

COUNTING WAYS TO STAY SAFE



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**HELPING CHILDREN
FIGHT COVID-19**

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NABU's mission

NABU is a New York-based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, with a mission to solve the imbalance in children's book creation and distribution, so all children can read and rise to their full potential. We disrupt the cycle of poverty by leveraging technology to publish children's books for free on digital platforms in mother tongue languages.

About the Health - COVID-19 Collection

As we publish this book in April 2020, the world is facing a global pandemic which will impact children and their families in every country. As a result of COVID-19, an estimated 1.37 billion students globally are out of school today and face interruptions to their learning. As a digital platform, NABU is providing the most vulnerable children with resources at home to ensure that they are able to stay safe and continue their learning. Moreover, misinformation about the virus is pervasive, and parents and families need access to accurate information and sensitive ways to talk to their children about the virus, to help keep them and their communities safe.

In response, NABU created this collection with the support of experts in the field of health, neuroscience and child development, and a team of authors who pitched in to create information-rich, compelling stories. Created in Rwanda and illustrated by NABU's incredible Rwandan illustrators, the stories were published in Kinyarwanda, and also made available in English for families globally. Wherever you are reading, we hope you and your family stay safe and that this story brings you comfort and hope for brighter days ahead.

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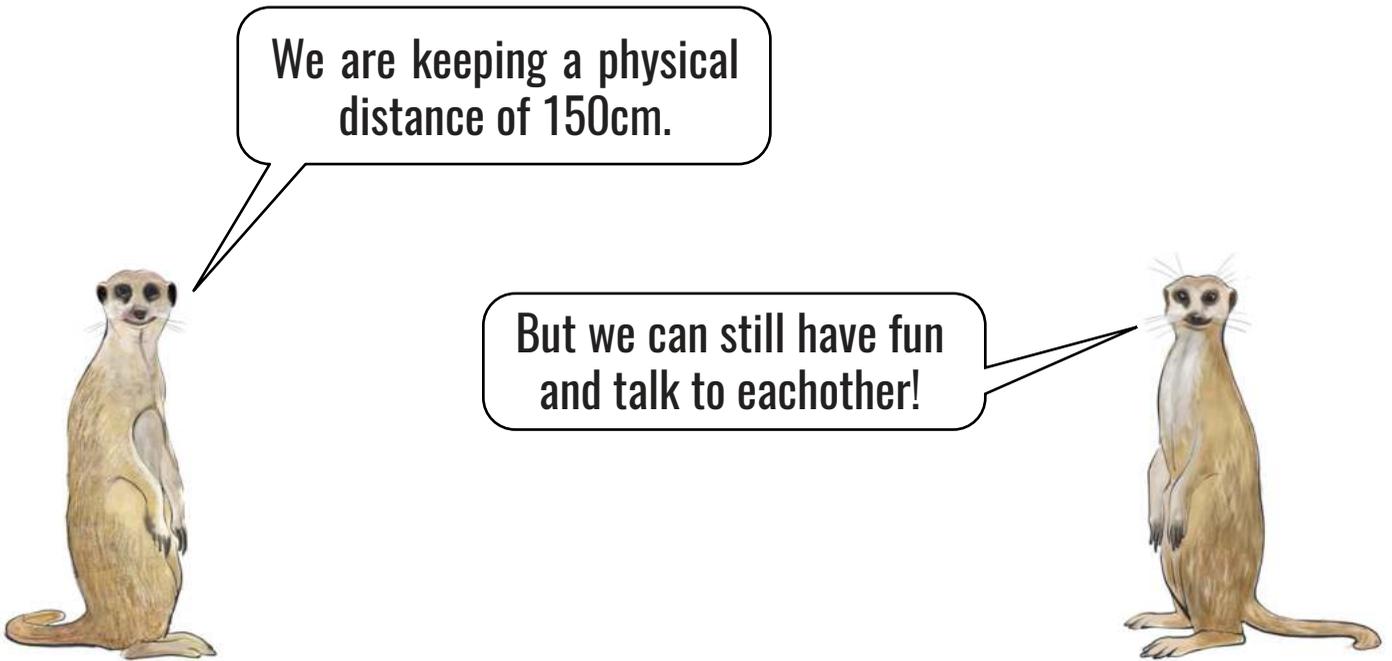
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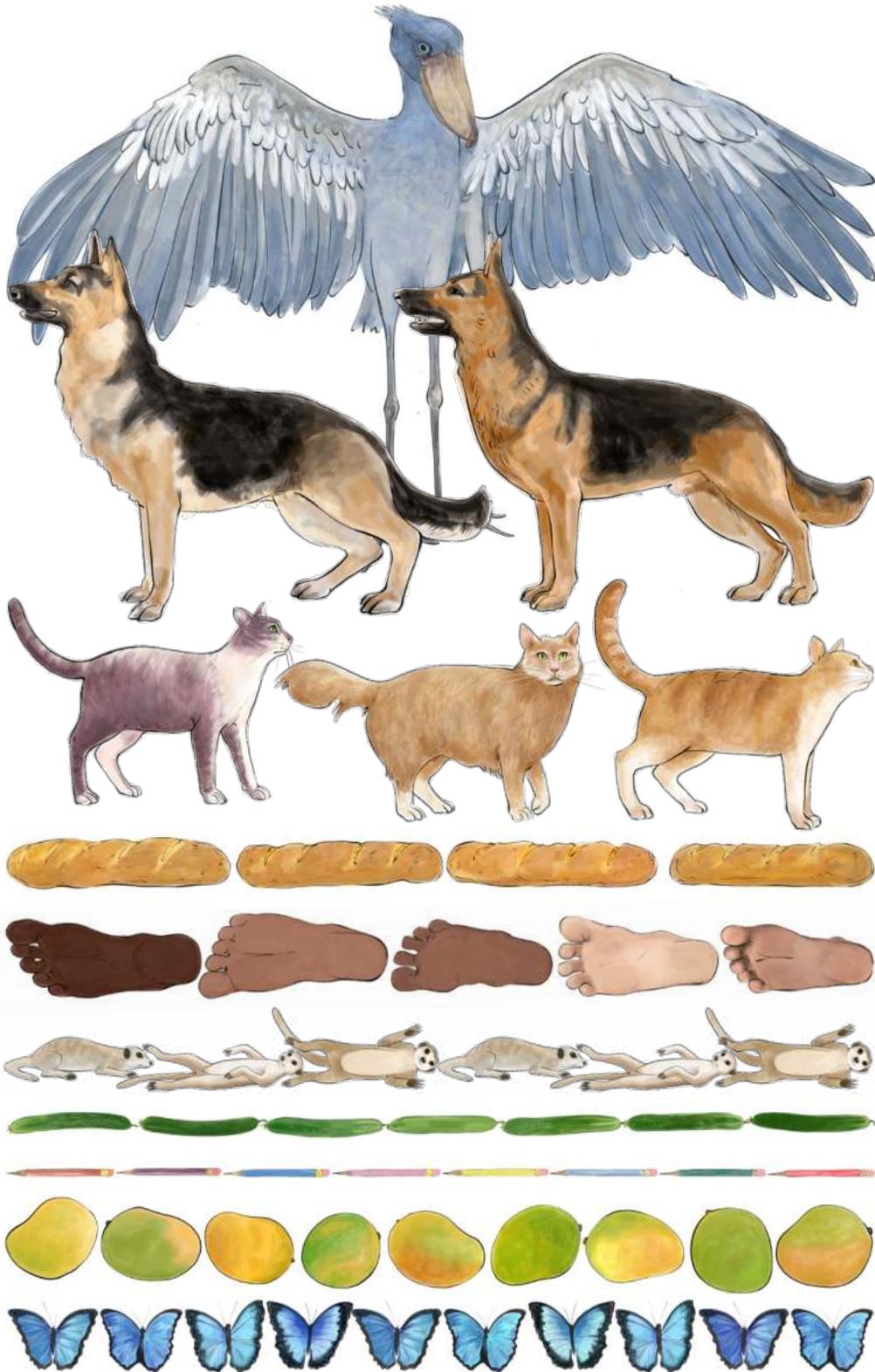
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Physical distancing is a very important measure in slowing the spread of COVID-19. We need stick to physical distancing rules to stay safe.

What is 150cm?



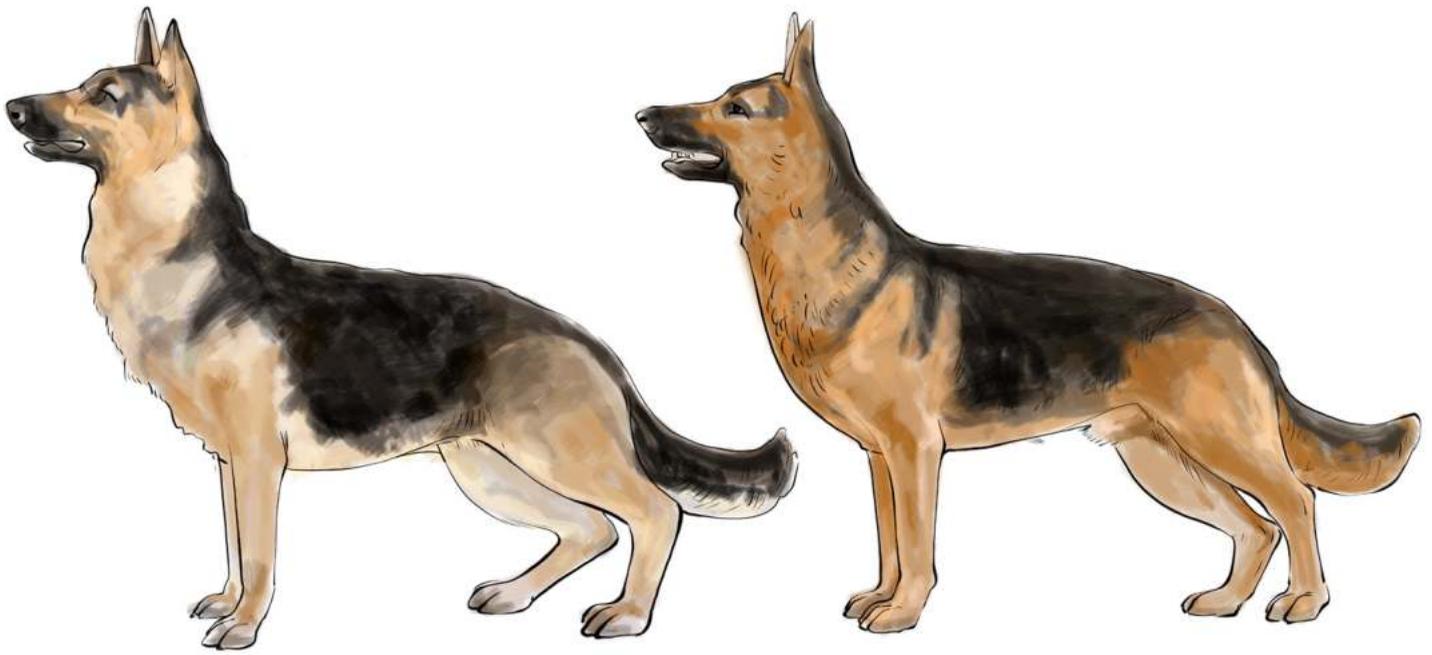
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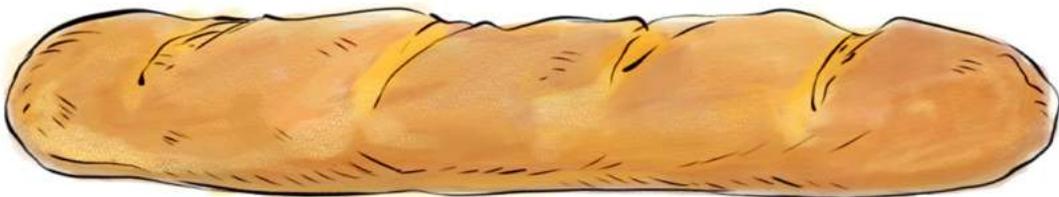
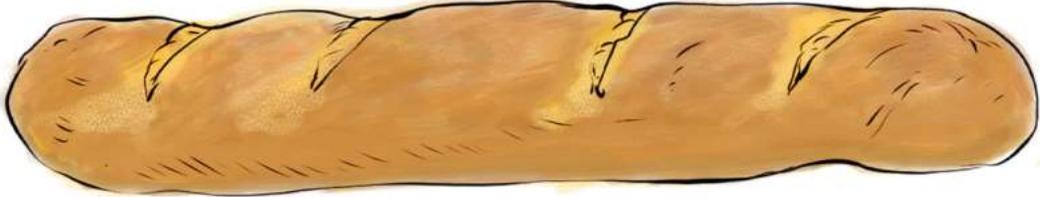
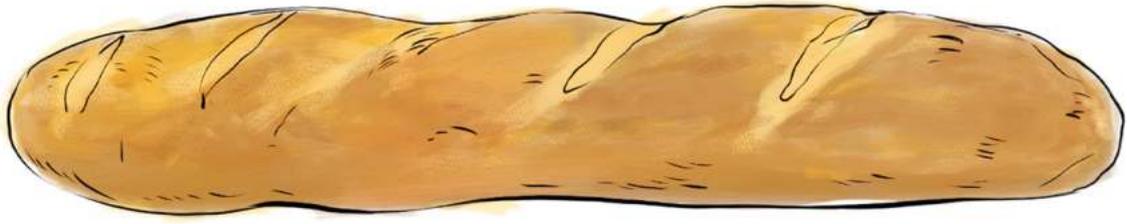
One shoebill bird, flapping its mighty wings.



Two german sheppards, the most loyal dogs of all.



Three pet cats, for snuggling on the bed.



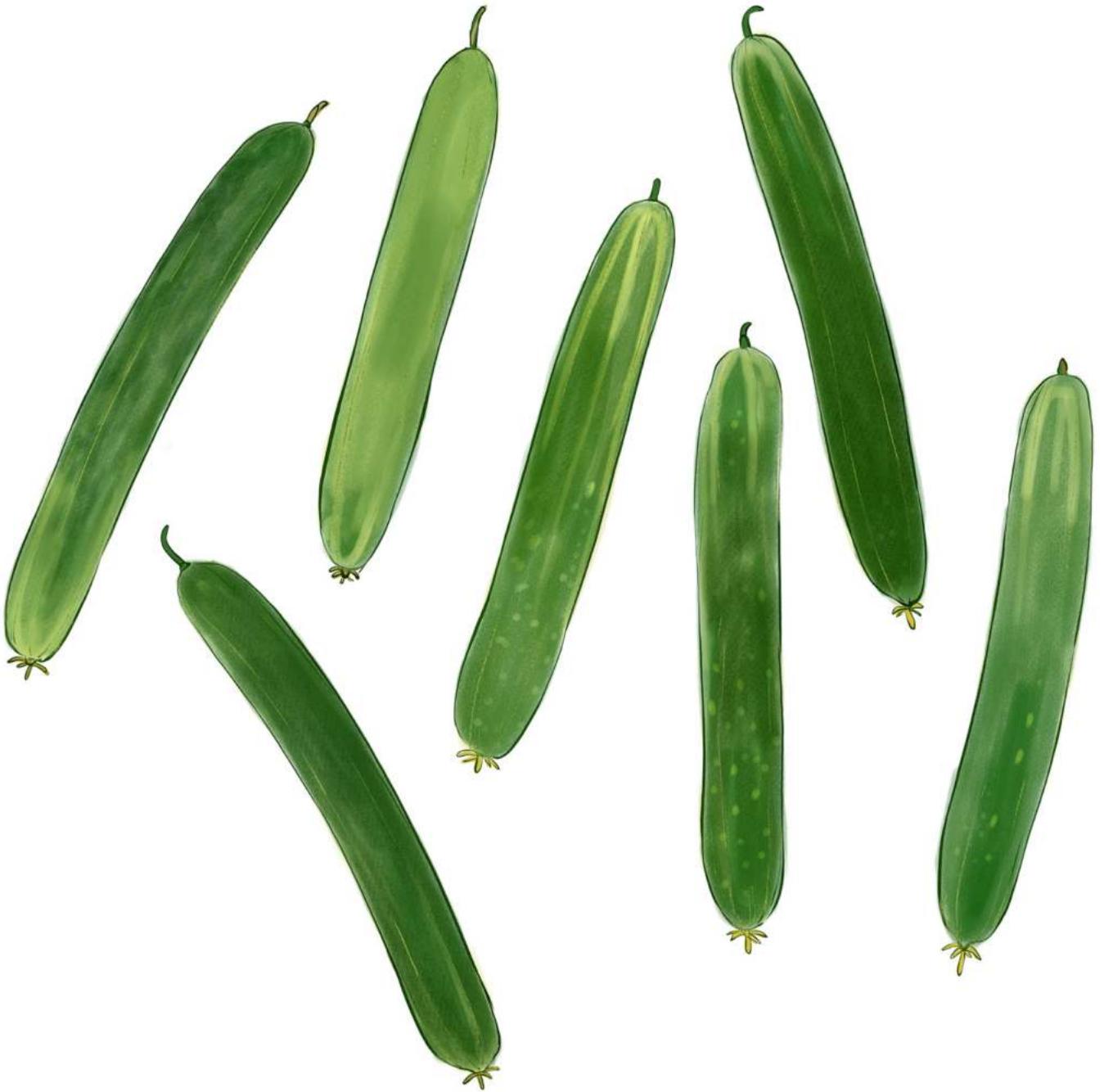
Four bread baguettes, for hungry feasting days.



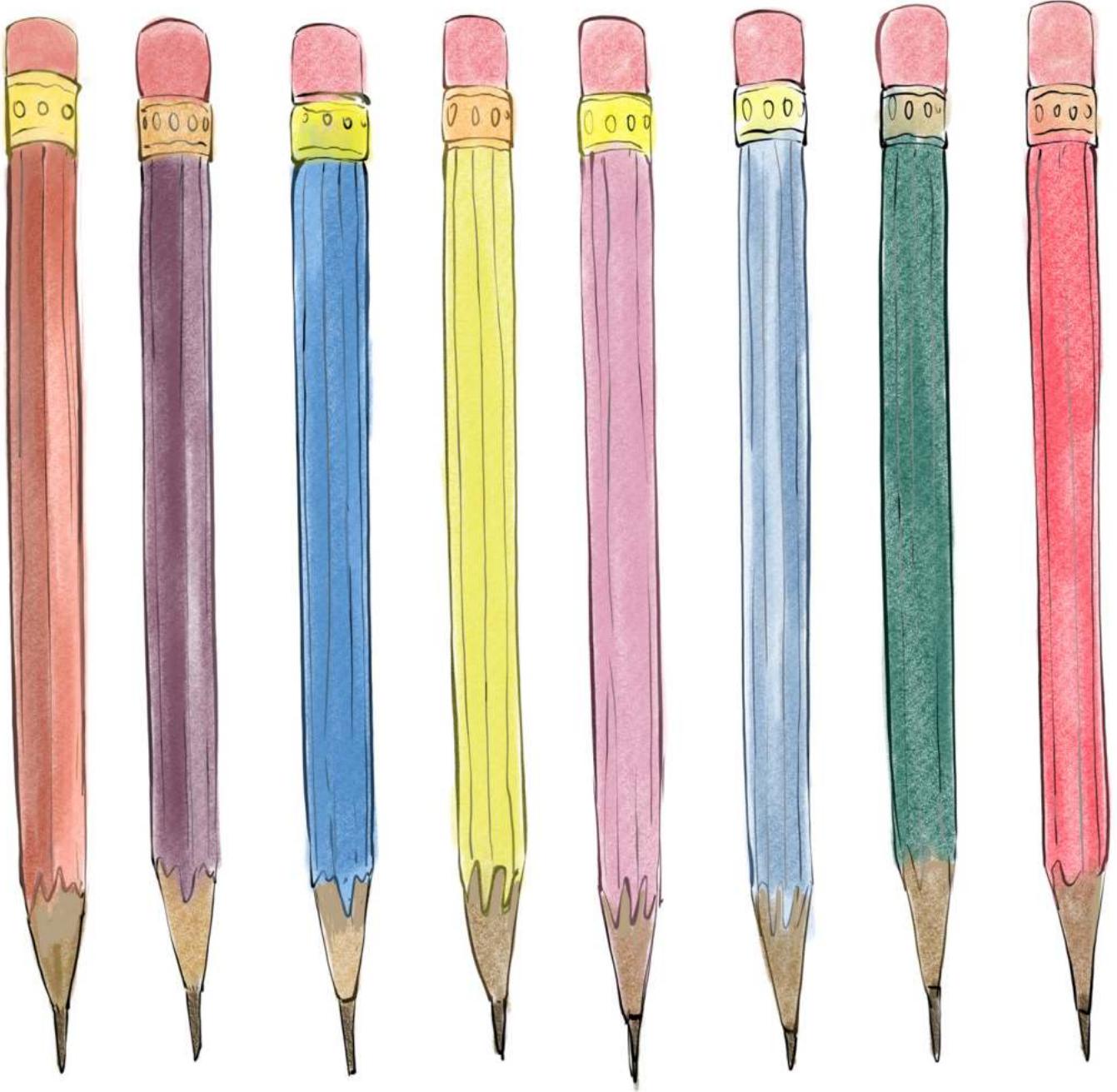
Five human feet, as ticklish as can be.



Six meerkats standing, like they always do.



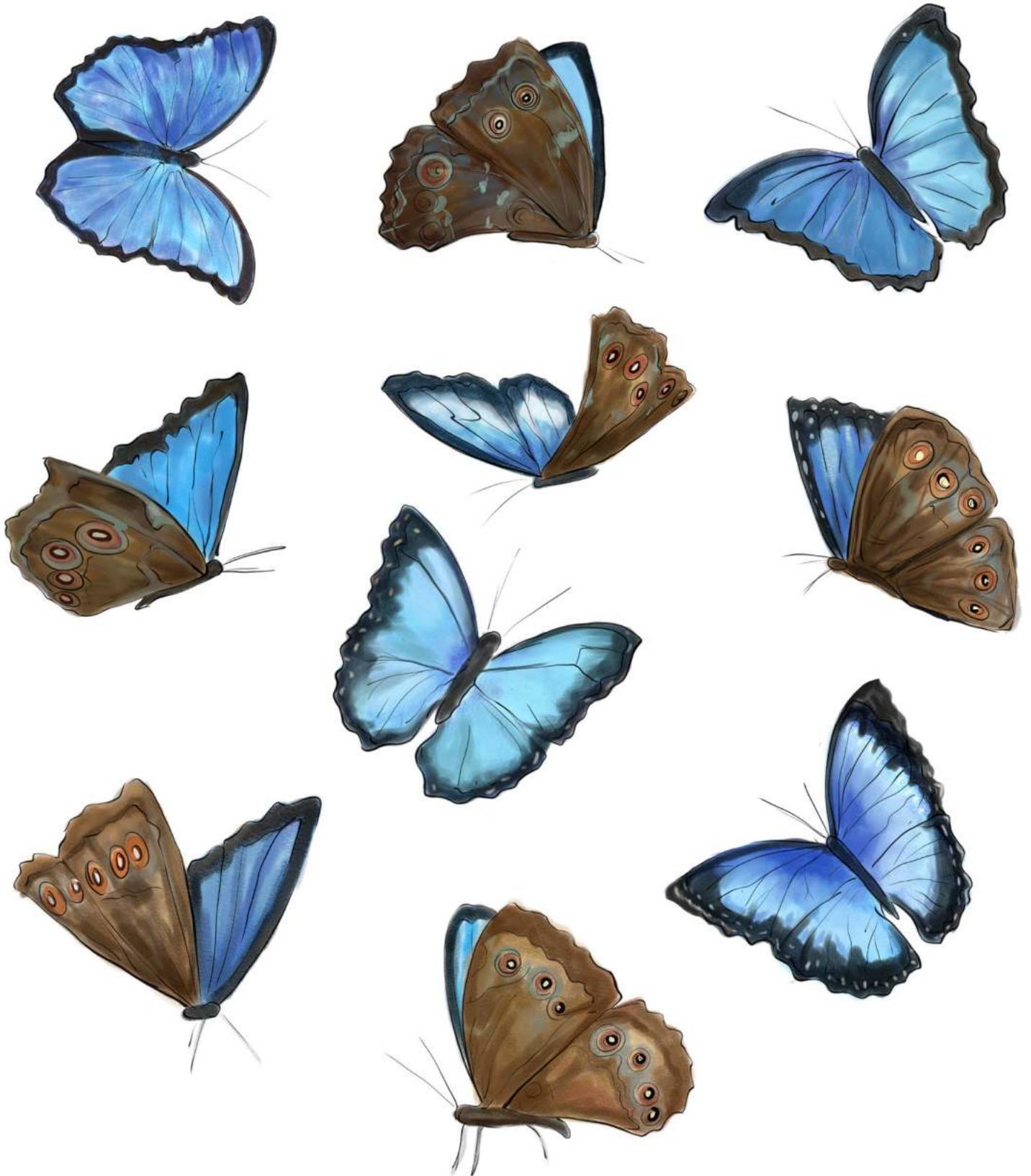
Seven long cucumbers, enough for you and me.



Eight sharp pencils, lined up and ready to draw.



Nine delicious mangoes, my all-time favourite treat.



Ten blue morpho butterflies, the most beautiful sight there is.

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About NABU Stories

NABU creates children's stories with a cultural point of view. Children who are exposed to multiple cultures and languages are more likely to become lifelong learners and compassionate global citizens. We believe that culturally relevant stories that reflect who children see when they look in the mirror help to develop healthy self-esteem and a sense of pride, and children who learn about cultures different from their own are much more likely to develop into adults who value the dignity of human life and making the world a better place for all.



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