



**Here Comes the Camel  
and Other Poems**



## Butterfly

I met a butterfly, yellow,  
black and brown.  
Hovering over flowers,  
flying up and down. She  
sits so near  
I touch her with no fear.  
At once she flies away,  
she sits but doesn't stay.



## Thump Thump

**Thump Thump** goes the elephant!  
**Thump Thump** the elephant comes!  
He lifts his trunk, he lowers it.  
Wading into the water,  
his trunk becomes a shower.

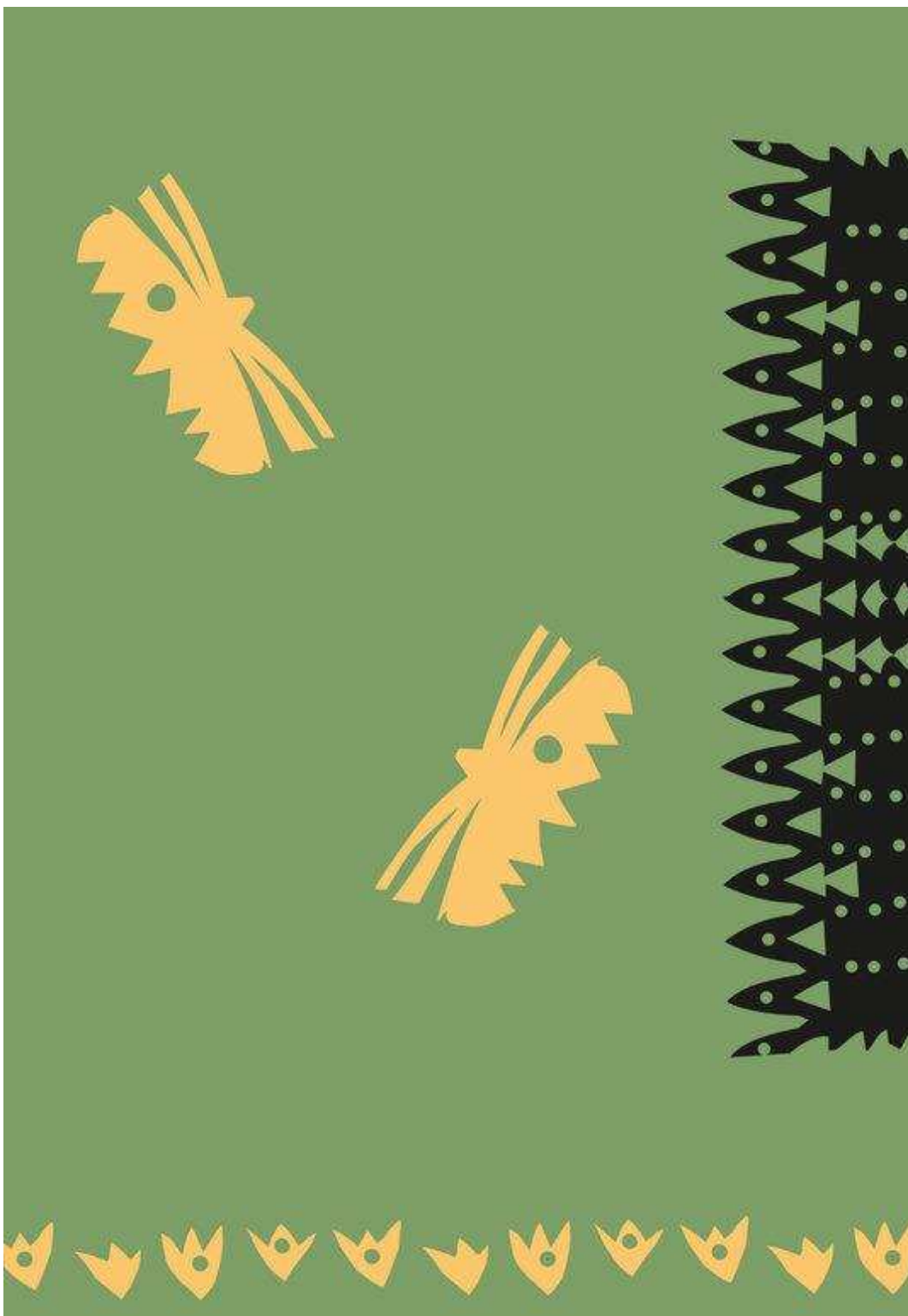


**Bump Bump** goes the elephant!  
**Bump Bump** the elephant comes!  
Bananas for his big fat tum,  
he eats ten and counts one!  
**Burp Burp** goes the elephant!  
**Burp Burp** the elephant comes!



## Off to School

Leaves are green  
and flowers red.  
Ready for school  
as you leave the bed.  
Left your pencil,  
dropped your book!  
Pick them up  
and off to school!



## Flying High

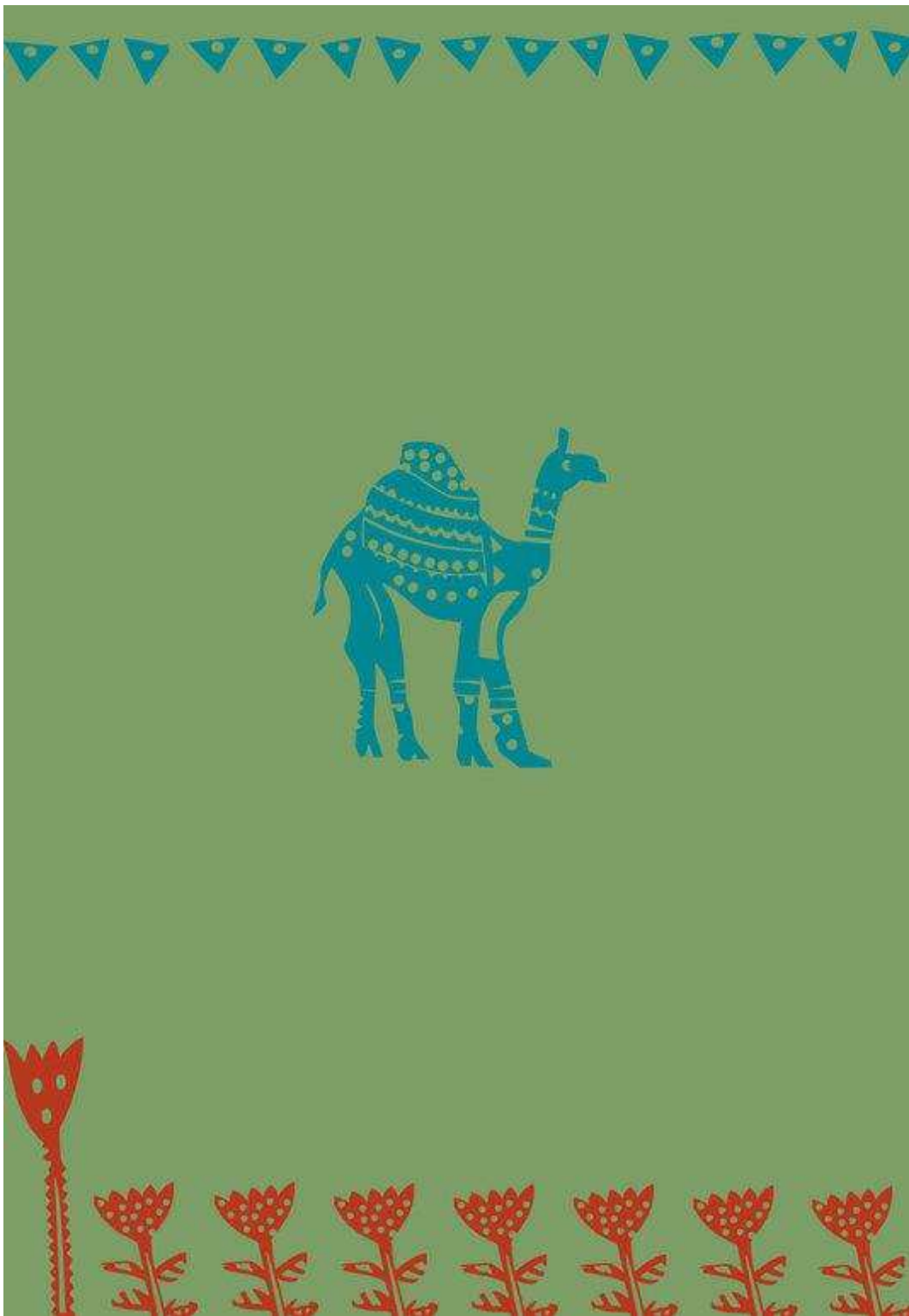
Lovely little butterfly,  
yellow and blue butterfly.  
She looks like a petal on a flower,  
crossing flowerbeds afar. A wave  
of colour,  
with her wings aflutter,  
she looks so bright. Her  
quiet flight,  
in the morning light.



## Here Comes the Camel

Here comes the camel rocking  
gently down the road! Such a  
tall animal!

Here comes the camel!  
With a neck so tall, and  
a back so high,  
the camel gently goes by.

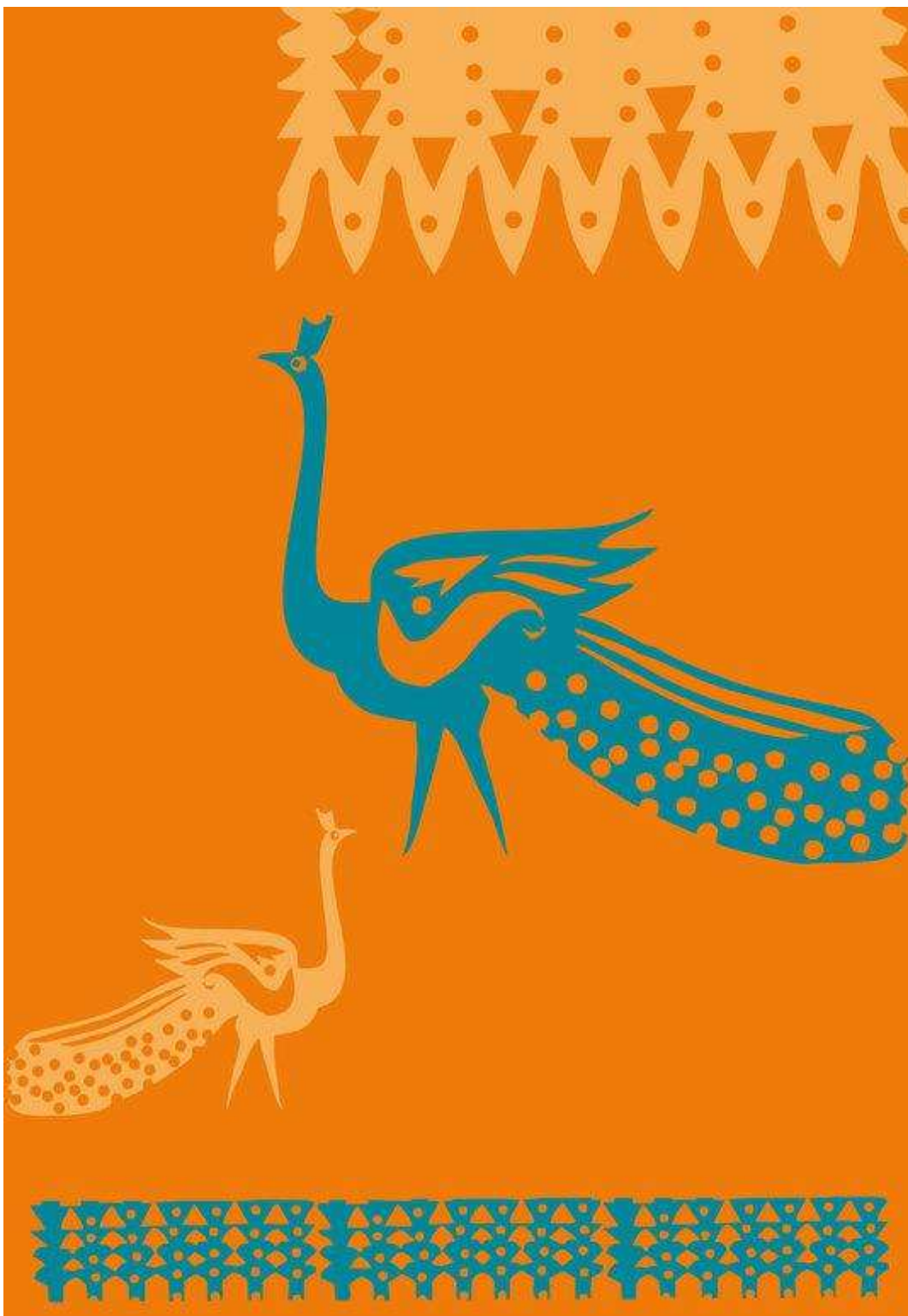


His feet like the sand, carrying  
loads across the land, walking  
quietly on the sand. When he  
tires, he will sit.

On his right or his left?

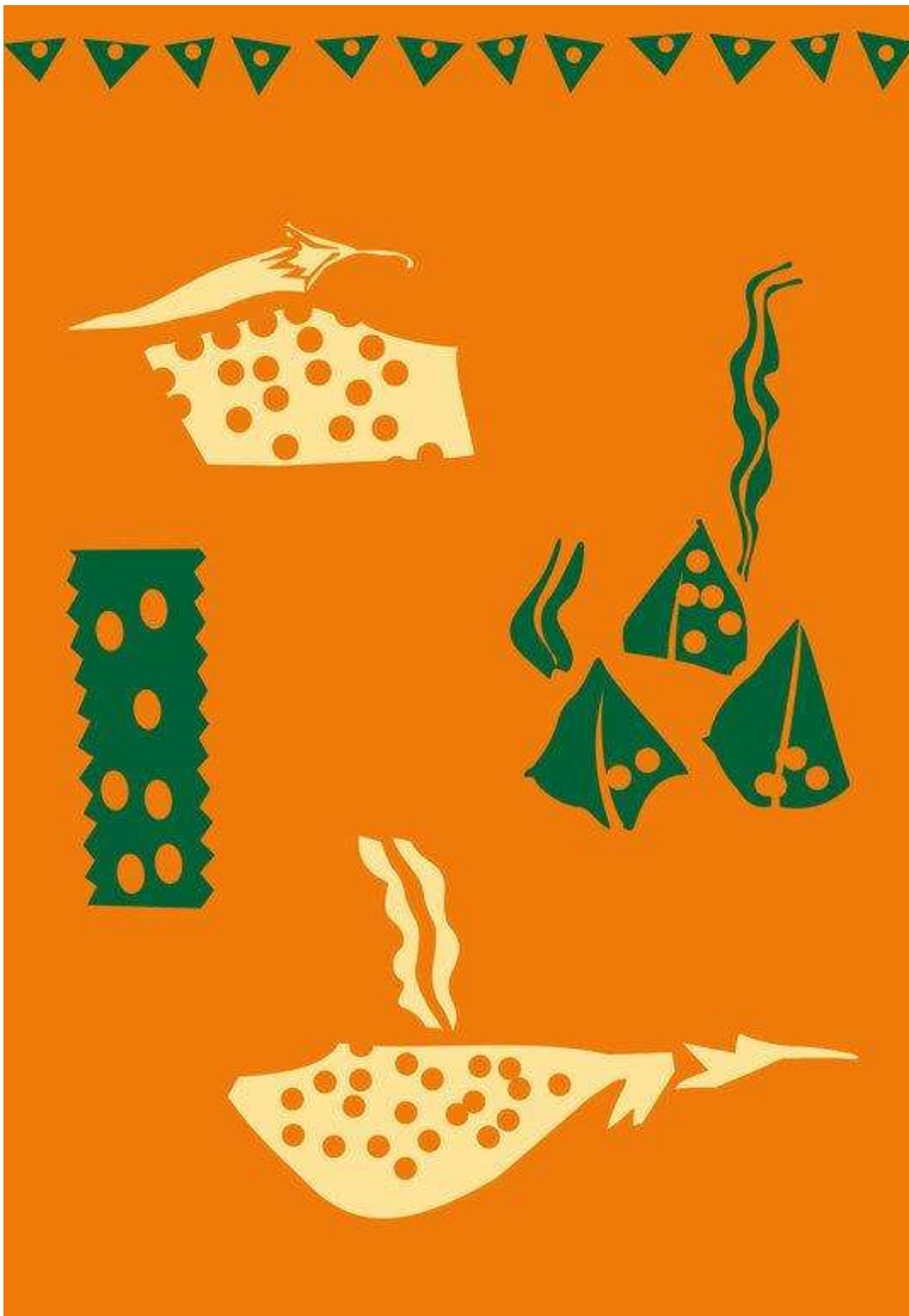
That is his own **SECRET!**





## Peacock

Look how the peacock dances,  
on dainty steps he advances. All  
his feathers in an arc, glowing  
hues light and dark. When the  
sky turns cloudy grey, the  
peacock begins to sway. Moving  
gently on his feet, dancing to the  
rainy beat!

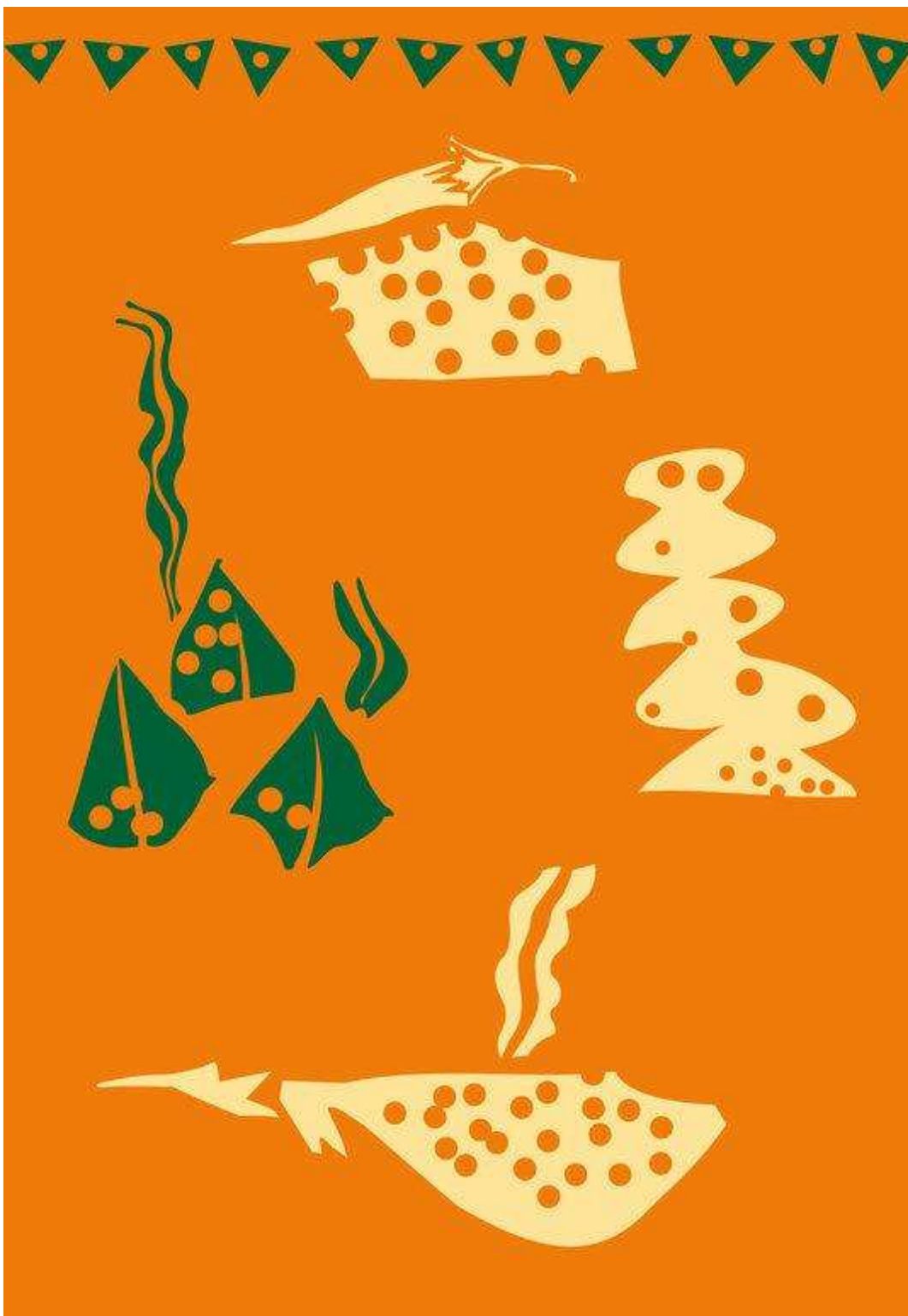


## Food So Precious!

How about some idli-dosa,  
or a nice hot samosa?

Let us eat some sweet mithai,  
yummy rabri and malai!

Would you like some poori bhaji, or  
fried brinjal bhaaja?



Spongy fresh dhokla is nice,  
to gobble up in a trice.  
But do not hurry when you eat,  
careful not to spill any treat.  
Because **FOOD** is so precious,  
and also so **DELICIOUS!**



## Drip Drop

**Drip Drop** raindrops!

Can I touch them as they **Plop?**

Eyes shut and face upturned,  
for silver beads on curling lashes.

Eyes open to see what splashes!

Leaves and branches dripping wet.

Birds shedding little droplets!

Silver sheets on roofs and walls,

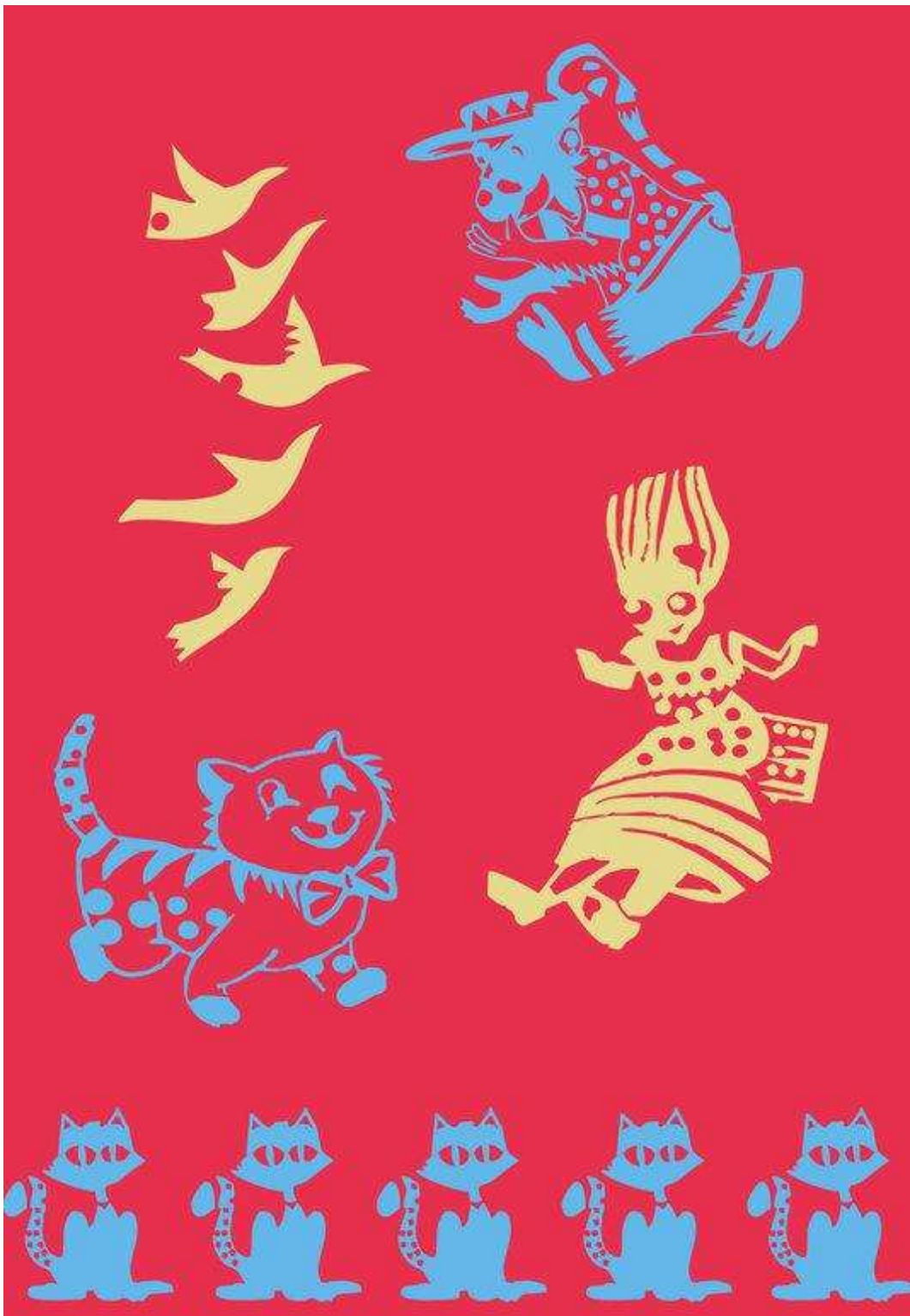
I see the rain as it falls!



## The Race

A tumbling red tomato,  
racing green peas!

Stumbling came the cauliflower,  
not far behind is coriander! Who  
will reach the finish line in this  
race against time?



## Swinging High

To and fro swings the doll,  
pulled by the bird so small.  
Uncle Monkey hides a smile,  
in his hat of the latest style.  
Aunty Kitten is also here using  
her fat glasses to peer. She  
also wants to have a go to  
touch the sky, to and fro!



## **Umbrella**

Who went to the market with Papa?  
His dear old umbrella!  
He is safe from the beating sun with  
his dear old umbrella!  
His bag in his right hand, guess  
what the left demands?



When the rain comes pouring down,  
Umbrella-time all around!  
It gets wet but keeps Papa dry.  
Like a roof on his head that is not  
very high!

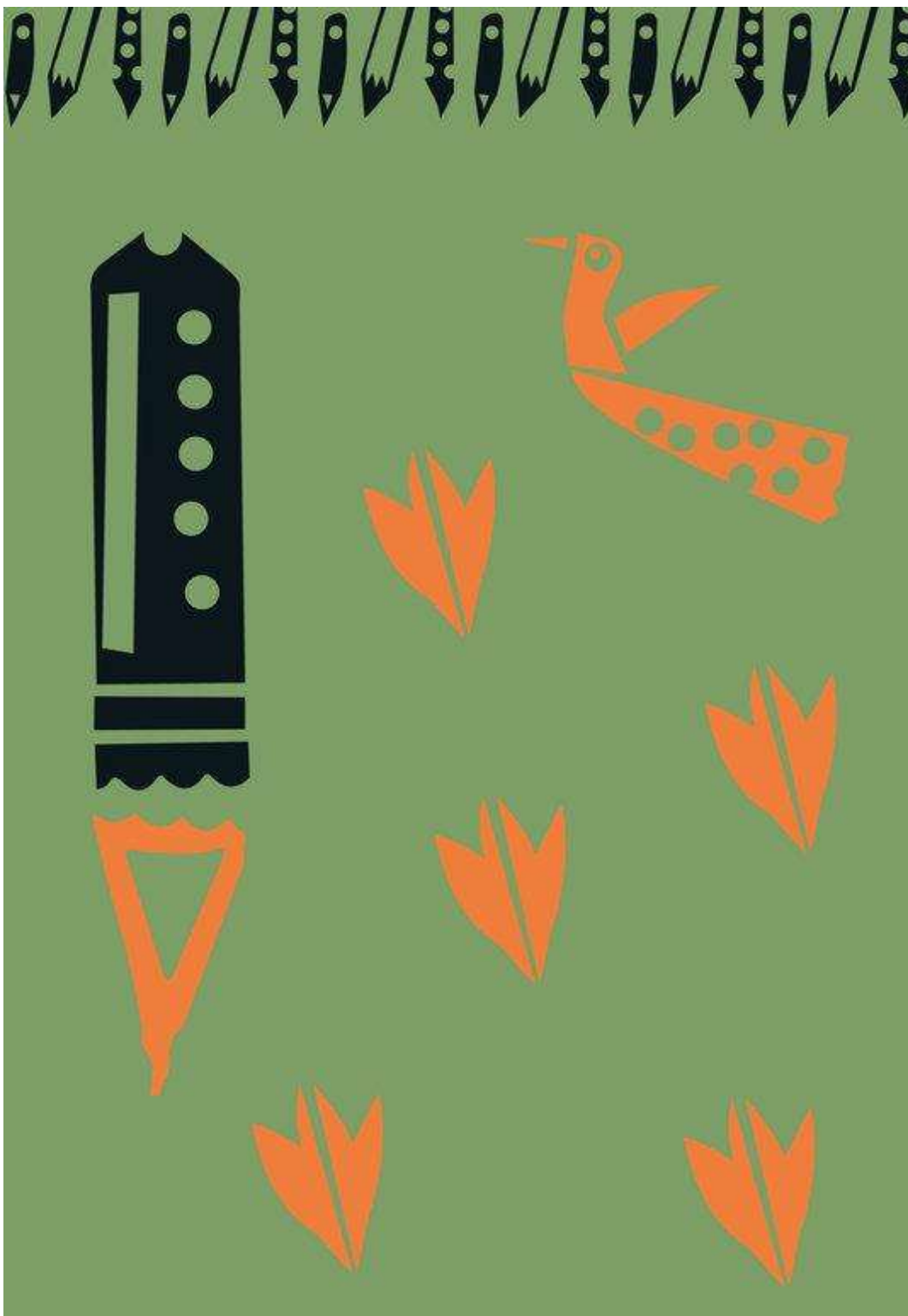




## Paper Boat

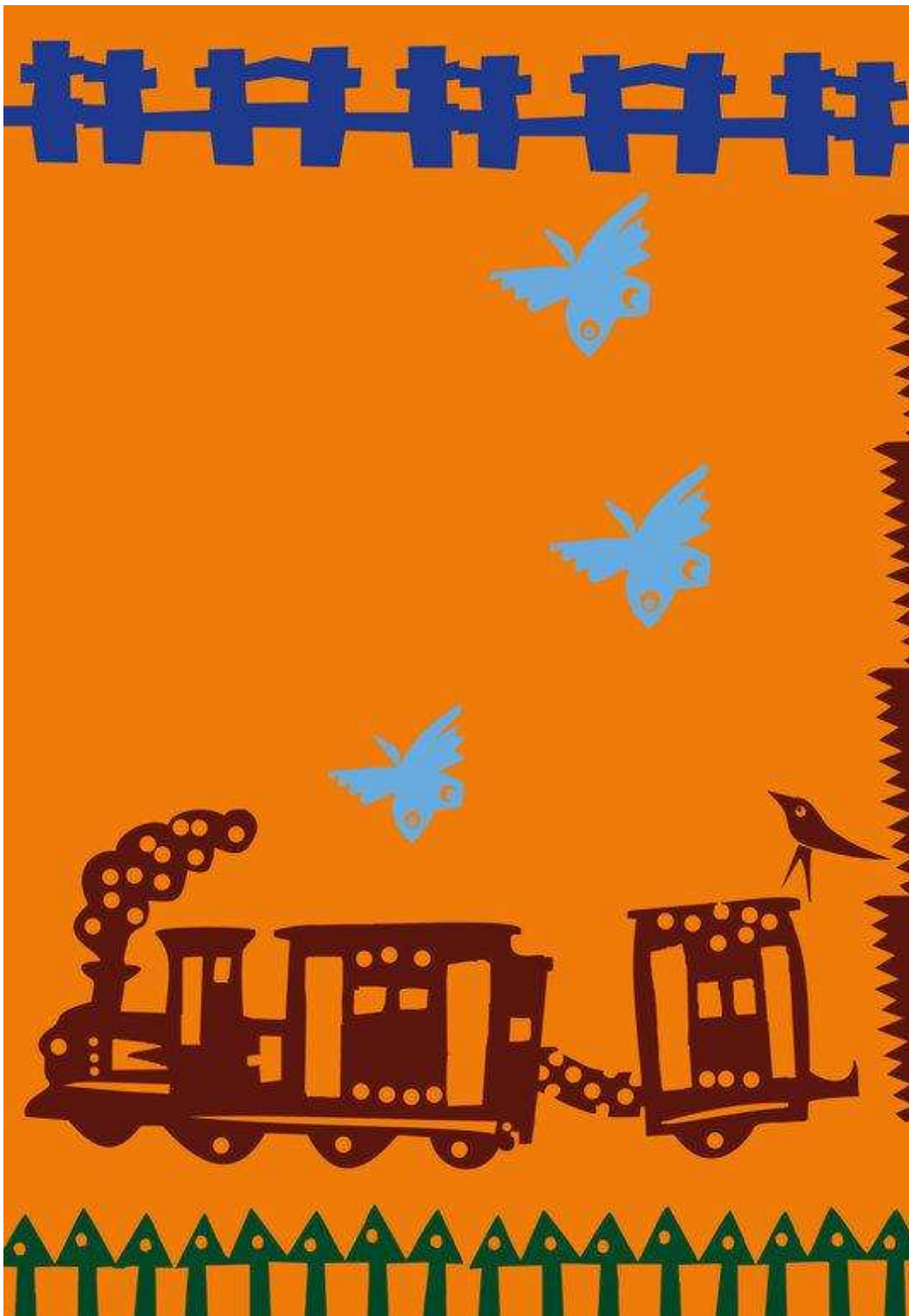
Let us make a paper boat, in  
the water it will float! Away  
floats the paper boat running  
to a river unknown.

Dancing on the swirling waves, a little  
speck as it sails away!



## My Pencil

My pencil is so special, it  
jots down letters neat. In  
maths, it's hard to beat!  
Leaves and flowers, plants and pots,  
lions and birds, it draws in a shot!  
Drawing lines for a house so tall, my  
special pencil does it all!



## Chugetty Chug

There goes the train,

**Chugetty Chug!**

On the tracks,

**Chugetty Chug!**

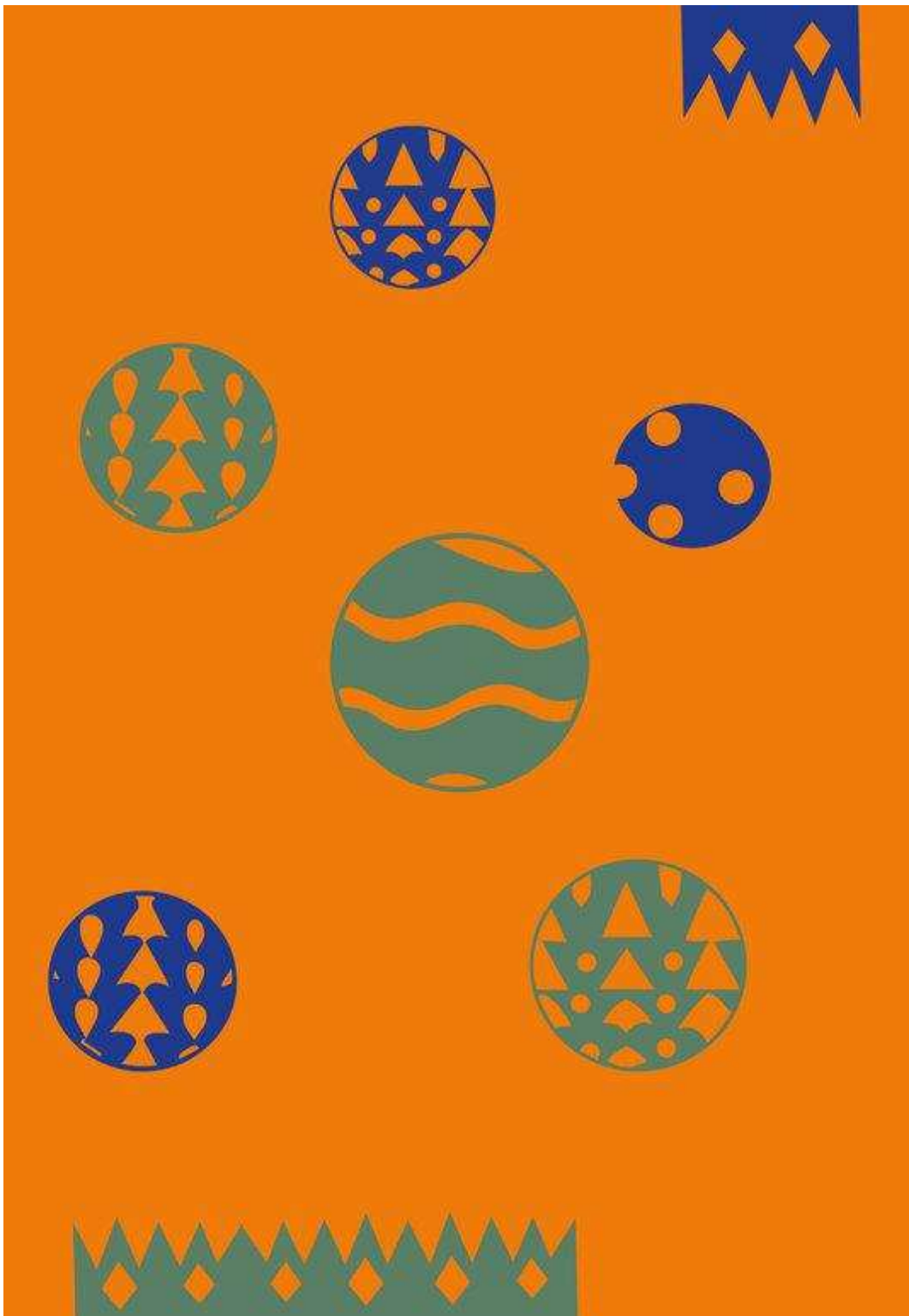
The longest whistle in the land,

**Chugetty Clack!**

Not the slow passenger train,  
the fastest sleekest streaking Mail!

**Chugetty Clack**

Goes the train!



## **My Ball**

**Bounce Bounce**

goes my ball!

**Run Run**

runs my ball!

I like to run

for my ball!

Quickly hides

my naughty ball!

**Bounce Bounce**

comes my ball!

I'm happy

when I find my ball!

