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Ndinentloko ekhetheke kakhulu,
intloko ekhethekileyo yeenwele.
Iinwele zam ezikhethekileyo
zahlukile.
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Azikhuli nje entloko,

kodwa zezam

ezam ndodwa,

mna qha!

Iinwele zam ezikhethekileyo zenza

izinto ezikhethekileyo – ziinwele

ezingumlingo, uyabona.

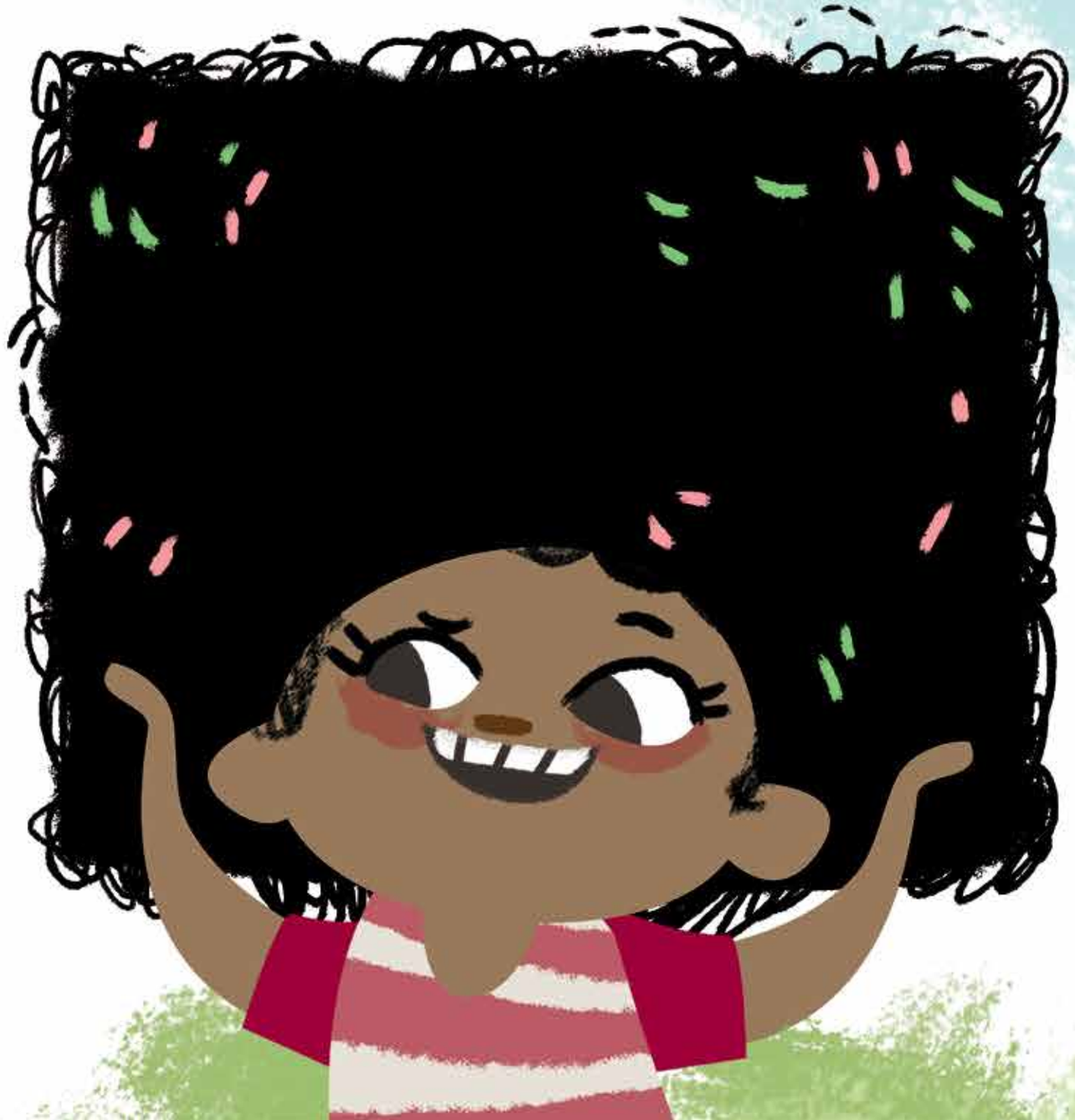
Ehlotyeni xa ilanga litshisa,
kungekho mthunzi naphi na,
andibili, anditshi.
Ndikhula umnqwazi weenwele.

Ebusika xa impulo yam ijika iba
bomvu,
naxa
ingqele
yobusika
ivuthuza,
iinwele zam ezikhethekileyo zikhula
zibe nde kakhulu.
Zindombathisisle ukusuka phezulu
ukuya ezinzwaneni.

Entwasahlobo xa zonke iintaka ziphuma, yaye iyileyo isakha indlwana, intloko yam igcwele iingoma kuba iinwele zam ezikhethekileyo zigqwesile.

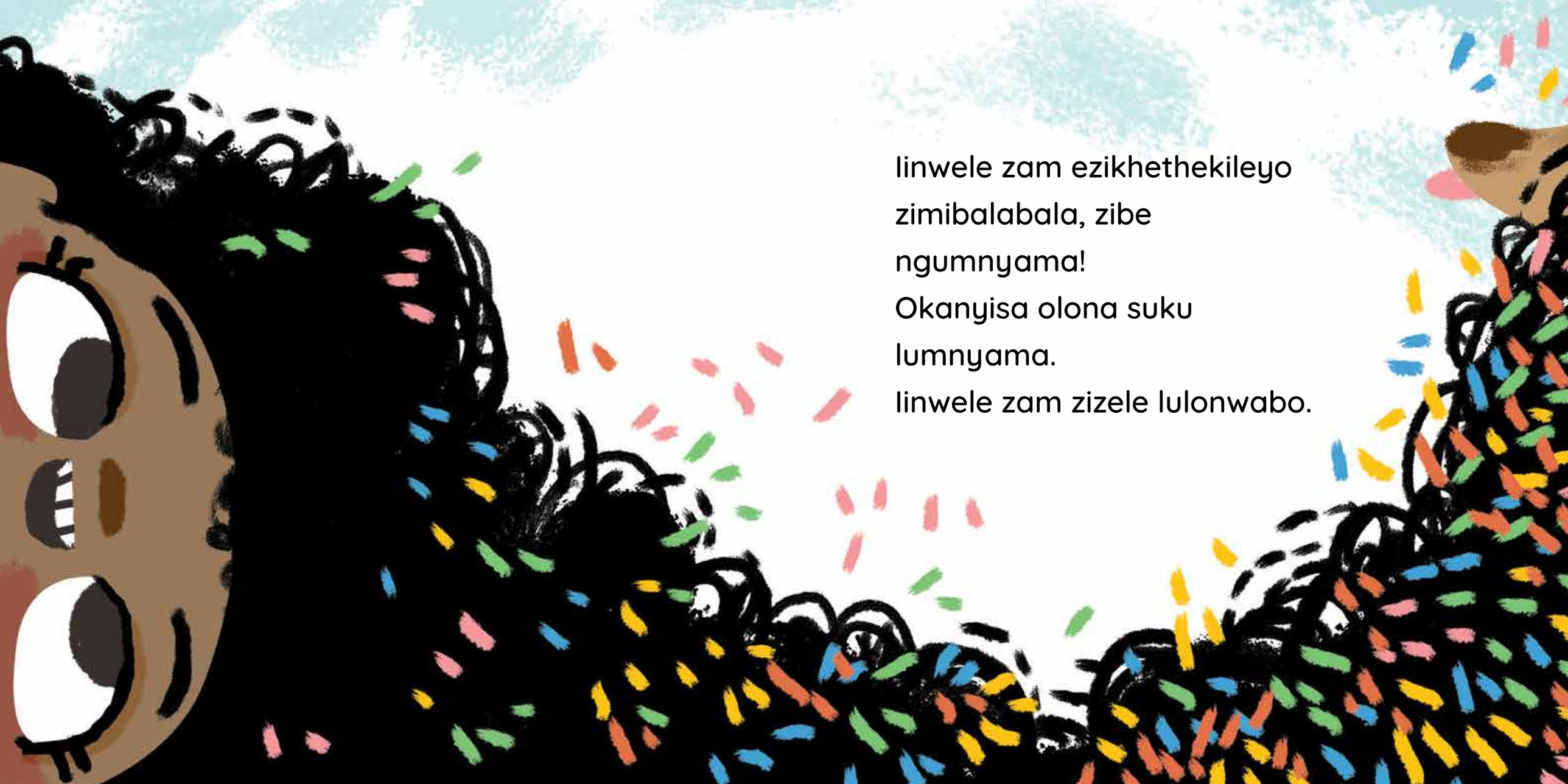
Ekwindla xa kusiwa amagqabi,
kungekho zintyatyambo
zifumanekayo,
intloko yam ekhethekileyo
iqalisa ukudubula iintyatyambo
eziqaqambileyo yonk’ indawo.

Iinwele zam ezikhethekileyo ziqinile
zaye zomelele.
Azijingi okanye ziyokozele.
Andikhe ndikhangeleke
ngokufanayo kuba iinwele zam
zinako ukutshintsha imilo yazo.



Iinwele zam ezikhethekileyo
zigcwele amajikojiko.
Ziphothene
zibophene,
zomelele.
Iinwele zam ezikhethekileyo zikhula
iizandla ezineenwele – indawo
yokugcina izinto zam.

Iinwele zam ezikhethekileyo zikhula
amaphiko akhethekileyo –
amnyubuluzi,
athambileyo
nakhaphukhaphu.
Zibhabha zigqume ubuso bam, zide
iinwele zam nam sibhabhe.



Iinwele zam ezikhethekileyo
zimibalabala, zibe
ngumnyama!
Okanyisa olona suku
lumnyama.
Iinwele zam zizele lulonwabo.

Iinwele zam zizele luthando.
Intloko yam ithweswe ngothando.
Ziyakhula
zikhule
zikhule
ndide ndizichithachithe
macalana onke.

Ezingako iintlobo zeentloko ezikhethekileyo, ezingako zona iindidi zeenwele.
Zingce ngento onayo phezulu, umlingo wakho ukhula apho phezulu!