A Taste of RAINBOW

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"Faith is being sure of what we hope for, and certain of what we do not see."

~ Hebrews 11:1

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for those who long for **hope**,

and my loved ones, for your faith in me.

i love ice-cream,



especially ice-cream with **rainbow sprinkles.**

When i was a little girl, daddy would buy me my **favourite** ice-cream with **rainbow sprinkles**

whenever i was a **good girl.**

Rainbow sprinkles are the BEST THINGS in the world!

When i was bigger, daddy let me buy my own ice-cream with **rainbow sprinkles**

- but only when i thought i was a good girl.

Good girls are

thin



and smart

and very, very beautiful.

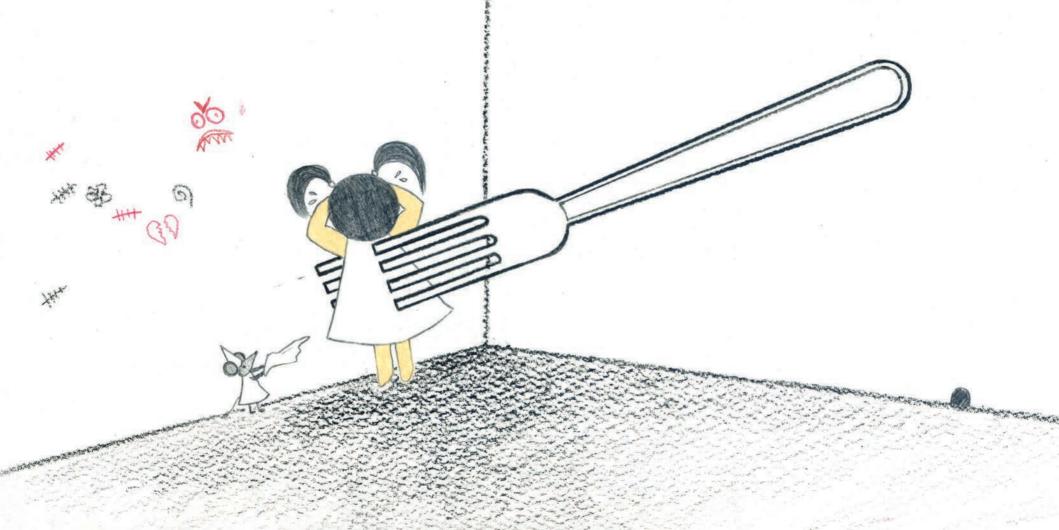


i don't think i'm a good enough girl.

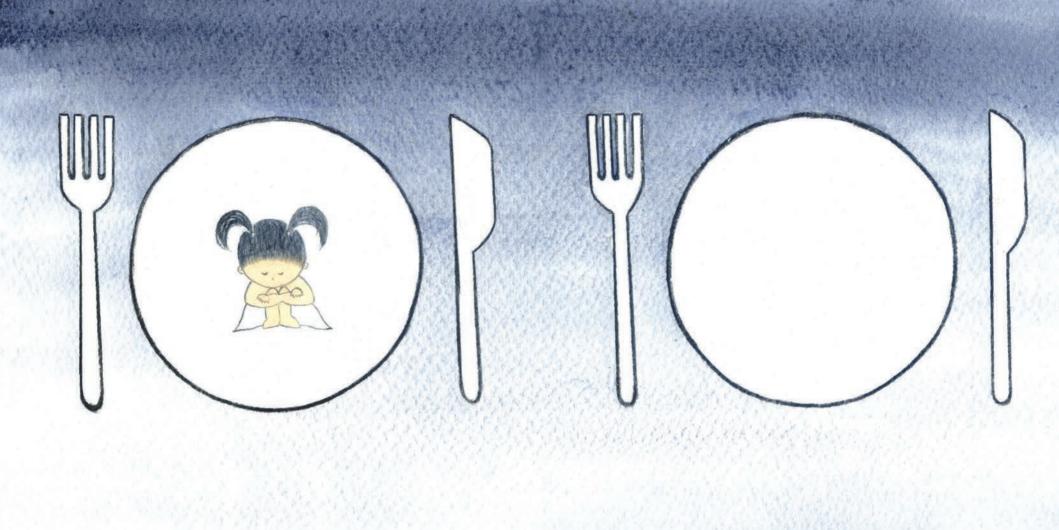




Someone once told me i was not thin, or **pretty** enough.



Rainbow sprinkles don't taste so good anymore.



Sometimes i think i'd die

just to be a **little** bit taller, and thinner,

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and a **little** bit



more beautiful.

Good girls never get **mad** or **sad**. Why is it so **hard** to be **perfect?**

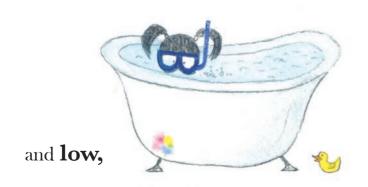


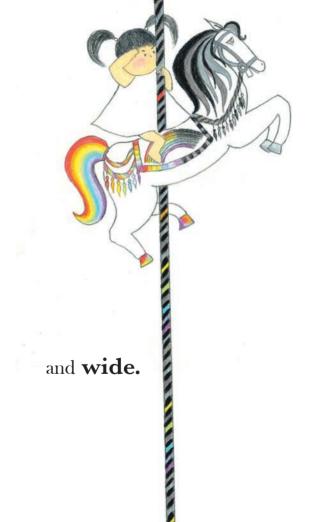
or to be me?

i think i've **lost** a part of me.

Someone **stole** it in the night.







far,

Still, I could not **find my mouth**.

The heart is a **hungry** place.

Sometimes, you feel like giving up

and it feels like the **storm** will

never end.





Faith, never lets you down.

Hold on.

Finding your mouth takes **courage.**

UN MUMAN

it means

being brave to ask for

help,

and **being brave** to say you're feeling

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worth

in se cur e,

less

It's okay to say you're broken

weak, or fla ed.

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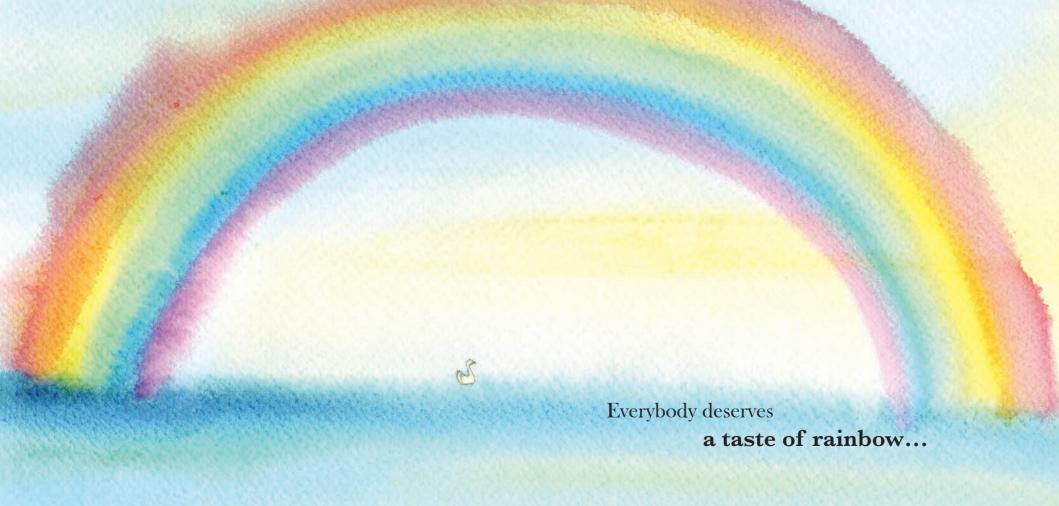
We all are.

If you really look, you will find something so beautiful inside of you.

Beautiful child, what is **beautiful**

is what the eye **cannot see.**







... including me.

When it rains on us, it feels like the storm will never end. Fear, guilt and shame can overwhelm us.

The good news is that we are not alone. Getting help is not a weakness, but a strength.

The bravest thing you could ever do, is to tell someone and get help.

If you know someone suffering, share this book with them.

Take courage. Have faith.

A rainbow awaits you.

"It has been an amazing journey to see Wai Jia's transformation from a struggling patient to missionary doctor. Her journey of resilience makes her an authentic and inspirational role model, for young and old. As a healthcare professional who has practised for over 20 years, I believe this is a must-read for young women, parents, teachers, counsellors and those in healthcare."

Dr. Lee Ee Lian, Psychiatrist specializing in eating disorders

"Wai Jia's courage will inspire many to take that first step towards recovery — we never need to walk alone. This book is a voice to those struggling in the darkness. May it bless you as much as it has blessed me and many others."

Anita Fam, Board Member, National Council of Social Service

"After suffering from an eating disorder for years, I knew I would either die from the illness or bounce back helping others. Like the little girl in this book, I reached out for help. Now years later as a counsellor, I find fulfilment each day helping others find their rainbow too. This book will bring you hope, healing and encouragement- as it did for me."

- T, Counsellor

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Wai Jia is a medical doctor whose passion is serving the underprivileged. Having overcome depression and anorexia as a youth, her desire is to inspire young people find faith, hope and courage to live a life of resilience.

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