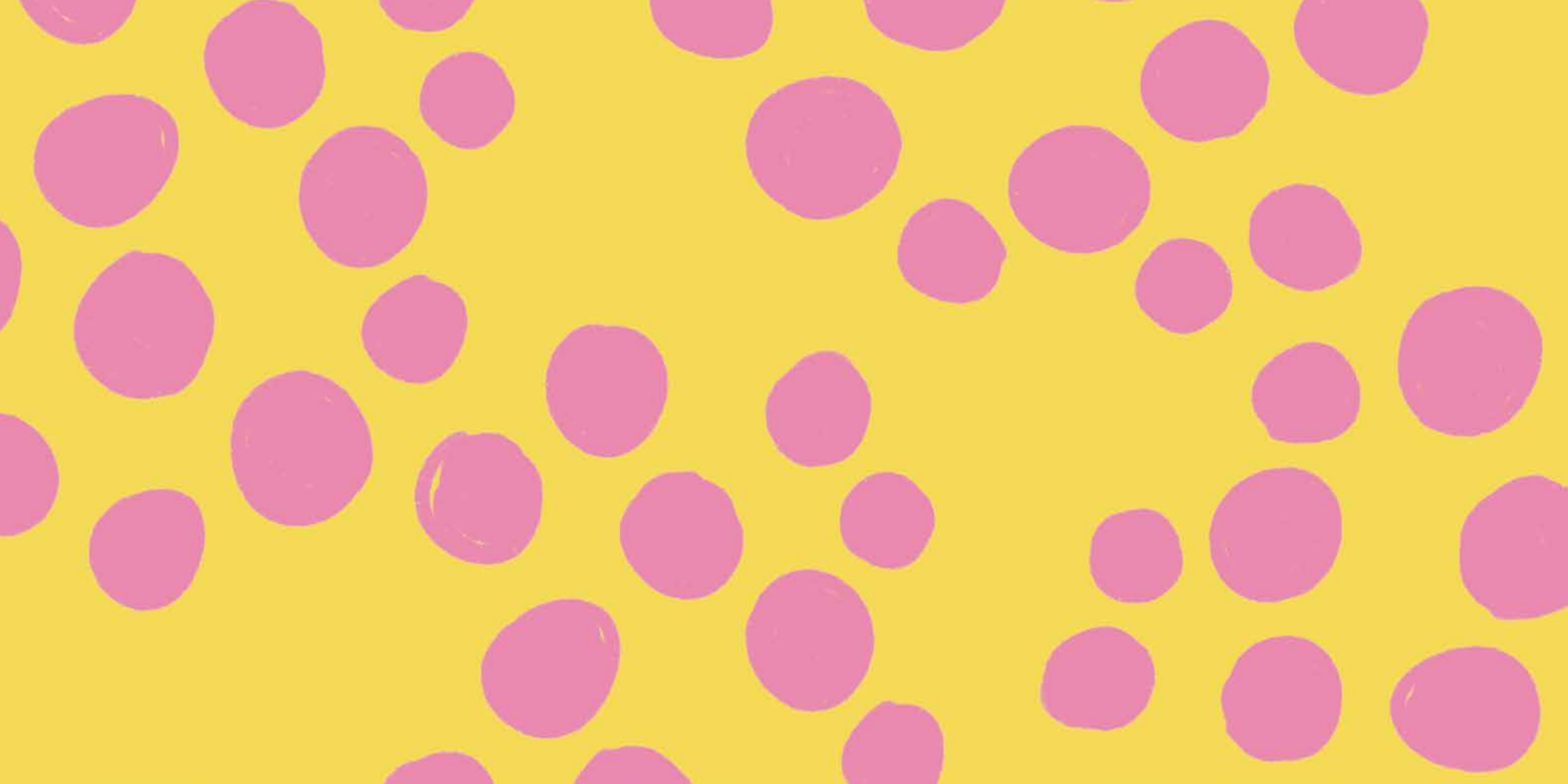


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Who Took My Shoe?

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“Come, Xolani,” Ma says,
“Why aren’t you ready?
You’ll be late for school.”

“I can’t find my shoe,”
says Xolani.





“Did you look under your bed?” says Ma.
“It’s not under my bed,” Jabulani says.

“Did you look in the wardrobe?” Ma asks.
“Yes, it’s not in the wardrobe.”



"I know where your shoe is,"
giggles Jabulani's sister Lungi.
"Where?" Jabulani asks.



"I'm not telling you!"
says Lungi



"Somebody's taken it," Jabulani says.

“Why would someone take one shoe when they’ve got 2 feet?” says Lungi.



“I don’t know. Maybe they’ve hidden it to make me cross,” Jabulani says.



“Did you take my shoe?”
he asks Lungi.

“No,” says Lungi,
“your shoes are
too big for me.”



“Did you take my shoe,”
Xolani asks Fruit Juice the
Dog.

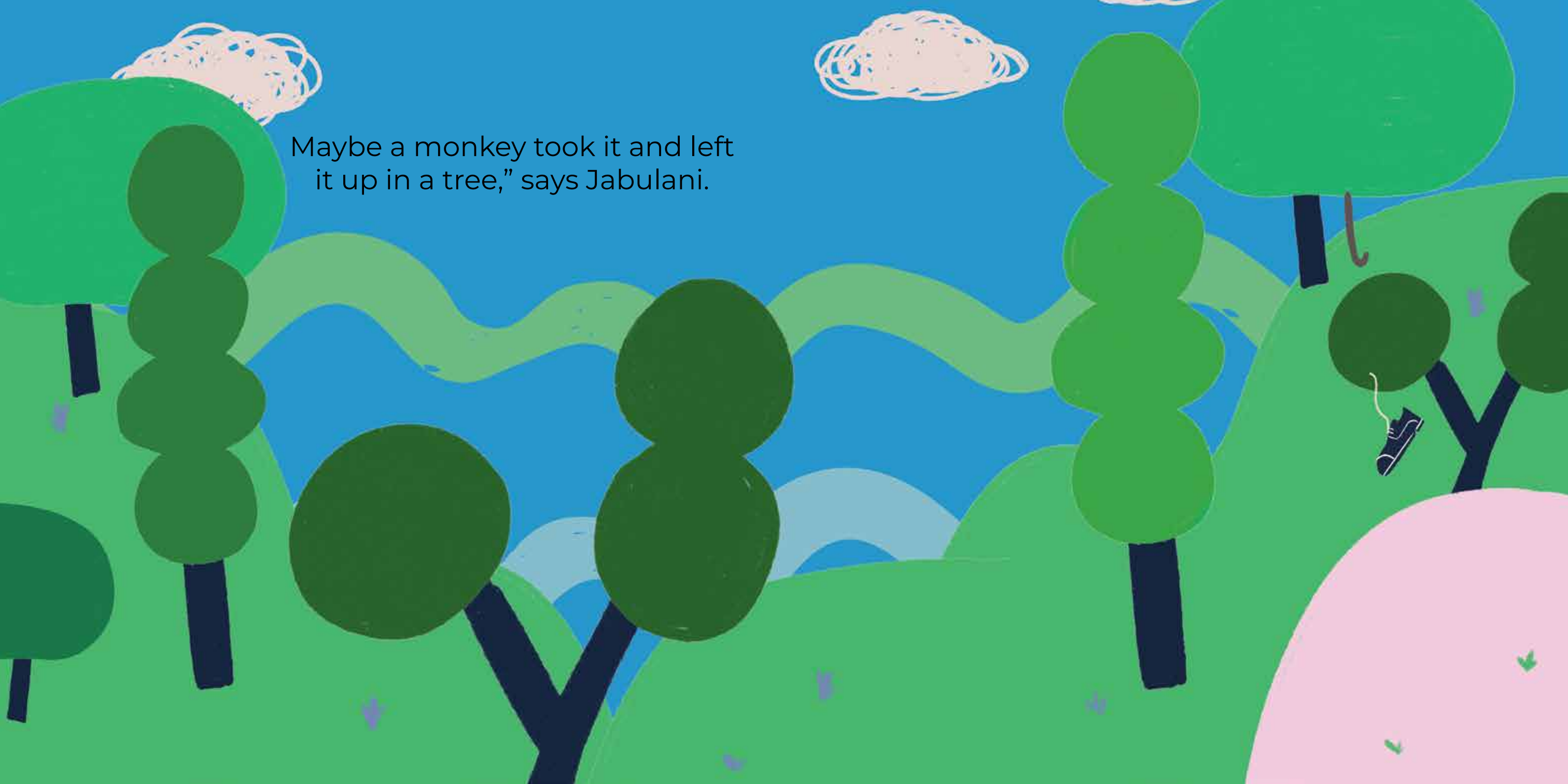


She smiles her big dog
smile at him and wags
her tail.



“Maybe a bird picked it
up and flew away with
your shoe,” laughs Lungi.





Maybe a monkey took it and left
it up in a tree,” says Jabulani.



“Don’t worry, we’ll find your shoe,” says Ma.
“Everyone look for Jabulani’s shoe.”

But the shoe is nowhere to be found.



“It’s all right,” says Ma.
“You can wear your takkies to school today.”



Lungi comes rushing into the kitchen with
a big smile on her face.

“I know where your shoe is,” she shouts.
“Come and see.”

