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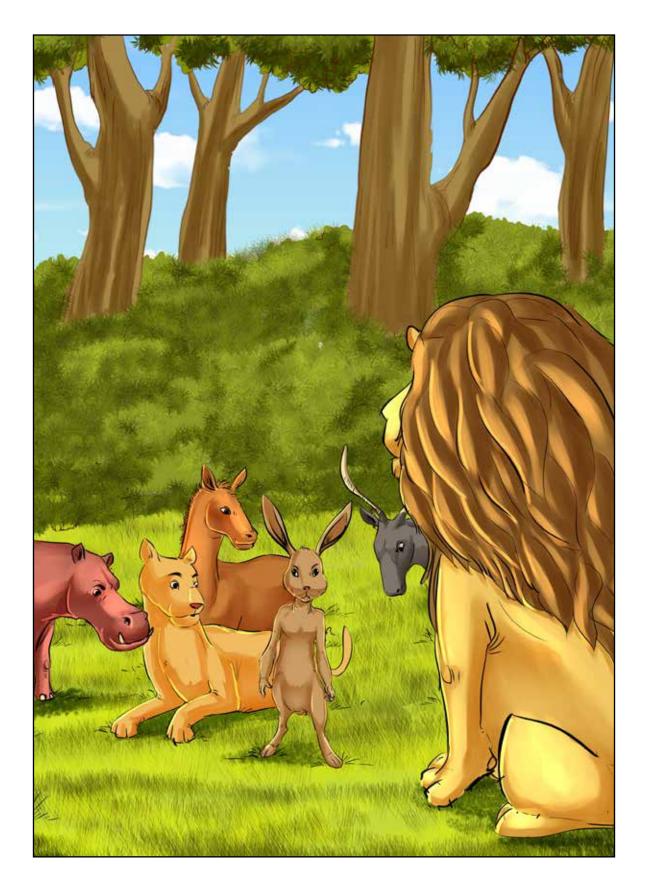
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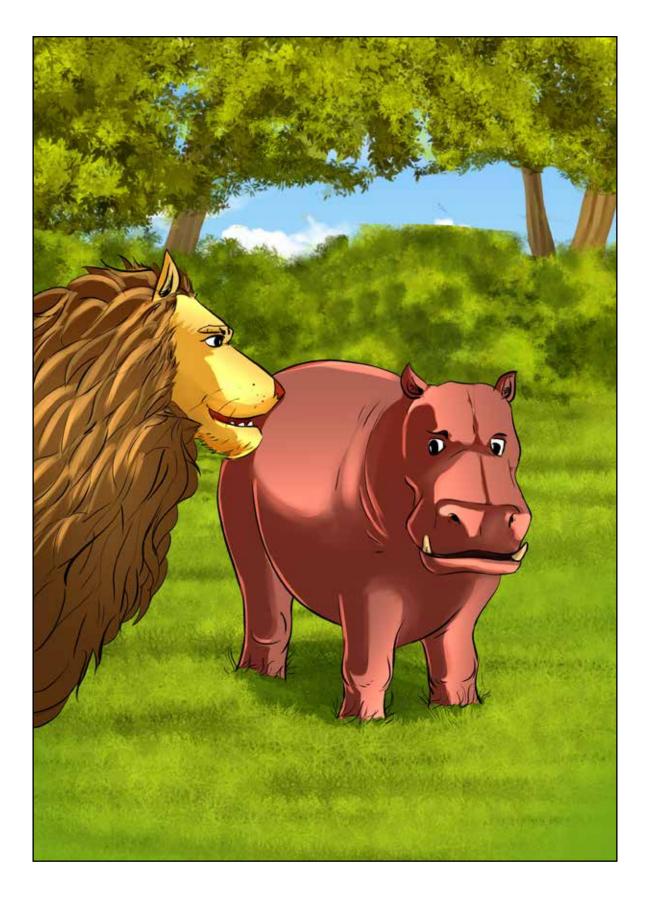
The Animal Party



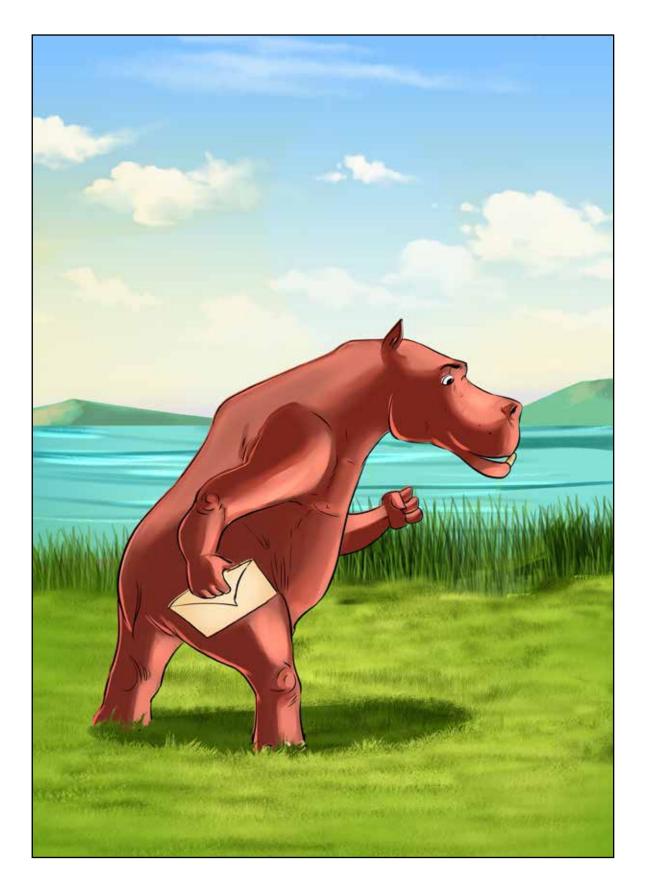
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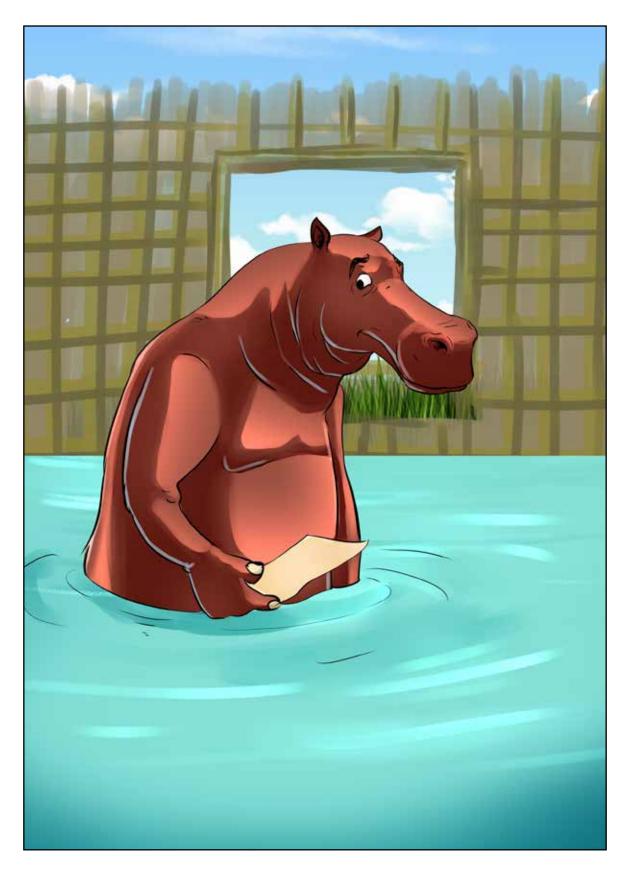
One day, the lion organized a party for the animals. The party was to celebrate Christmas and the New year.



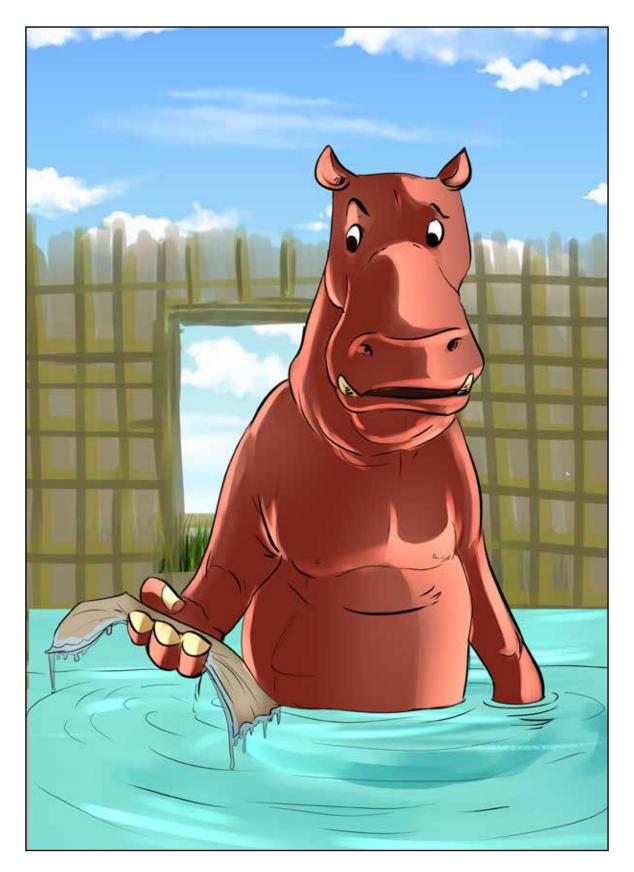
The lion asked the hippo to give out the invitation to all the animals.



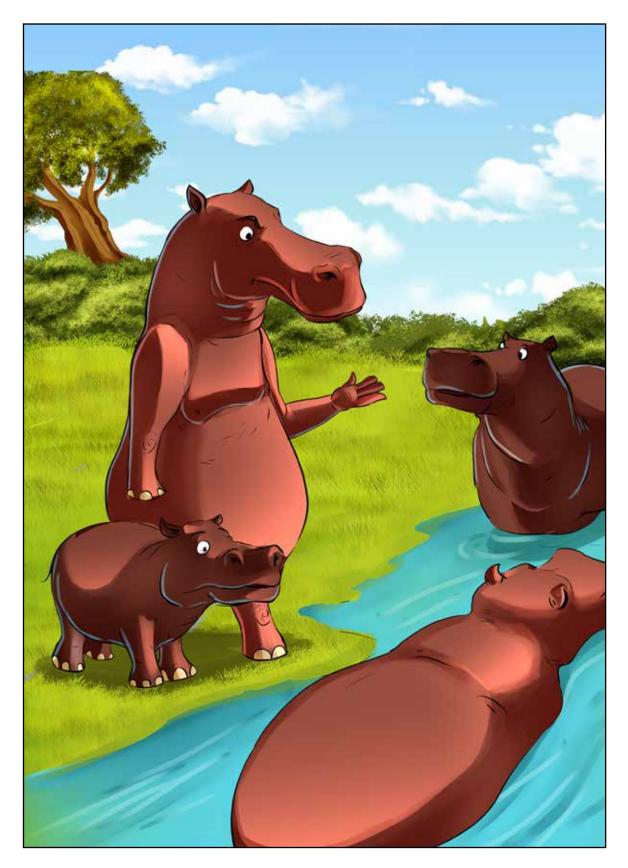
The hippo hurried home to bathe before taking the invitation to the other animals.



On reaching home, the hippo bathed with the letter. The hippo put the letter down.

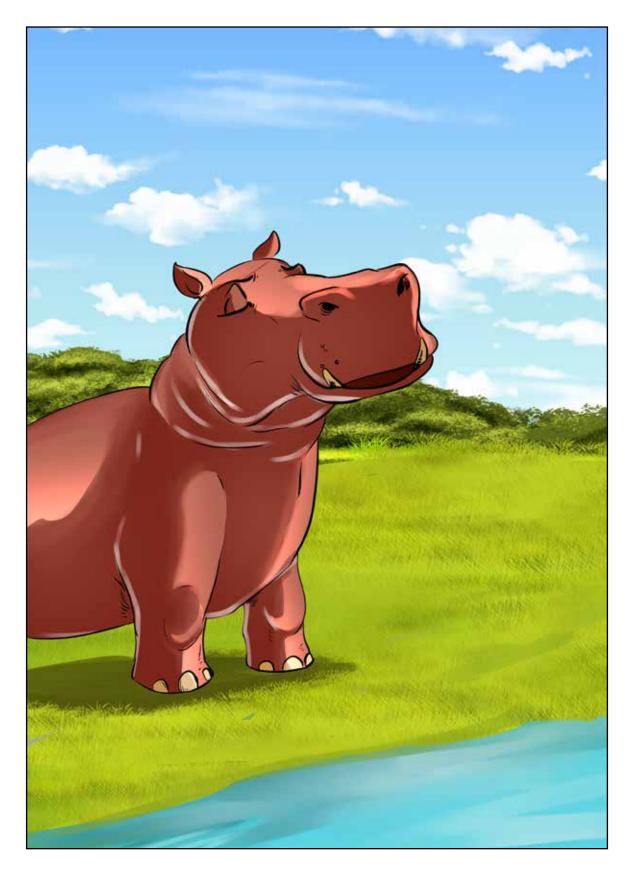


Because hippos live in water, the invitation got wet. As the hippo tried to pick the invitation, it got torn. The hippo was worried, "What will I tell the king?"



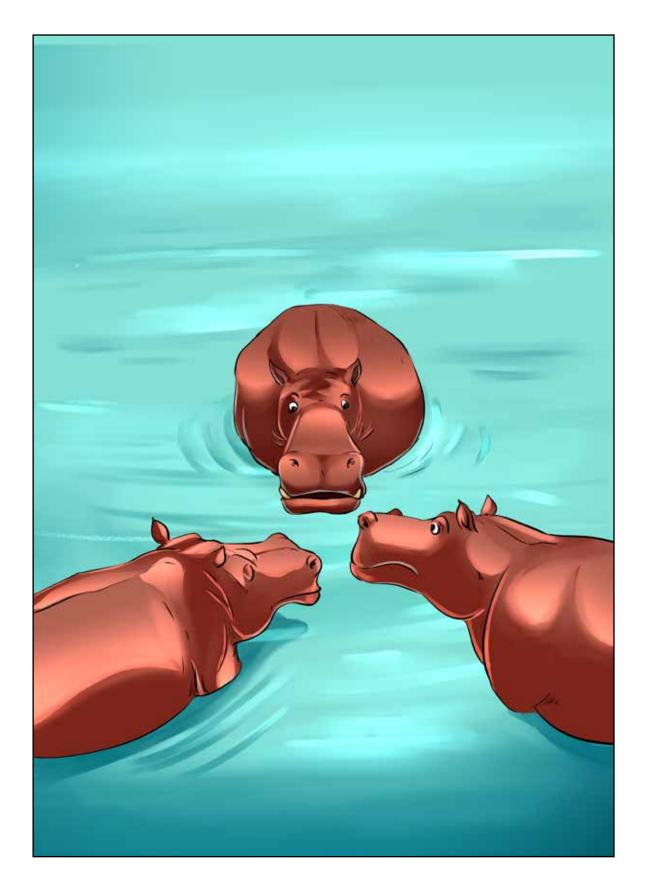
Then the hippo called his family to tell them what had happened. They said, "Kibwa knows how to write, so he can help."

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Kibwa had lied that he knew how to write. On hearing that, Kibwa cried out loud, "Ohhh! My vision is poor. Please help me and take me to the hospital."

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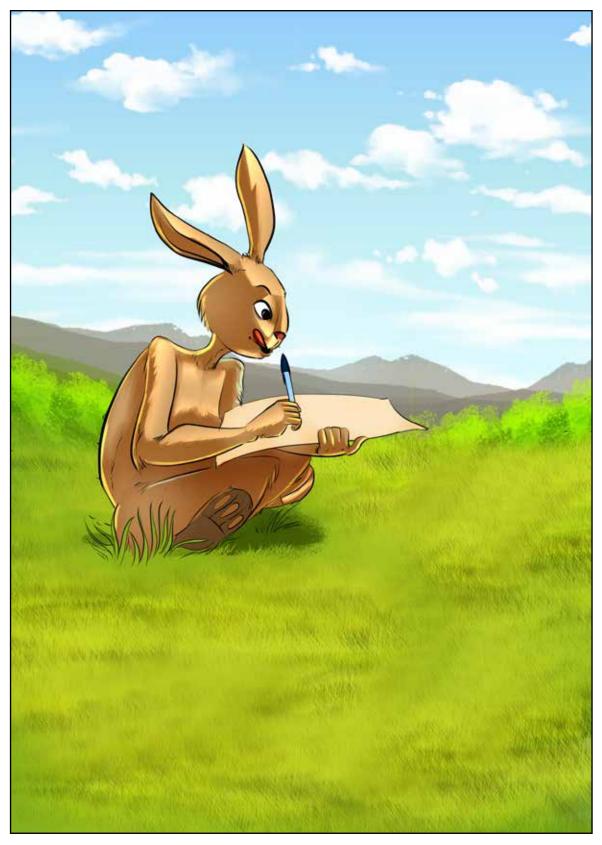
All hippos were scared, saying, "What are we going to do now that the one who knows how to write can't see well?"



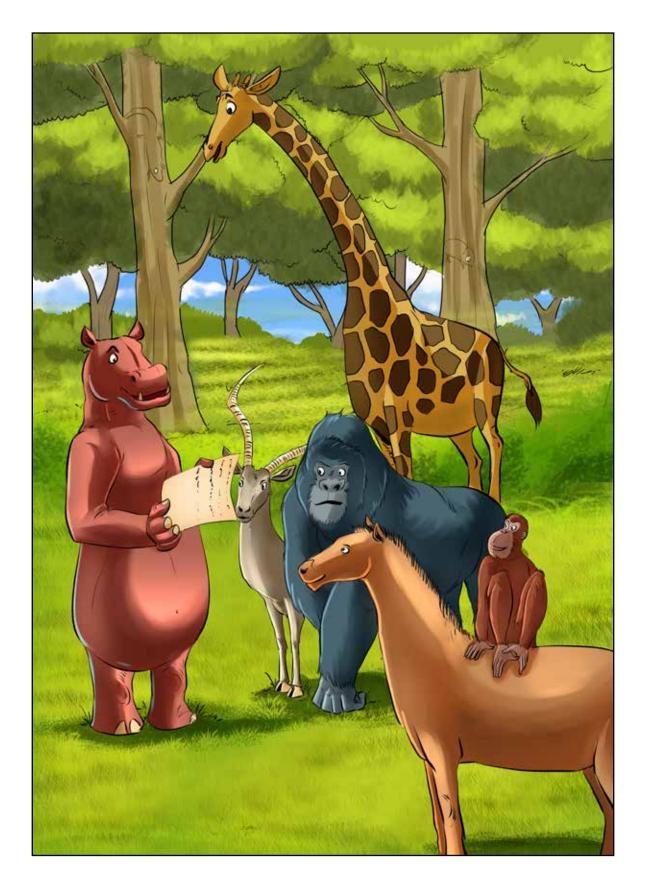
The hippo decided to go to Bakame for help. On seeing the hippo, Bakame shouted, "What brings you here? You live in water! Why are you on land?"



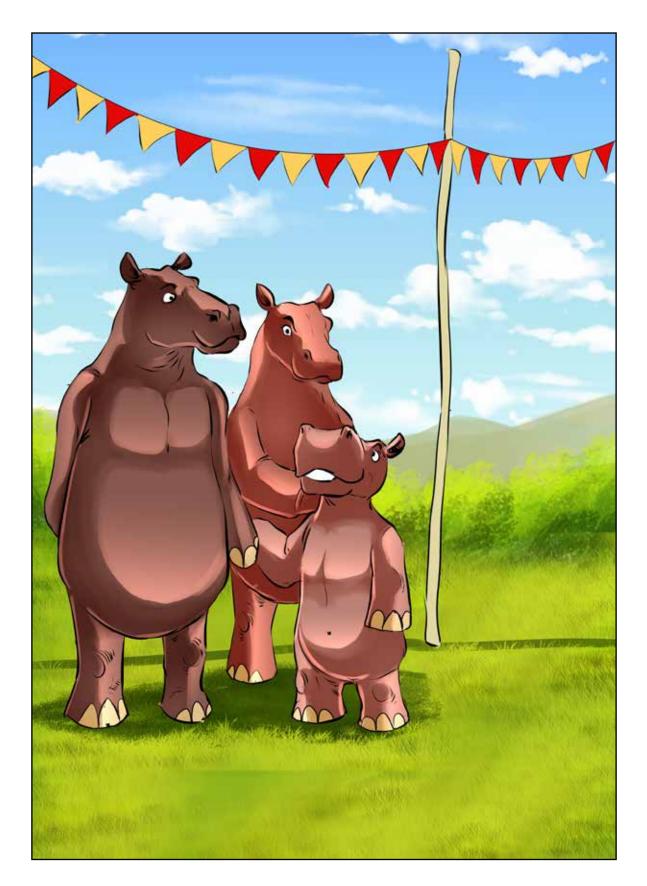
The hippo replied, "I am in big trouble." The hippo told Bakame what had happened and asked him to write a new invitation.



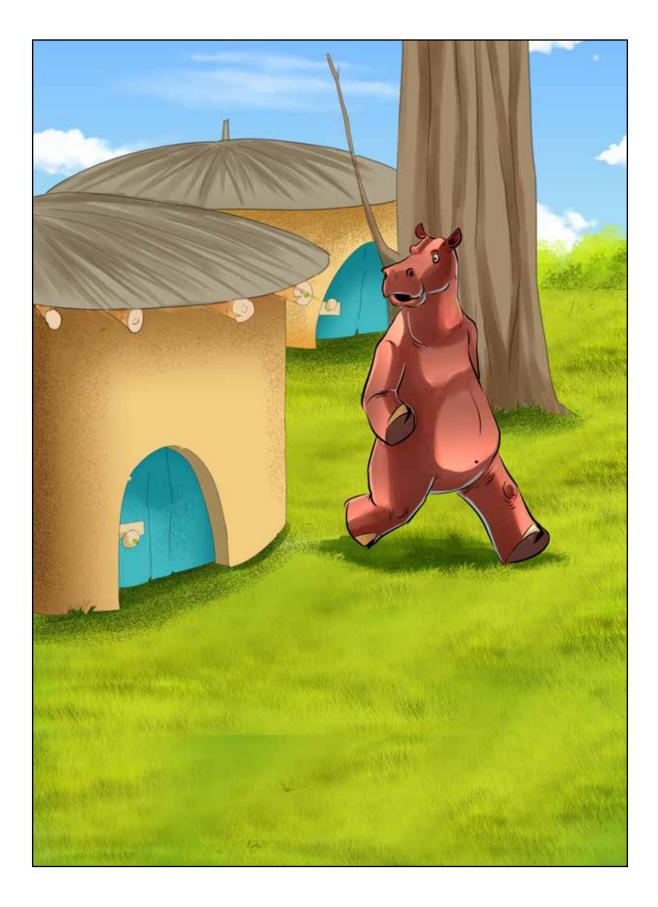
Bakame started writing and said, "The hippo was given our invitation and threw it in the water. On Christmas, we shall meet at the river to search for the invitation. On the New Year, we shall tell the king that the hippo didn't invite us."



Not knowing, the hippo gave the invitations to the animals.



On Christmas Day, all the animals gathered at the water source to search for the invitation while the hippo and his family went to the palace excited about the party.



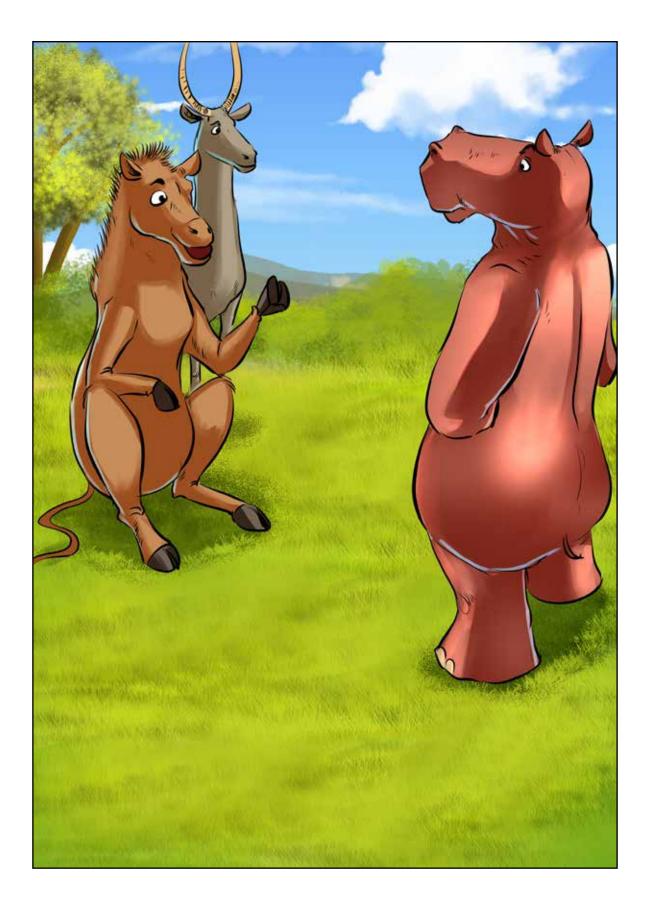
After sometime, the hippo didn't see any other animal coming to the party. The hippo got scared and ran to Bakame, but found the house empty.



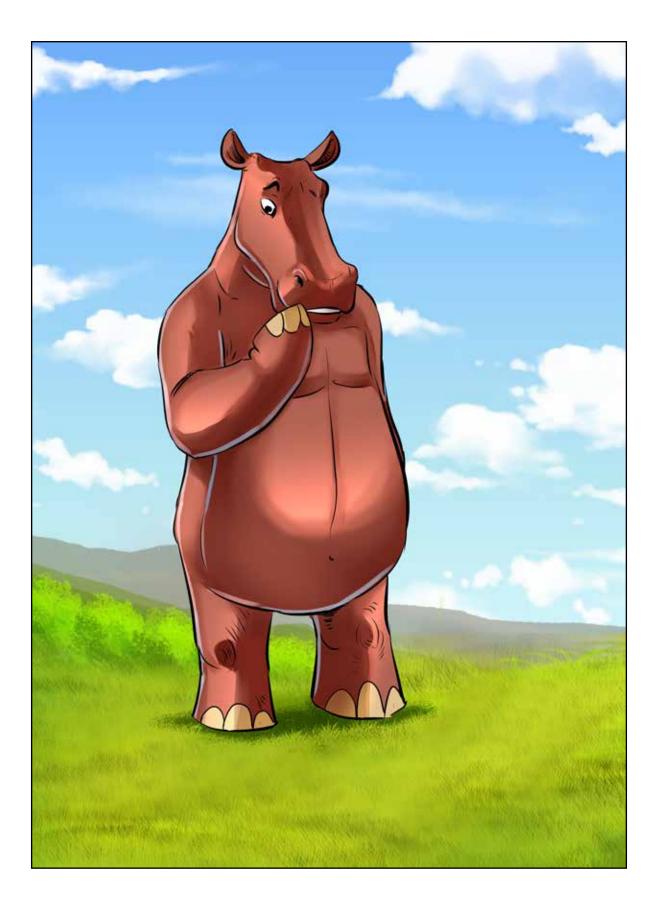
The hippo then decided to go to the water source to check if Bakame was bathing and getting ready for the party. On arrival, every animal was at the river.



The hippo told the animals to hurry because they were late for the party.



The zebra asked, "Where are we going? You invited us to meet you here to search for the Lion's invitation. Where are we going to find the king's invitation?"



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