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INTRODUCTION TO ZOLA & FRIENDS





Camp Serengeti is a nature reserve in the Serengeti, Africa where Zola lives with her friends, Mosi the monkey, Kito the lizard and Shani the snake. They all live together in a Treehouse and have fun adventures roaming around parts of Camp Serengeti, like the Cool Riverside, the Amazing Hills or the Wide Open Plain where they have lots of adventures with other animals in the Serengeti. Zola and her friends have a musical band where they play instruments and Zola does her famous Zola Bounce with bells on her feet to create a bouncy rhythm.

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In the heart of the lively Camp Serengeti, join Zola, an exuberant 8-year-old rhinoceros, and her eclectic group of friends as they embark on whimsical adventures. Despite their penchant for inadvertently creating problems, this spirited bunch always manages to come together, applying teamwork and creativity to solve the challenges they face. Amidst the laughter, singing, and dancing that define their days, each escapade becomes a lesson in friendship, problem-solving, and self-discovery. Get ready for a heartwarming and entertaining journey through the vibrant world of Camp Serengeti, where every misstep is an opportunity for growth and where the bonds of friendship are forged in the most delightful and unexpected ways.





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CAMP SERENGETI



Welcome to Camp Serengeti

Camp Serengeti also shows the wild beauty of Africa - bright colors, sounds and wild animals all come together to create a breath taking experience for children all over the world to enjoy. While Zola and her friends are learning great life lessons, they are also having great fun and awesome adventures along the way.

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Main Characters

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ZOLA

8 year old, vivacious, boisterous, spontaneous rhino girl. Loves to help and join in activities but doesn't always think things through. She often forgets how big she is when she charges into situations and ends up in a lot of 'accidents' but she always helps to fix things in the end and she sings the best songs so everyone loves her.



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KITO

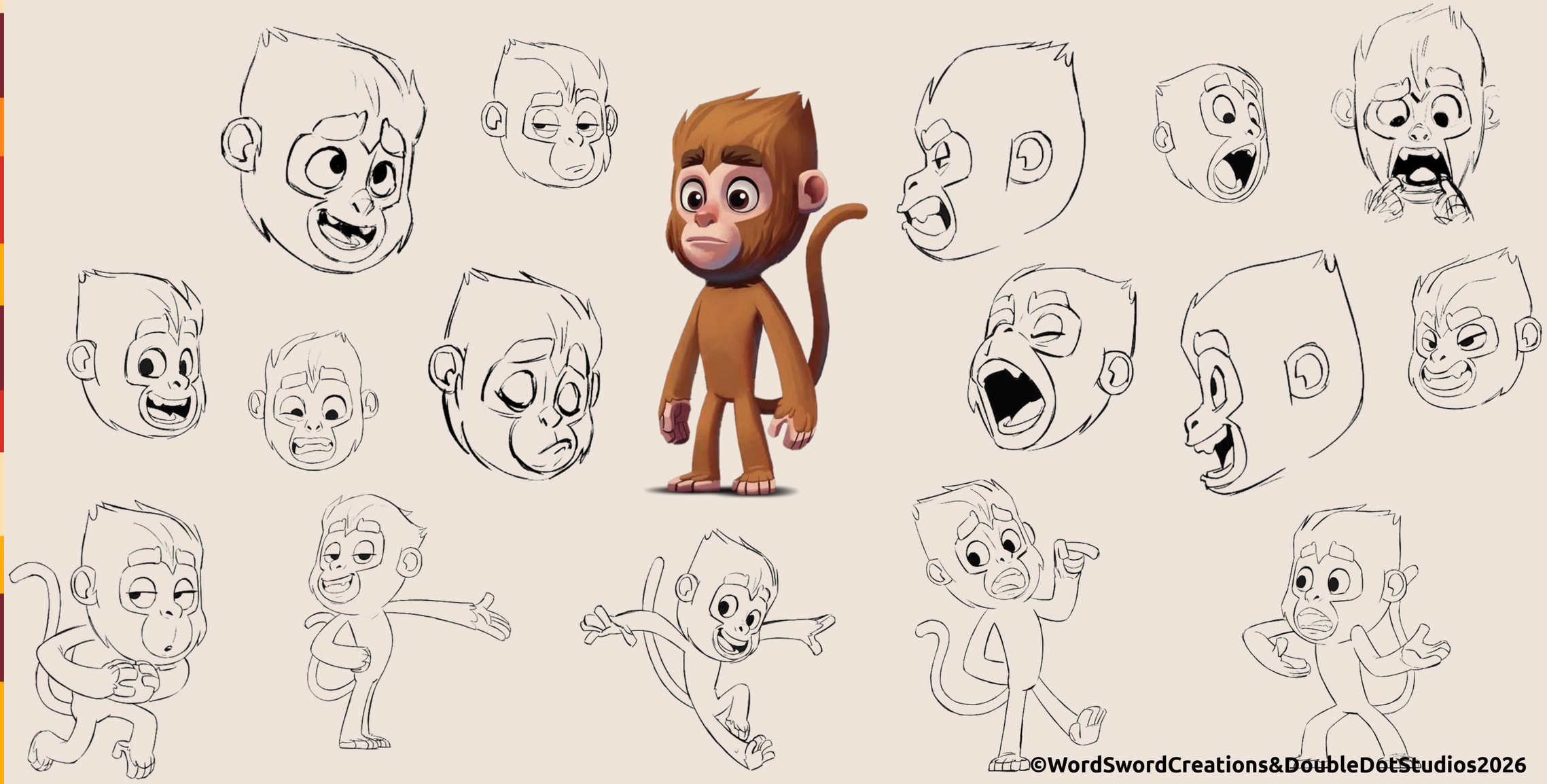
An old lizard, just how old, no one knows but everyone knows he's the oldest because he says so. He knows a lot of things about a lot of places and tells a lot of stories about long, long ago and everyone agrees he is very wise. He plays the 'Agogo' bells and that's why everyone calls him Kito.



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MOSI

8 year monkey and Zola's best friend. Mosi is very smart and likes to plan everything in his head and sometimes this takes the fun out of things but everyone is happy when he thinks up things to solve a messy situation. He is happy to take on tasks that other people think are 'boring'. He loves to play the flute.



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SHANI

6 year old snake that loves to sleep most of all. She doesn't move around much and when she has to, she is very slow. But she is fast when it comes to completing tasks, so she can hurry and go back to sleep! She does a lazy dance when Mosi plays the flute. Long speeches send her to sleep.



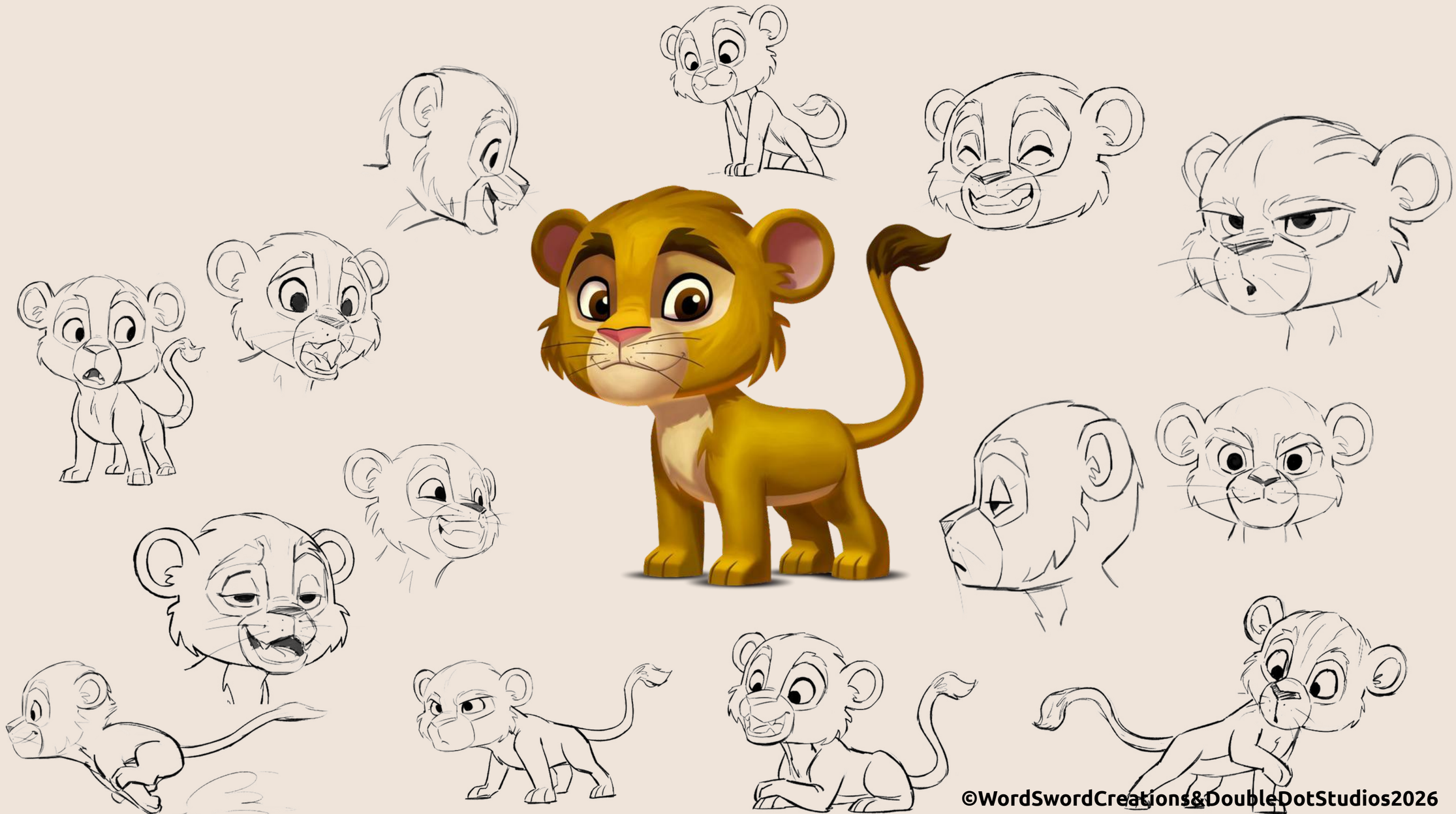
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Secondary Characters

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MINGA

5 year old lion who loves to boss everyone around, the only problem is that he is small and cute so no one takes him seriously. He loves to play the drums.



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NEELAI

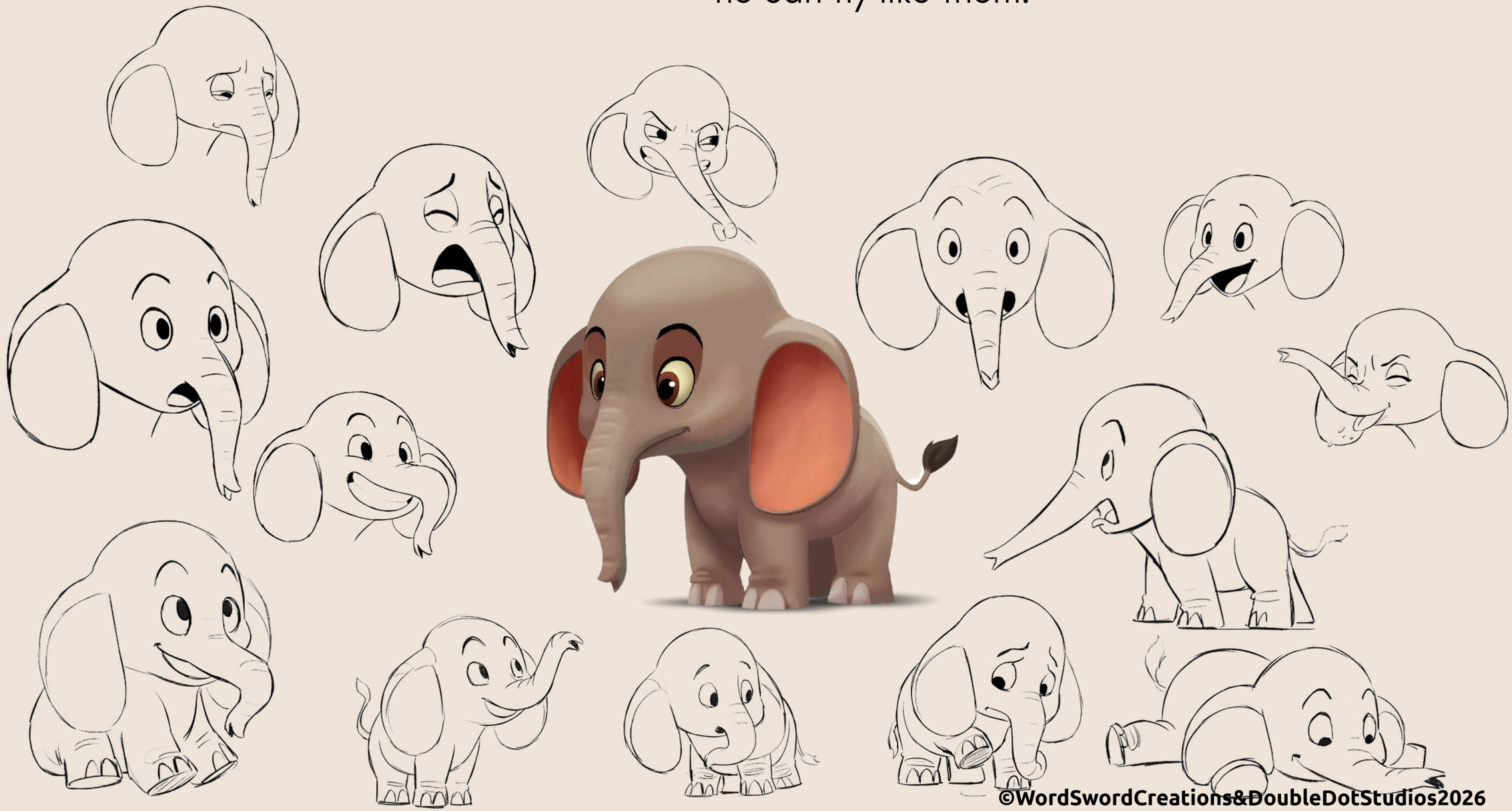
6 year old hyena who loves to giggle, so everyone calls her that. She loves to play practical jokes and always sees the funny side of things. She's a good sport and doesn't mind being laughed at sometimes, as long as everyone is laughing.



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TOBI

5 year old elephant, shy and gets scared easily but Zola gives him the best belly rubs that make him feel much better. He loves to trumpet with his trunk when he is happy and is fascinated with birds and butterflies and tries to flap his ears so he can fly like them.



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NALORI

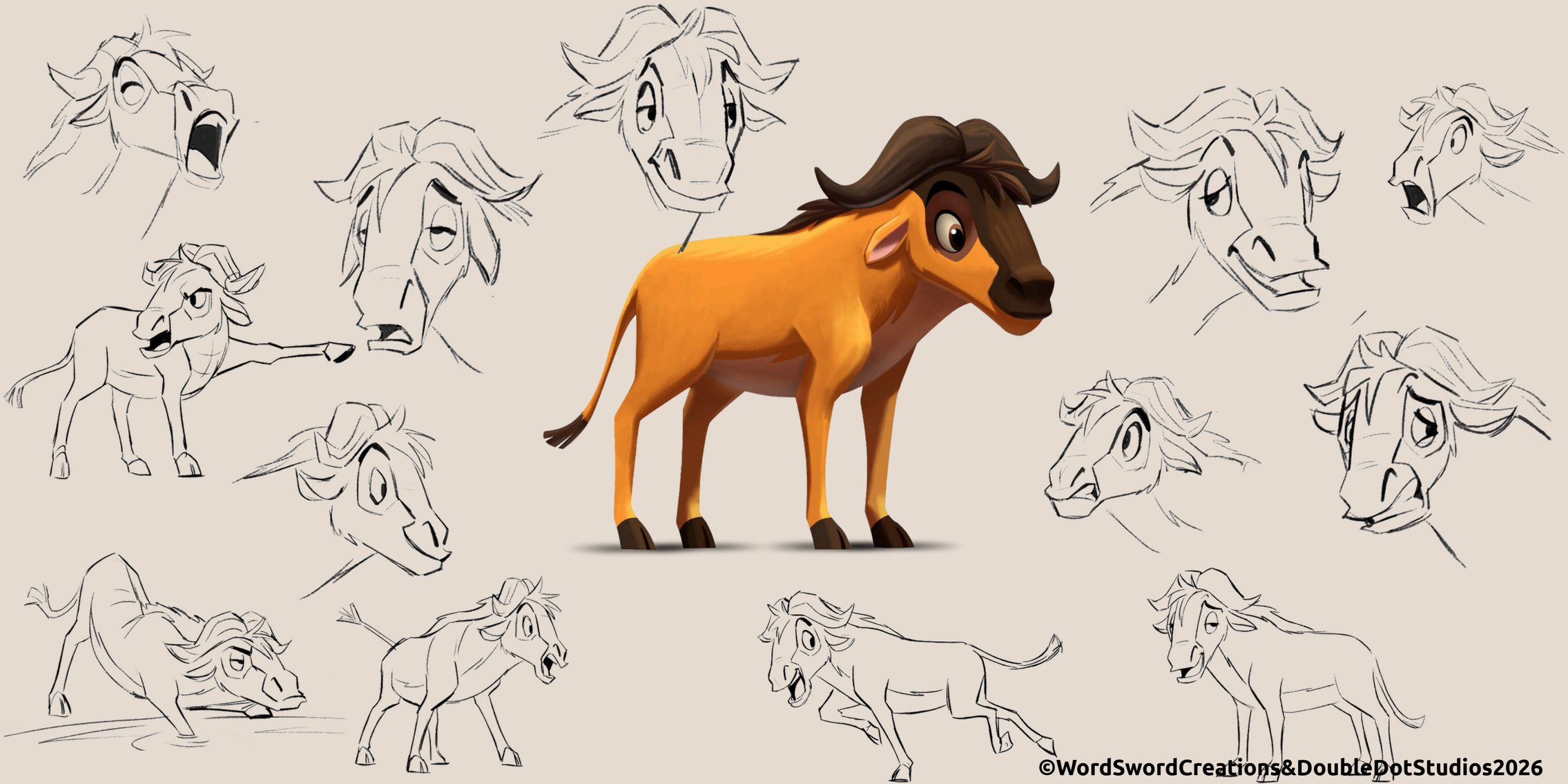
7 year old zebra. She loves to run and is very athletic and loves to dance. She is very graceful and can dance to any song, no matter how slow or fast. She doesn't like to sit still for long and is always trying to get the others to do some fun, sporty or dance activity.



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BADA

8 year old Wildebeest that comes around whenever his family have migrated here for the season. He often has exciting tales about far off places. Everyone is always excited when he comes around.



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LESHUA

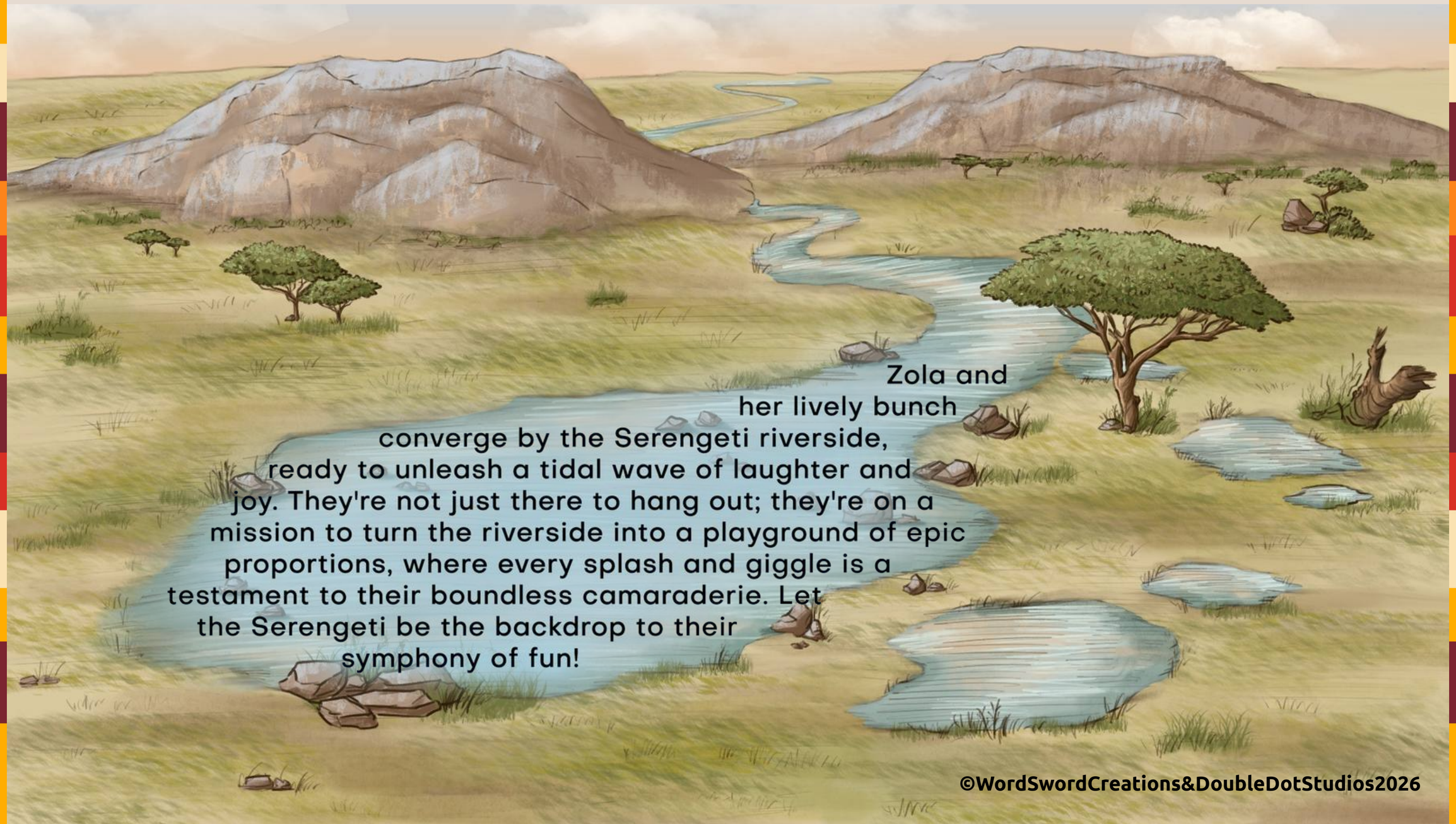
An eagle that is even older than Kito but much more cheerful and always ready for a fun time.



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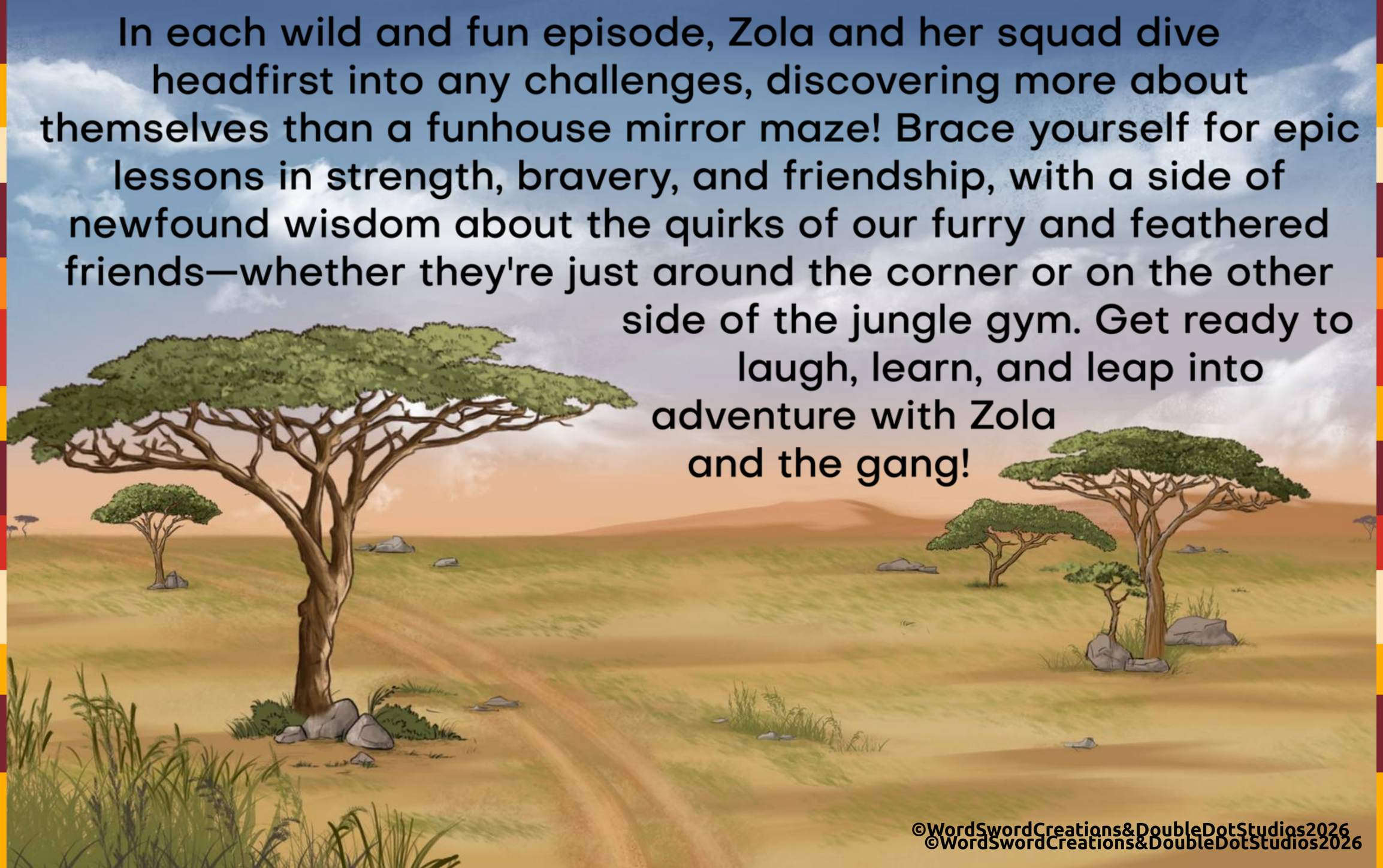

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COOL RIVERSIDE

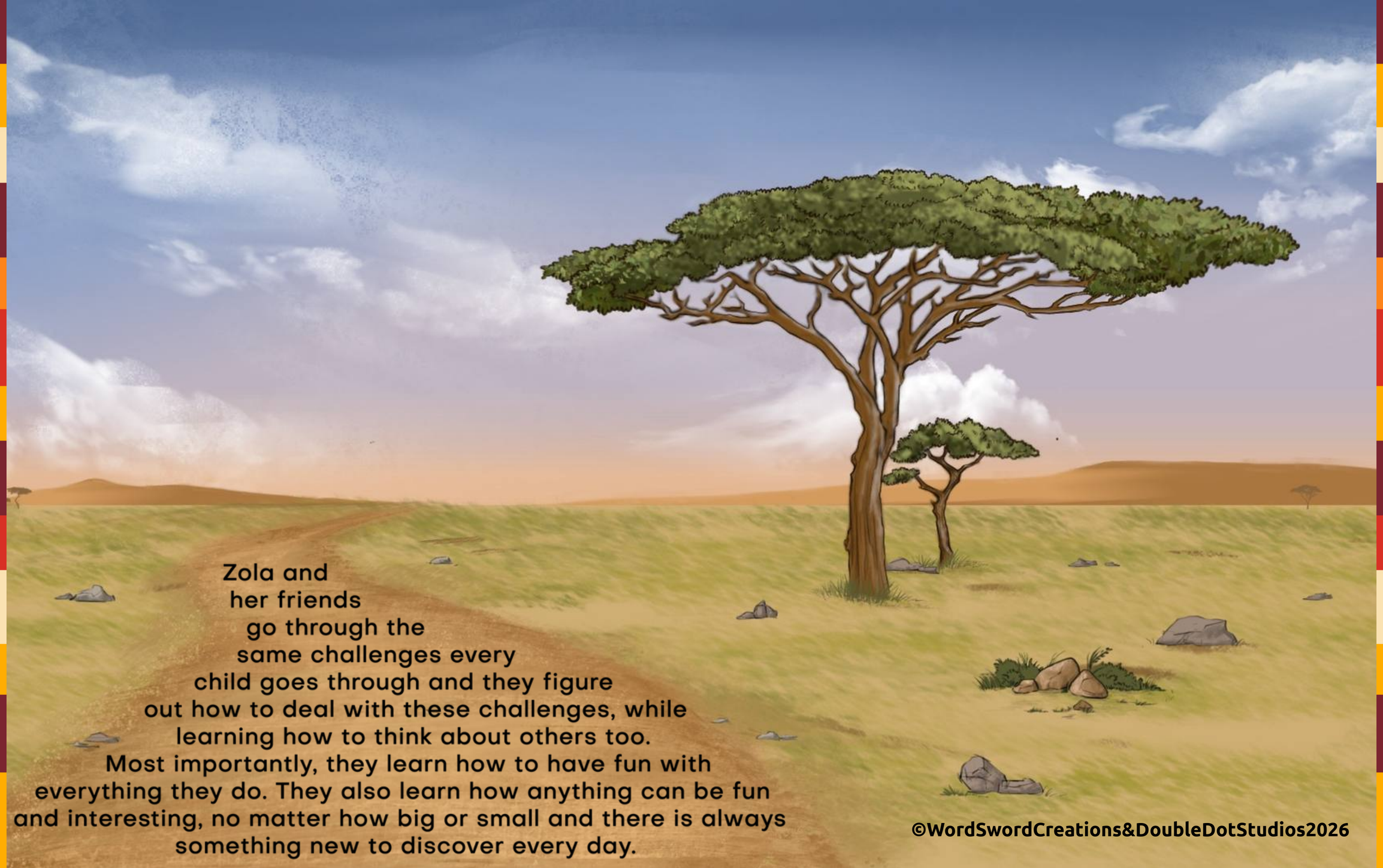


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FUN TREE HOUSE



Zola and her Friends stay and chill in the tree house most of the time.



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WELCOME TO MOSI'S WORKSHOP



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THE WRITER



Omotunde Akiode

Omotunde Akiode is a highly accomplished Nigerian screenwriter with an impressive career spanning 15 years in the dynamic realm of live action TV shows in Africa. Her creative journey has been marked by a distinctive blend of talent, dedication, and an innate passion for storytelling.

With a keen eye for humor and a heartwarming touch, Omotunde has become a trailblazer in the field of children's entertainment. Over the past eight years, she has lent her storytelling prowess to some of the most beloved animation shows on globally renowned platforms, including Netflix, Disney, and various other production companies.

Omotunde's storytelling is characterized by its ability to captivate audiences of all ages, seamlessly blending entertainment with valuable life lessons. Her commitment to crafting narratives that resonate with diverse audiences has made her a sought-after voice in the world of animation.

Beyond her extensive professional achievements, Omotunde Akiode is known for her unwavering dedication to promoting African stories and voices. Her unique perspective has contributed to the cultural richness of the projects she has been involved in, showcasing the vibrancy and diversity of African storytelling on a global stage.

With a portfolio that reflects her versatility and a commitment to bringing joy and laughter to audiences, Omotunde Akiode continues to shape the landscape of children's entertainment, leaving an indelible mark on the world of animation and live-action television alike. She is represented by Hudson Agency, New York.

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Writer's Message

Zola and Friends is an exciting show that celebrates the vibrancy of Africa while being something everyone in the world can connect with. As we follow Zola and her friends on their adventures in the Serengeti, there are new things to discover and new lessons to learn, often from the most unexpected places and most importantly, lots of fun to be had along the way.

In Zola and Friends, we get a unique of life from an African perspective but with global sensibilities, making it relatable to everyone everywhere, while giving cute snippets of a world most people are not familiar with. As writer on the show, I am excited to share my unique African point of view for the world to enjoy.

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THE DIRECTOR



Francis Y. Brown

Francis Y. Brown, the visionary founder and creative director of AnimaxFYB Studios, hails from Ghana and stands as an acclaimed filmmaker with a diverse skill set in various cinematic mediums. With over a decade of expertise in the audio-visual realm, Brown has garnered accolades for his outstanding contributions. A distinguished member and esteemed Jury member of the International Academy of Arts and Sciences (EMMY), he further extends his influence as a Jury member at MIPCOM in Cannes. Beyond his impactful roles, Brown shares his wealth of knowledge as a frequent speaker at various film and television forums globally, solidifying his reputation as a luminary in the industry.

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Director's Message

Welcome to the vibrant world of "Zola and Friends," an enchanting animation series set against the breathtaking backdrop of the Serengeti. As the director, my vision for this series is to take young viewers on an educational and thrilling journey alongside Zola, a lovable baby Rhinoceros and her friends. Zola embarks on captivating adventures, traversing the vast landscapes of the Safari. Through her explorations, our young audience will not only be entertained but also gain valuable insights into various subjects, making learning an exciting and integral part of the experience. Each episode is carefully crafted to inspire curiosity and imagination in our target audience of 8 years and above, fostering a love for nature, discovery, and education. Get ready to join Zola and her diverse group of friends on an animated odyssey filled with fun, friendship, and knowledge!

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PRODUCTION INFORMATION

Logline: At Camp Serengeti, Zola, a rambunctious 8 year old rhinoceros, gets into adventures with her friends, sometimes creating but always solving problems, learning lessons with lots of fun, music and laughter along the way.

FORMAT: 26 X 11 minutes
TARGET AUDIENCE: 4-7
STYLE: 3D animation

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