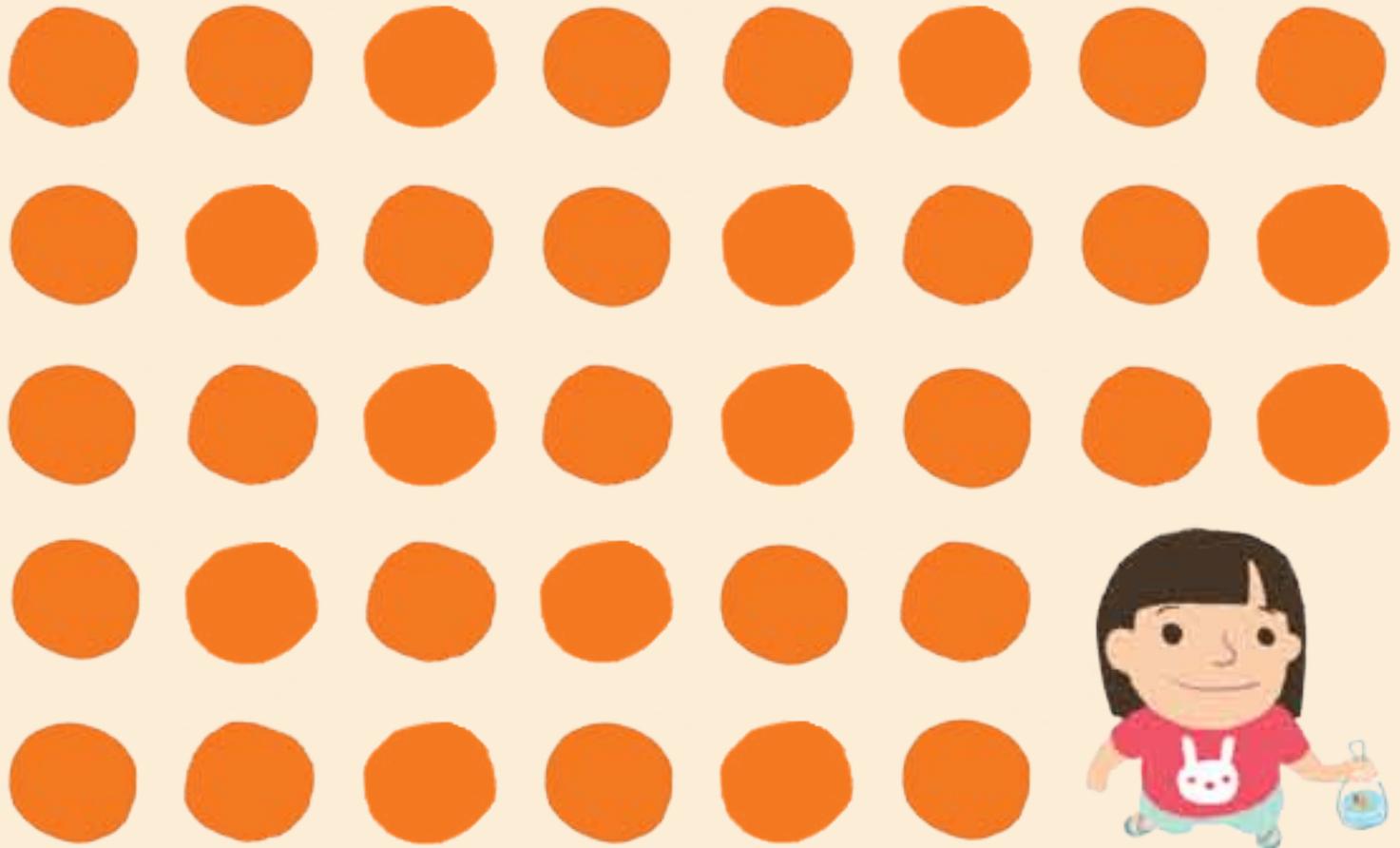


MY SPECIAL PLACE

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HOW THIS BOOK CAN BE USED

Children are naturally curious. Nurturing and sustaining their **sense of wonder and curiosity** prepares them for lifelong learning. As they **observe the world** around them and **ask questions**, they **find out more** about why things happen and how things work.

The main character in the story is very interested in the environment surrounding her. As she explores through her different senses, she asks questions to help her make sense of the world. You may want to read the story a few times to the children and in the process, help them to recognise and value the disposition of **sense of wonder and curiosity**. Here are some suggestions:

To Help Children Recognise The Learning Disposition Of Sense Of Wonder And Curiosity

Ask:

- *What did the girl see/hear/smell? What senses did she use to observe the environment around her?*
- *Why did the girl always start her sentences with “I wonder...”?*

To Help Children Value And Adopt The Learning Disposition Of Sense Of Wonder And Curiosity

Ask:

- *What do you think the girl can do to find the answers to her questions?*
- *When you have a question about something, what can you do to find the answer?*
- *How would you feel when you can find answers to your questions?*

For more information on how to nurture learning dispositions, you may refer to the “Nurturing Learning Dispositions” curriculum resource published by MOE in 2010.



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Come with me to a special place.



**It is a place where some people come
in shorts and slippers.**



I wonder why he has a towel around his neck.



**It is a noisy place!
I can hear different languages being spoken.**

I wonder where they come from.



Listen to the eggs cracking and the plates stacking.

I wonder if my guppy can hear these sounds.



**It is a place that makes you feel hungry!
Everything smells good!**

I wonder why they smell this way.



**It is a crowded place!
Many people wait patiently for their turn.**

I wonder what they are thinking about.



It is a place where you can find many mouth-watering desserts!

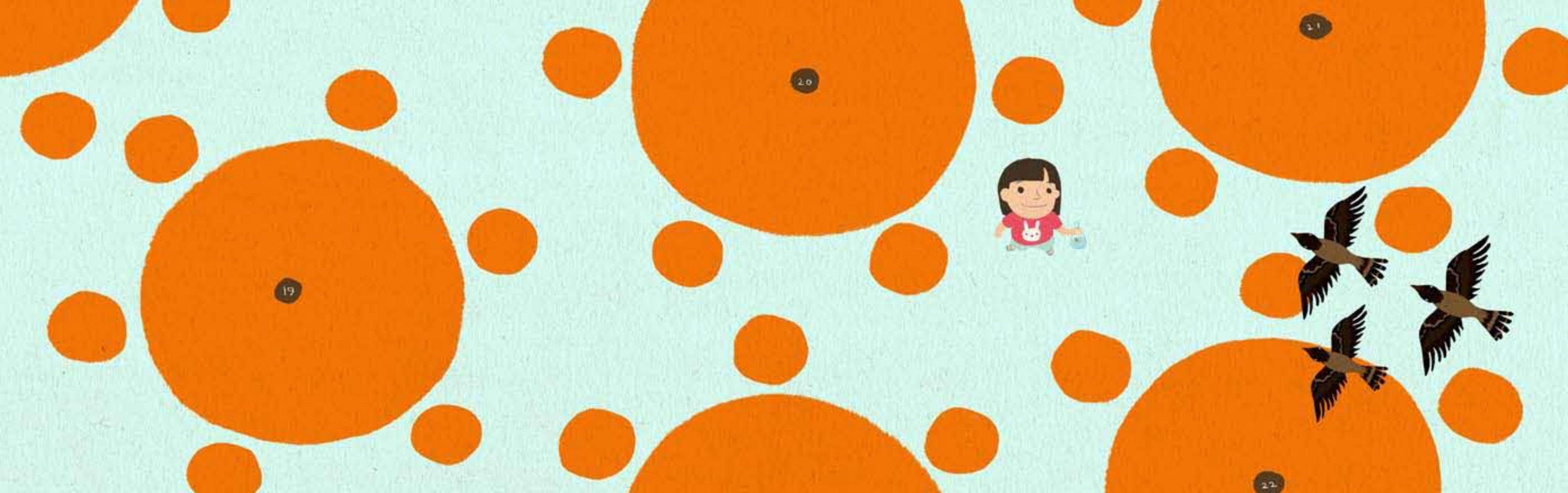


I wonder what would happen if we mixed them together.



**It is an exciting place!
I can see a man pouring tea like a waterfall.**

I wonder how he keeps the tea from spilling.



**It is such an interesting place that even
birds like to visit it!**

**I wonder what I would see if I were a bird flying
above this place.**

So what is this special place?





It's a...



HAWKER CENTRE!

ABOUT THE AUTHORS

Pebbles is a group of people who discovered they can be writers! They like dropping by their special place to have lunch together. (Let me give you a clue: it can be found on Zion Road!)

At this special place, they enjoy their favourite food like char kway teow, chicken rice and prawn noodles. They like ending off their meal with an ice kacang.

ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Andrew Tan (Drewscape) is an illustrator from Singapore. He enjoys reading and drawing comics just for fun. He likes eating at hawker centres because there are always so many kinds of dishes to choose from. Boneless chicken rice and steam dumplings are among his favourite dishes.

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**Do you know what my special place is? Come with me
and we will explore this place with our five senses.
You might find it special too!**



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