

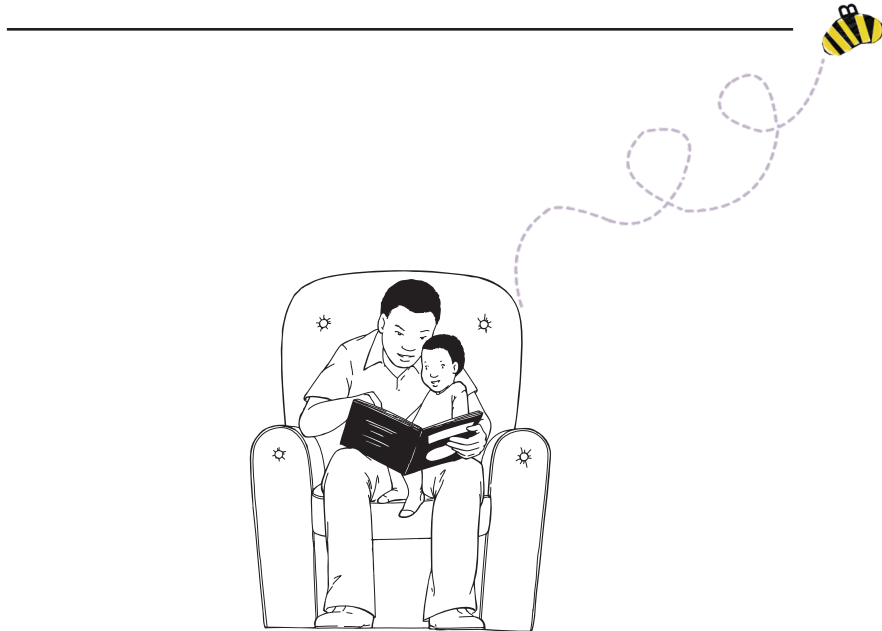
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Banzi and Gogo
love to garden.

Gogo's garden has vegetables,
flowers and Banzi's favourite – bees!

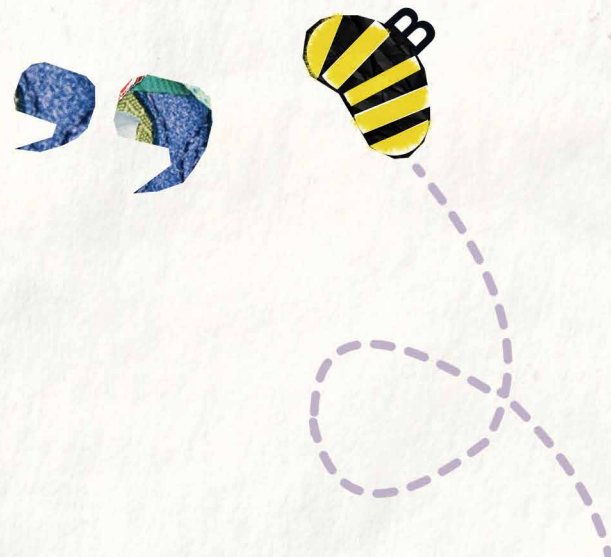
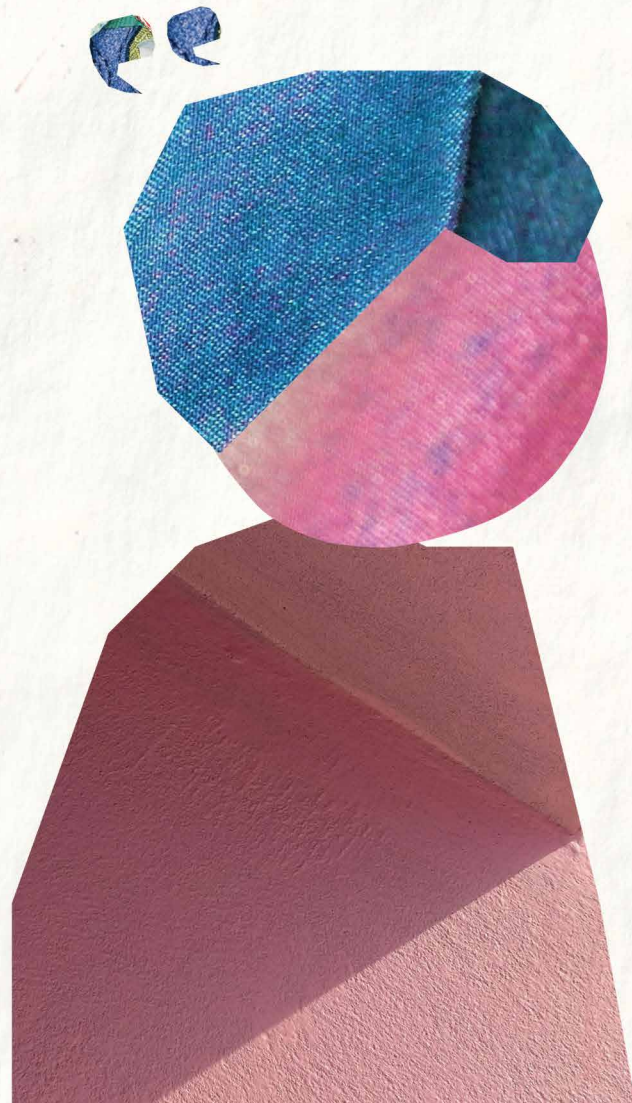
“BUZZ-buzz,”
says Banzi.



“BUZZ-buzz,”
says Gogo.

“Buzz-buzz,”
say the bees.

The bees sit on
sunflowers and
buzz around the
garden while
Banzi and Gogo
garden.

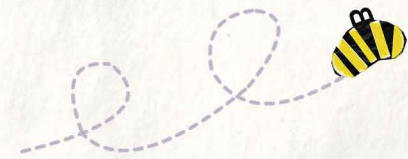


Time to leave!

Banzi waves goodbye to each bee.



**“Bye-bye,
busy bees,”**
Banzi says.



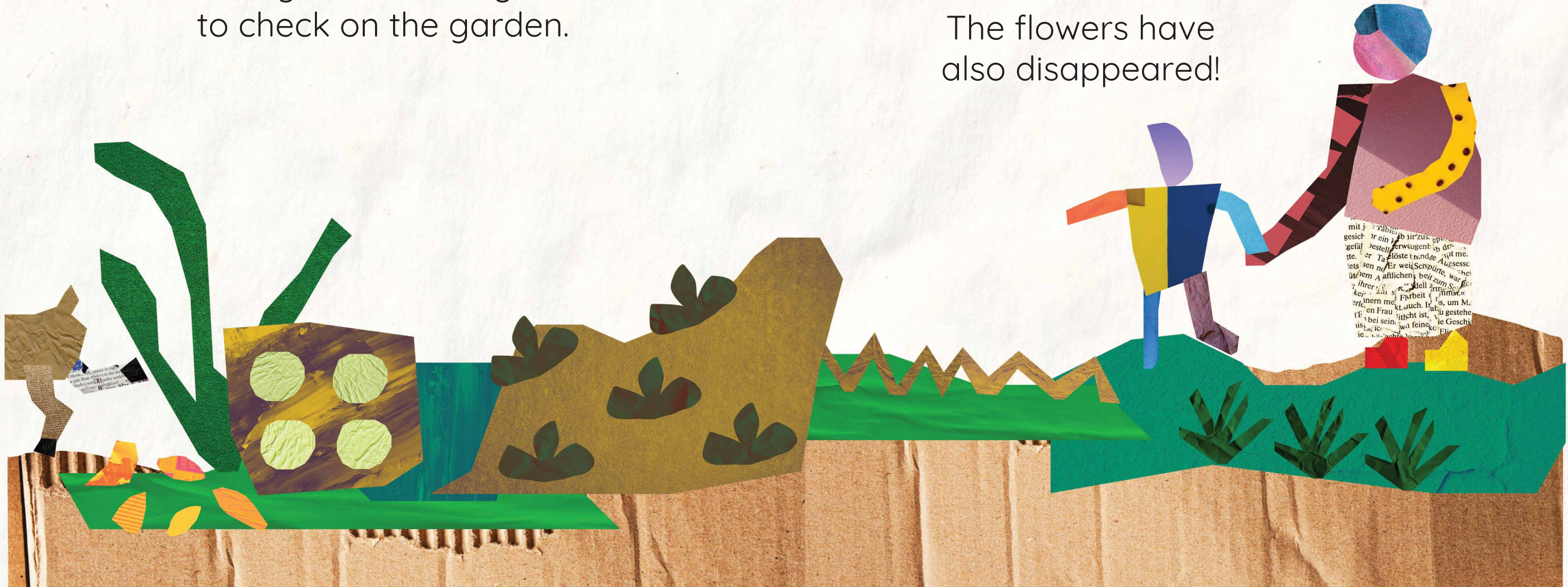
“Buzz-buzz,”
the bees say.



After a few days,
Gogo and Banzi go
to check on the garden.

The bees are gone.

The flowers have
also disappeared!



“Yho! Yho! Yho!” Banzi says.

“Gogo, the bees are **gone!**”



“Oh no!” says Gogo.

“Don’t worry, I have a **magic trick** to call them right back!”

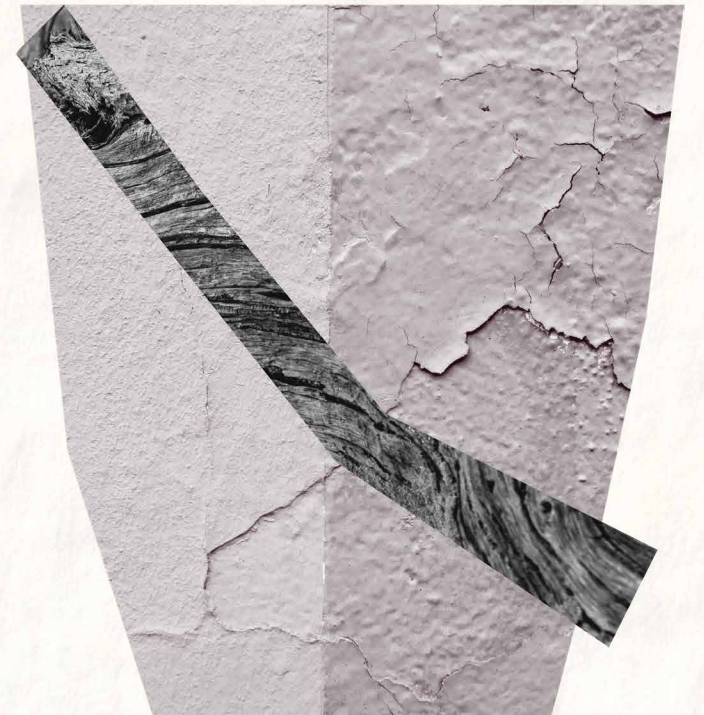


“Mmm... magic!” Banzi says.

“First, we need to plant
new flowers,” says Gogo.



“Then, we
need to leave
a bucket of water
in the garden.”



Gogo and Banzi plant
sunflower seeds and leave the
bucket of water in the garden.



Before they leave,
Gogo stands in the
middle of the garden,
raises up her right hand
and says:

**“Busy, busy bees. Busy, busy
bees. Come back to Banzi!”**

**“Busy, busy bees. Busy, busy
bees. Come back to me!”**

Banzi whispers after Gogo.



Banzi and Gogo check
the garden every day
for a week.



Nothing yet.



Nothing yet.



The bees are back!

Banzi and Gogo laugh as the bees dance from flower to flower.





