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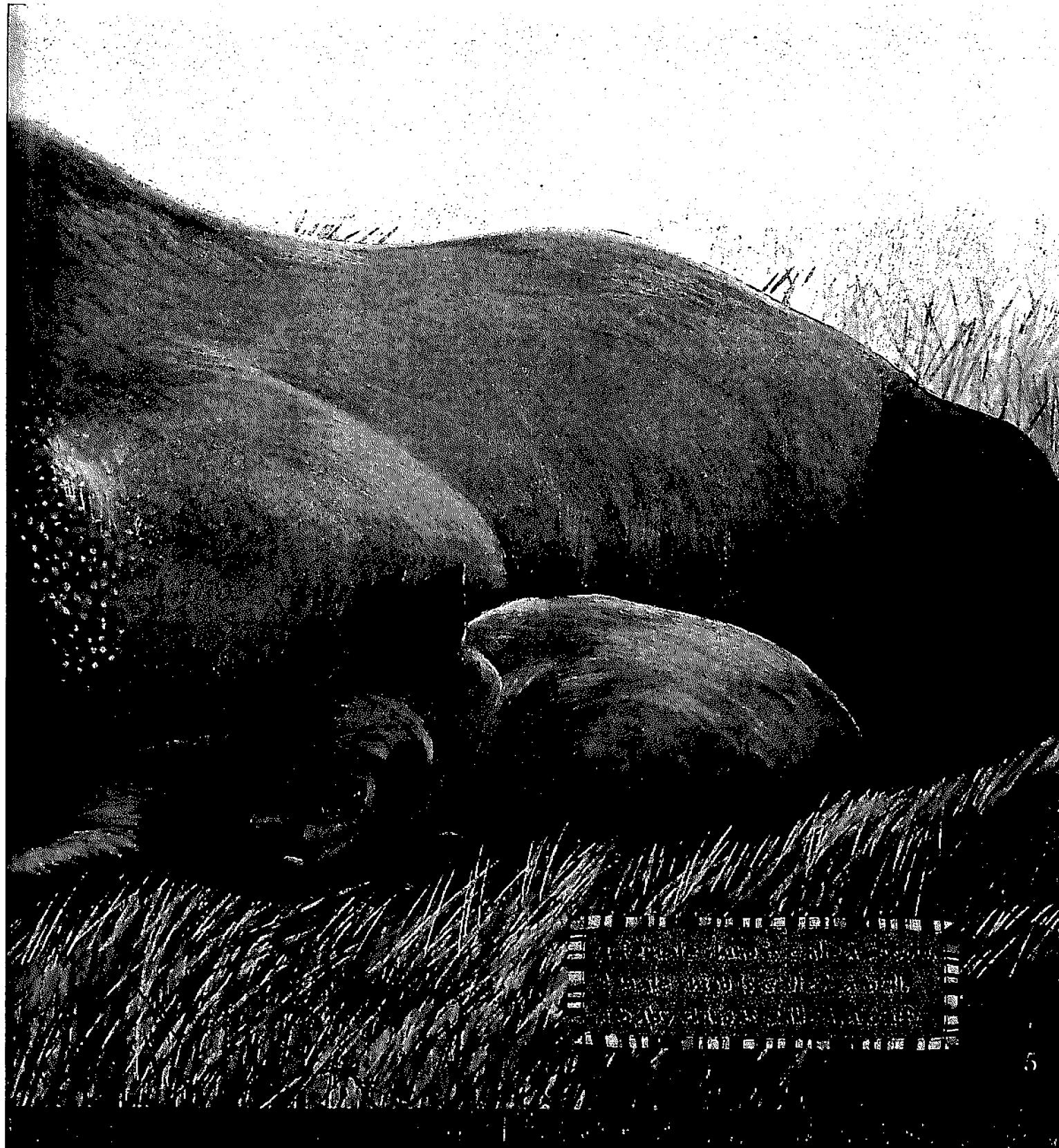
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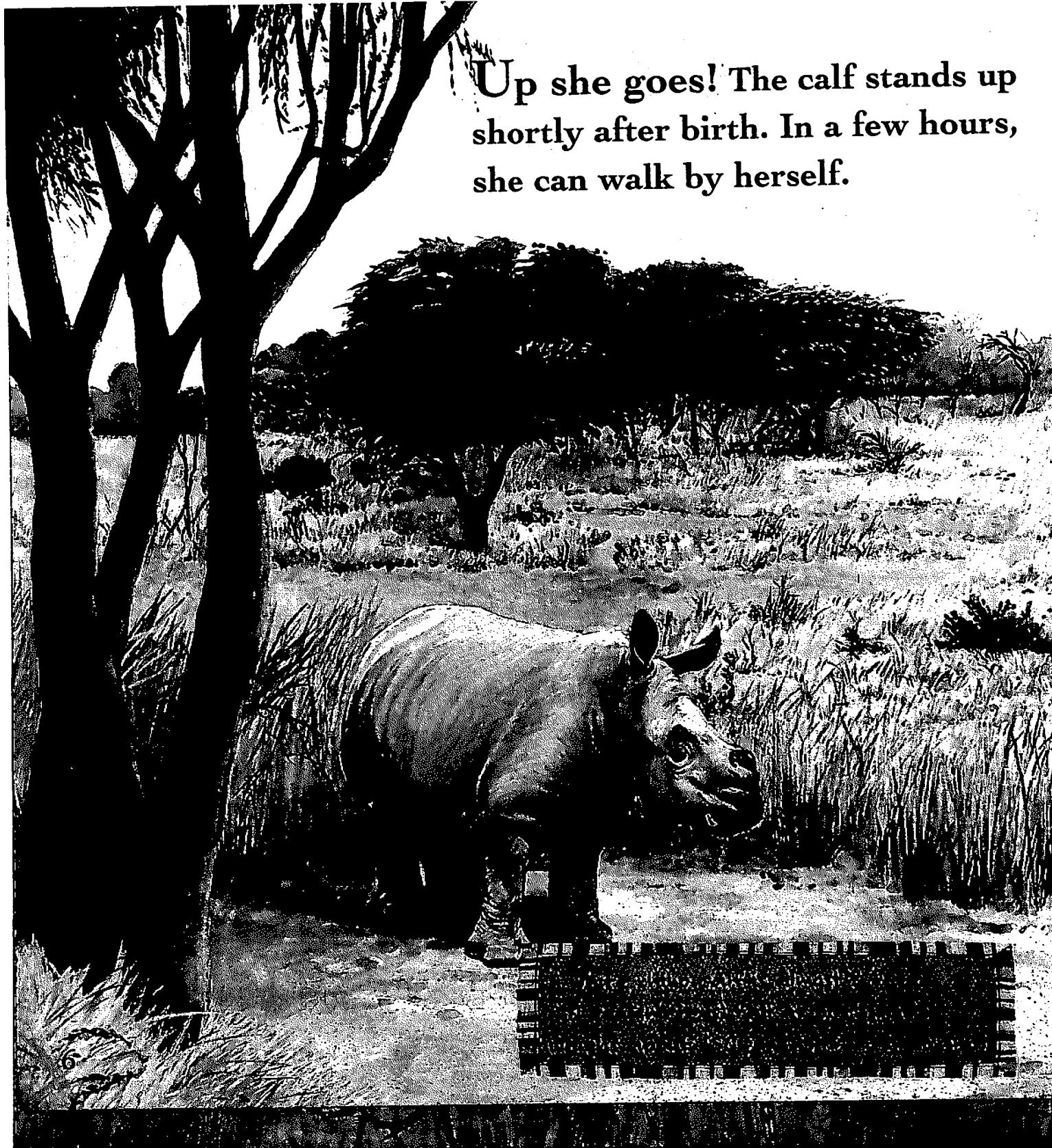
Welcome to the world of wild animals!
Follow a white rhino as she grows up in
Africa. Observe her as she eats, naps,
cools off in the mud, and starts a
family of her own.

**In the tall African grass, a baby
rhino is born. The calf snuggles
up to her mother.
She has two small
bumps for horns.**

**As she grows older,
her horns will grow.**







Up she goes! The calf stands up shortly after birth. In a few hours, she can walk by herself.

**The calf stays close to her mother.
She is not strong enough to walk very far.**

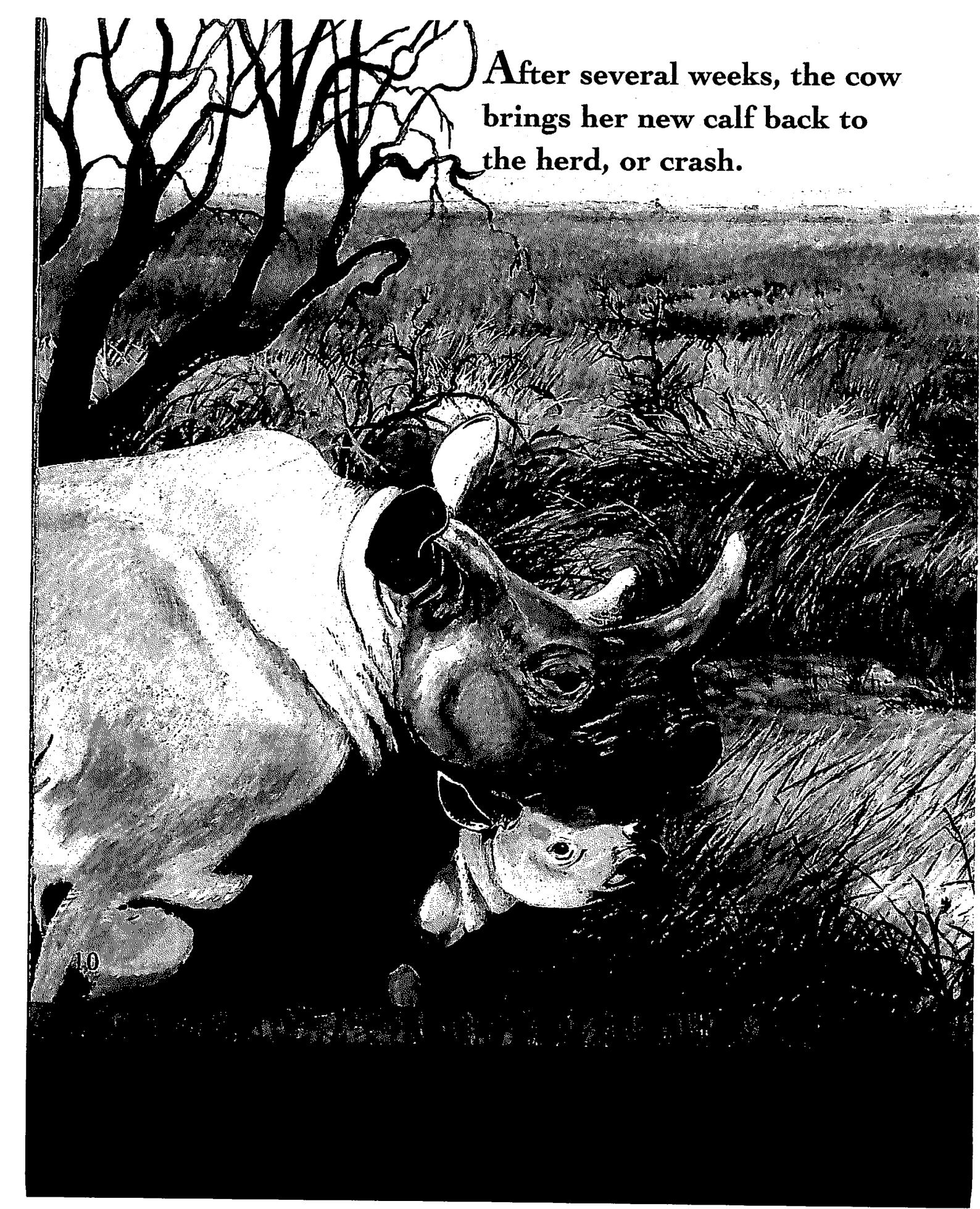


Munch, munch, munch.
The calf begins to eat grass when
she is a few weeks old.



The calf drinks milk from her mother for about one to two years.



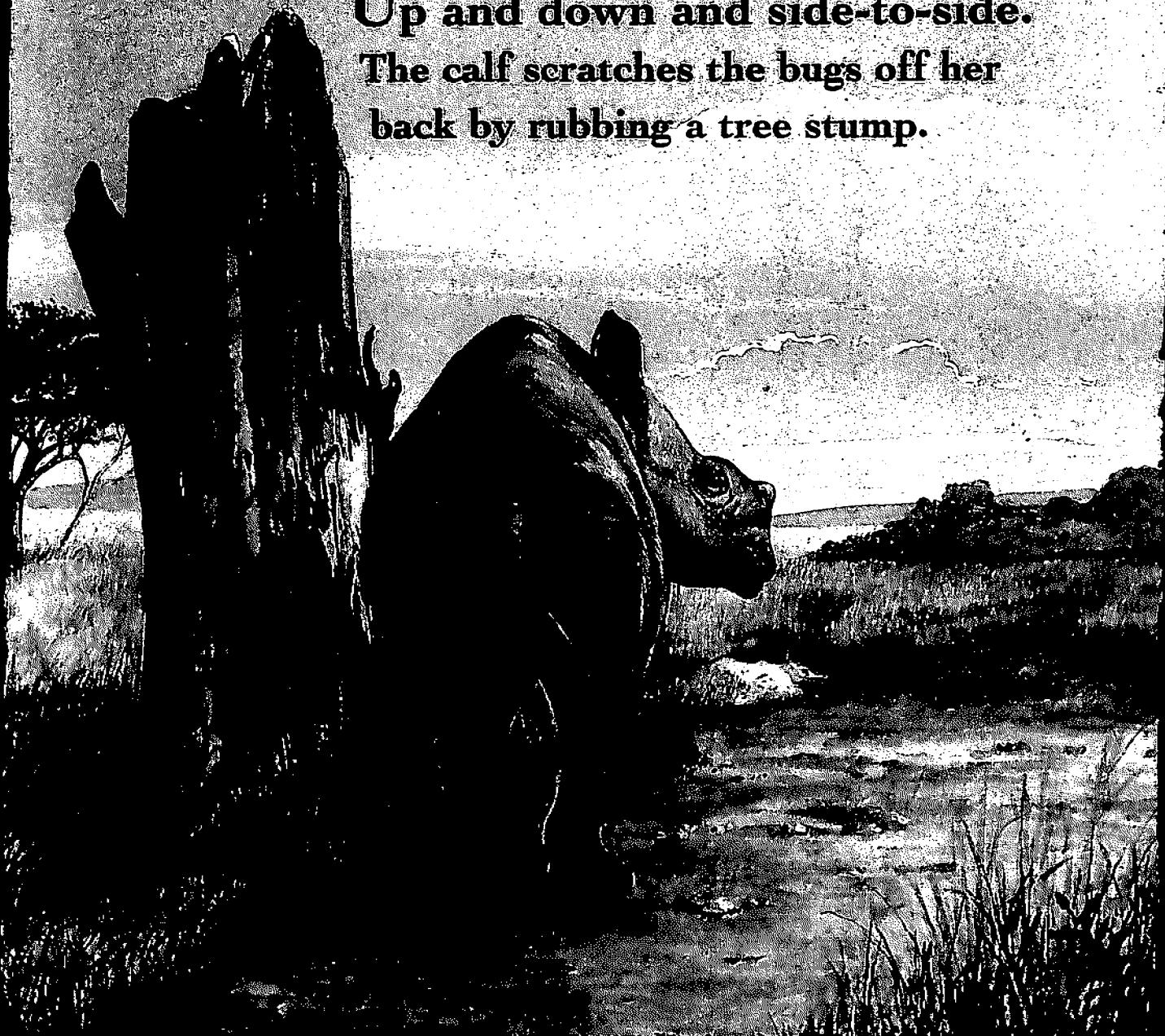


After several weeks, the cow
brings her new calf back to
the herd, or crash.

Two other cows and their calves come out to greet them. The calf does not meet her father. Male rhinos live alone.



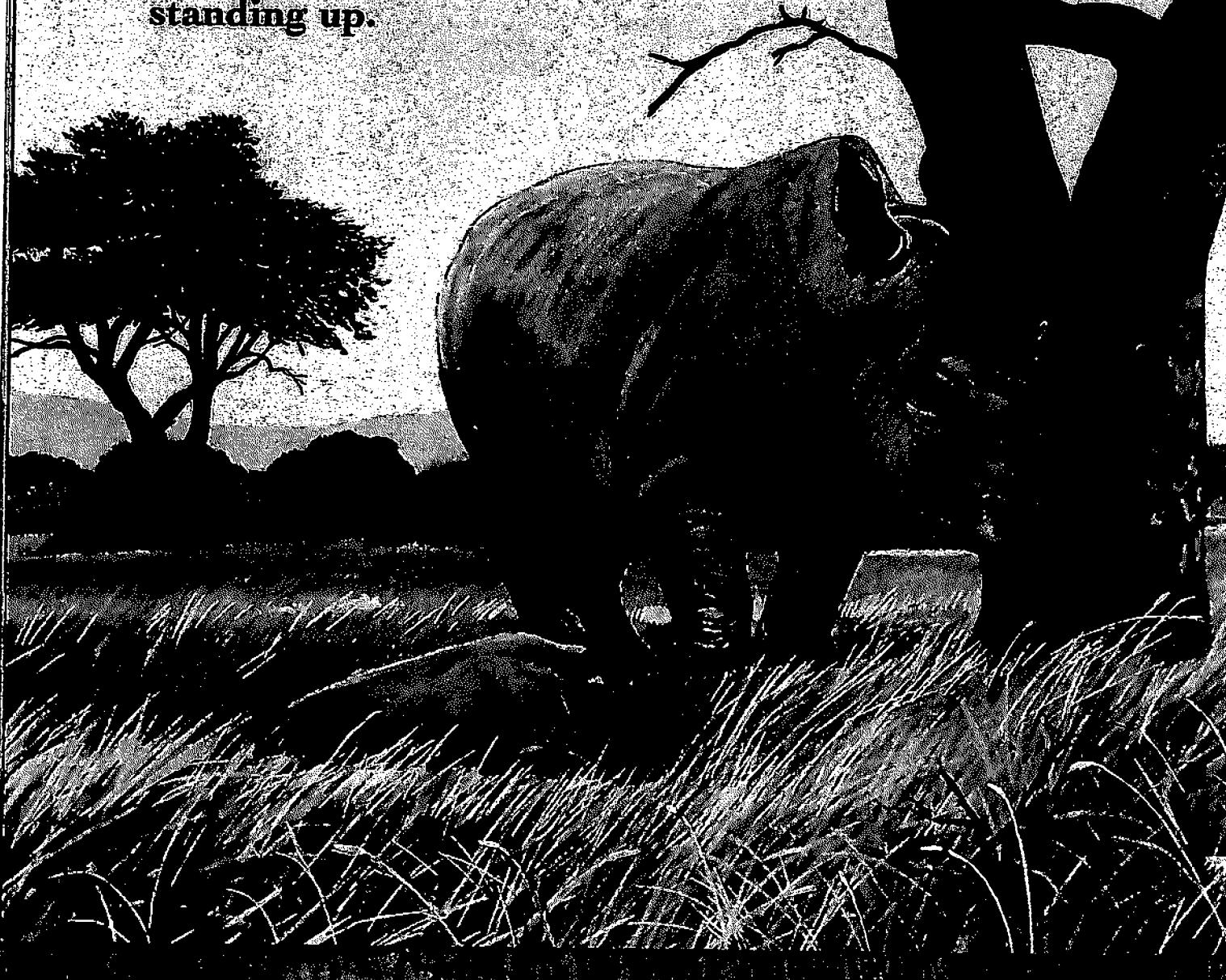
Up and down and side-to-side.
The calf scratches the bugs off her
back by rubbing a tree stump.



A tick bird flies down and lands on the calf's back. The tick bird eats the ticks and other bugs that land on her.



Nap time! It's too hot to eat at noon, so the young rhino naps in the shade. Her mother looks like she is awake, but she naps while standing up.



In the late afternoon, the calf will wake up and start eating again. Then she will go to the water hole for a drink.



After the calf drinks at the water hole, she follows her mother to the mud wallows. The cow rolls in the wallow at the edge of the water hole and covers herself with mud.



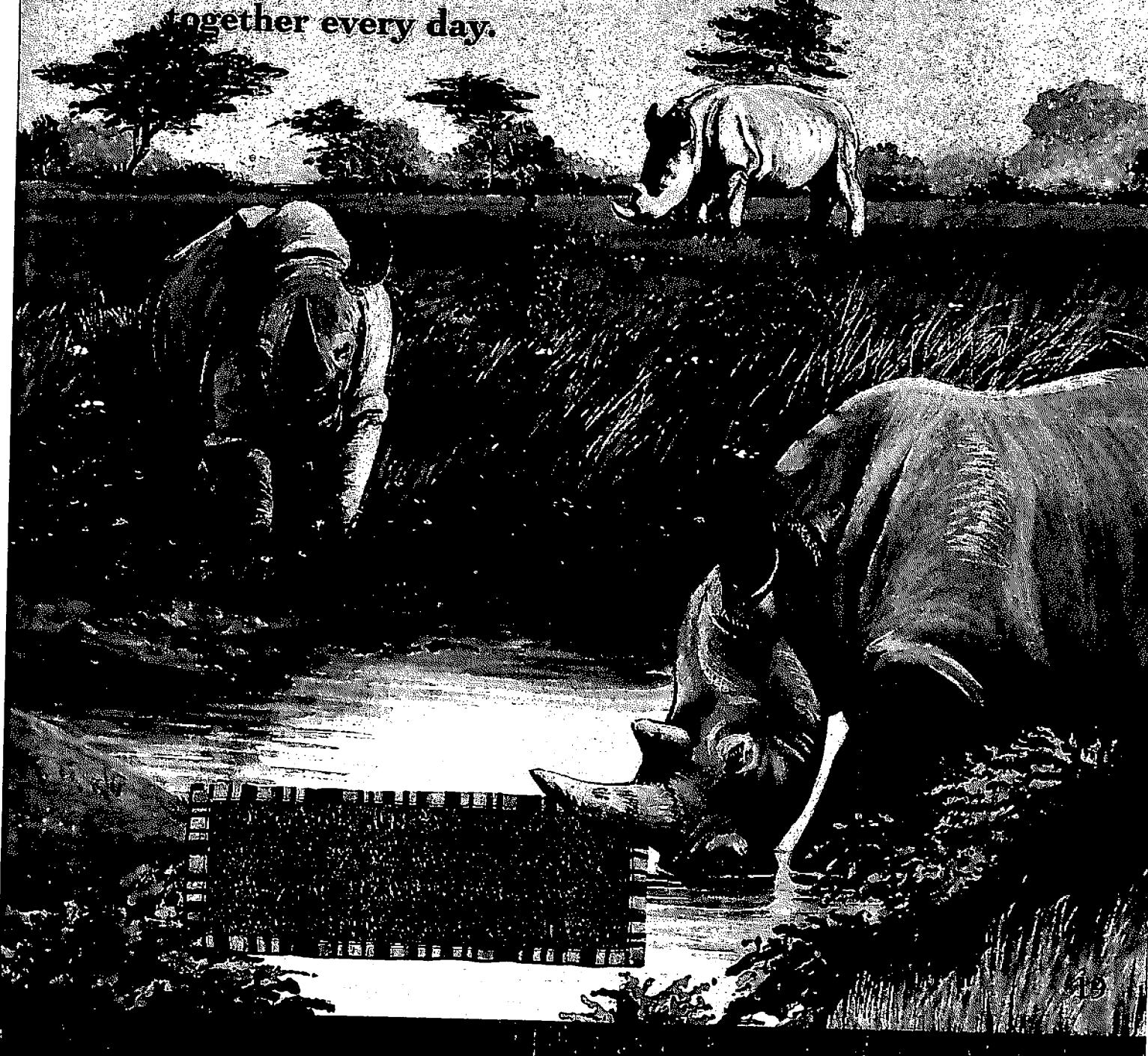
When her mother finishes, the calf rolls in the mud, too. The calf rolls and rolls until she is covered with mud from head to toe.



The young calf is now three years old and all grown up. She is ready to leave her mother. She is also ready to mate and have a calf of her own.



The young cow forms a herd with several other young cows. They eat and go to the water hole together every day.



...later, her baby is born. When

her life is over, she goes home.



When the new calf grows up, he will be one of the largest animals in the world. He will mate, and a new calf will be born in the African savanna.



Reindeer, Elasmotherium



① EYES. Rhinos have three eyelids, one to be covered, one to be used, and one to be closed.

② EARS. Adult rhinos rely on their sense of smell to tell them where they are going.

③ HORNS. A rhino's horn is like a very long nail.

④ LEGS. The feet of a rhino are 10 times as strong as a 1/3-ton (1,000 kg) centaur's.

There are five types of rhinos. They live in Africa and Asia.
The rhinos in this book are white rhinos. They live in Africa.



Glossary

- bull**—an adult male rhino
- calf**—a young rhino
- cow**—an adult female rhino
- crash**—a group, or herd, of rhinos that live together
- territory**—the place an animal claims as its own
- wallows**—the mud at the edge of the water hole

