



Isipho



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USlindile ulunguza ngewindi njengoba
imvula ina nje phandle.

Kusasa usuku lokuzalwa lukaHlelo.



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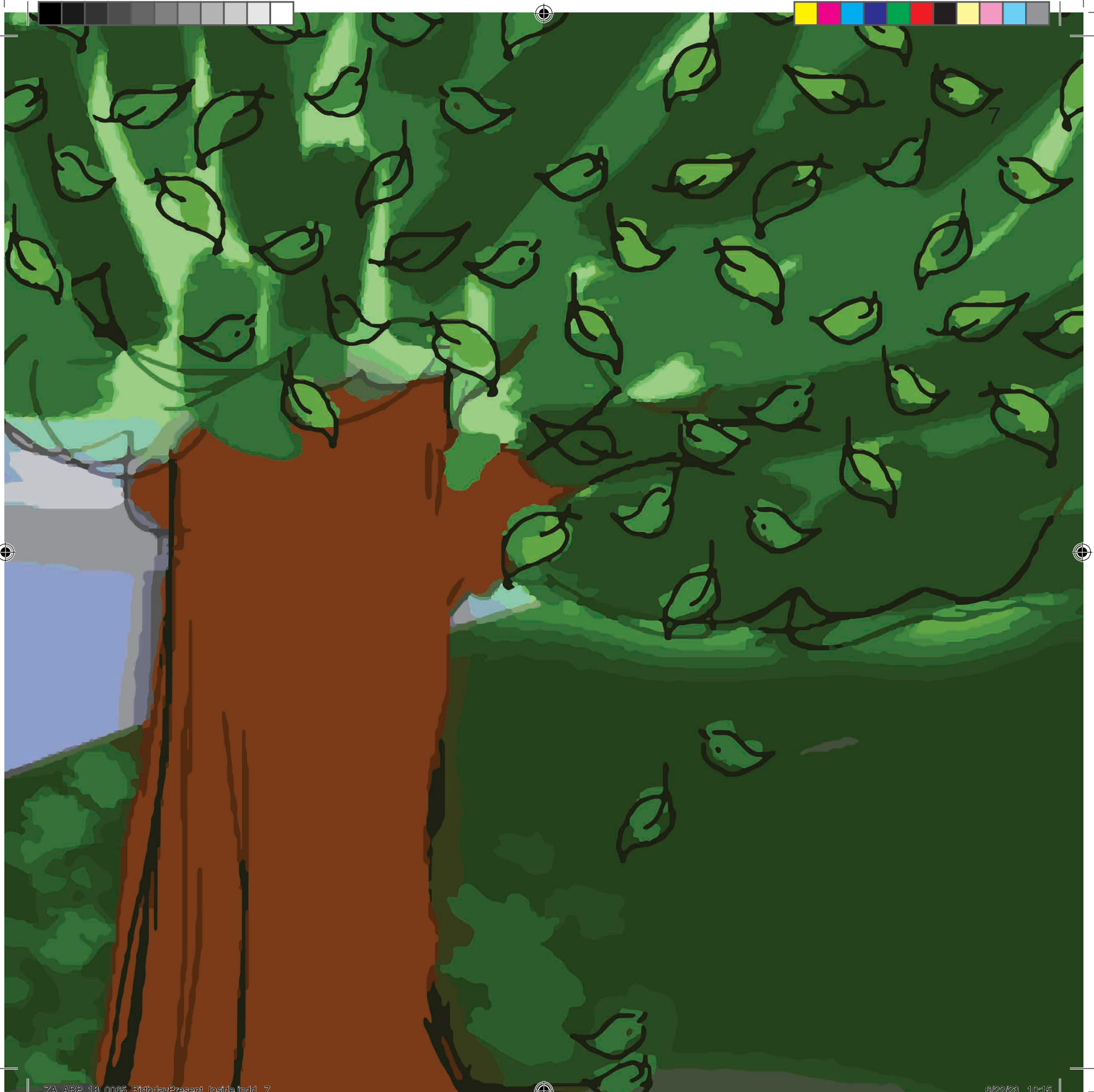
USlindile ubuka engadini yakhe yezimbali.

“Angikwazi ukunika uHlelo izimbali,”
ekhuluma ngokuphoxeka.

USlindile ubuka izihlahla
kanye namahlamvu.

“Ngingakwazi ukwakha
izimbali ngamahlamvu.”







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“Ngeke ngikwazi! La mahlamvu ahlephukile futhi agcwele nodaka. Ngeke awathande uHlelo.”

USlindile wayeka wahamba waya esitolo.





Wabona umgexo omuhle.

“UHlelo angawuthanda kodwa
ubiza i-R100.”





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USlindile wahamba wayocela
imali kumama wakhe.

“Oooh ngane yami, ngiyaxolisa,
anginayo imali!”







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“Konje ngizomenzelani uHlelo?” USlindile ephefumula kakhulu ngenxa yokuphoxeka.

Wabona into ecwebezelayo. Wabona nenduku kaswidi eyakhiwe nge-plastic kanye nephepha lokusonga.

Wabona nesikhwama esinombala owolintshi.





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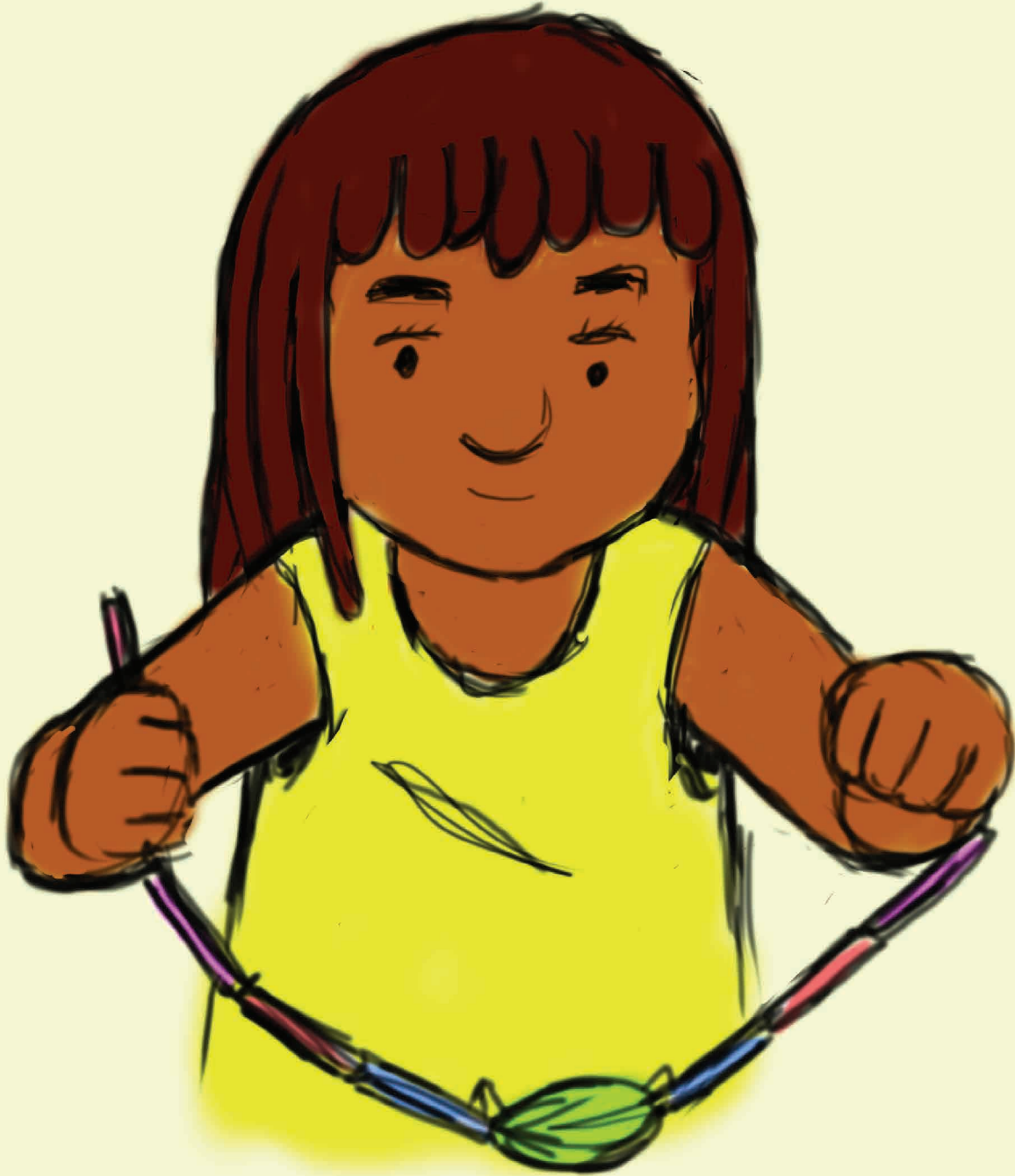
USlindile wafikelwa ngomunye umqondo.







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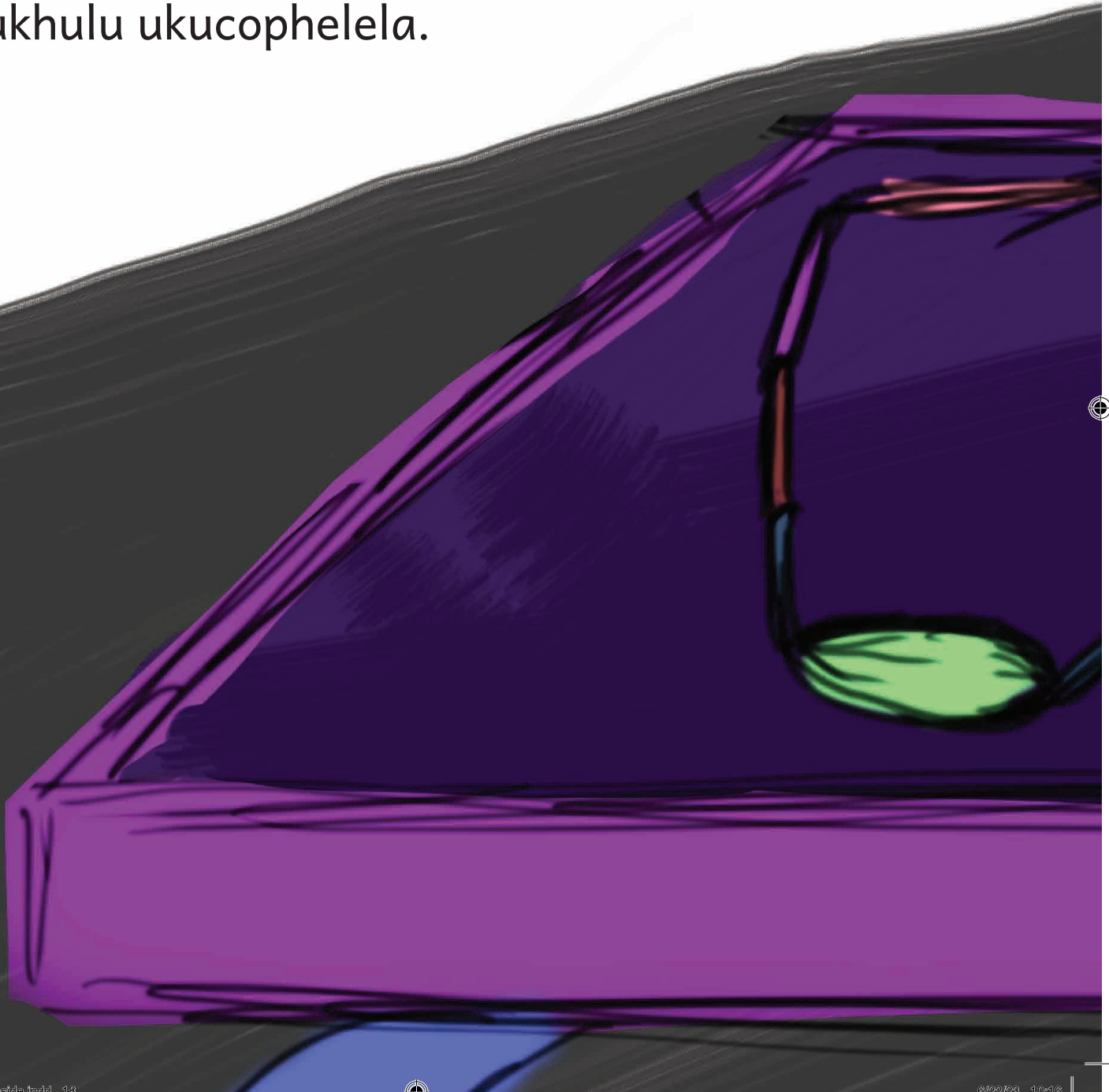
“Ah! Ngenze umgexo omuhle,”
kucabanga uSlindile. “UHlelo uzowuthanda!”

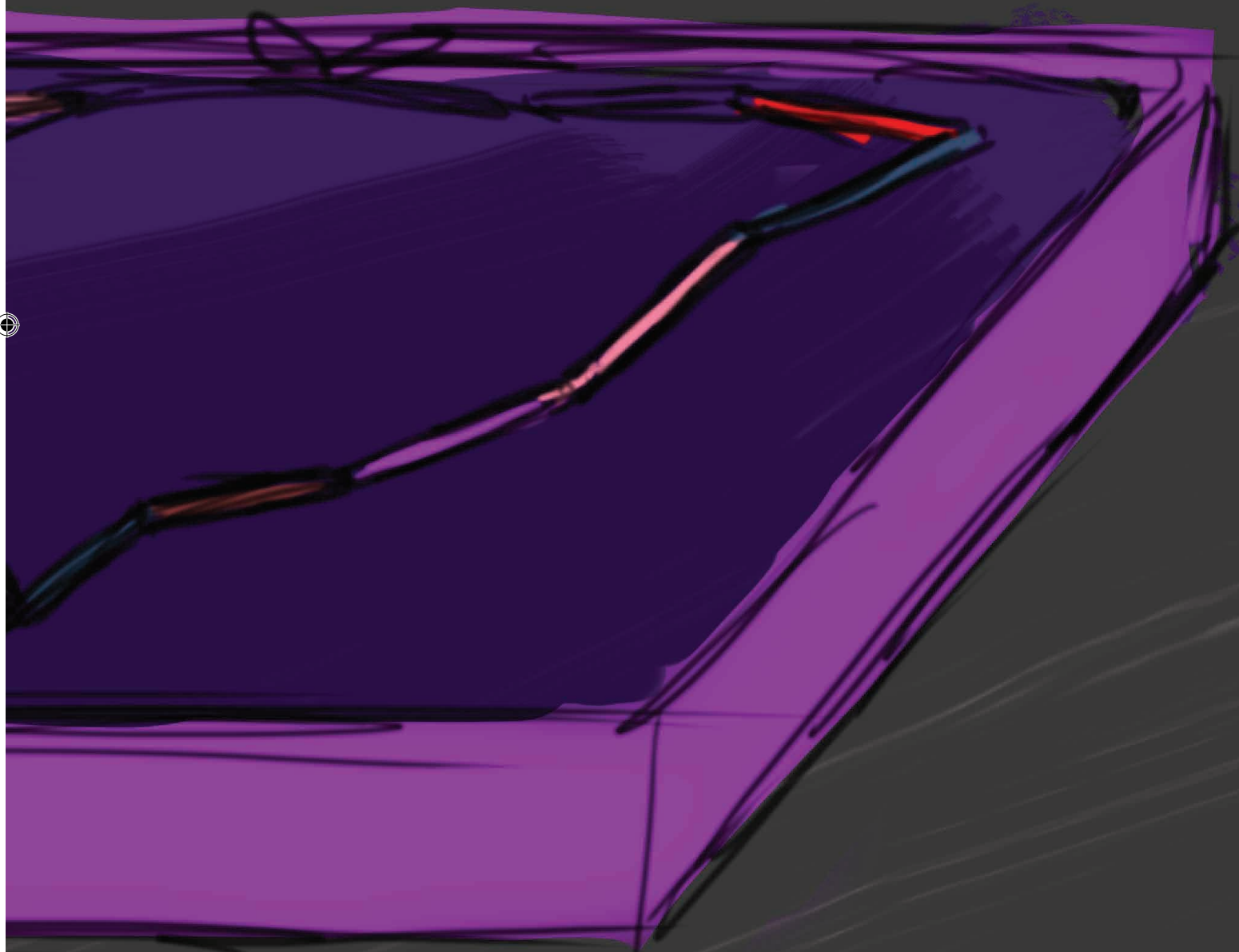




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ngokukhulu ukucophelela.

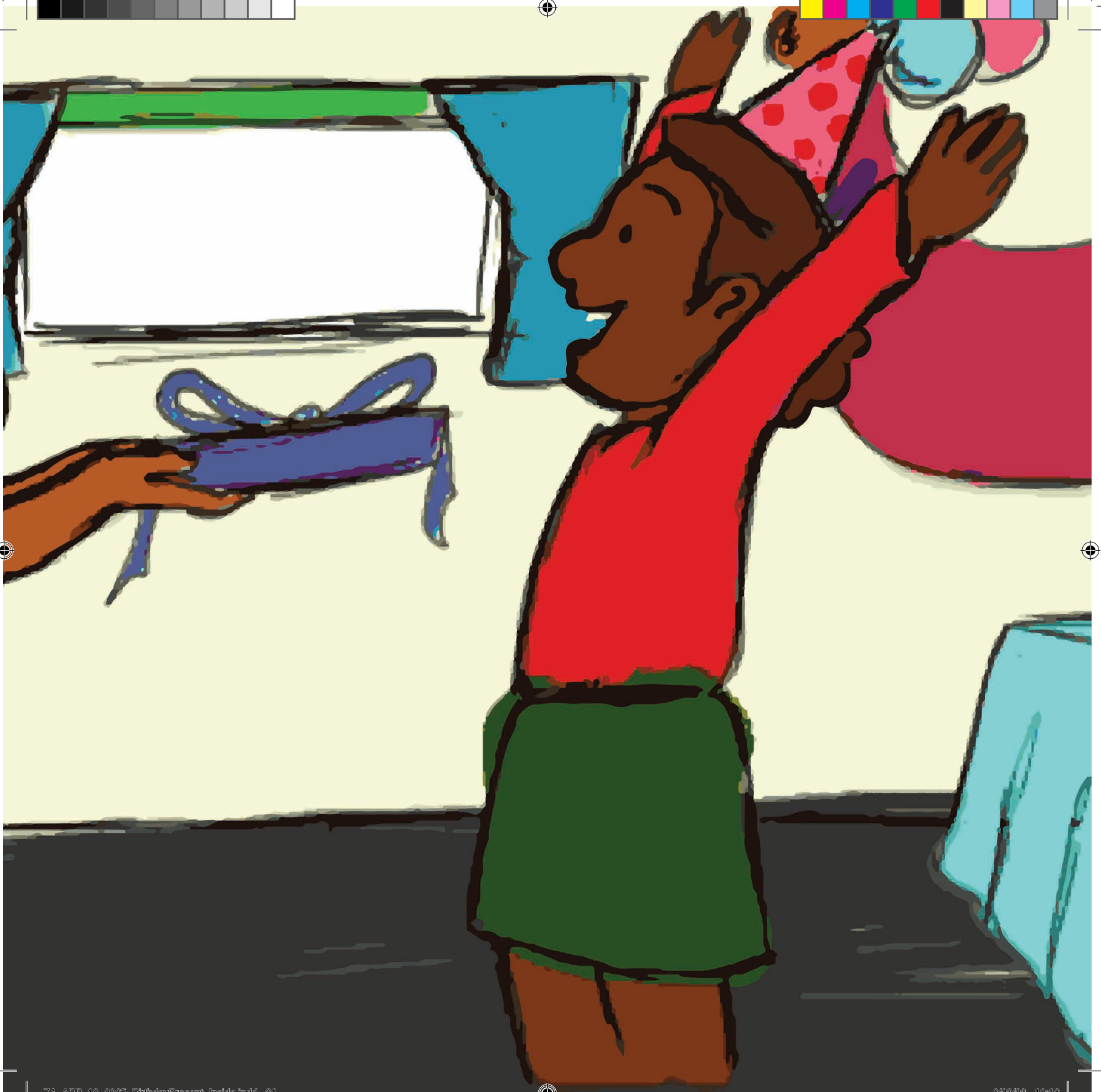


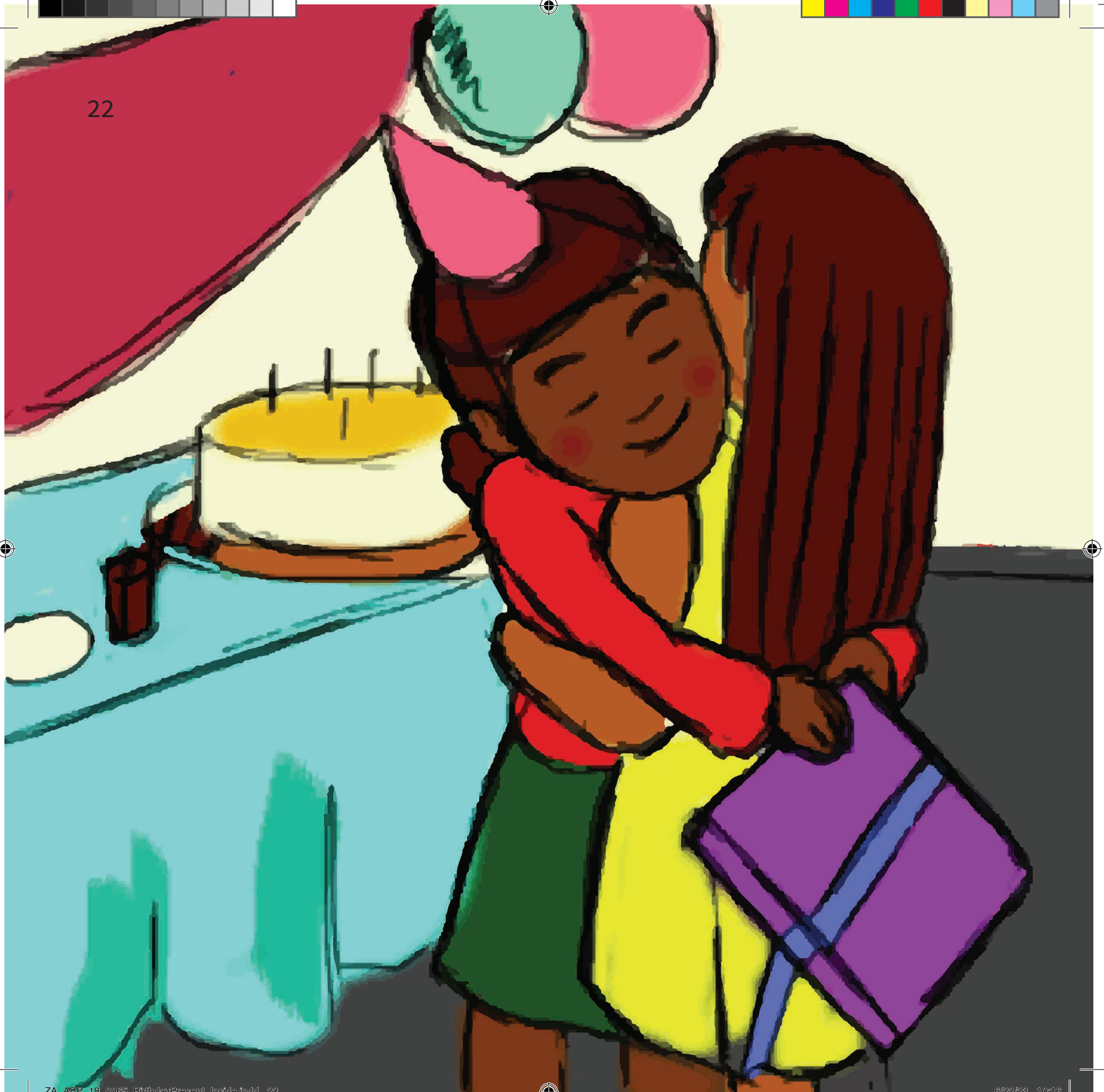




Wasithatha waya naso
esikoleni ngakusasa.
Wasidlulisela kuHlelo.









“Ooooh!
Umgexo wezimbali
omuhle! Ngibonga
kakhulu Slindile.”





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