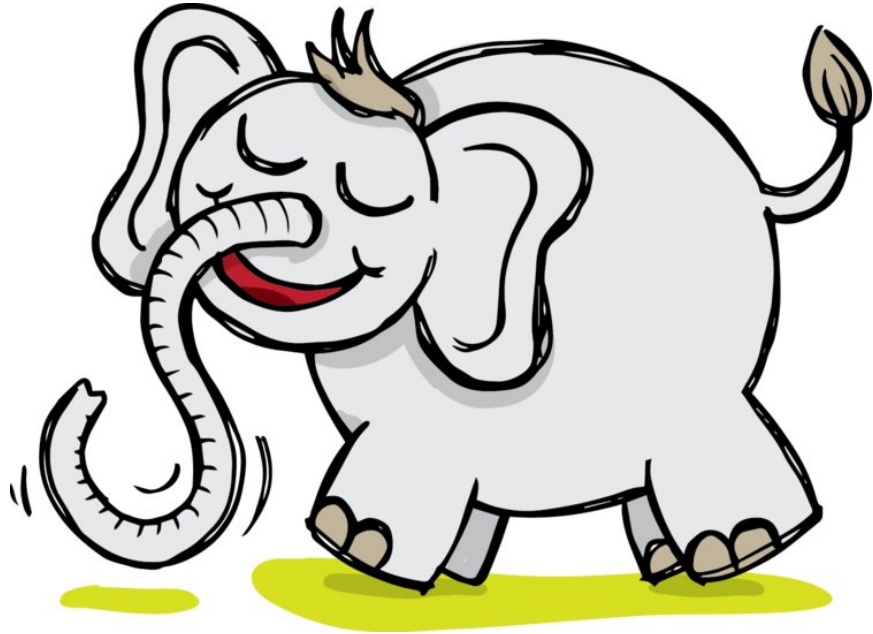
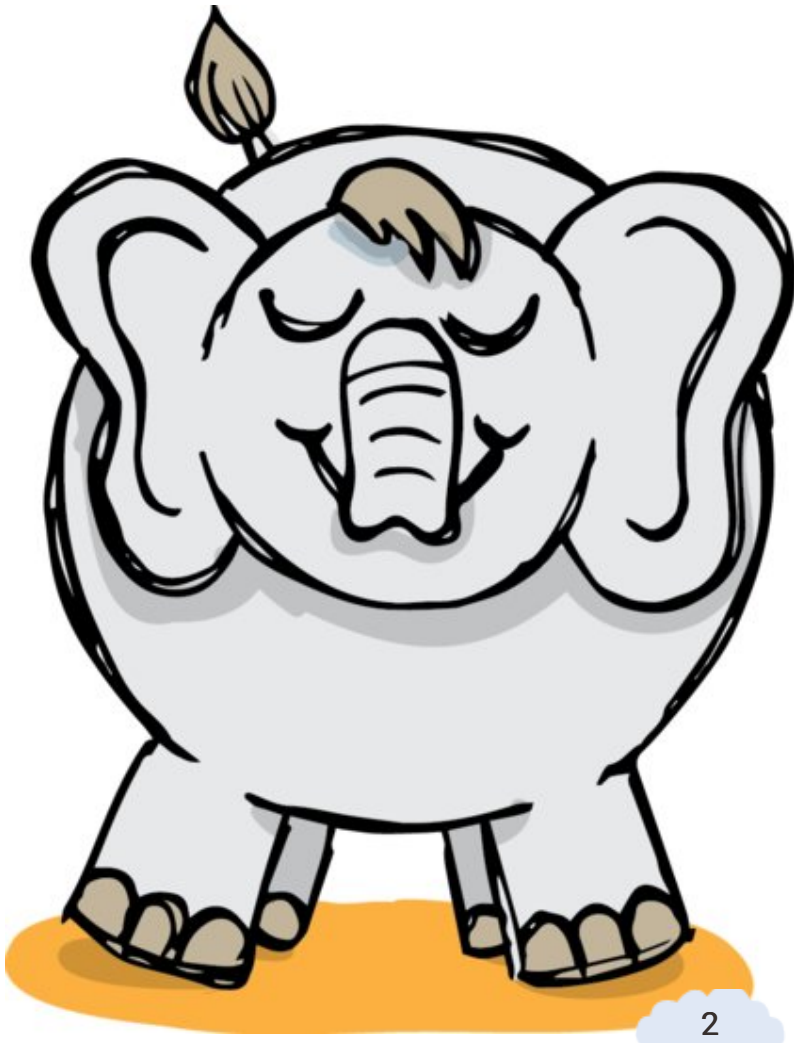


Ikhala lendlovu

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Sonke siyazi ukuthi indlovu
inomboko omude, ikhala layo phela.





Kodwa emandulo umboko wendlovu
wawumfishane futhi unonile.
Njengesticathulo maphakathi nobuso
bayo. Uyikhala nje elijwayelekile.

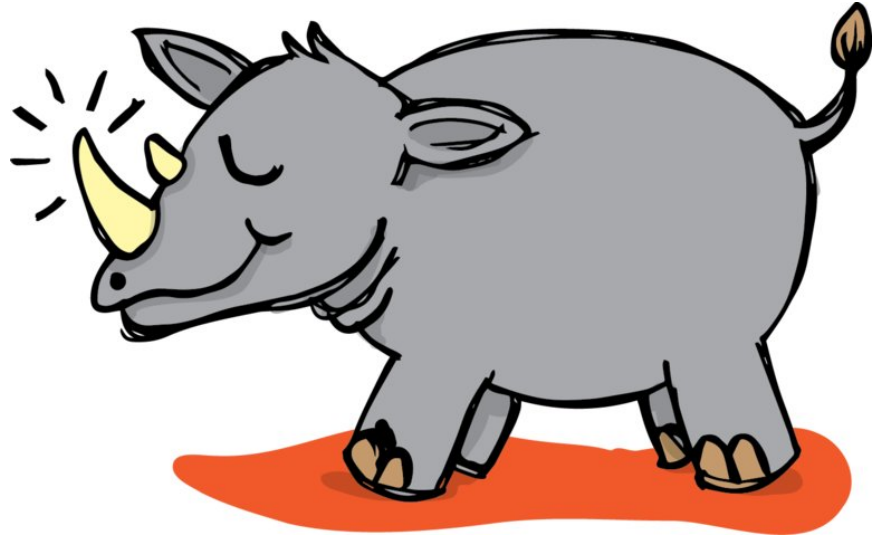
Kwazalwa inkonyane
lendlovu elalithanda ukubuza
imibuzo. Lalinombuzo esilwaneni
ngasinye ababephila nazo.





Lalilangazelele ukwazi
ngendlulamithi. "Kungani unomqala
omude?" labuza indlulamithi.

Lalilangazelele ukwazi ngobhejane.
"Kungani unezimpondo ezicijile?"
Labuza kubhejane.

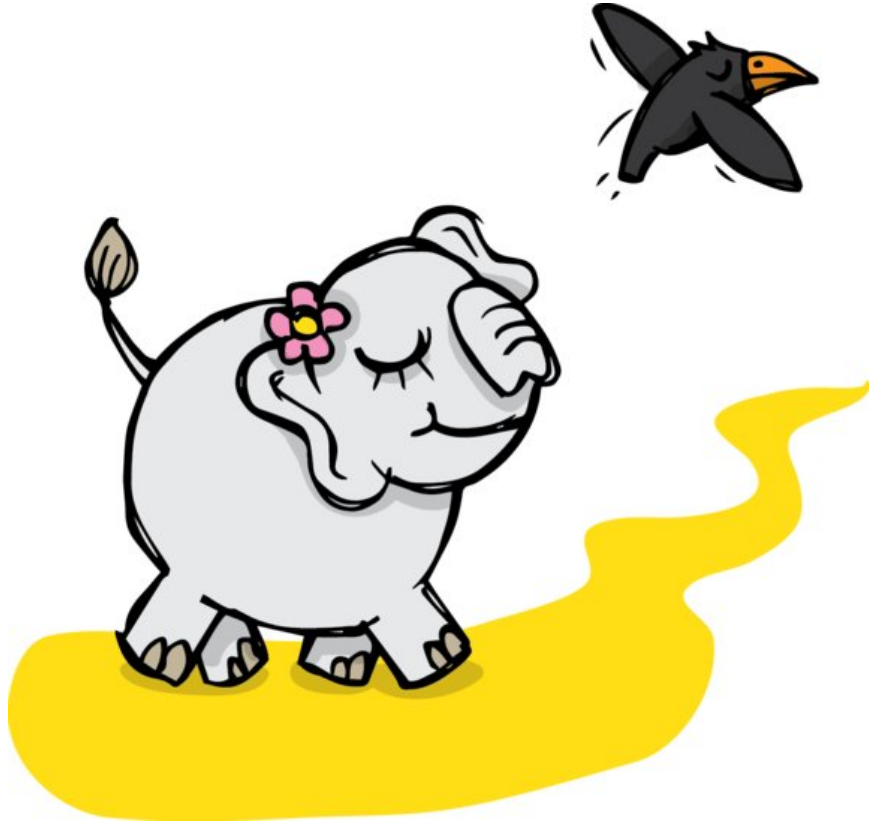


Kanti lalilangazelele KAKHULU
ukwazi ngengwenya.
"Ingwenya idlani ngesidlo
sakusihlwa?"



Kodwa ngokushesha igwababa
elihlakaniphile lathi, "Ngilandele siye
emfuleni. Kulapho uzobona ukuthi
ingwenya idlani ngokudla
kwakusihlwa."

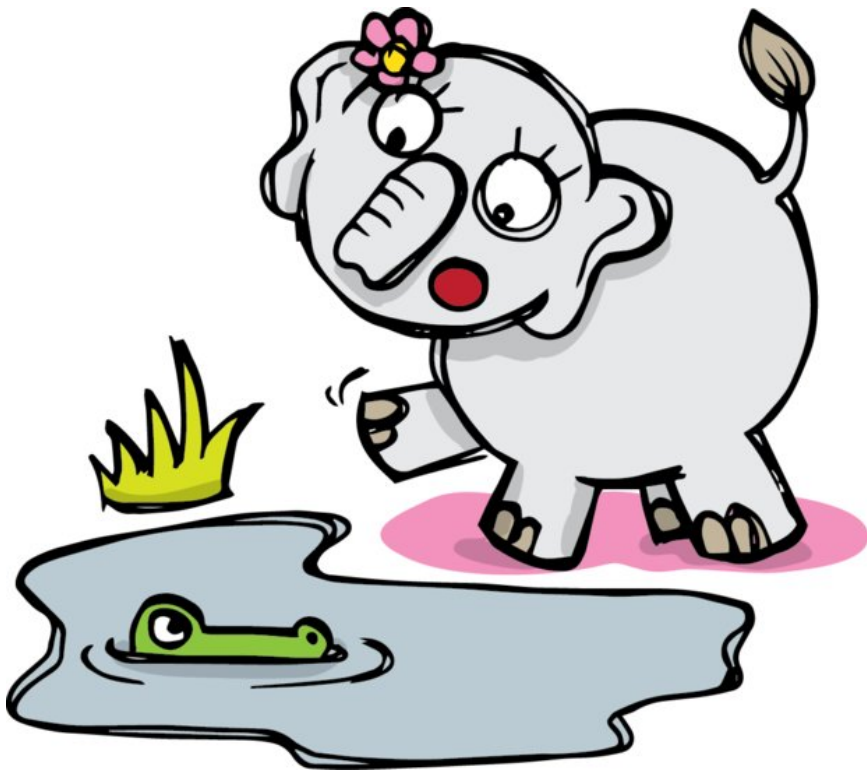




Nangempela inkonyane lendlovu
lalilandela igwababa behlela
emfuleni.

Laziminyeka encemeni labe selima
osebeni lomfula.
Labuka emanzini.
Yayikuphi ingwenya?





"Sawubona," kusho itshe ngasosebeni lomfula. "Yebo," kuphendula inkonyane lendlovu. "Mhlawumbe ungangitshela ukuthi ingwenya idlani ngesidlo sakusihlwa?"

"Gobela phansi ngizokutshela,"
kuphendula itshe.
"Yehla futhi, futhi..."
Ngokunjalo inkonyane lendlovu
lagoba laze...





"Ngqi!" Ikhala layo labe selise mhlathini wengwenya.

"Ingwenya izodla wena ngokudla kwakusihlwa!" Kuswininiza igwababa.

Inkonyane lendlovu lazabalaza
ngemilenze yalo yangemuva eqinile,
ladonsa, ladonsa, ladonsa.
Kodwa ingwenya yangalidedela.

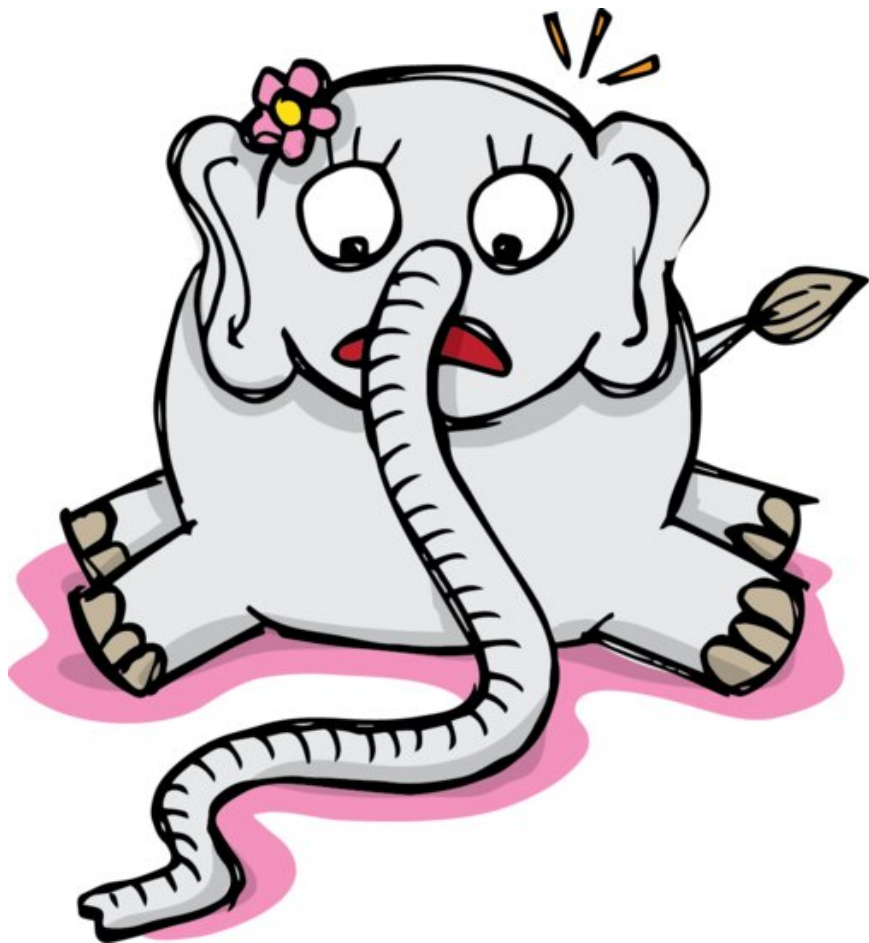




Ikhala lenkonyane lendlovu
lanwebeka, lanwebeka, lanwebeka
laze...

"Didli!" lawainkonyane lendlovu
lashayeka ngomhlane.

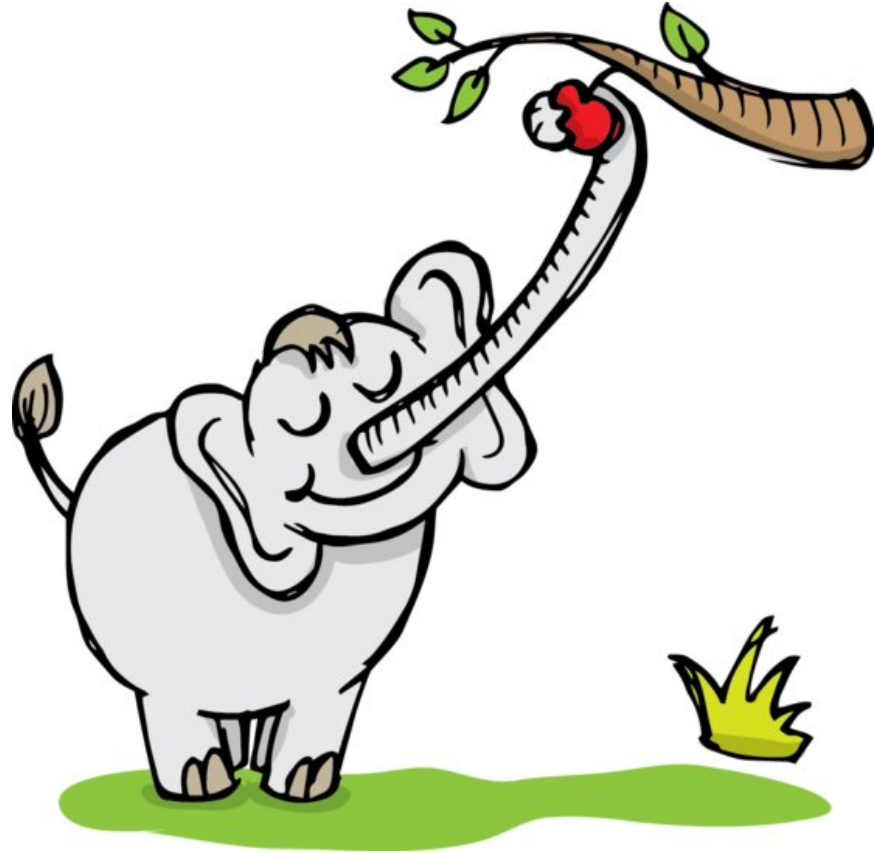
Ingwenya yashibilika yaphindela
emanzini.



Inkonyane lendlovu labuka ikhala lalo. Kodwa langakwazi ukubona lapho ligcina khona!

Labe selilide kangangoba lase
likwazi ukukha isithelo egatsheni
eliphezulu esihlahleni.

Kusukela ngalelo langa, zonke
izindlovu zinomboko omude olusizo
kuzona.



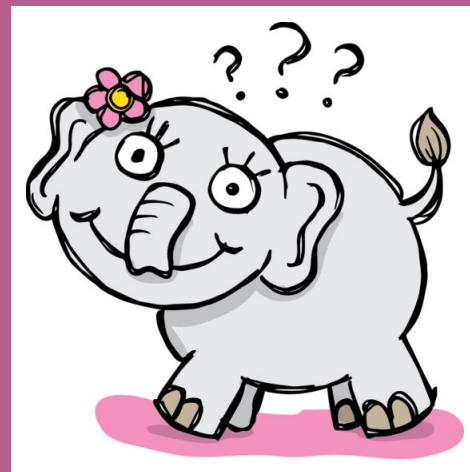
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