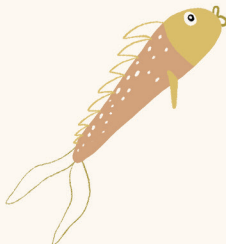
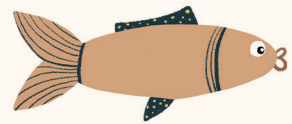
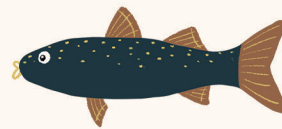
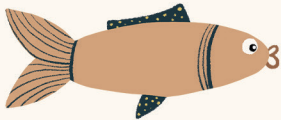
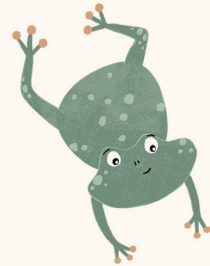
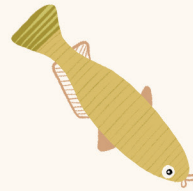
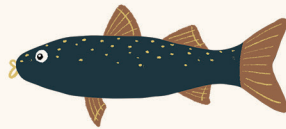
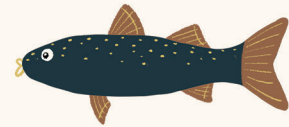
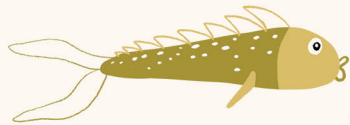
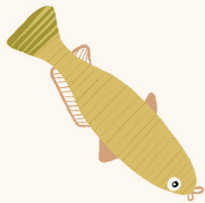
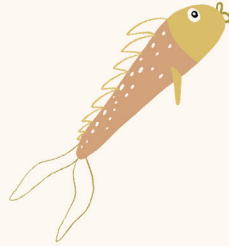
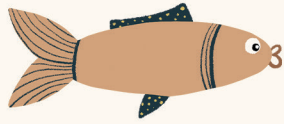


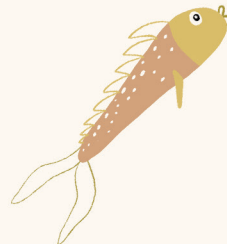
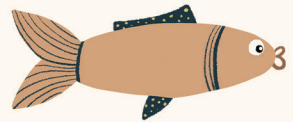
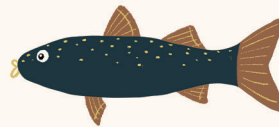
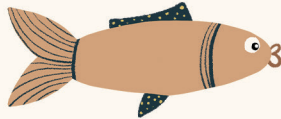
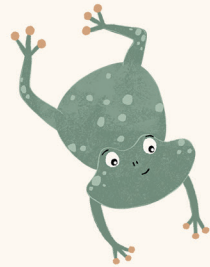
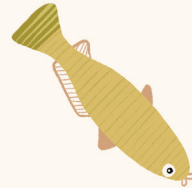
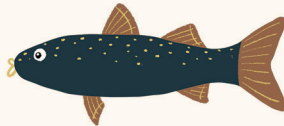
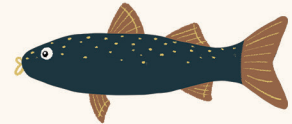
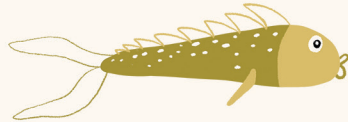
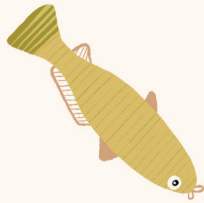
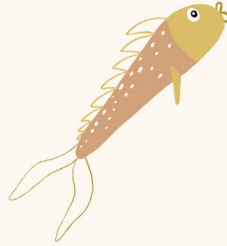
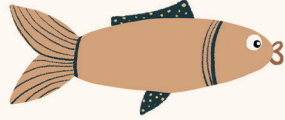


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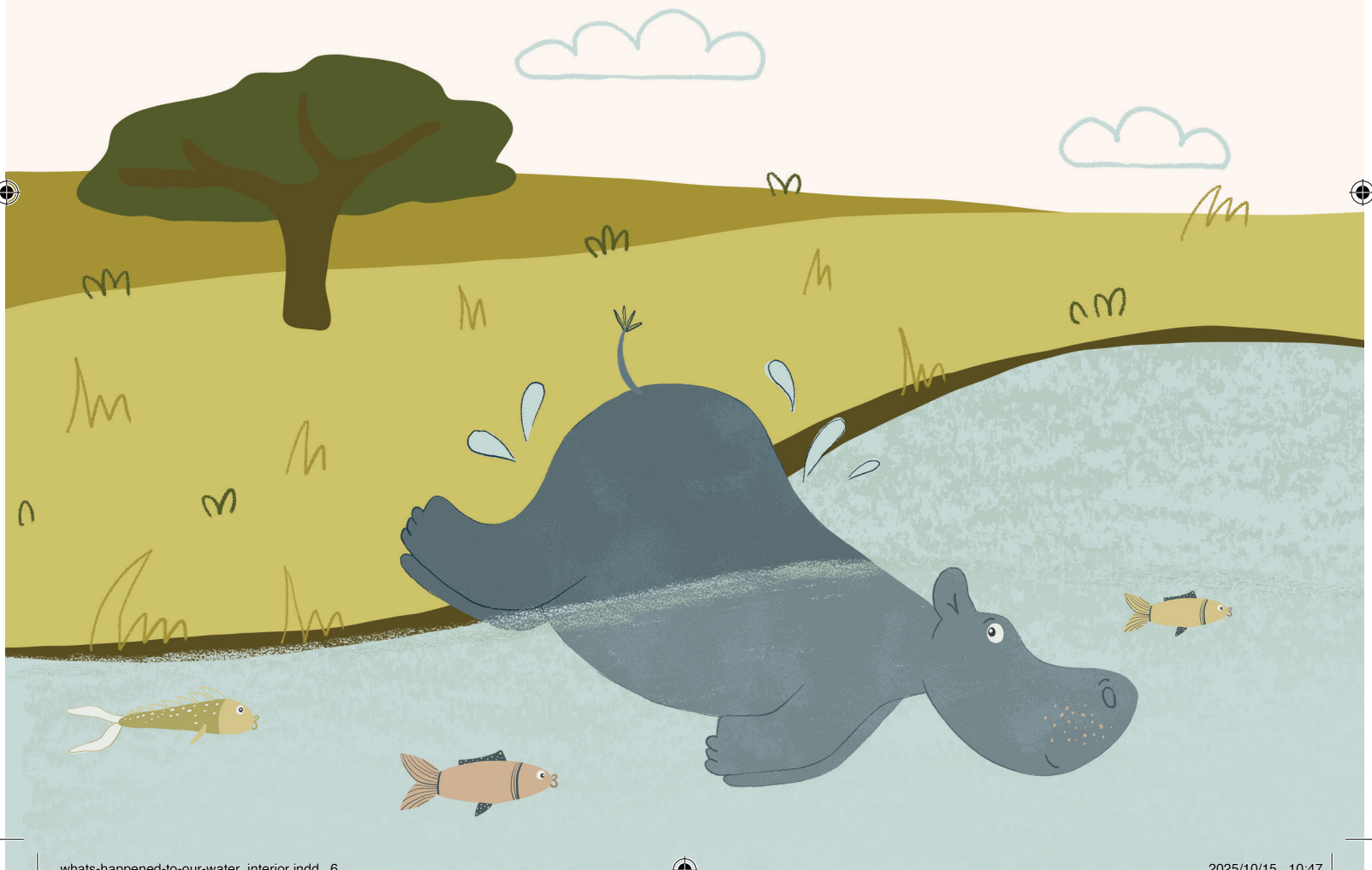
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Mfubu, the hippo, lives in his huge pool of water.
I love wallowing and diving!





But now there is a big problem.





The water is so dirty, I can't see.
Look at all this scum!





I feel sad. I need my friends
to help me find the problem.







First he finds Hoppy Heron.
She is sad too.

The water is so smelly!
The fish are dying!
I have nothing to eat!









Let's go up the river
to see if we can find the problem.





They meet Jambo, the elephant.
He is looking miserable.

The water tastes so horrible,
I can't drink it.









Let's go up the river
to see if we can find the problem.





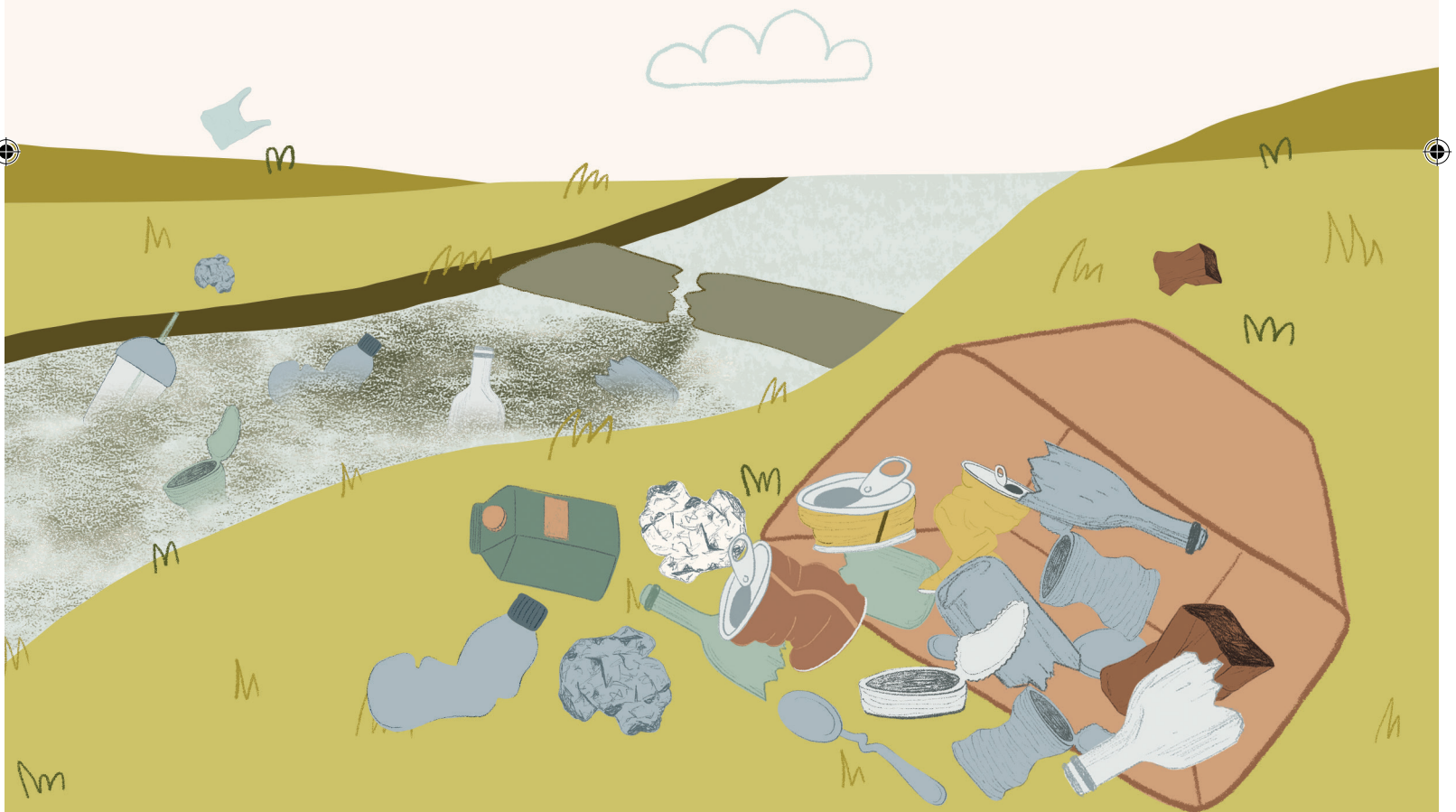
When they get near where the people live,
they stop and stare.

YUCK!





It's the people polluting the river.





Hello! Why do you look so sad?





Your stinky mess is making our river dirty!
It makes us sick.



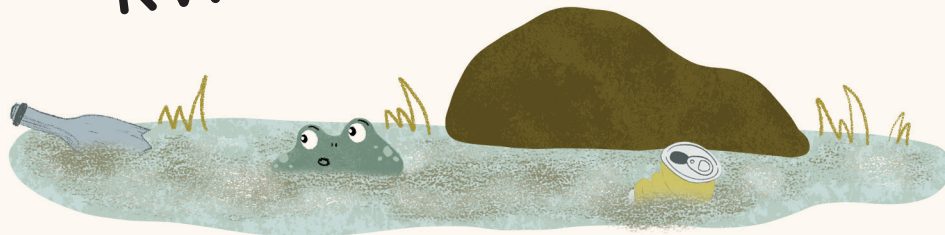


We're so sorry! We must get help to fix this.





KWAAAK!





It's getting late ... and the animals are tired.
The pipe is fixed and the litter is gone.



And now we can go home.





Guess what?
The pool is already
cleaner.

Guess what?
The water already smells
better.





Guess what? The water already tastes cleaner.

It's been a good day.

