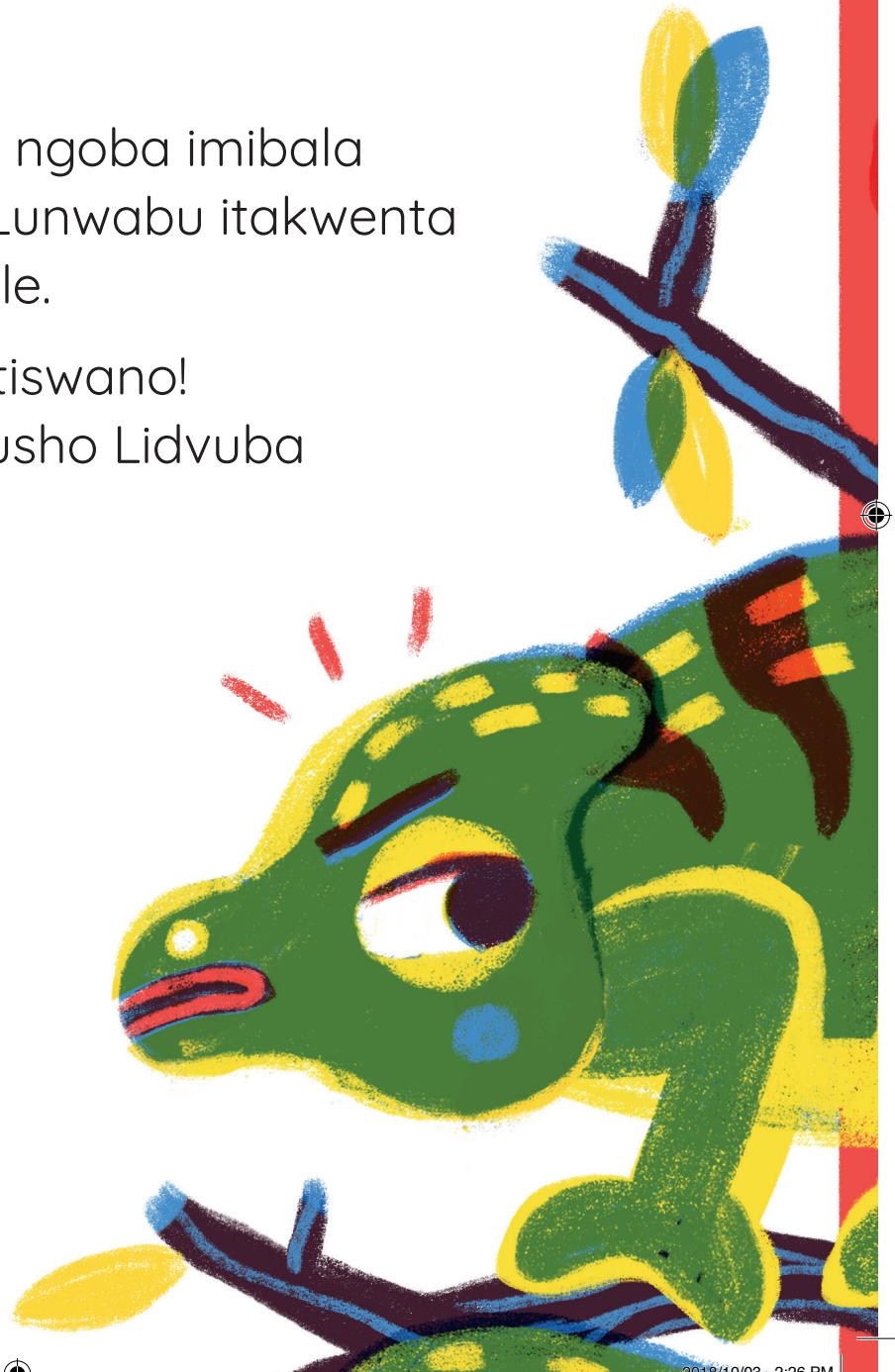
“Tilwane letihumako tiyangena  
emncintiswaneni?” kubuta inkosi  
Bhubesi. “Yebo, ngicabanga njalo.”





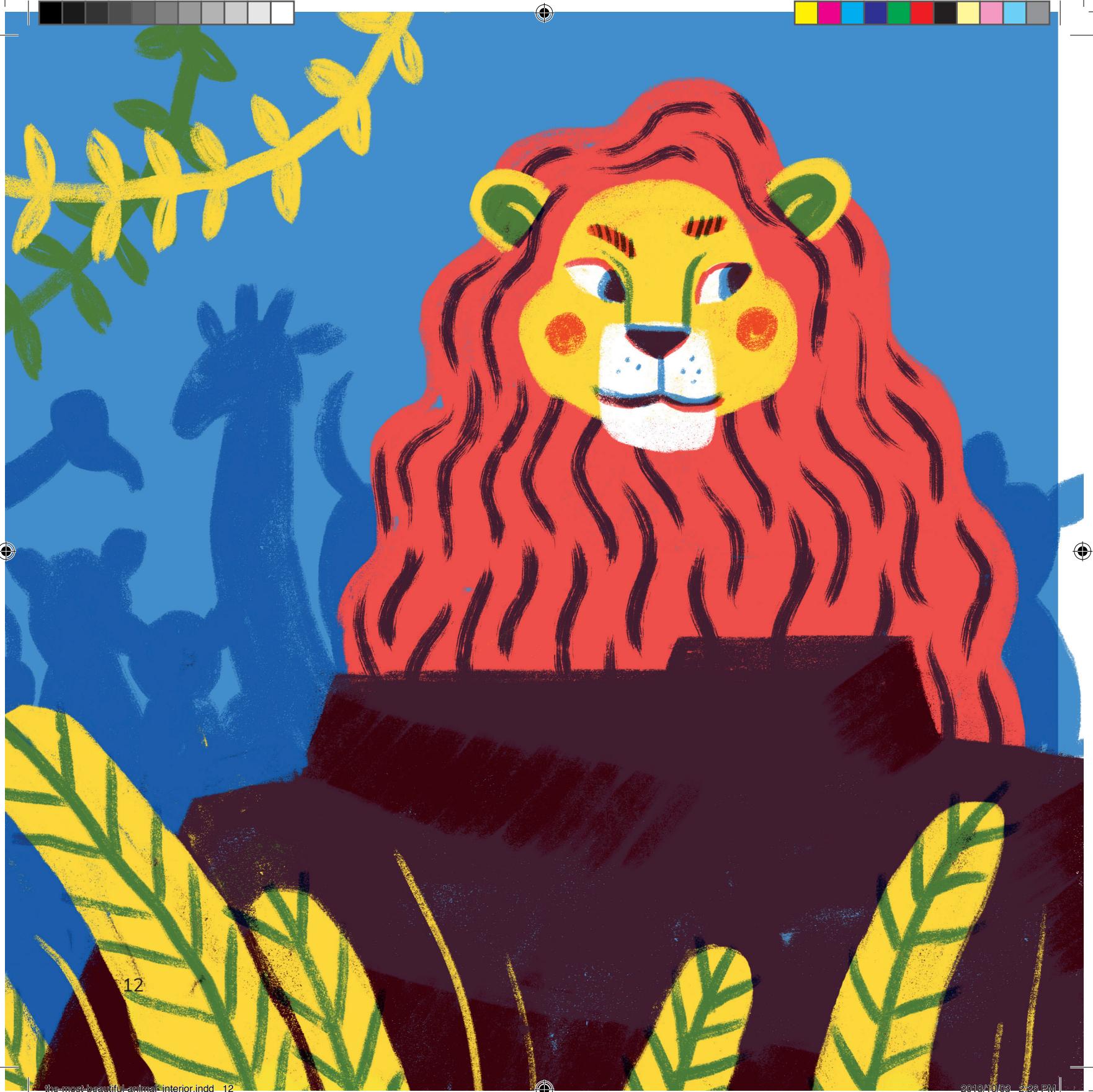
Lidvuba liyakhatsaketa ngoba imibala  
lemihle yesikhumba seLunwabu itakwenta  
kutsi luwutsatse umchele.

“Ungawungeneli umcintiswano!  
Angeke uphumelele!” kusho Lidvuba  
litjela Lunwabu.





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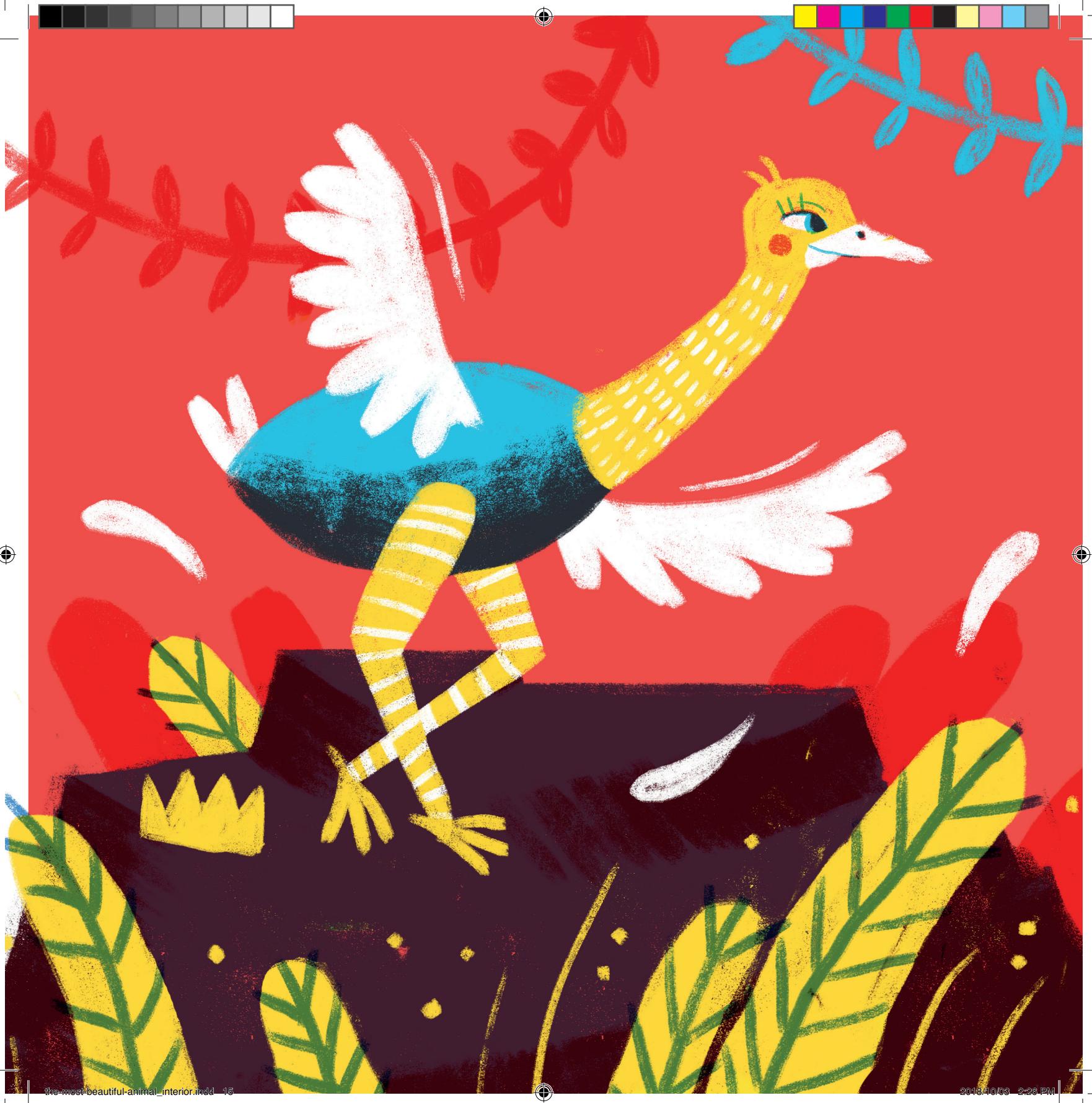


Lafika lilanga leMncintiswano Lomkhulu  
waboLobuhle betilwane.  
Inkhosi Bhubesи yaba lijaji.



“Ngicela loyo lophumelele emnyakeni lodlulile  
ete phambili,” kusho iNkhosi Bhubes.

“Nyalo-ke, nobe ngusiphi silwane lesifuna  
kungenela umncintiswano singeta naso  
phambili. Asicaleni ngetinyoni.”







Tilwane letimunyisako teta kepha Lidvuba  
latibona lisenalo Itfuba lekuphumelela futsi.

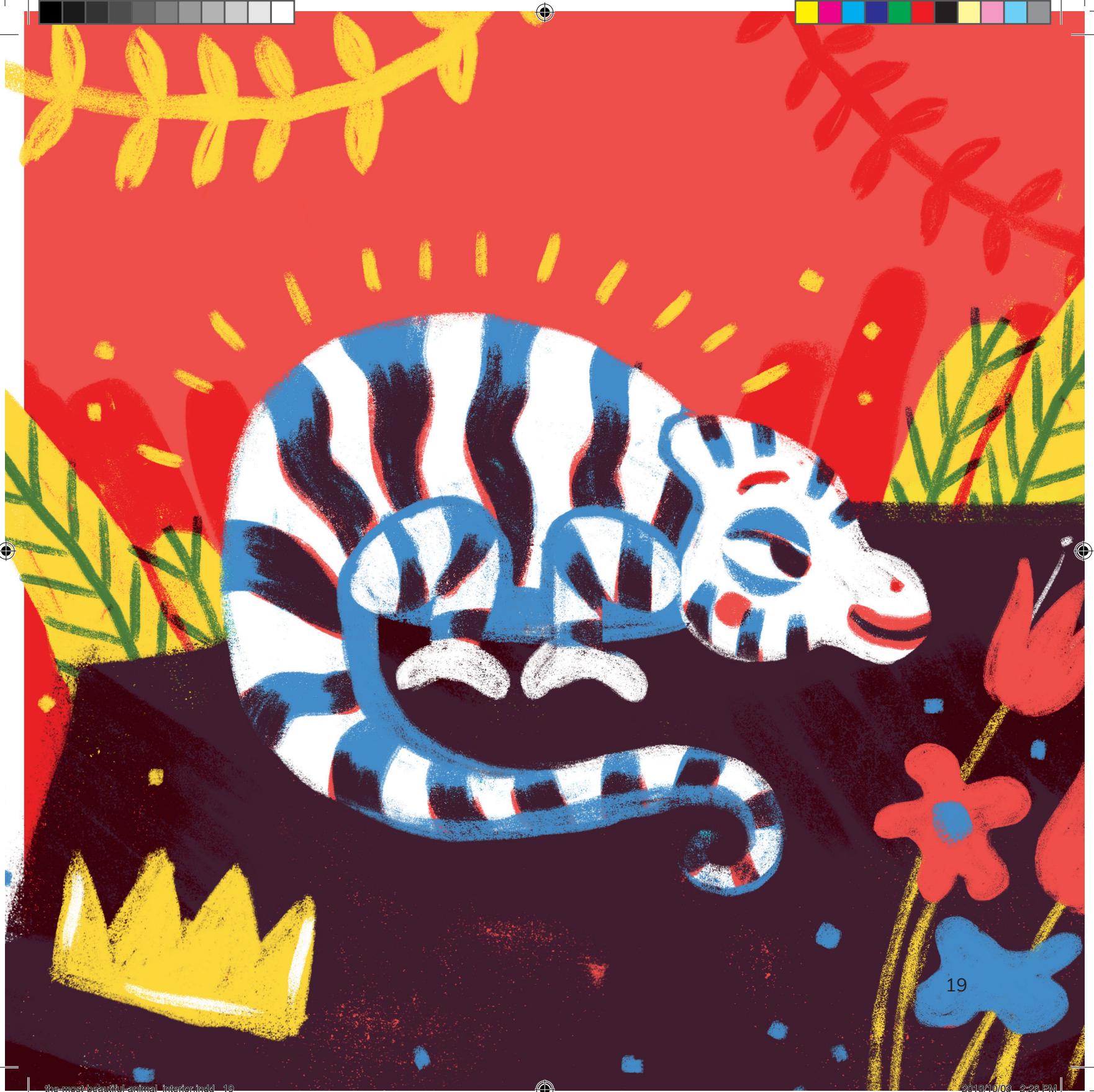




Kwase kuta Lunwabu phambili.

Masinyane Iwagucuka Iwaba nembala  
lomhlophe nalomnyama njenge Lidvuba.







Lunwabu lwema dvute kwemchele.  
Lwagucuka lwaba nembala wegolide.

Lunwabu lwema edvute kwetimbali.  
Lwagucuka lwaba nembala lobovu naloluhlata.  
Sicuku sashaya lihlombe, kanye neLidvuba!





“Lophumelele Lunwabu!”  
kumemetela iNkhosi Bhubesi.

Latfwesa Lunwabu umchele.

Lidvuba nalo lasho latsi,  
“Lunwabu, ungumpetsa mbamba!”





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