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## Hello: How Nüwa Created the World

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Inspired by a Chinese creation myth, this vibrant picture book demonstrates the power of connection. Nüwa is the only person on Earth; though she loves the plants and animals surrounding her, she grows lonely with no one to talk to. With the mud created by her tears, she forms a person; more people follow, spreading across the world and discovering new ways to say "Hello." Pink, yellow, and teal form the primary palette of patterned illustrations that reflect the author's passion for printmaking.

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