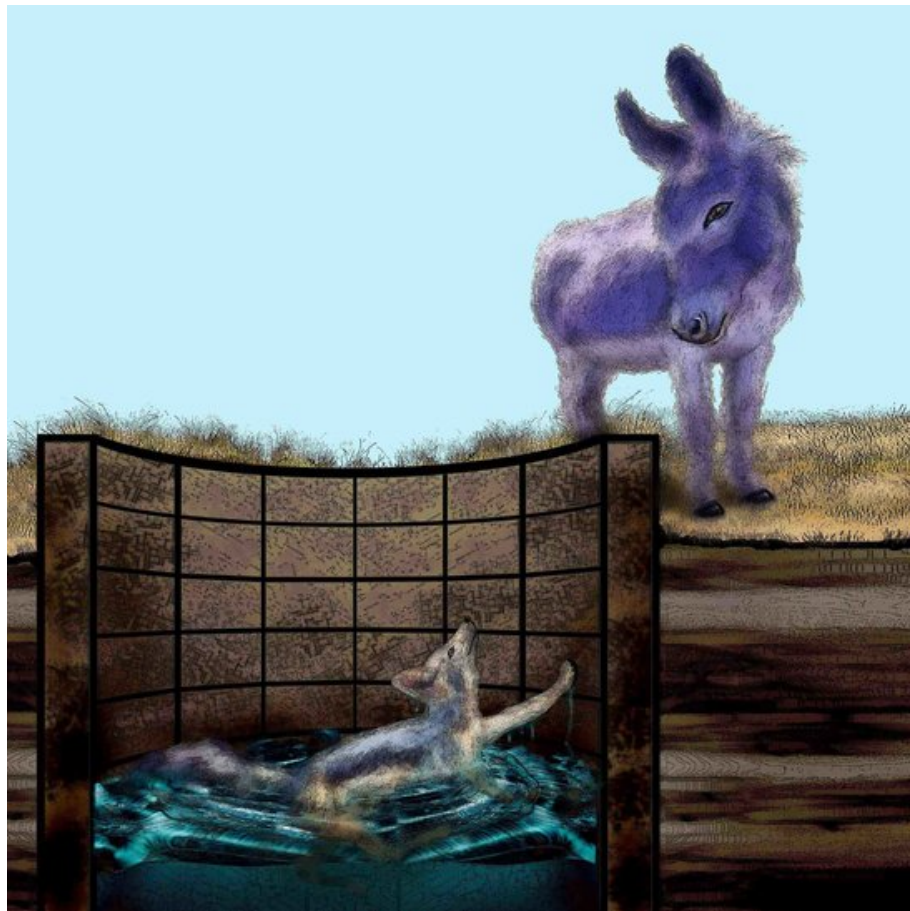


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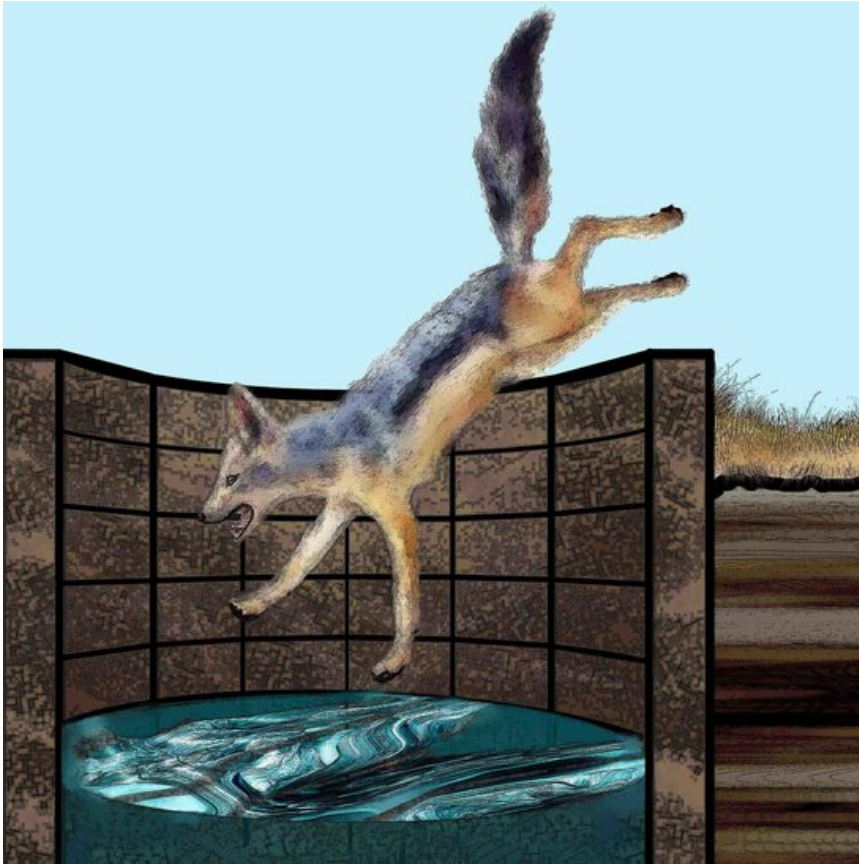
Kwasuka sukela, ngelinye ilanga
uqongo we pungutjha wavuka
ekuseni ngesimerimeri, bekade
alambe kwamambala.

Amathunjanakhe bekade arhidla
isililo sendlala. GRrrrrr!

Wegela phezulu afuna ukudla
ngapha nangapha.

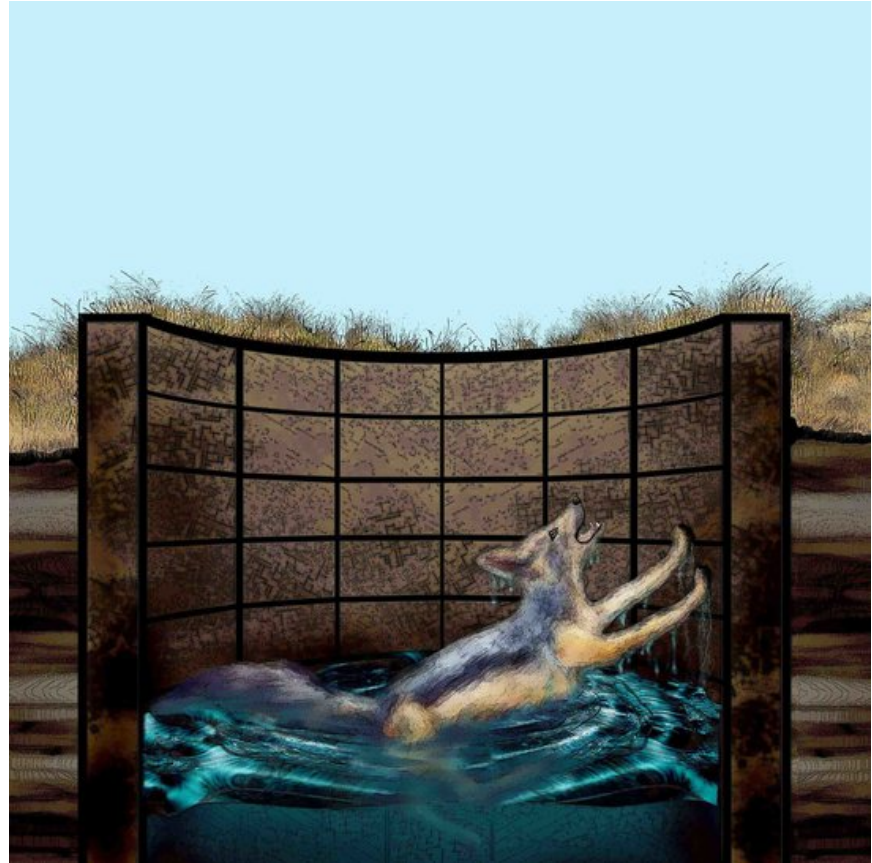
Warareka hlangana nemithi emangweni isikhathi eside ngaphandle kokufumana okuya ngethunjeni. Ilanga belitjhisa tle. Ipungutjha enguqongo ithayiza kodwana angaboni kuhle eduze kwakhe ngebanga lendlela.

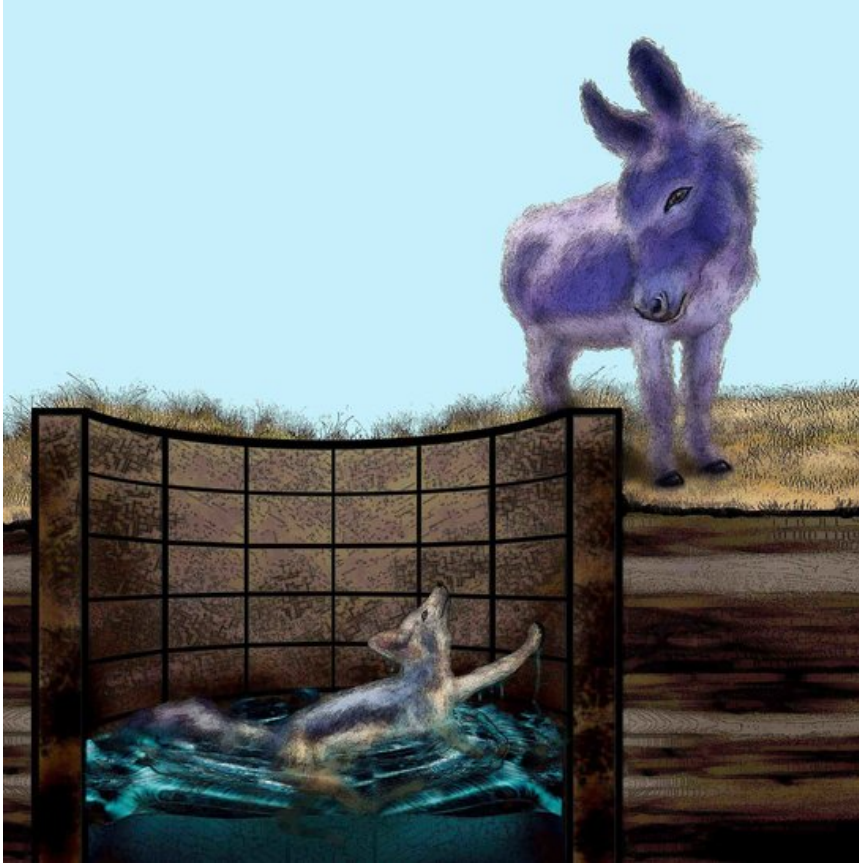




Yarhidla isililo ipungutjha
“Aaaaauuuu,” yawela ngesizibeni
samanzi esiphambi kwamehlwakhe,
phela indlala iziphamandla yeke-ke
akhange abone bona kunesiziba
phambi kwakhe.

"Mmayeee ingwani yami!" phela uyakhumbula. "Kufanele ngiphume ngapha ngesizibeni. Nakungasinjalo ngizakubulawa yindlala."





Ipungutjha enguqongo yarhidla
esikhulu isililo yamemeza
"Ngisizani! Ngibawa isizo!"
Udumbana udla utjani phetjheya
kwesiziba esizele amanzi.
Ngetjhu duwezwa bona yipungutjha
elilako watjhingana gesizibeni
ngebelo.



"uMraro yini?" udumbana abonakale mbala bona liyamkghabhudlha isizi. "Amanzi wesiziba la amnandi kwamanikelela. Nginesizungu nangiduda ngingedwa. Yewize sidude sobabili."



"Ilanga litjhisa khulu," kutjho udumbana. "Ngaphandle kwalokho angikwazi ukududa mina."
"Yeqela ngaphakathi ngizakusiza bona uphume," kuthembisa ipungutjha enguqongo.

Mbala udumbana eqele ngesizibeni ngelikhulu ithabo. Ipungutjha enguqongo yeqe iphumele ngaphandle ifese ife ibulawakutlitlitheka, ihleke beyiphume iminyembezi ngemvakwalokho idle phasi ngebelo ibaleke. Udumbana wacwila wabhalelwa kuphuma ngemanzini, wamemeza wathi, "Sizani! Ngibawa isizo!"



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