

# LIE TO ME? 真的假的啊?

*Lie to Me?* examines from a child's perspective the apparent contradictions and logical fallacies in our "adult" world view. Why is it that imagination is often so much sweeter than "reality"? How do we know what is true, and how should we engage with a reality that can be so uncomfortable?

"Making a wish is real; Bringing it to life is fake." Ideas hang above our eyes like shiny soap bubbles, reflecting and bending the colors of this "real" world before disappearing altogether.

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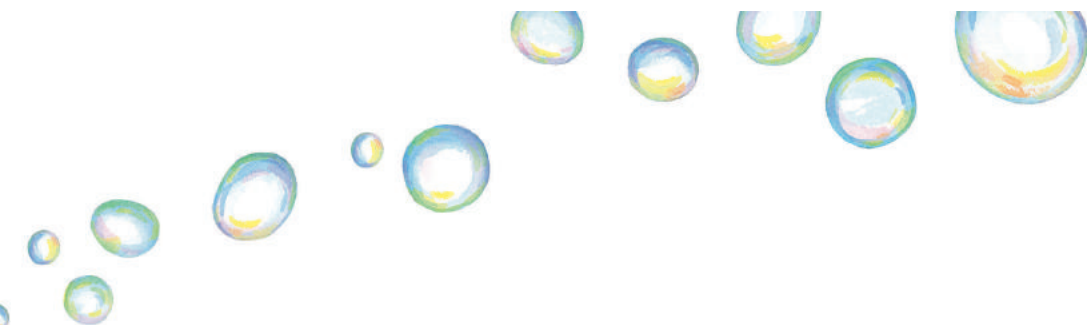
Someone once told me...





Your average person blows one  
thousand seven-hundred and sixty-two  
bubbles over a lifetime.

But not every bubble you see float away  
on the wind will burst...



Some of those bubbles will fly up, in search  
of their own special world.

And a few of them will hide among plants and  
flowers, waiting for children to come running  
passed so that they can give them a surprise  
kiss.



And then one of the bubbles will follow a child  
back home, where it will wait patiently, hovering  
in the sky above.





Then, in the middle of the night, it descends,  
to make a rainbow out of that child's dreams,  
before disappearing back up to its hiding  
place as morning breaks.

If only you believe in this story, you might be  
lucky enough to catch sight of one.





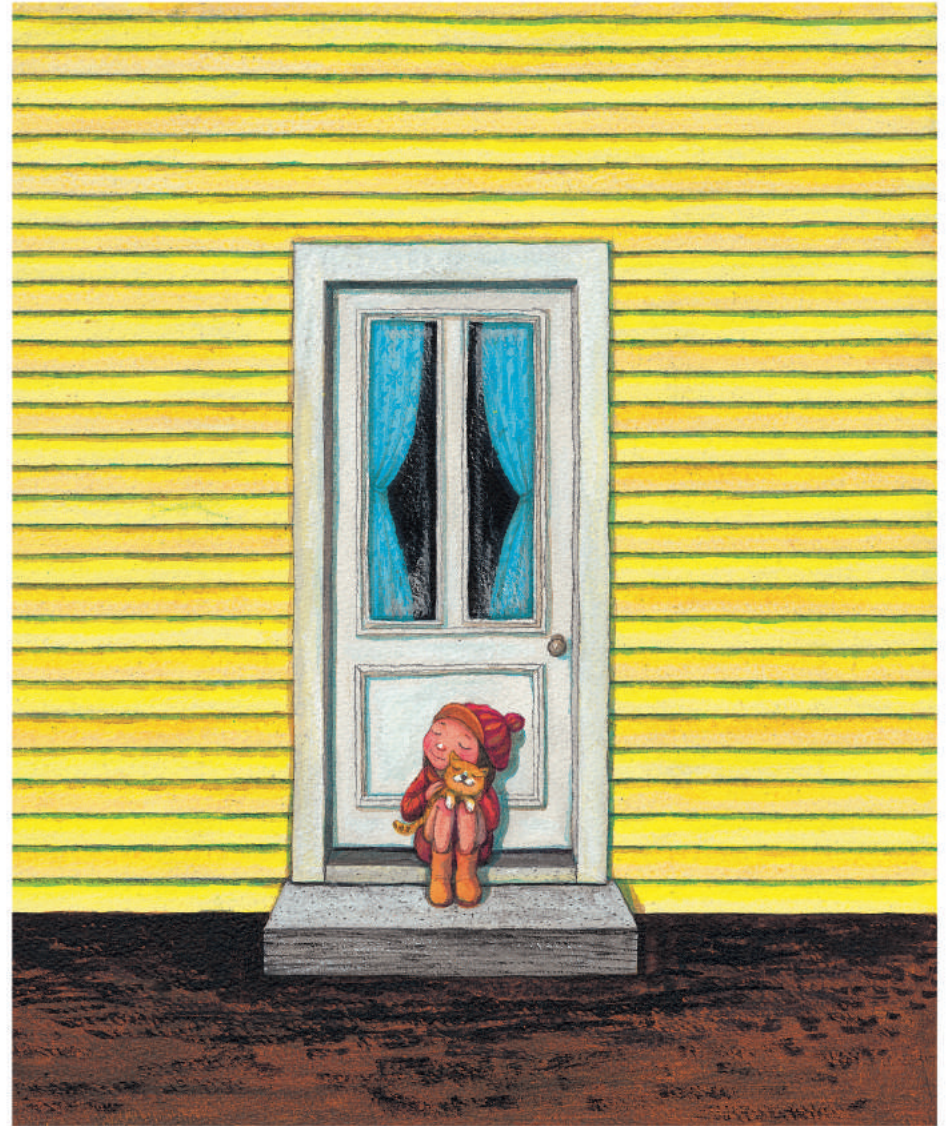
She doesn't believe what people tell her.

She trusts the cicadas singing in the summer heat,  
the squirrels jumping in the trees,  
and the cat she hugs tight to her chest.

She trusts her imagination, her dreams and her  
future.

One day, somebody jabbed at her head,  
your dreams and your future  
will be a disaster,  
they said.

Her cat scratched them back.





'A wish becomes less real once fulfilled.'

'You just made a wish on the moon, what was it?'

'When I grow up, I want to shave all my hair off, or dye it green. I want to tattoo my body and pierce my tongue and my nose.'

'Can the moon help you fulfill your wish?'

'Yes. Lots of girls and boys make wishes on the moon these days. They've done it ever since they were small.'

