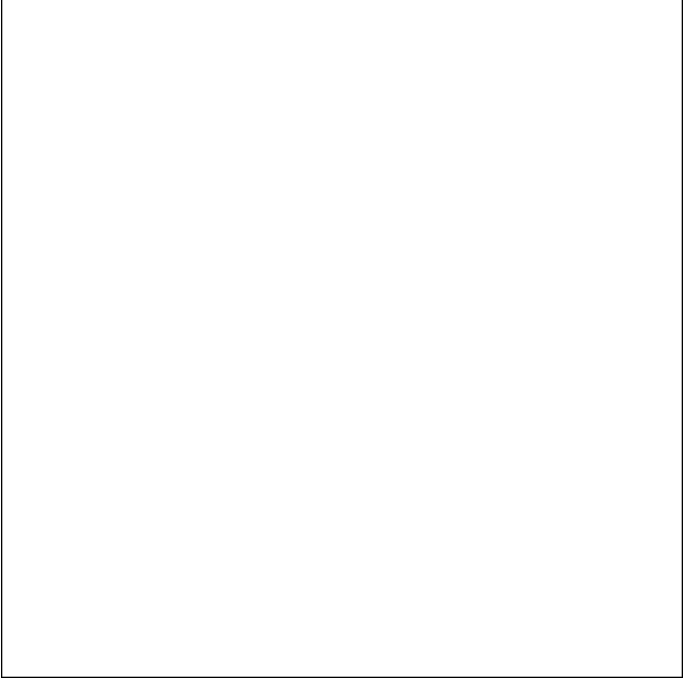


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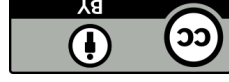
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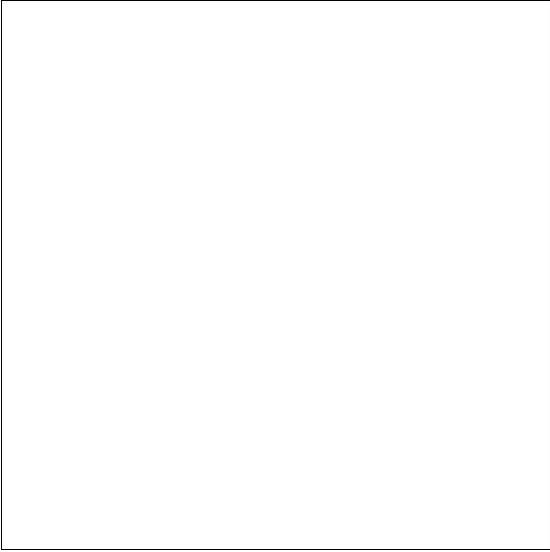
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Umunsi umwe, urukwavu rwariruri
kugenda kunkengeru z'umugezi.

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One day, Rabbit was walking by the
riverside.

Hippo was there too, going for a stroll
and eating some nice green grass.

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Inubu yari yo nayo, igiye kwitemberera
no kurya ibyatsi byiza byicyatsi.





Invubu ntiyabonye urukwavu ikandagira itabishaka ku ikirenge cy'urukwavu. Urukwavu rutangira gusakuza ku invubu, "Wowe Nvubu! Ntureba ko uhagaze ku ikirenge cyange?"

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Hippo didn't see that Rabbit was there and she accidentally stepped on Rabbit's foot. Rabbit started screaming at Hippo, "You Hippo! Can't you see that you're stepping on my foot?"



Urukwavu rwari rwishimye kubera ko umusatsi w'invubu wahiye. No kugeza uyumunsi, kubw'ubwoba bw'umuriro, invubu ntijya ijya kure hitaruye amazi.

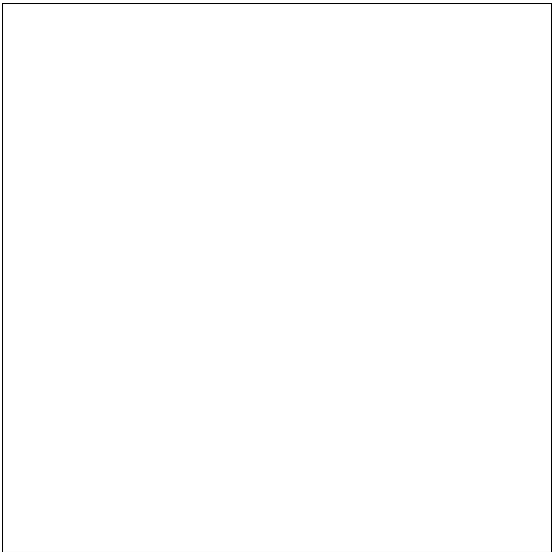
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Rabbit was happy that Hippo's hair was burned. And to this day, for fear of fire, the hippo never goes far from the water.

Hippo apologised to Rabbit, "I'm so sorry. I didn't see you. Please forgive me!" But Rabbit wouldn't listen and he shouted at Hippo, "You did that on purpose! Someday, you'll see! You're going to pay!"

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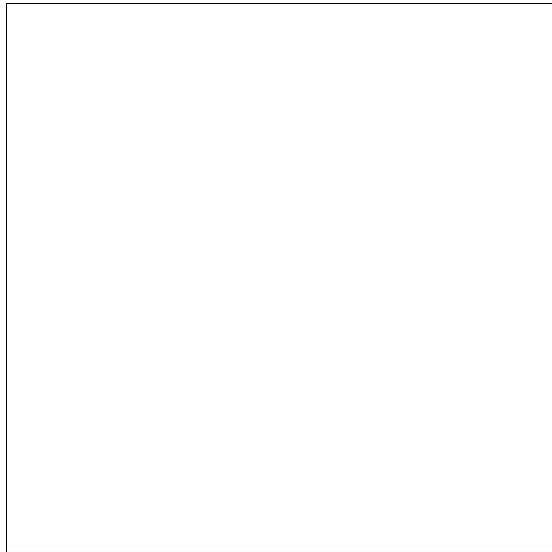
Inubu yasabye imabazi urukwavu, "Mbarira cyane. Singeze nkubona. Ihangane umbarire!" Aiko urukwavu ntidwunvise rukomeza gusakuriza inubu, "Wabikoze kubushake! Umunsi umwe uzabona! Uzabyishyura!"



Hippo started to cry and ran for the water. All her hair was burned off by the fire. Hippo kept crying, "My hair has burned in the fire! My hair is all gone! My beautiful hair!"

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Inubu yatangiyeye kurira iriruka isanga amazi. Umusatsi wose wari watwitswe n'umuriro. Inubu yakomeze kurira, "Umusatsi wange watwitswe n'umuriro! Umusatsi wange wose wagiyeye! Umusatsi wange mwizai!"





Urukwavu rwaragiye gushaka umuriro ruravuga, “genda utwike invubu niva mu amazi kurya ibyatsi. Yarangandagiye!” Umuriro warasubishe, “Ntakibazo, rukwavu, nshuti yange. Nzakora icyo unsabye.”

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Rabbit went to find Fire and said, “Go, burn Hippo when she comes out of the water to eat grass. She stepped on me!” Fire answered, “No problem, Rabbit, my friend. I’ll do just what you ask.”



Nyuma, invubu yaririmo kurya ibyatsi kure hitaruye umugezi ubwo, “Whoosh!” Umuriro wagurumanaga. Ibirimi byatangiye gutwika umusatsi w’invubu.

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Later, Hippo was eating grass far from the river when, “Whoosh!” Fire burst into flame. The flames began to burn Hippo’s hair.