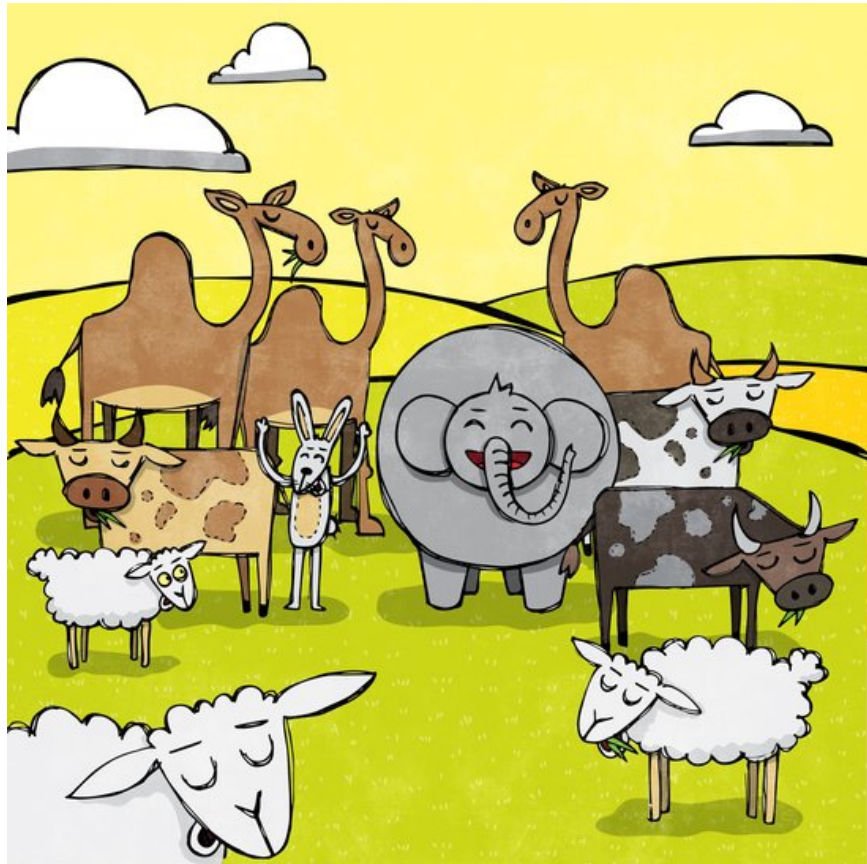


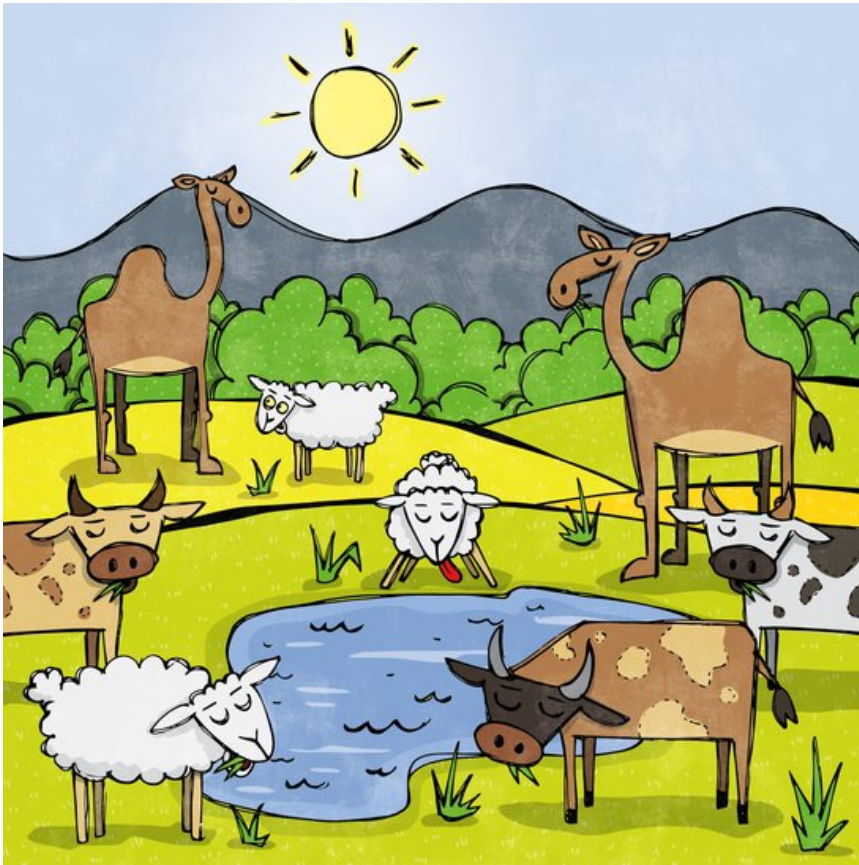
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Hapo zamani za kale,
Ndovu na Sungura
walikuwa marafiki
wakubwa sana.

Walikuwa na ngamia,
ng'ombe na kondoo
wengi.



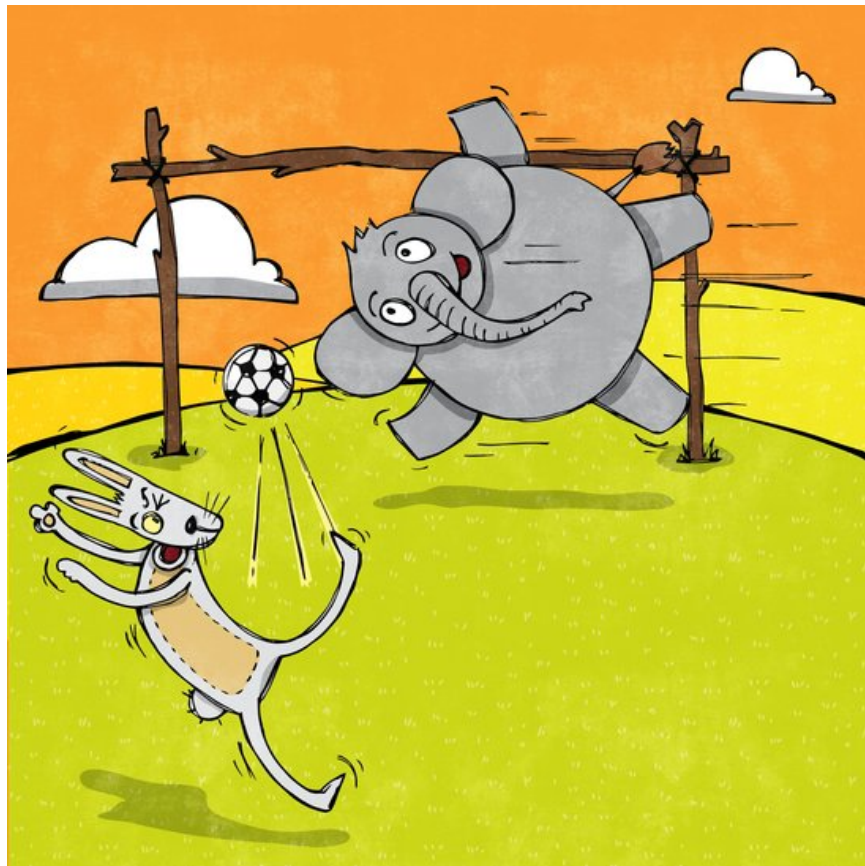


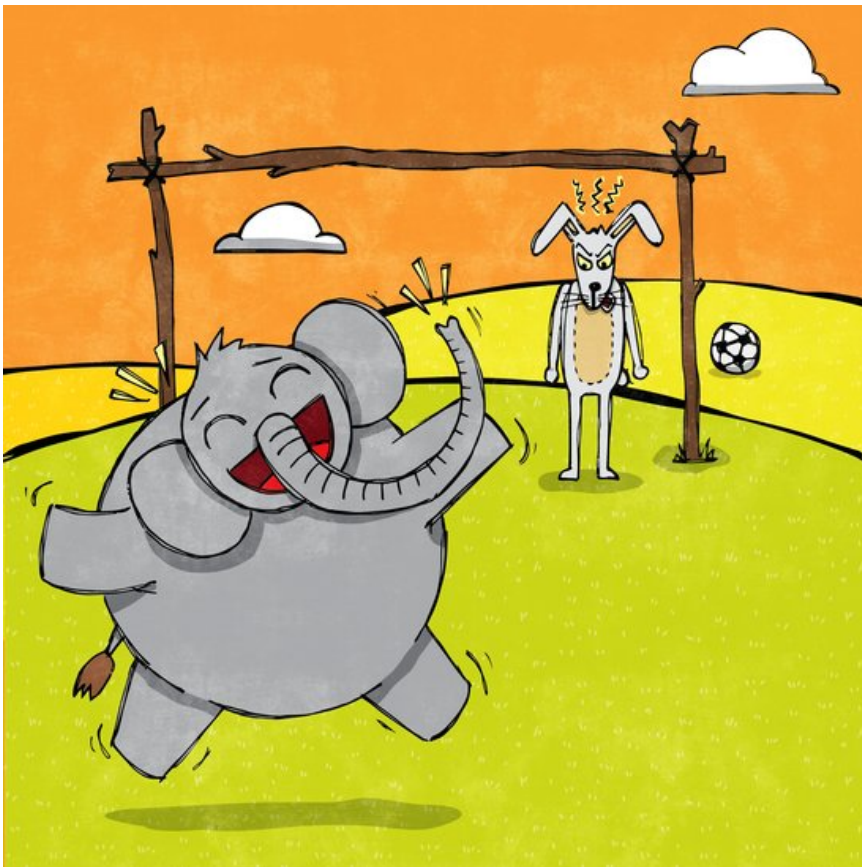
Walilisha wanyama hao
katika bonde la Kingilo.

Wakati mwingine
waliwapeleka wanyama
milimani ambako kulikuwa
na nyasi na maji
kwa wingi.

Wanyama walipokula,
Sungura na Ndovu
walicheza.

Walipenda sana
kucheza mpira
wa miguu.





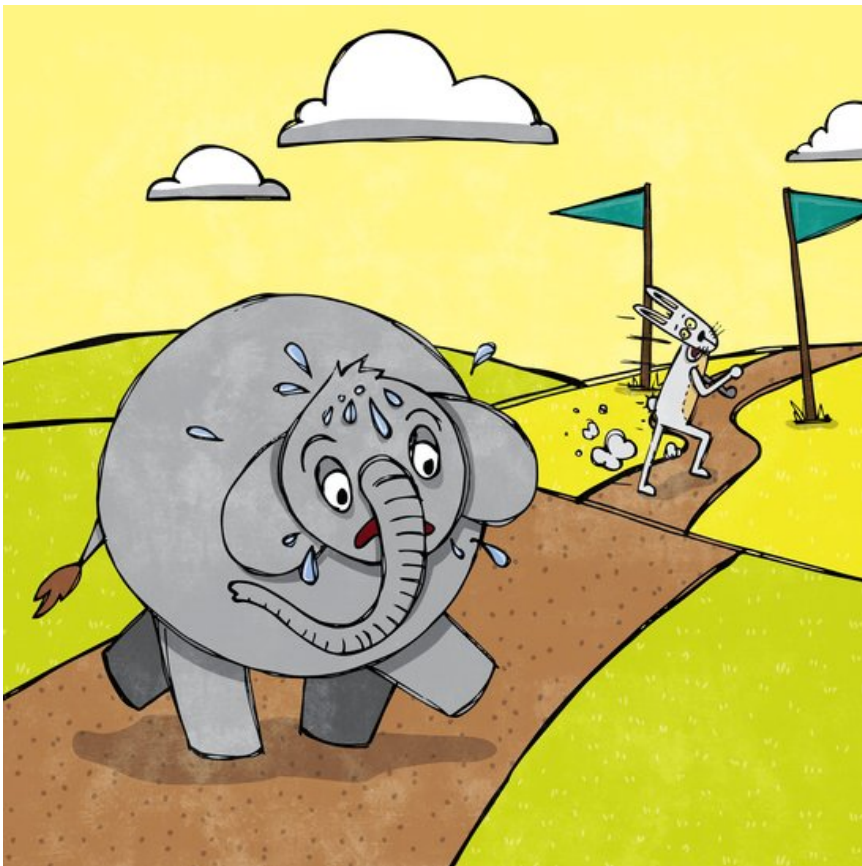
Kila walipocheza,
Ndovu aliingiza mabao
mengi kumliko Sungura.

Sungura alikasirishwa mno na hali
hii.

Siku moja Sungura
alimuuliza Ndovu,
“Ni nini kinachokuwezesha
kuwa mwingizaji goli
maarufu?”

Ndovu alijibu kwa haraka,
“Miguu yangu minene.”





Siku iliyofuata,
Sungura alipendekeza
wawe na mashindano
ya mbio.

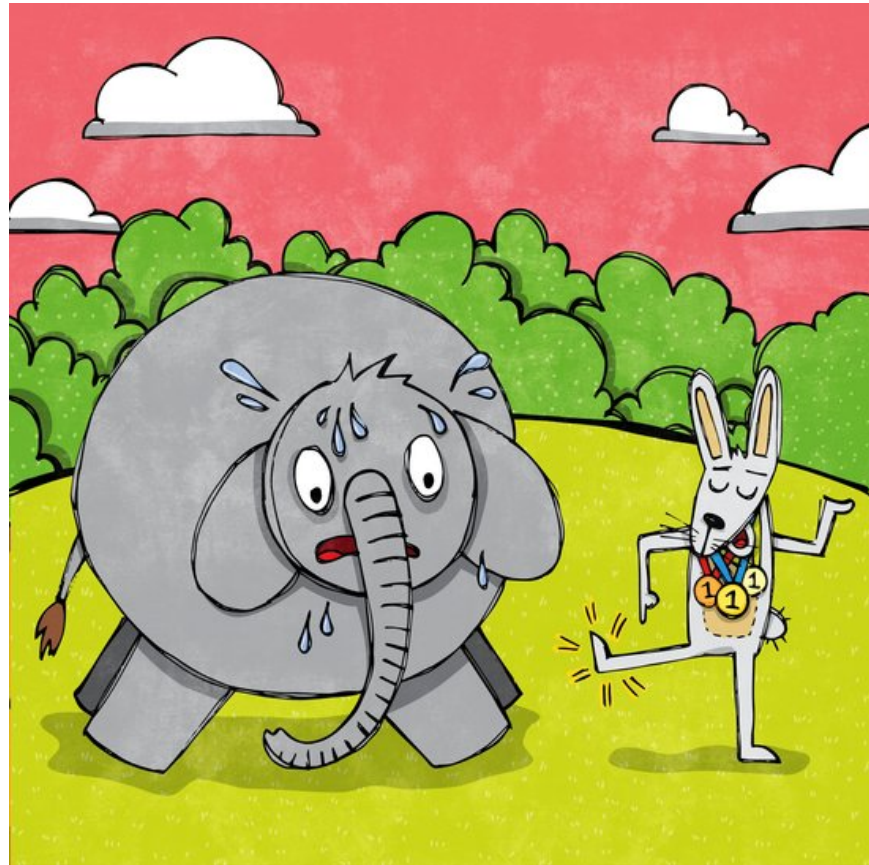
Ndovu alikubali na
wakaanza mbio.

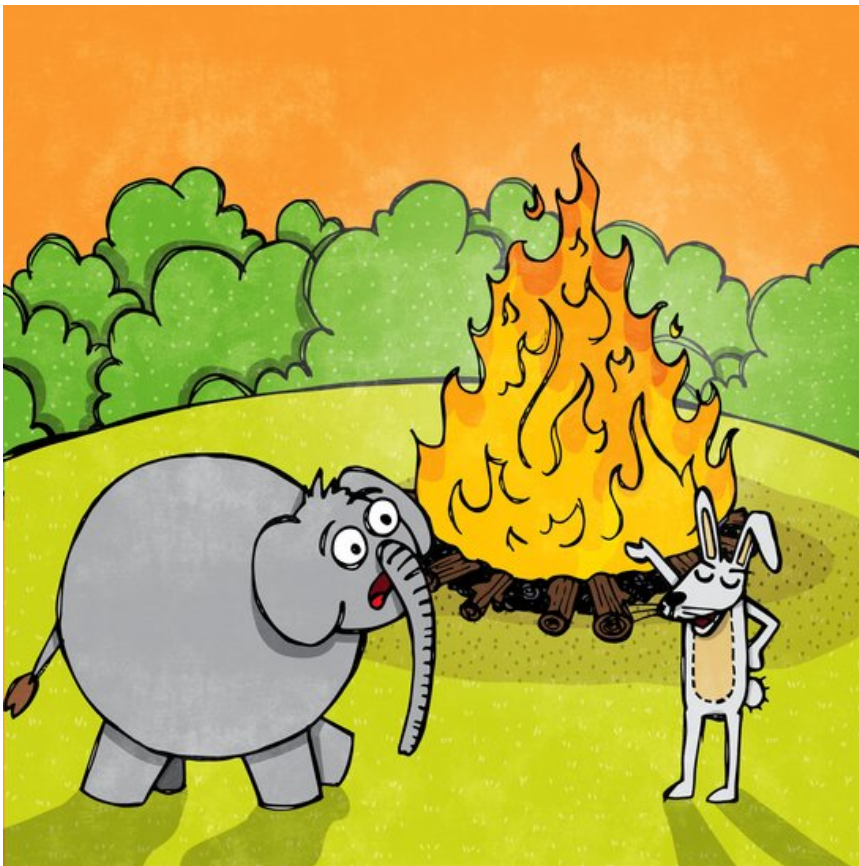
Sungura alishinda
mbio zote.

Ndovu alikasirika kwa
sababu hakuwahi
kushindwa.

Kwa hivyo alimuuliza Sungura, “Nini
kinachokuwezesha
kuwa mkimbiaji
maarufu?”

Sungura alijibu,
“Miguu yangu myembamba.”





Bila kuwaza zaidi,
Ndovu aliuliza kile
angelifanya ili miguu
yake iwe myembamba.

Sungura alisema,
“Ni rahisi,
nitakuonyesha.
Tafuta kuni na
ukoke moto.”

Ndovu alikusanya
kuni na kukoka
moto mkubwa.

Sungura alisema,
“Sasa iweke miguu
yako motoni.”

Ndovu alisimama
ndani ya moto.

Alipiga kelele,
“Nateketea! Nateketea!”



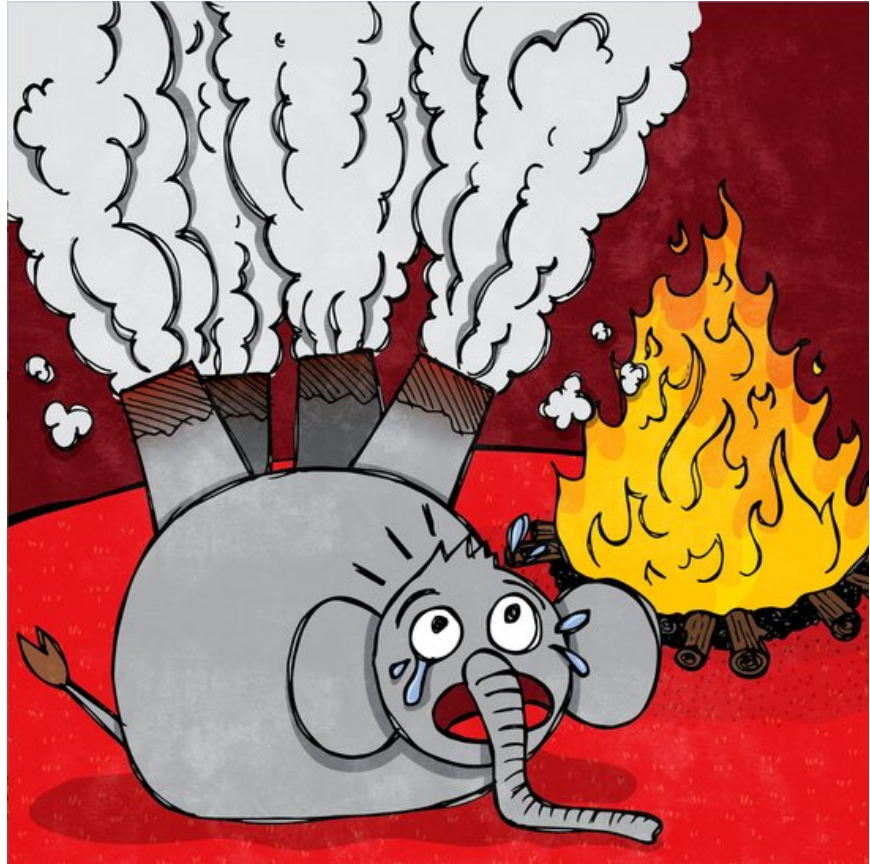


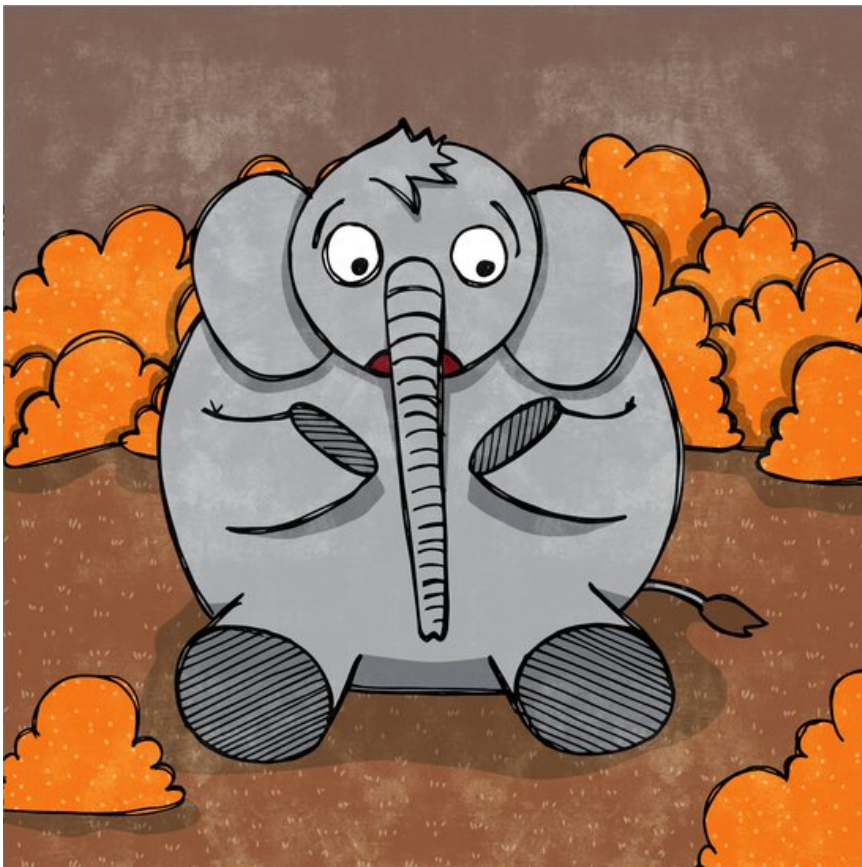
Sungura alifurahi.

Alimhimiza Ndovu
aendelea hivyo hivyo
maanake hivyo tu
ndivyo miguu yake
ingelikuwa myembamba.

Miguu ya Ndovu
ilijeruhiwa vibaya,
kwa hivyo aliondoka
motoni.

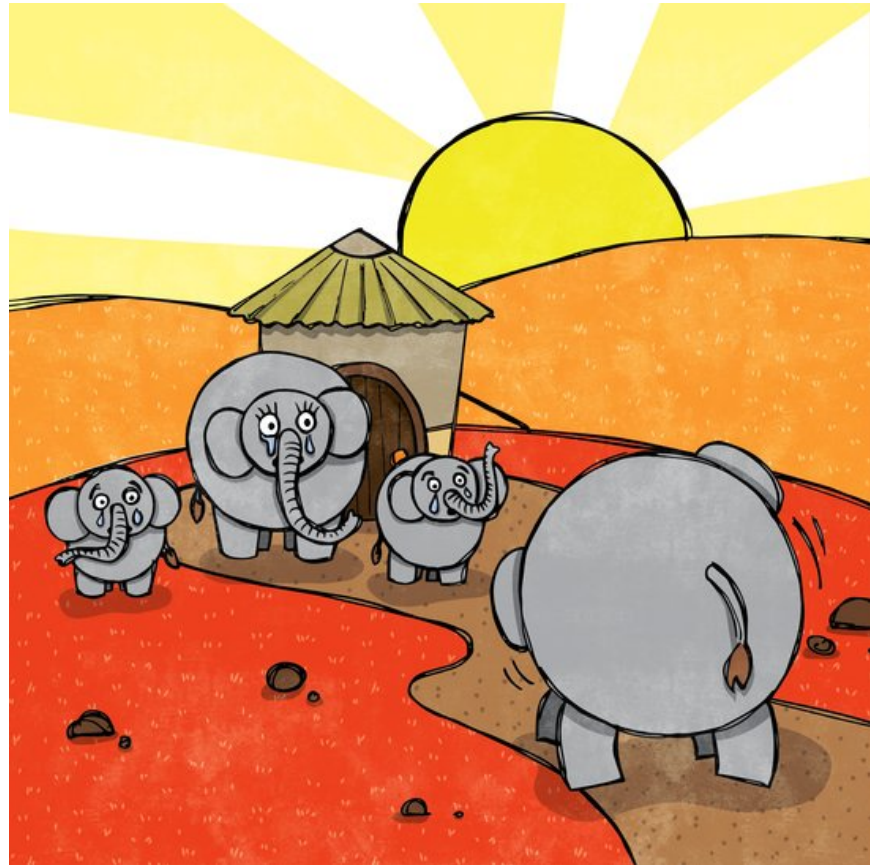
Hangeweza kusimama
kwa hivyo alala chini.

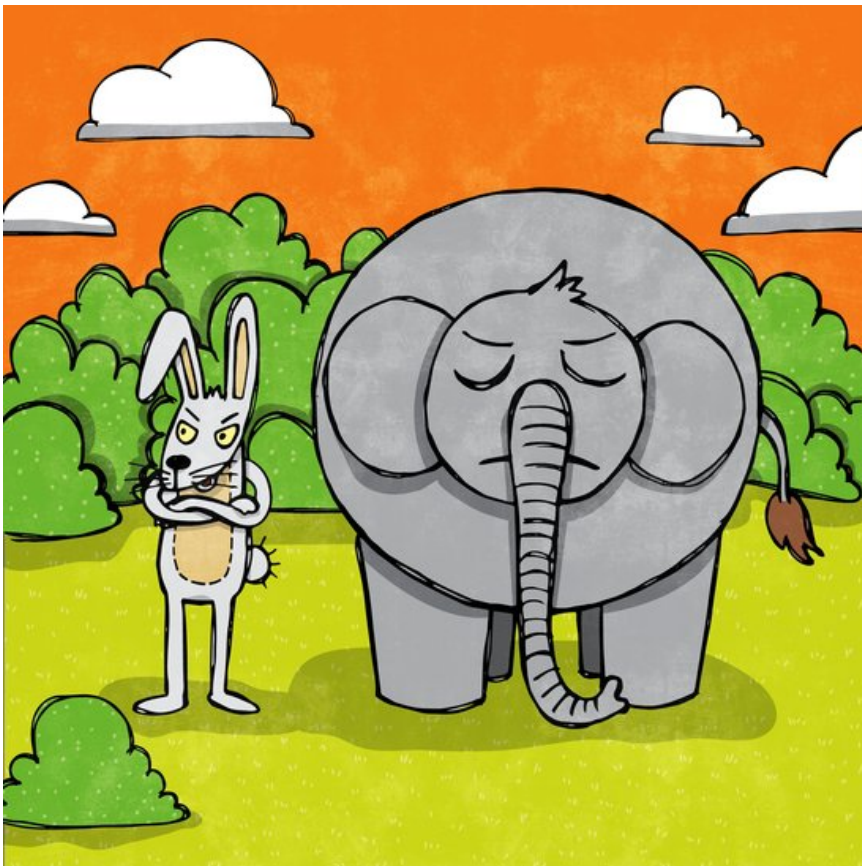




Ndovu aliketi kwa siku
nyingi kabla kuweza
kusimama kwa miguu
yake.

Hatimaye, aliweza
kuchechemea na
kwenda nyumbani
kwa familia yake.





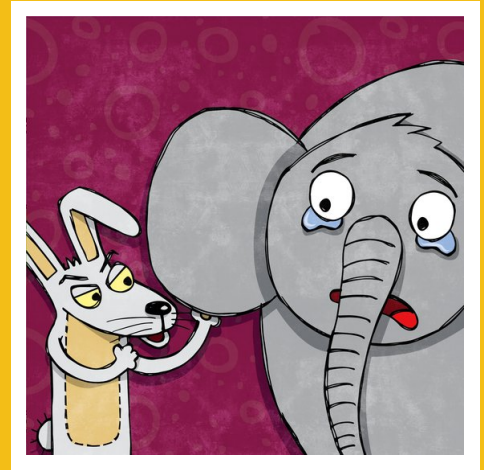
Sungura na Ndovu
si marafiki tena.

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