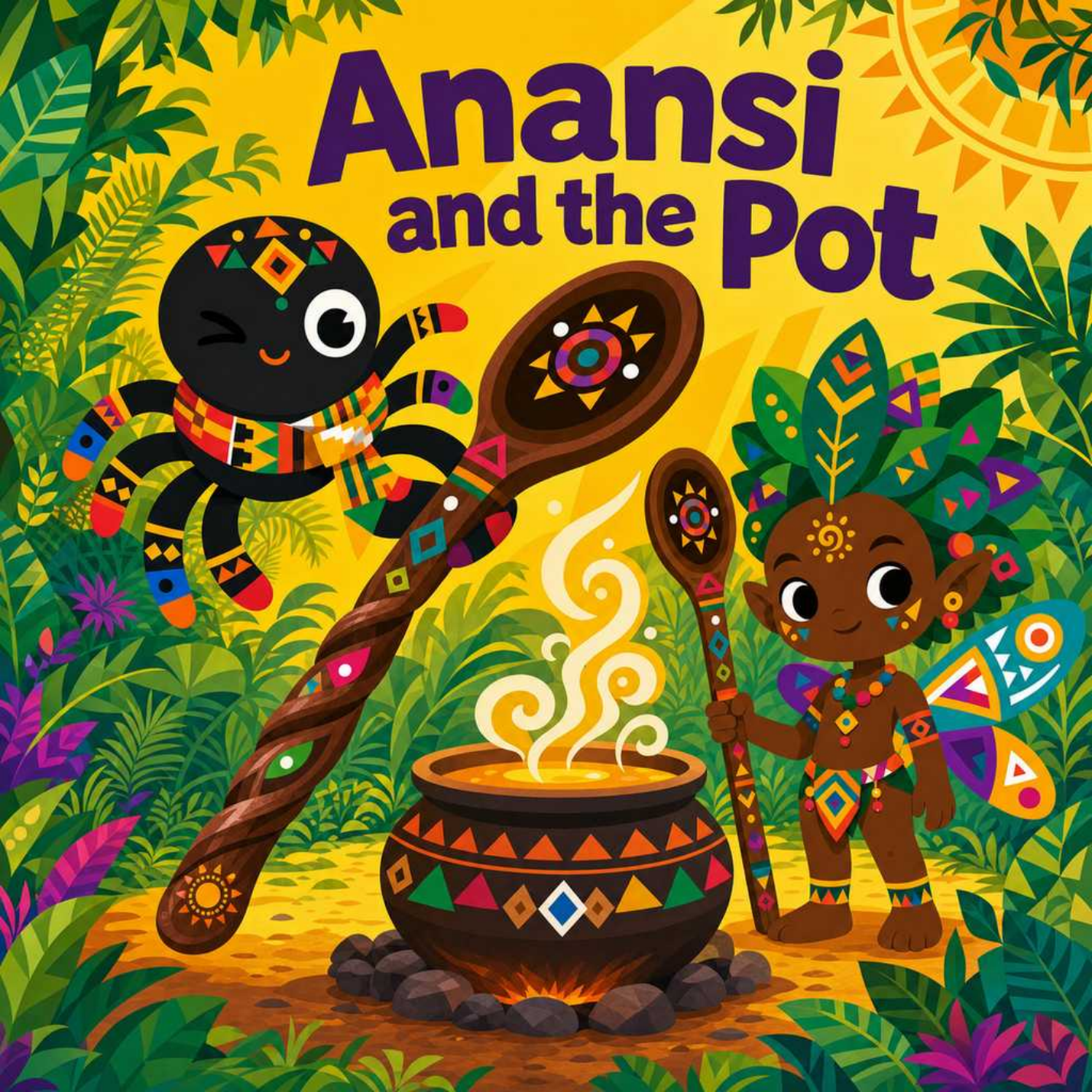


Anansi and the Pot



Mmoatia is
small. She has
a spoon. It
fills a pot with
hot nut mash.
Think of it!





Anansi sits in his web. A bird tells him of the spoon. A pot that fills up? Anansi wants it, and he will not blink.

Mmoatia sings and does mix. The pot fills up!
clink! She fills a dish for all the bush. Anansi
hides by a fern. A giving hand fills all pots.



Anansi spots the
spoon. When
Mmoatia has a
bit, she sets it
by her dish. Then
the pot sits still.
Anansi gives a
sly wink. Now!



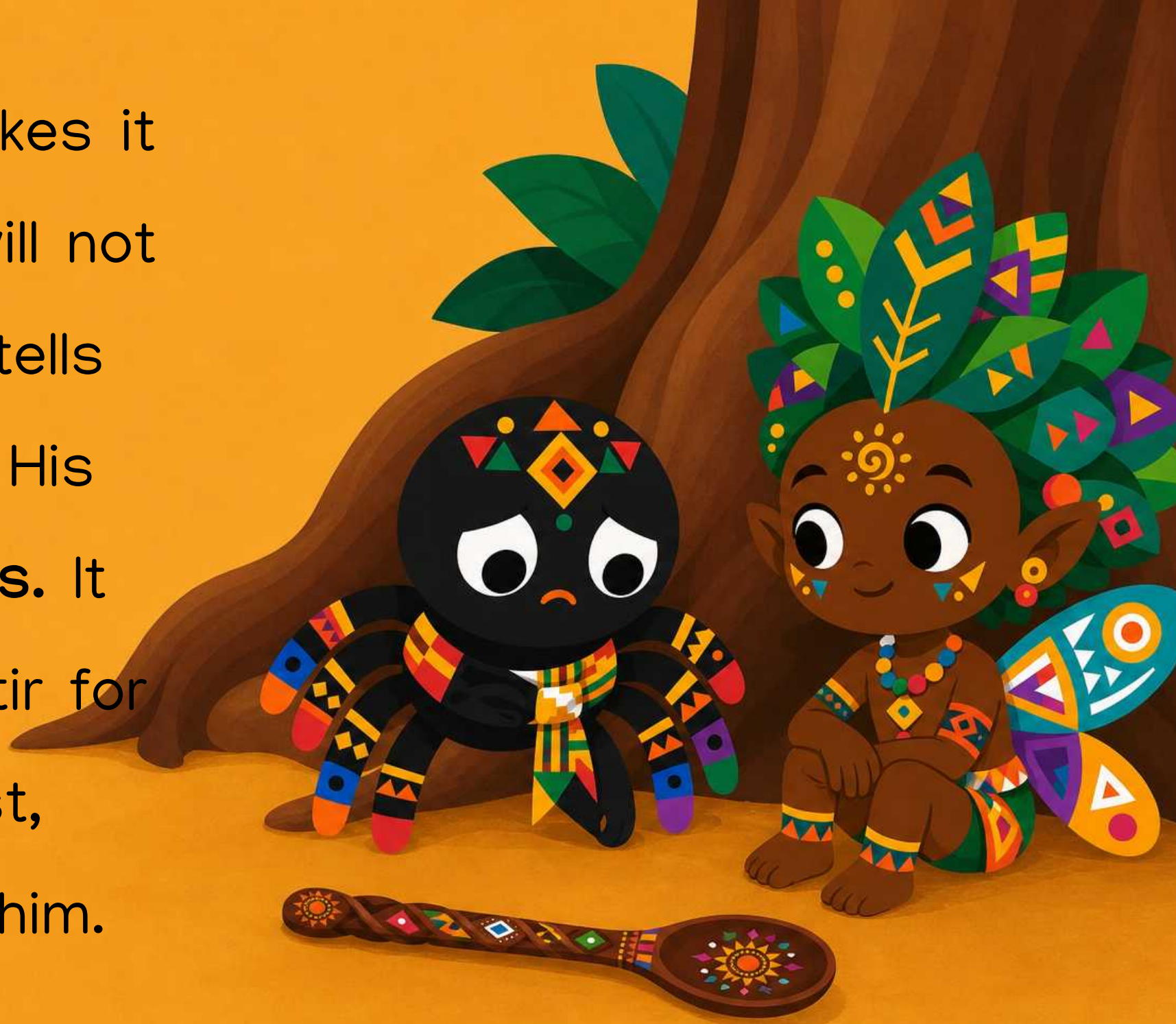


Mmoatia sets the spoon by her dish. Anansi is quick! He yanks it and runs. Mmoatia will not run. She will not yell. She lets him go.

Anansi runs home. He dips the spoon in his big pink pot. He does mix. But the pot is blank! He shakes it, but it goes cold.



Anansi takes it
back. It will not
work, he tells
Mmoatia. His
hope sinks. It
will not stir for
a shut fist,
she tells him.





A kind hand fills
all pots, she tells
him. It stirs for a
hand that will
share. What if I
share a chunk?
Anansi asks. Try,
she tells him.

Anansi picks up the spoon. He thinks of the dish she set for the bush. He thinks of kids who share. He mixes with care this bit. The pot fills with hot nut mash!



The pot fills to
the brink!

Anansi lifts it.

He fills a dish
for Mmoatia
first, the best
bit. Then he fills
one for himself.





Anansi digs in. It is the best! He is full at last. He packs the rest in a big flat pot. He sets it on the path for the kids. The kids will thank him.

Mmoatia still lives in the bush. The spoon works for a kind hand. Anansi still **thinks** of a trick to nab it. A mean hand gets a cold pot. But he fills a dish for Mmoatia first, and the mash fills to the brim. A kind hand fills all pots. Anansi's too!





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Deep in the Ashanti forest lives a fairy no bigger than your thumb, with a magic spoon that fills any pot with food. So when hungry Anansi spots it, what will he do? And when he finally holds that wondrous spoon, why won't it work for him? Can a trickster learn to share? This Bookbot story practices the /ŋk/ sound with words like 'think', 'blink', 'sink', 'chunk', and 'thank'.

Reading Skills: <nk>

blank, blink, brink, chunk, clink, pink, sink, sinks, thank, think, thinks, wink, yank, yanks

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