



# Are You the Woodpecker?

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Killi and Killan were two parakeets who lived in a hole high up on a silk-cotton tree.

One day, a storm came and blew down their tree.

Killi and Killan cried birdy tears for their lost home. A passing crow heard the noise and asked why they were so sad.





"Our tree is gone, we have no home," they sobbed.





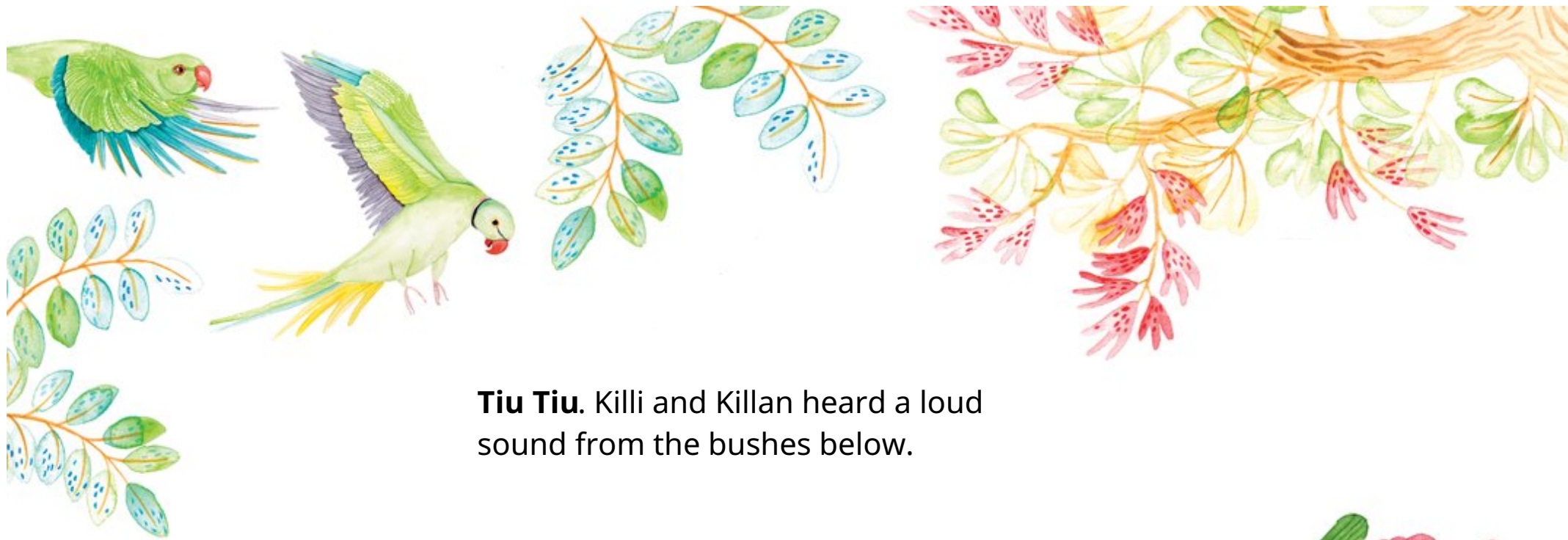
"You need a bird who can peck wood to make a tree hole. Why don't you ask the woodpecker to make you a new home?" said the crow.







So Killi and Killan set off to find the woodpecker.



**Tiu Tiu.** Killi and Killan heard a loud sound from the bushes below.

“Are you the woodpecker? Can you make us a new tree hole?” they asked.

“No, I’m the **tailorbird**. I stitch leaves together to make my nest.”








**Pleased-to-meet-you!** Killi and Killan  
heard a fluty whistle in the trees below.

“Are you the woodpecker? Can you  
make us a new tree hole?” they asked.

“No, I’m the **bulbul**. I bring  
twigs to build a cup nest.”







**Shichweeee shichweee.** Killi and Killan heard a screeching sound.

“Are you the woodpecker? Can you make us a new tree hole?” they asked.

“No, I’m the **weaverbird**. I weave grass together to make my hanging nest.”







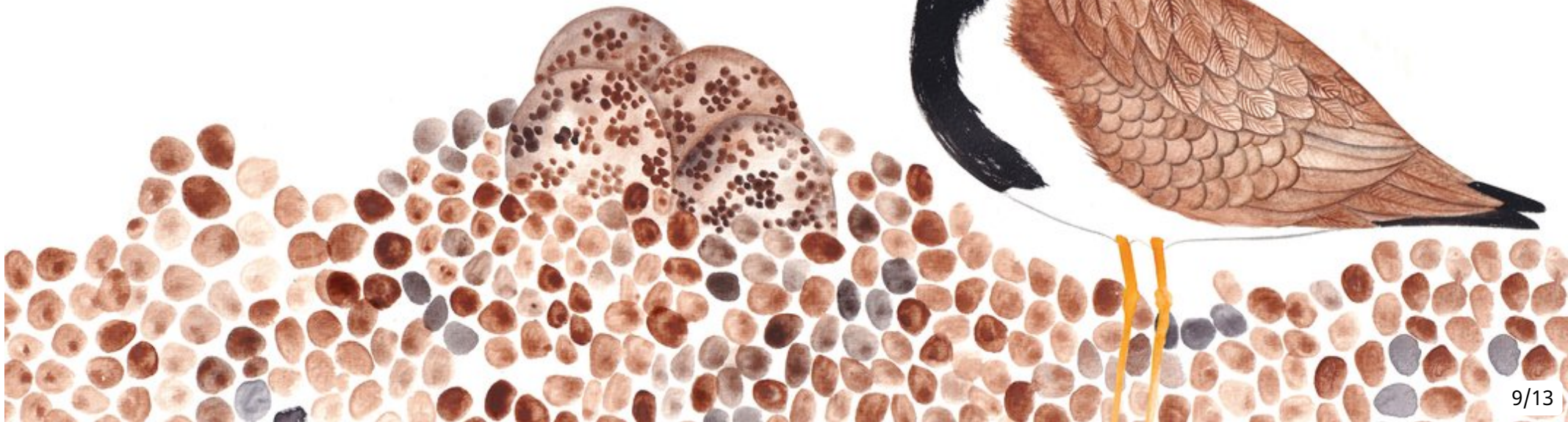
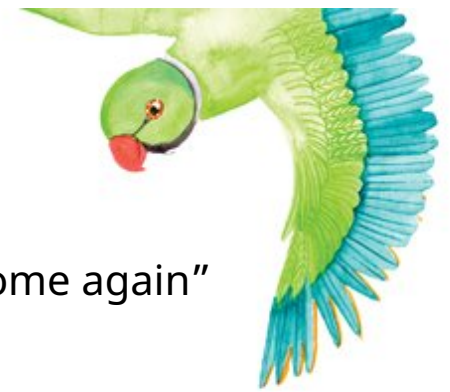
**Ti-tee-too-wit?** Killi and Killan looked down in the grass.

"Are you the woodpecker and can you make us a new tree hole?" they asked.

"No, I'm the **lapwing**. I make my nest on the ground."

"We'll never have a home again" said Killi.

"Don't give up hope" said Killan.  
"Let's try a little longer."








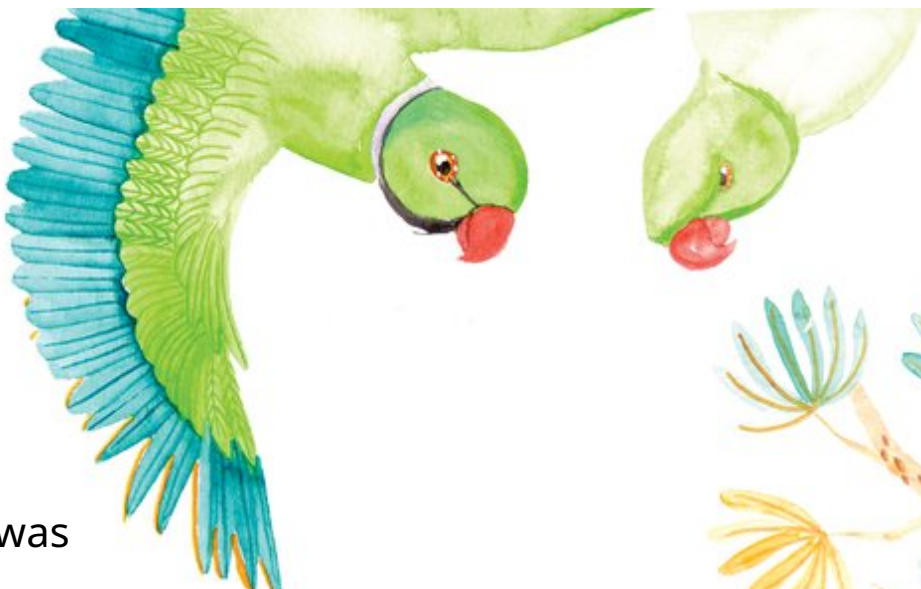
**Toktok-toktok!** Killi and Killan saw a bird hammering at a tree branch.

“Are you the woodpecker? Can you make us a new tree hole?” they asked.

“Yes, I am,” said the **woodpecker**,  
“but I’m busy making my own nest.  
You’ll have to ask someone else.”

The parakeets looked at each other  
in despair.





**Tuk..tuk..tuk!** On a nearby tree was a round green bird.  
“I can help you,” she said.

“Who are you?” sobbed Killi and Killan.

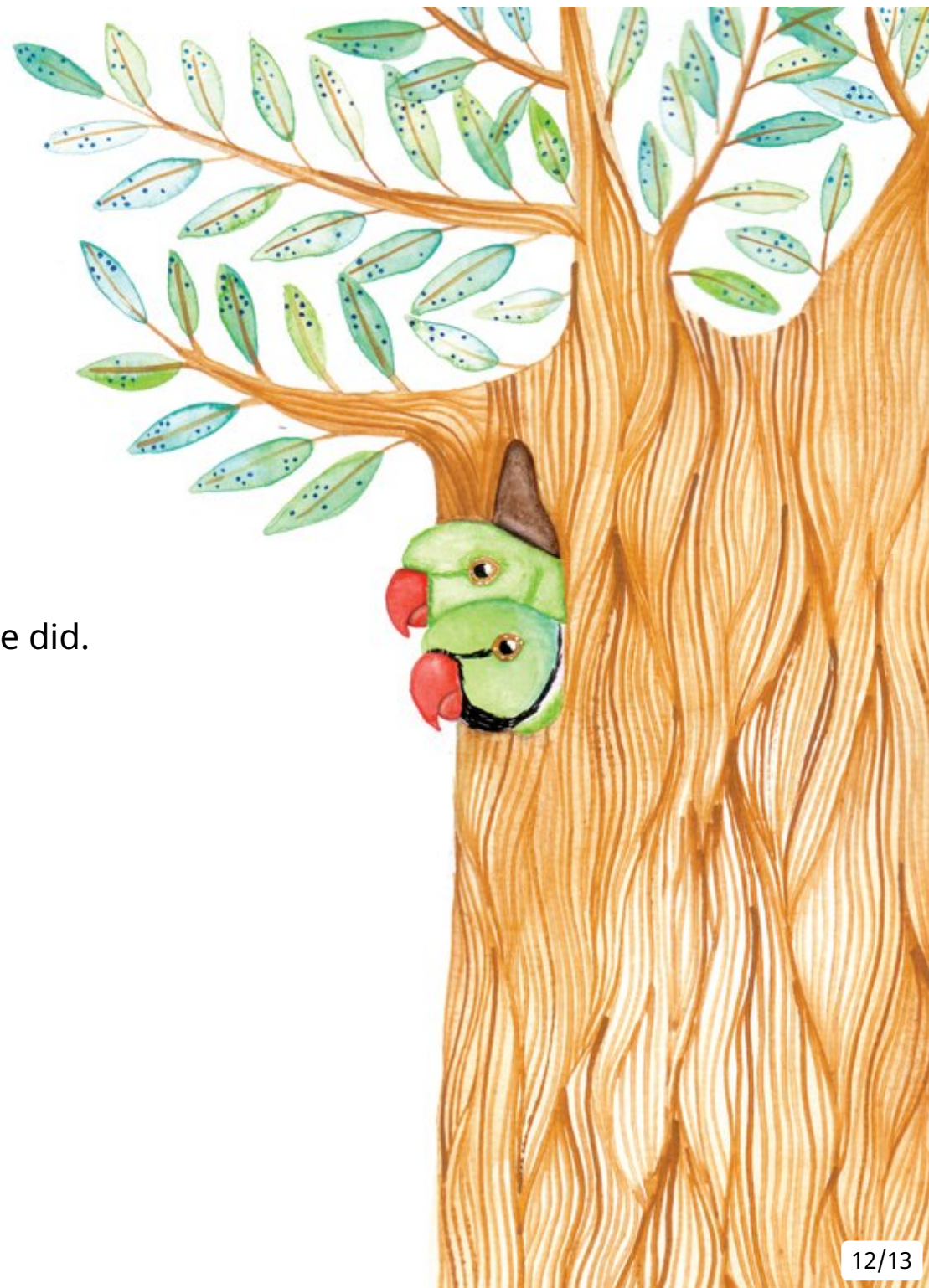
“I’m the **barbet**,” said the bird. “I make my nest in trees by pecking out a nice round hole. I can make a new tree hole for you.”



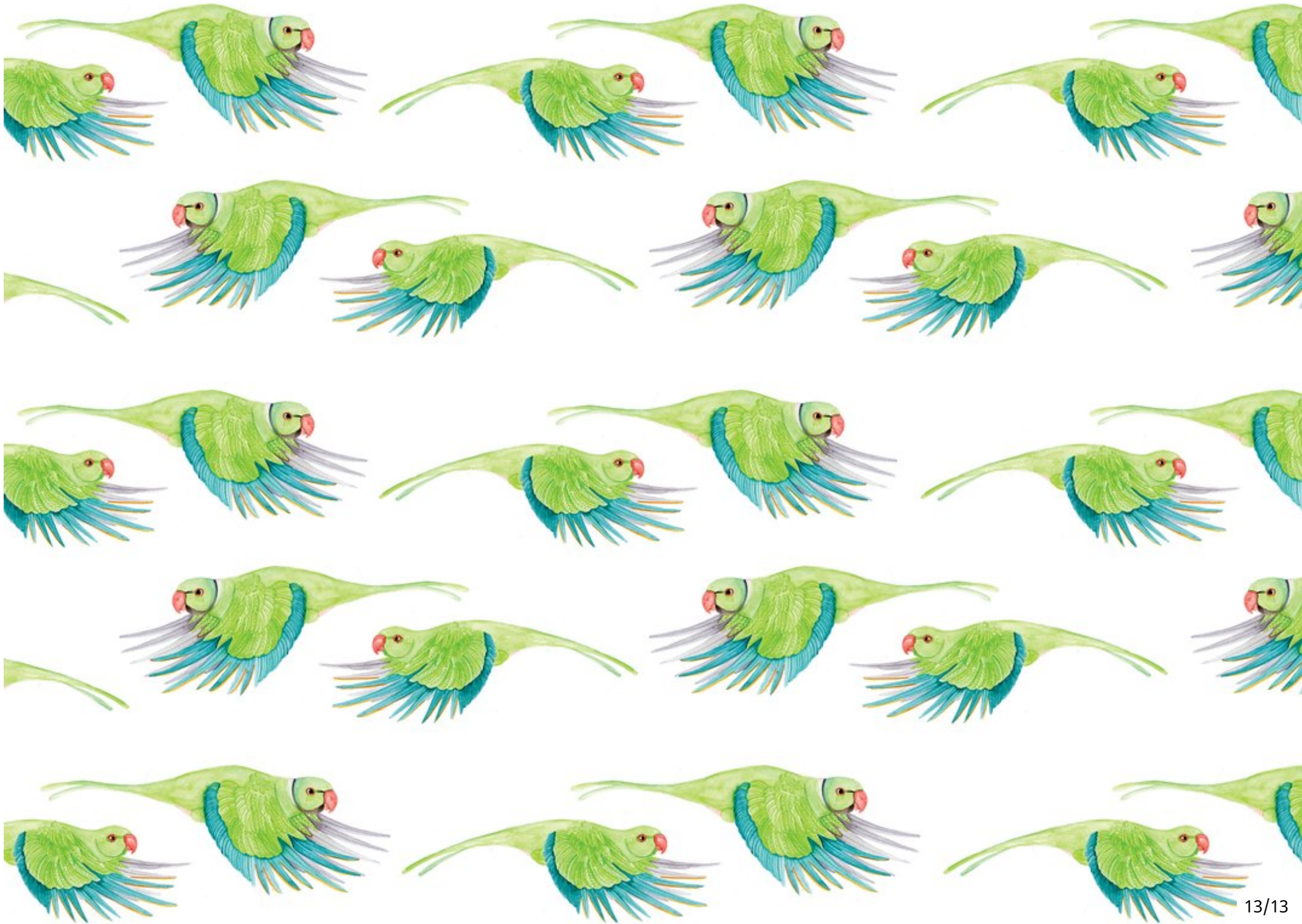




And so she did.









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# Are You the Woodpecker?

(English)

Oh no! Killi and Killan the parakeets have lost their home. They set out in search of the woodpecker who can make them a tree hole nest. The birds discover many other nests, but will they find a new home?

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