

# HITCHING A RIDE WITH MR. CAT

## 搭便車

Mr. Cat has just built a new car with trash he found on the mountain, and he decides to take it out on the town. Yet, as he travels down the mountain road, he meets hitchhikers. They're not just any hitchhikers either, oh no: a humongous polar bear, a dog, a family of boars, and a school of fish all ask to ride with him. What will he do? His car is small, but everyone is so polite, and when the car runs into trouble, his passengers are there to help!

Hitch a ride with author Hsiao Ching-Lien and illustrator Maureen on a journey that is as educational as it is ridiculous. Teaching through exaggeration, the story describes the act of sharing as a way to conquer the impossible and go places one could never reach otherwise. Maureen's illustrations add a beautiful sense of whimsy to the story, causing its scenes to balloon beyond the mere borders of the page.

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The author of *What'll We Do Without a Rooster?* graduated with an M.A. in Children's Literature, and currently serves as Executive Editor of a children's book publishing house. Her work has been shortlisted for the Feng Zikai Chinese Children's Picture Book Award.

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Maureen began her career as an illustrator after finishing her college degree in philosophy. She is proficient with several different kinds of media, and has experience with animation as well as still visual art. She collaborated with Hsiao Ching-Lien for *What'll We Do Without a Rooster?*



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A whimsical, painterly illustration of a yellow car with a cat driver on a winding road. The car is a small, boxy model with a black roof rack carrying a red gift box. The driver is a white cat with black ears and a black collar. The road is a light-colored path that curves through a lush green landscape. In the foreground, there are tall yellow reeds and a small stream. The background features rolling green hills, scattered trees, and a white dog running on a path in the distance. The overall style is soft and artistic, with visible brushstrokes.

**Oh no! Someone wants a ride.**









**Oh no! Someone else wants a ride.**



