## The Mystery of the Howling Wind



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### It was an average day in Tisa... ...until Wind howled and blew.

Dust, leaves, clothes, and pieces of paper flew up into the air.

Wind grew even stronger when Dr. Kaliang, the Housefly Scientist, rushed into Jabali's office. Dr. Kaliang knocked into Jabali's forehead and fell onto the desk, beside Jabali's tea.



Dr. Kaliang had white gumboots on each of his four legs, a white lab coat, and a tiny microscope in his tiny hand.

Jabali used the nib of his pen to lift him up.

"You could have fallen into my tea," Jabali said.

Dr. Kaliang dusted himself, folded his arms, and looked angrily at Jabali.

"Wind is too much today," he said.



Jabali tried to walk to the door to check, but was lifted up by Wind.

He held on the door jamb as his legs were pulled outside, his shoes flying off his feet.

Wind was so strong he had to let go of the door jamb.

He would have flown up into the sky if Sauti hadn't picked up two drumsticks lying on the ground and beat them against the mango tree outside.

The mango tree stretched its branches and grabbed Jabali just in time.

"You need to put on your magnetic shoes when Wind is like this," said Sauti.

Her magnetic shoes were large and held her firmly on the ground. She could only slide but not lift her feet.

Sauti pointed towards Tisa town.

Everything was in the air: bicycles, tomatoes, pencils, onions, exercise books, fridges, televisions, chicken, and people too.





Dr. Kaliang flew out of the office and perched on Sauti's shoulder.

"Take out the test tube, please," said Sauti.

Dr. Kaliang pulled one out of his coat.

Sauti dropped a particle of dust into the test tube and Dr. Kaliang blew over it.

> It glowed a bright orange, indicating there was no storm in Tisa.



"Then why is Wind behaving like this?" asked Jabali.

"It is so strange," said Dr. Kaliang.

"What is that sound Wind is making?" asked Sauti who was listening to the air with her ear trumpet.

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They all listened closely and they heard a rumble inside Wind. It was the same rumble a stomach makes when hungry.

Bibi floated in, one hand using her walking stick to paddle through the air.

In the other hand, she was holding her jug of milk, which was empty.

Sauti tapped the drumsticks against the mango tree.

It stretched its branches and grabbed Bibi, pulling her next to Jabali.

"I told you not to drink all the milk," Bibi said.

Jabali said, "I didn't drink any milk."

Bibi held her jug up.

"Then why is all my milk gone?" Bibi asked.

Jabali held his chin and thought. "Wind is howling as if she is in pain," he said.

Dr. Kaliang laughed. "Wind never feels any pain," he said. "I am a scientist and I know."

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"Give me the jug, please," said Jabali.

There were no milk stains around its edges. Whoever had taken it had no hands to hold the jug or no mouth to drink from.

He passed the jug to Sauti and asked her to test it for any fingerprints besides his and Bibi's.

There were none.





**"Take me up,"** Jabali told Sauti.

"But Wind is too much," said Bibi.

Jabali said, "I will be okay, I am not scared."

Sauti beat the drumsticks against the mango tree.

It stretched its branches, lifting Jabali into the sky.

Swirling shirts and tomatoes flew into his face and he had to swat them away so he could see.



The mango tree stretched him up and up, until he saw Wind, a howling, hooded figure.

"Did you drink Bibi's milk?" Jabali asked.

Wind had a loud booming voice. "Who are you to speak to me like that?"

"I am Jabali and you are causing mayhem in Tisa. You need to stop."

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### Wind grew still.

When she spoke, her voice was gentle. "I was hungry and Bibi's window was open."

Jabali said, "There is something called 'knocking on the door'."

Wind folded her arms and grimaced.

Then she held her stomach.

She was in pain.

Didn't you know that too much milk can make you sick? Maybe you are constipated!" said Jabali. Back in the office, Sauti assisted Dr. Kaliang to set up his lab.

Dr. Kaliang wrote down the ingredients for the medication and Sauti went around Tisa looking for the aloe vera leaves, papaya seeds, and red salt needed to make the medicine that would heal Wind's constipation.

Dr. Kaliang mixed everything together in his test tube.





The ingredients foamed and fizzed.

When the mixture settled, it was as clear as water.

Sauti clapped her hands softly, calling on Wind to come down and drink.



"I am sorry," said Wind. Bibi came closer. "Sorry for what?" Bibi asked. "Drinking your milk!" Wind replied.



Wind drank the medicine and her rumbling stomach settled. She sparkled and burst into colour, which spread all over Tisa. Then she gently took everyone down from the air and placed them on the ground.

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Wind put the clothes back on their lines and the tomatoes and onions back on their shelves in the kitchens and the chicken back into the farms.

Everything in Tisa went back to normal.

Mystery solved!

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### **PLAY AREA**

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Hey,

### Welcome to the Play area.

Did you enjoy solving the mystery in this story?

This is Juma. He is our friend and Tisa's Game Master.

He's going to show you an amazing game or activity that you can play with your friends or by yourself.



Hello, I'm Juma. What's your name?

Do you want to do something fun?

### LET'S DO SOMETHING

Materials: Marbles, Tape



Create teams of 2



**THE BLOWING WIND** 

Stand face-to-face with your teammate



Get 1 marble for each team



Draw a line on the floor using tape or a stick

**Final** 



Set the marble at one end of the line and then blow on it until it rolls to your teammate at the end of the line. Now switch and play again!





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- 3. The Quest for Mrs. Quack's Eggs
- 4. The Mystery of the Cracked Feet
- 5. The Mystery of the Shape Shifting Pet
- 6. The Mystery of the Disappearing Girl
- 7. The Mystery of the Fallen Nest
- 8. The Mystery of the Howling Wind

- 9. The Mystery of the Duckling in the Bucket
- 10. The Mystery of the Abandoned Smushoos
- 11. The Mystery of Missing Sleep
- 12. The Mystery of the Funny Feeling
- 13. The Mystery of Giant Jabali
- 14. The Mystery of the Lion's Roar
- 15. The Mystery of Morning Tide
- 16. The Mystery of the Wish-Watch

