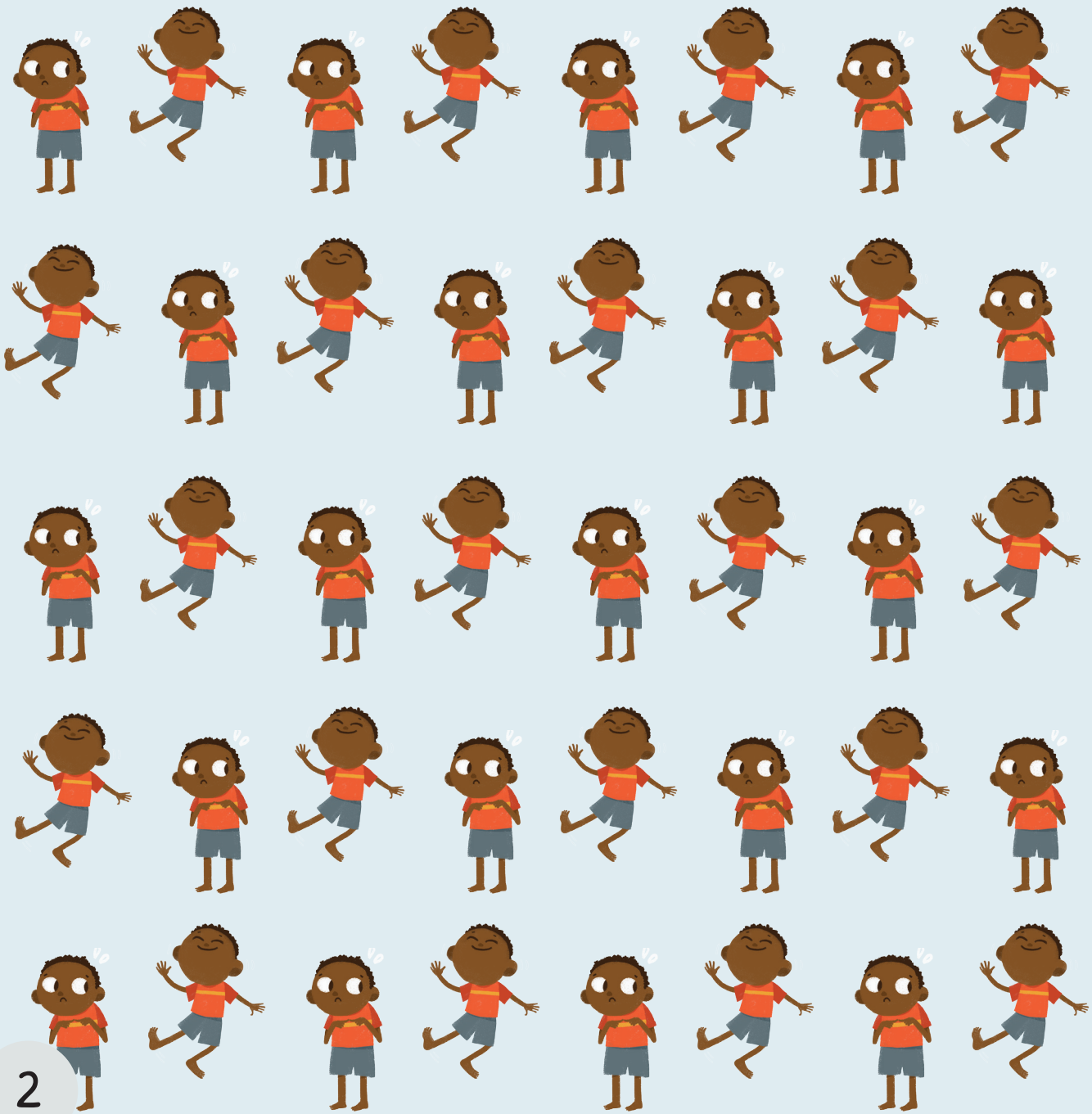
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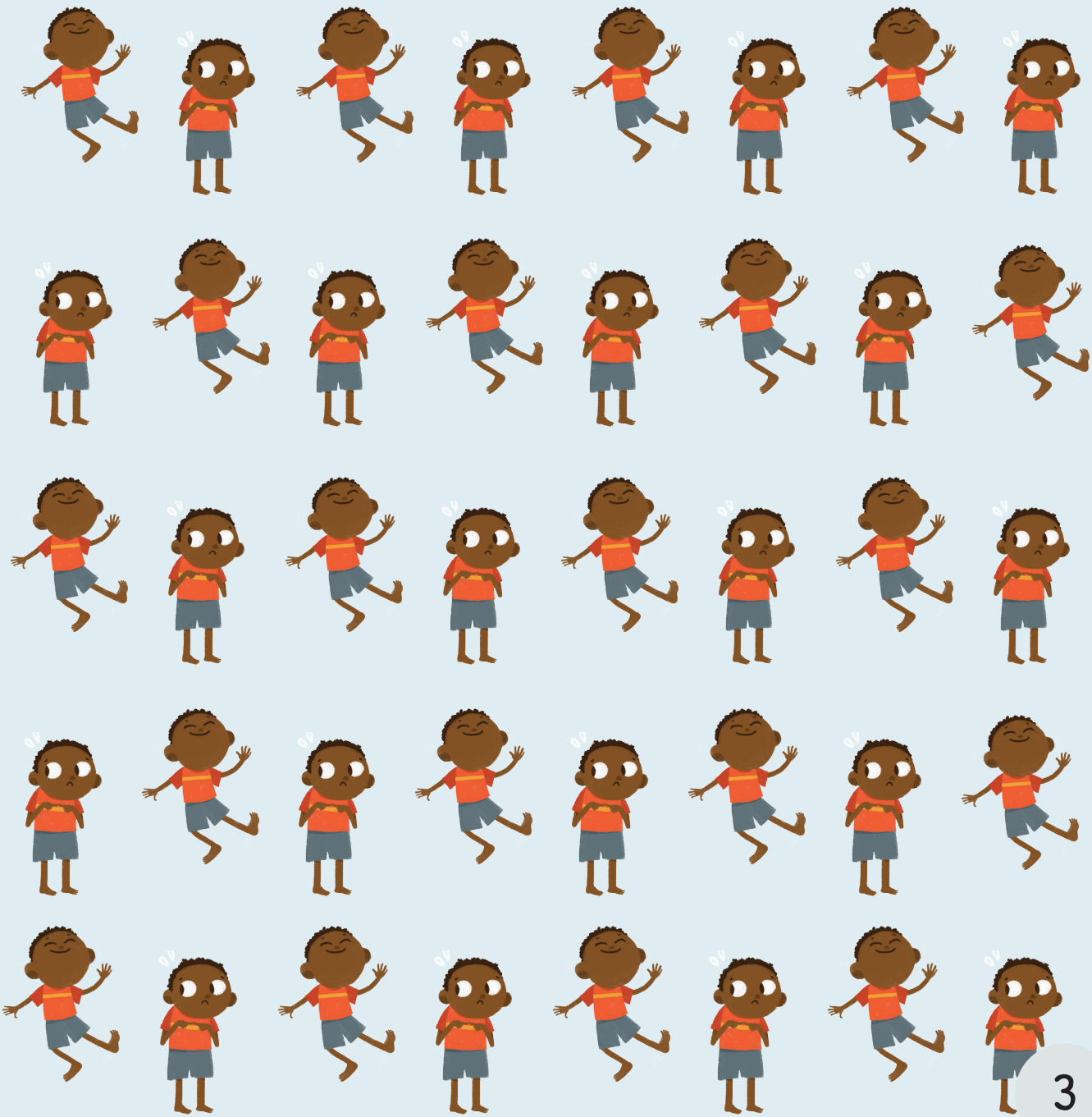
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Everyone knows that
Khuzwayo loves to dance.

When the village leader
chooses him to be the
next Ingoma dancer, no
one is surprised.

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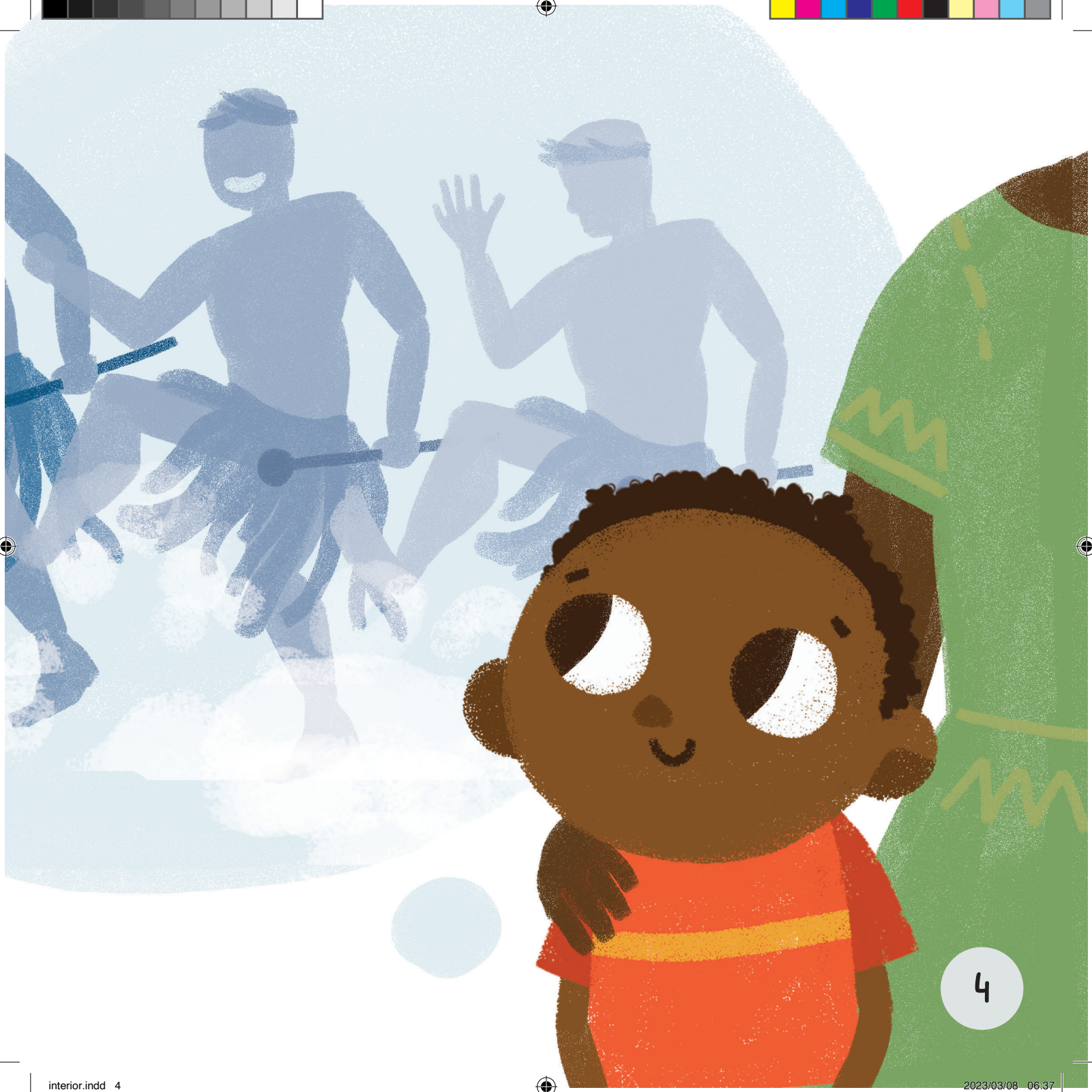
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Ingoma is a dance to celebrate the first crops at the beginning of the year.

Khuzwayo's family is proud.

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But Khuzwayo is worried.

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How will he dance in front of
so many people
from so many villages?

He normally only performs for
a few neighbours.

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"I can't do it!

It's too scary."

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He

runs

away ...



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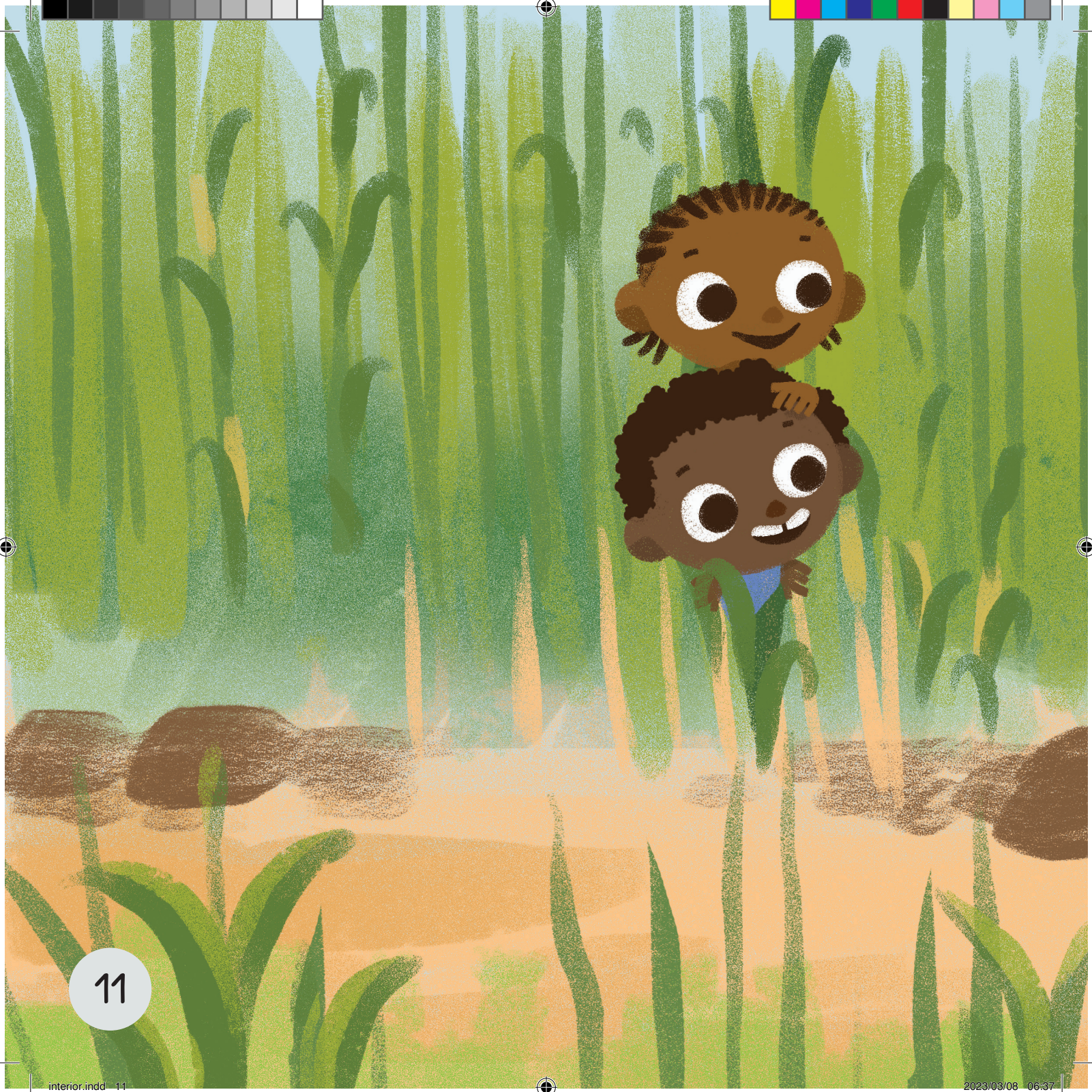
Everyone wonders where he is.
No one can find him.

But Khuzwayo's best friends
know exactly where he would be!

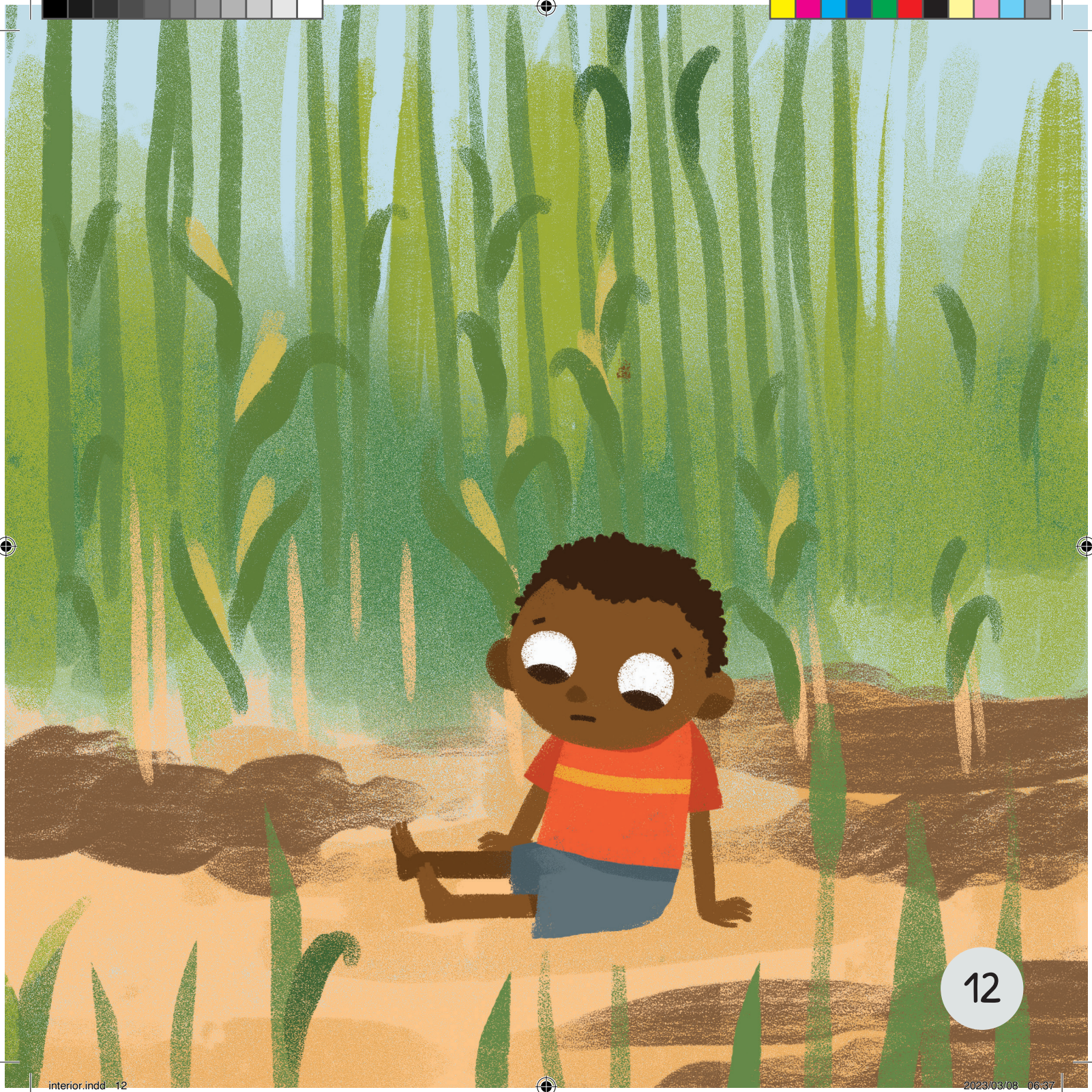
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"Why did you run away?"

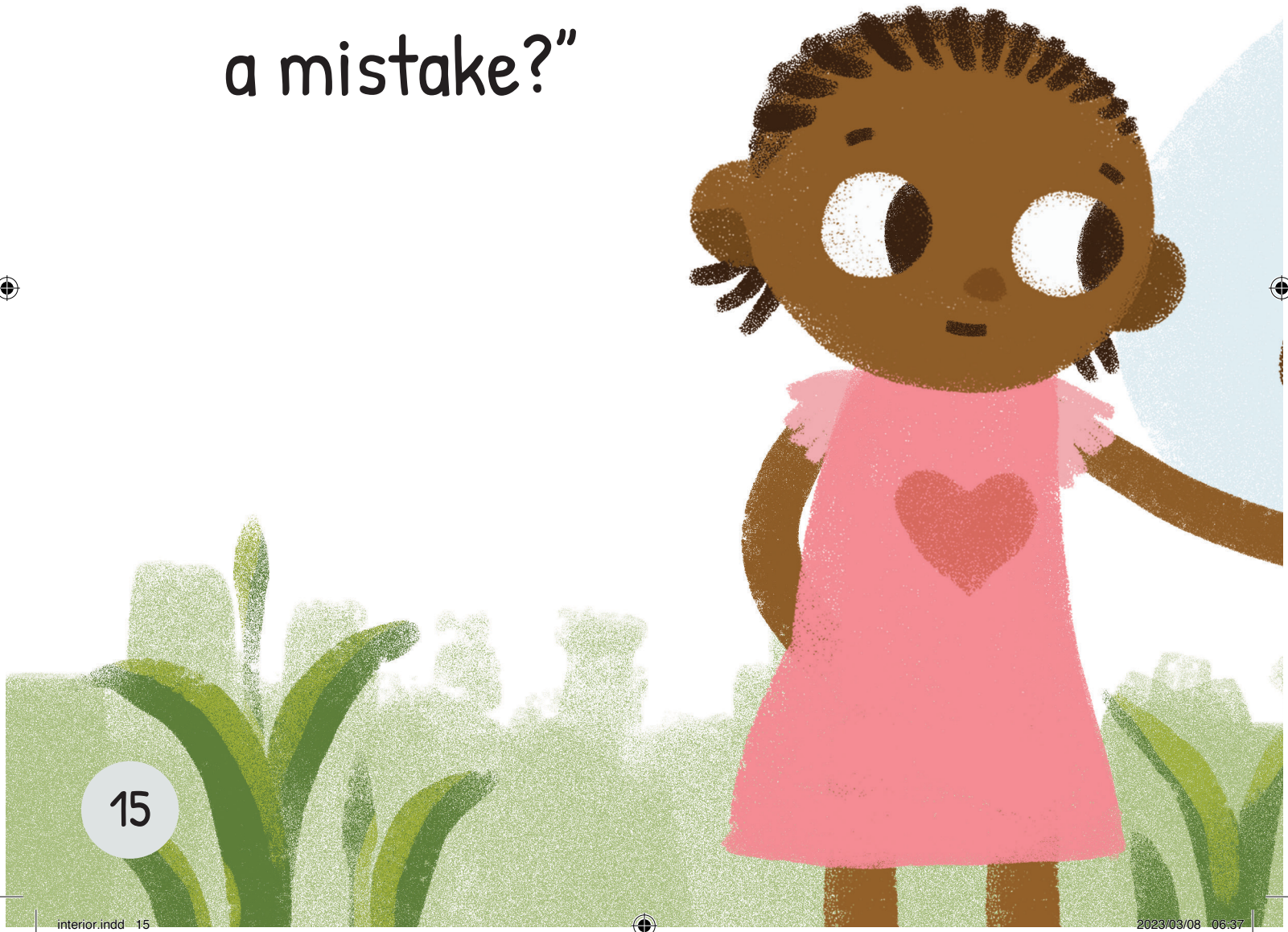


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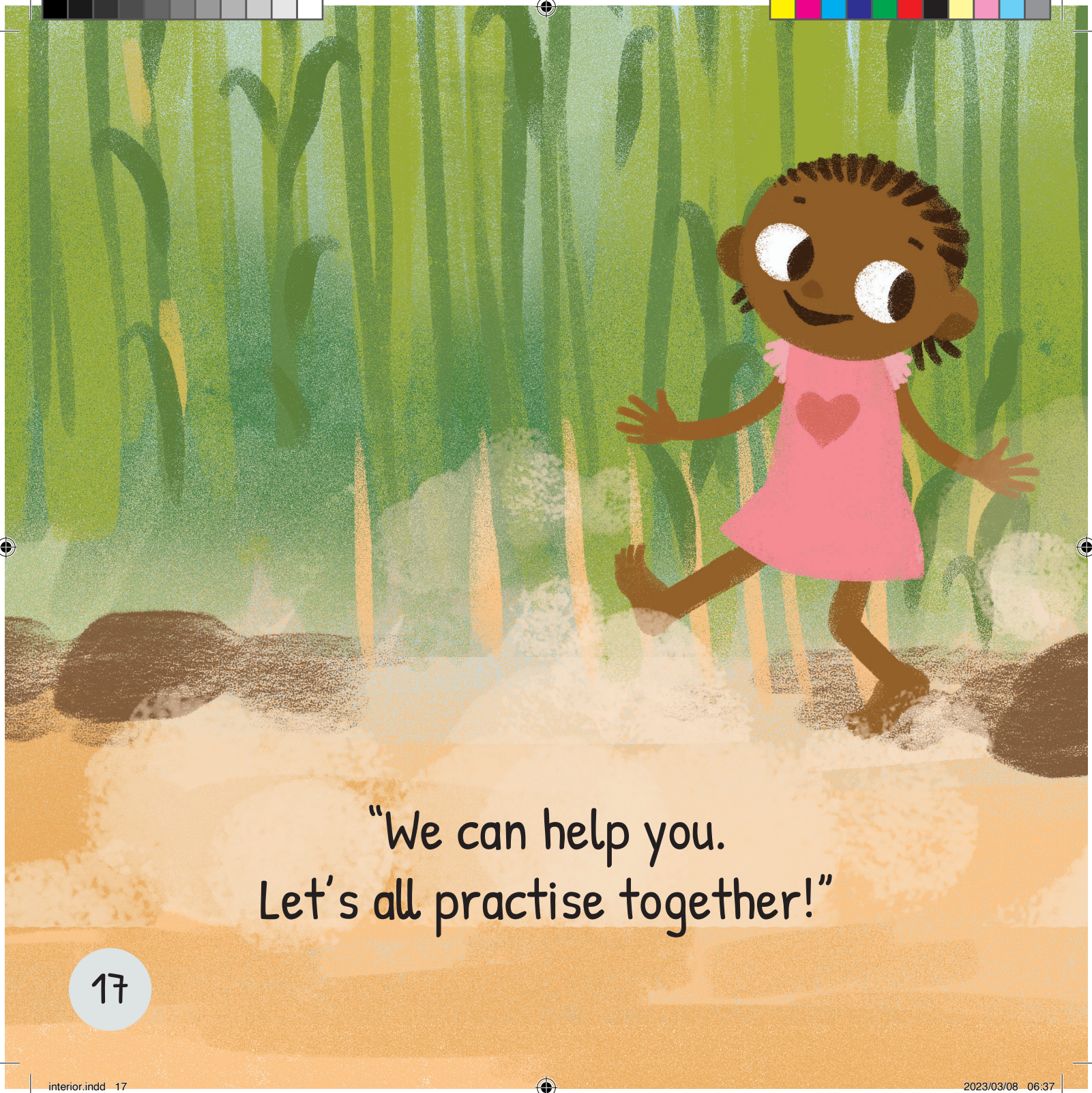
"I am nervous.
What if I make
a mistake?"



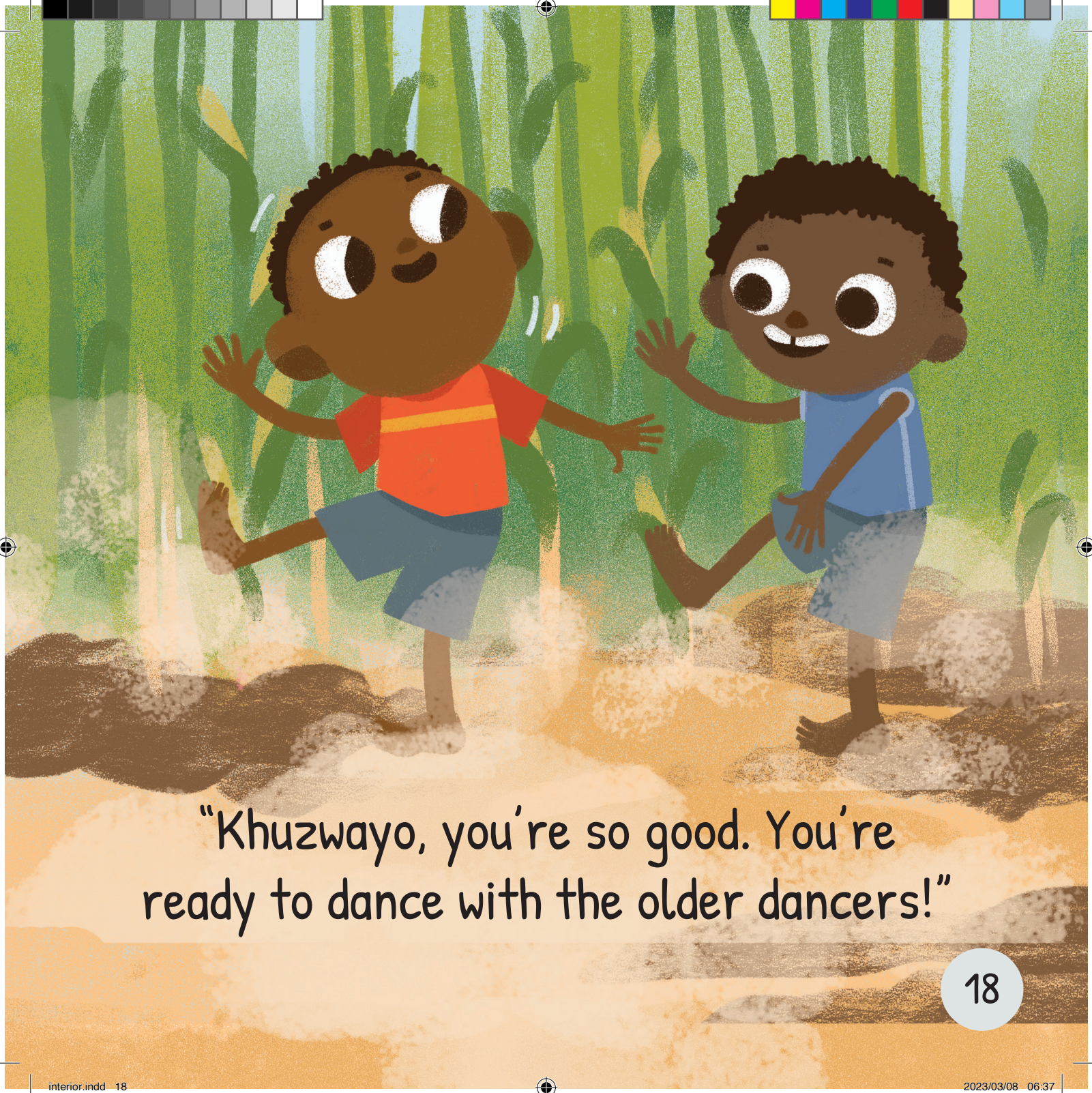
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"Khuzwayo, you're so good. You're ready to dance with the older dancers!"

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Khuzwayo
grows more
confident.

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On the day of the Ingoma dance Khuzwayo leads his village to the arena wearing a special outfit.

He still feels a little nervous, but the rattles on his feet guide him.



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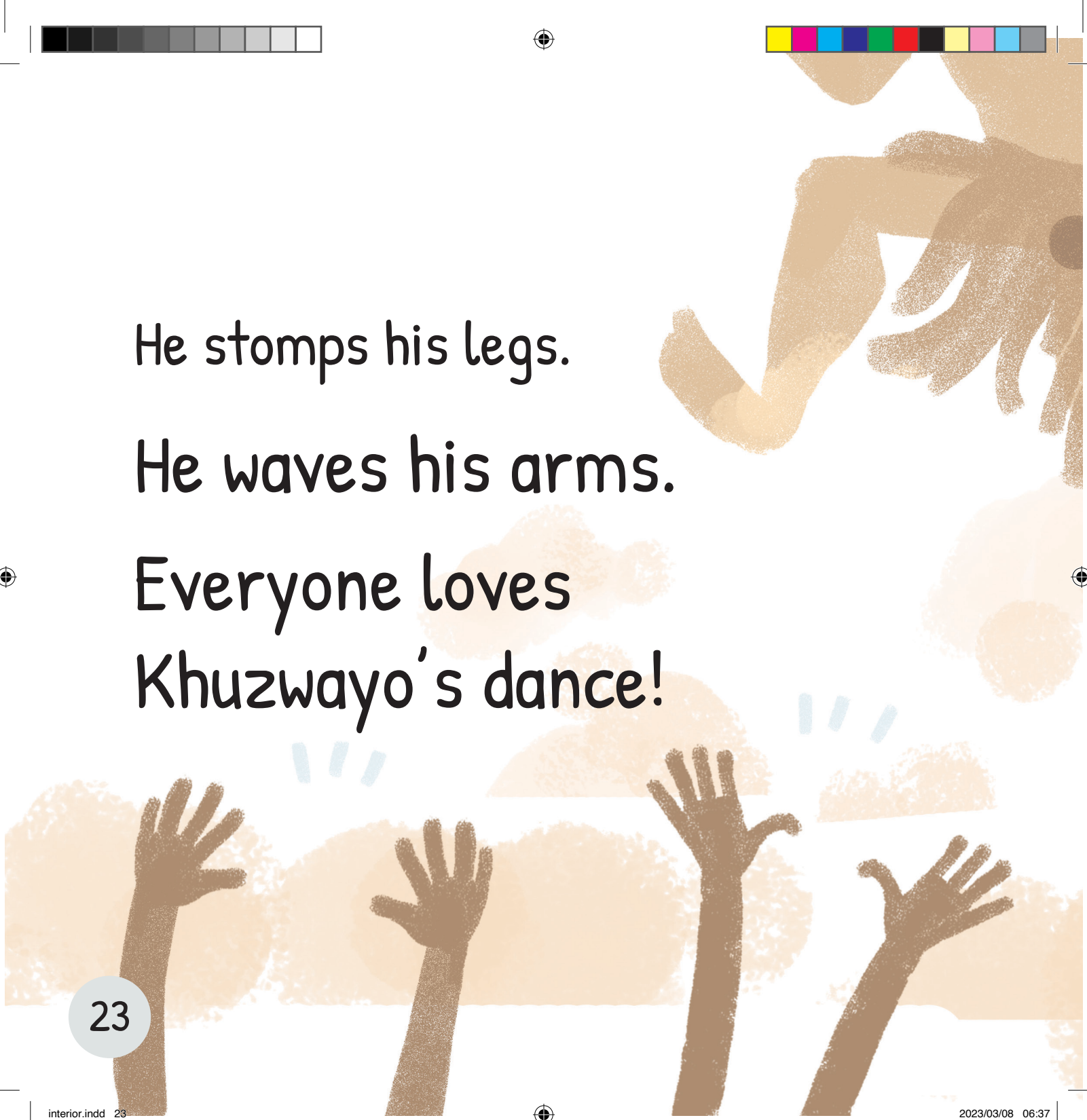


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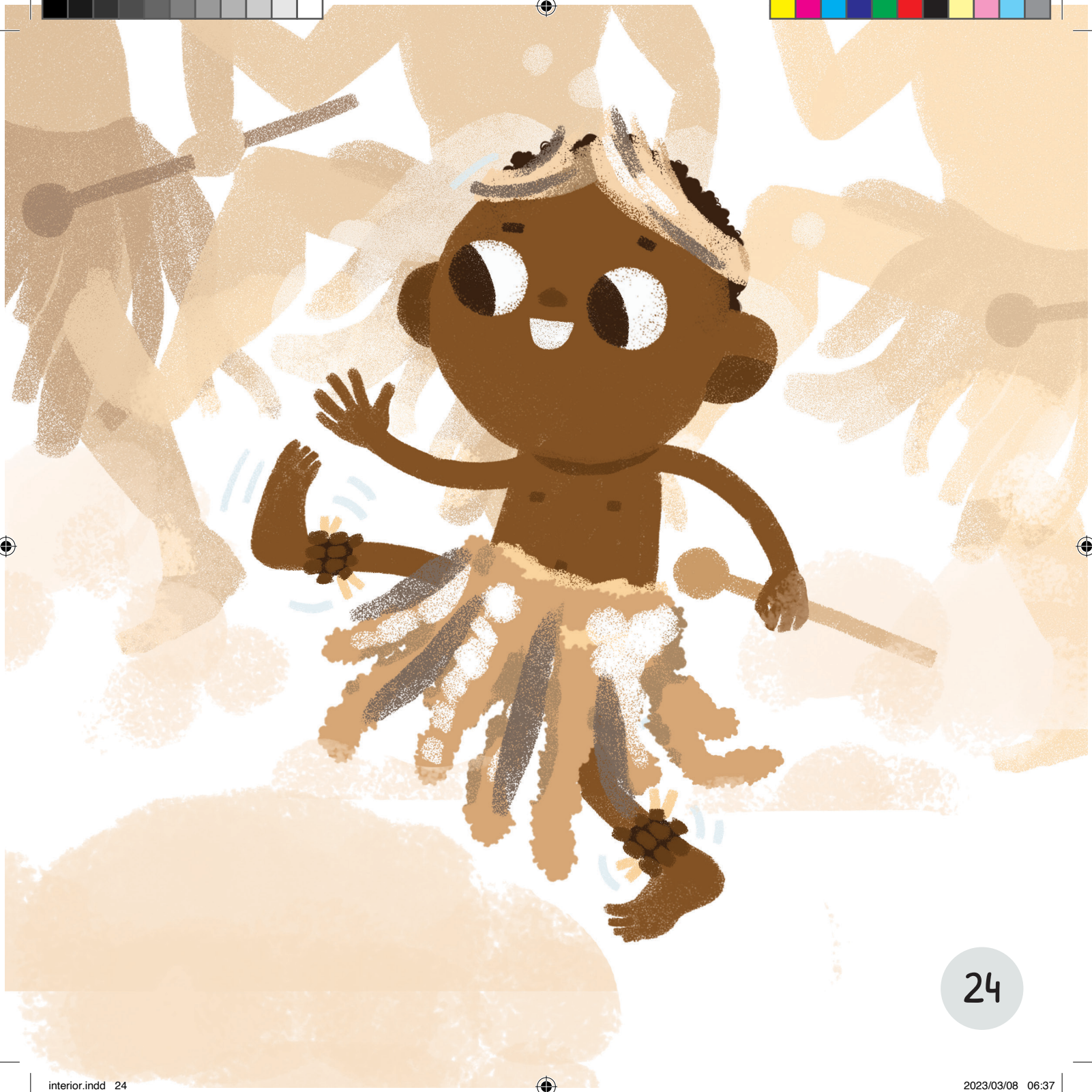
He stomps his legs.

He waves his arms.

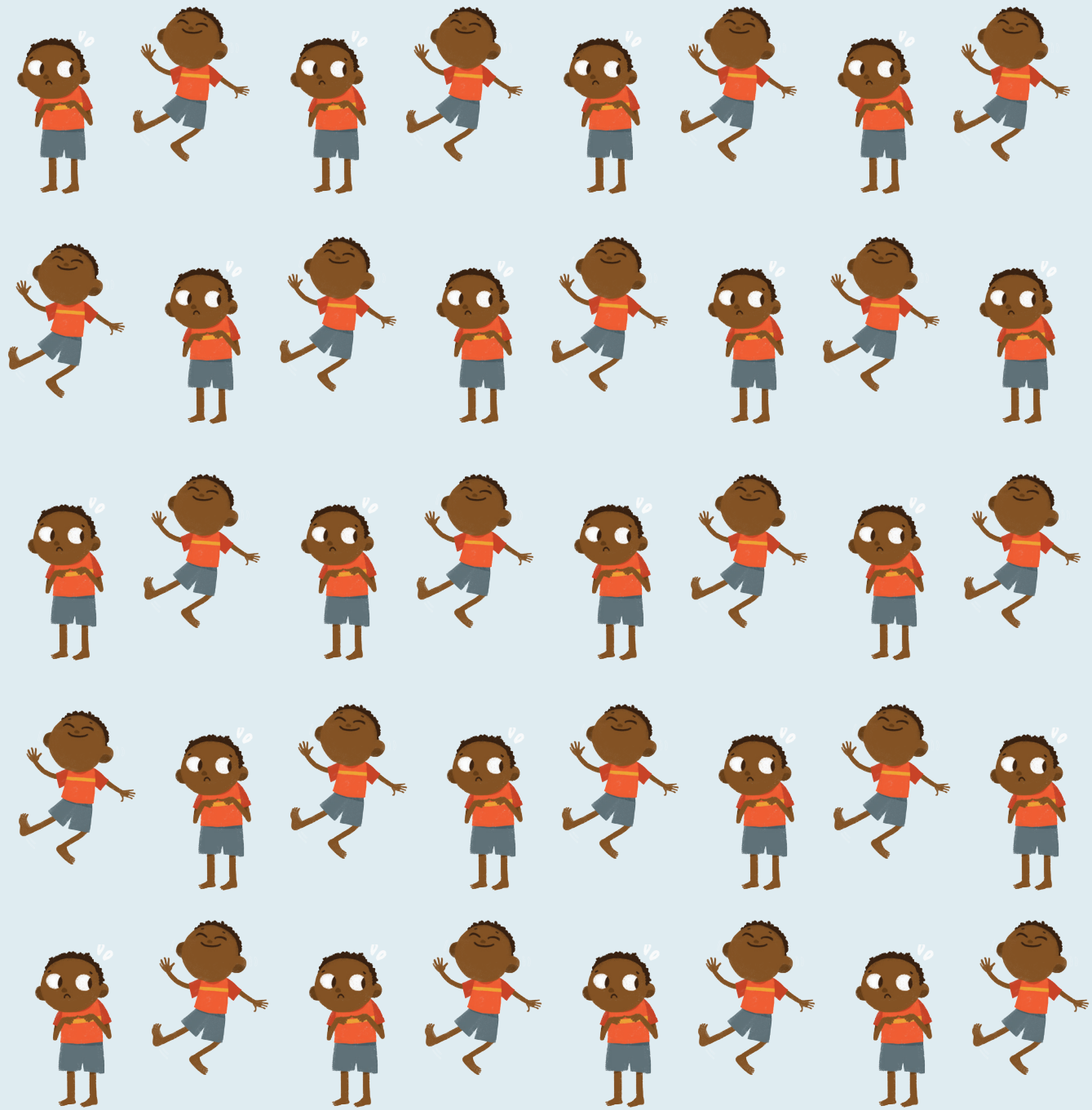
Everyone loves
Khuzwayo's dance!

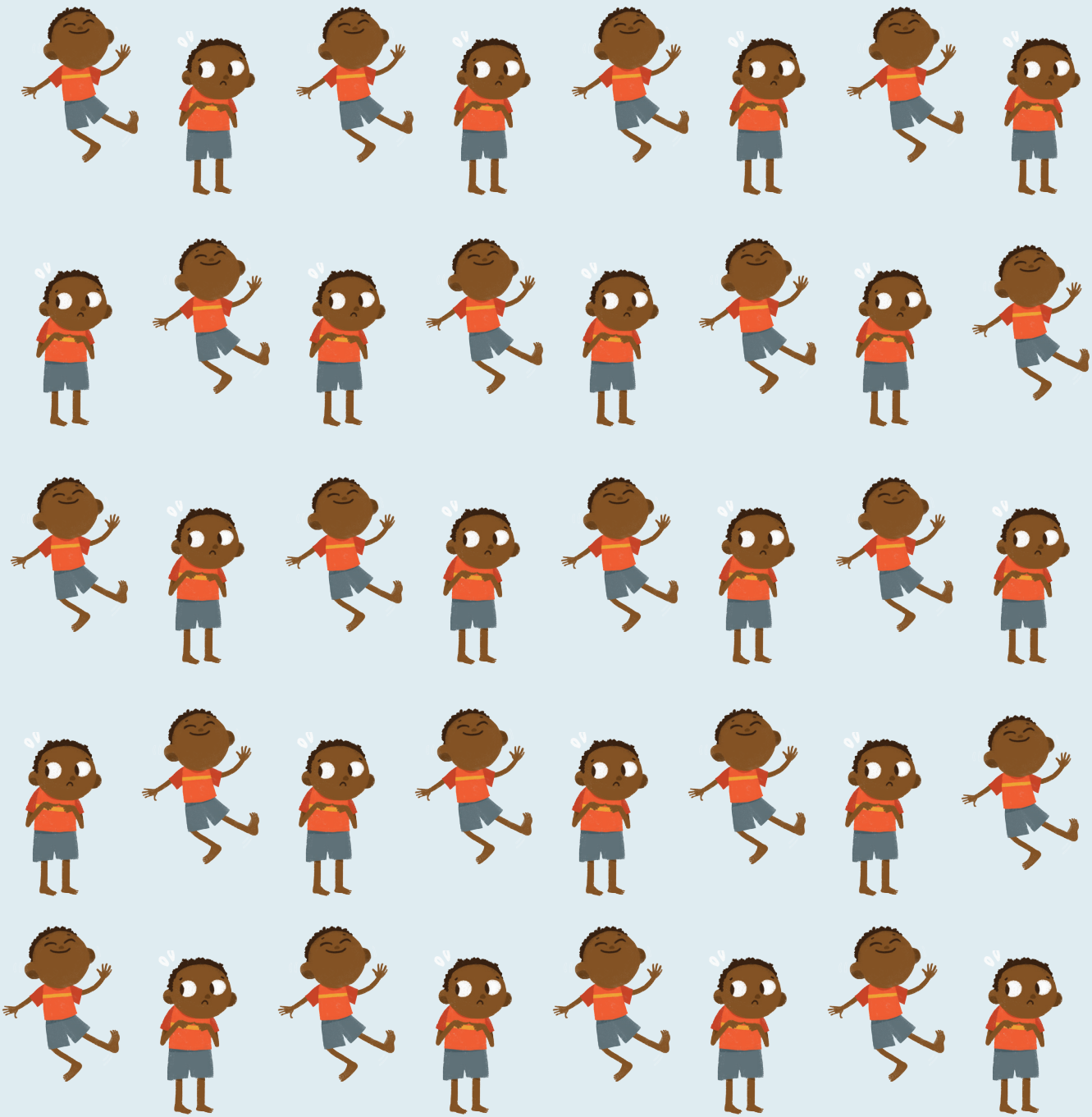


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