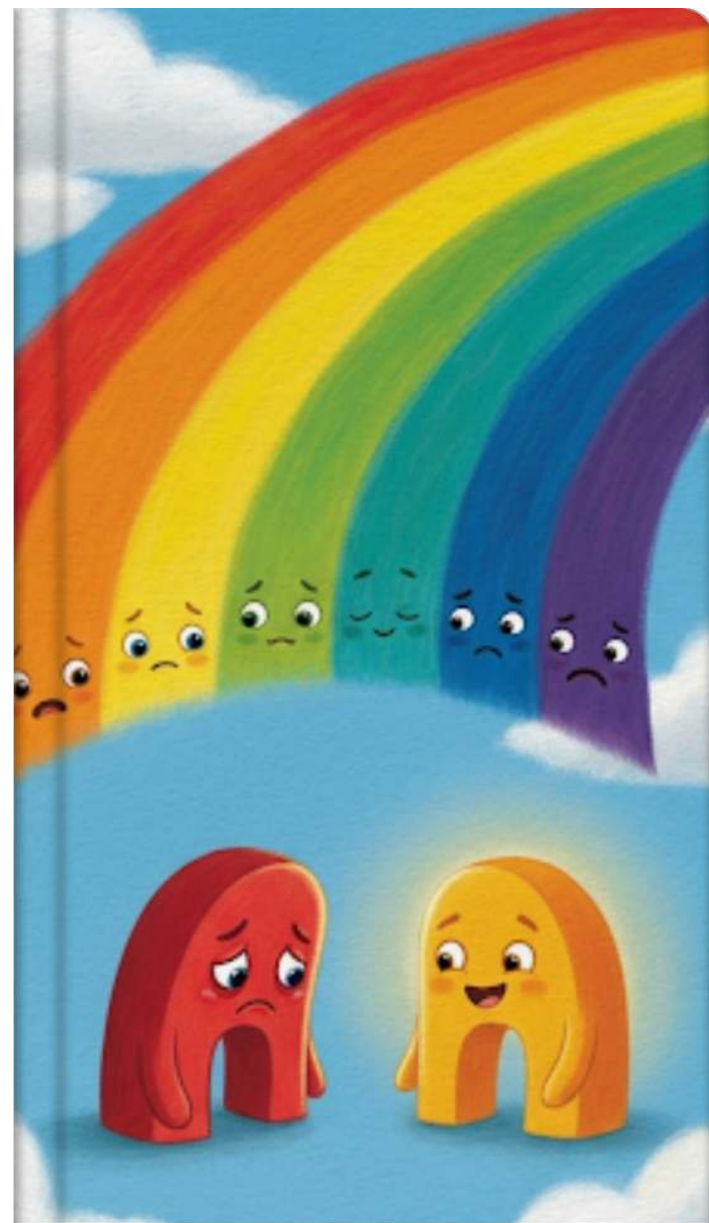
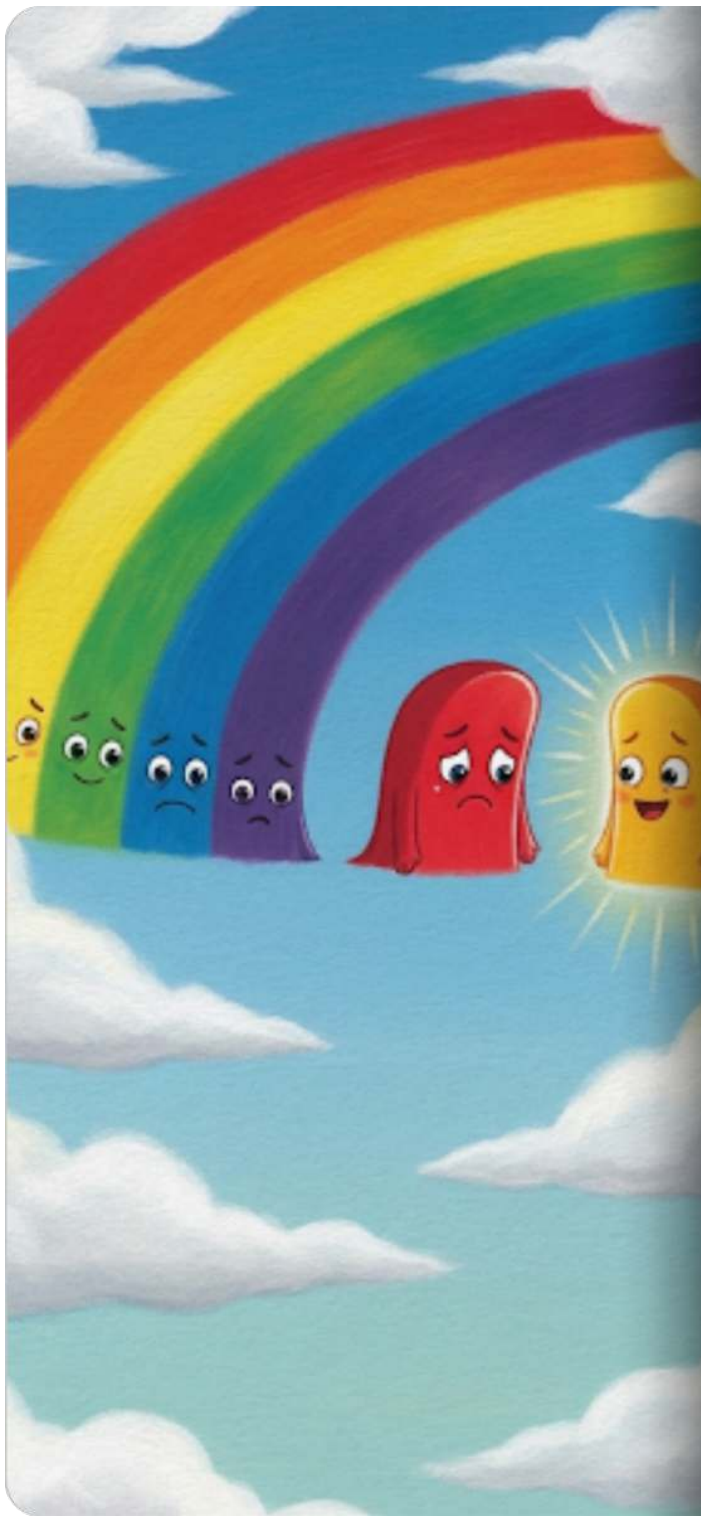




The Rainbow Who Lost a Color

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Once upon a time, there was a beautiful rainbow where all the colors lived happily ever after. Except for one of its colors: Red.



Red was not very happy.
His friends, the other six
colors, often complained.
"We don't want Red
here," they would
whisper. "We want Pink
instead!"



The days went by, and
Red grew more and more
sad, hearing his friends
say they wanted another
color in his place.



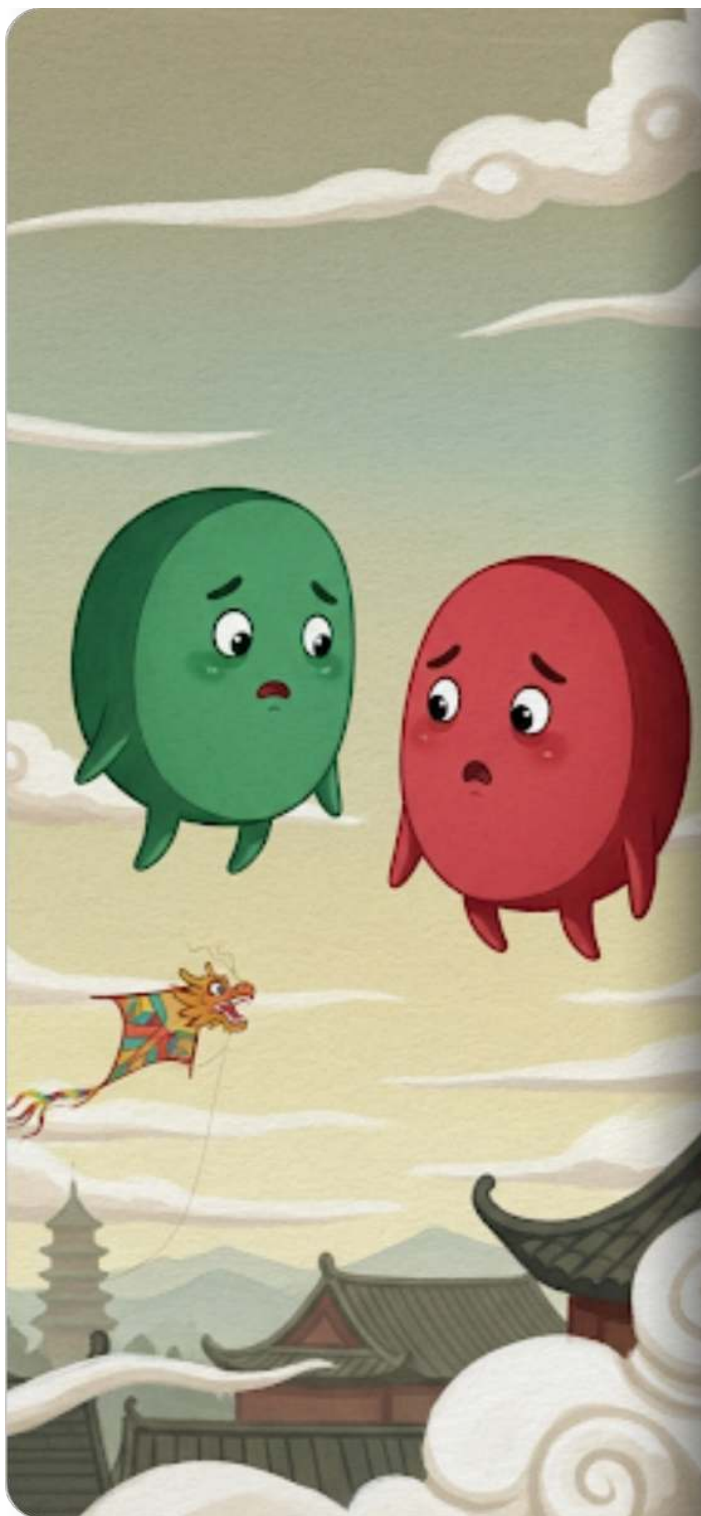
Days, months, and years passed. At a certain point, Red couldn't take it anymore. He packed his bags with socks and pajamas and went away.



But when people passed by and saw the rainbow all messed up, they were confused. The colors tried to look beautiful, but without Red, they were not as splendid as before.



So, the colors set off to
search the entire universe
to find their friend.



They found him at last,
floating high above the
sky of China!



The other colors realized their mistake and apologized for what they had done. "We're so sorry," they said. "The rainbow isn't the same without you!"



Red decided to go back with his friends, who had promised not to make fun of him anymore. They all hugged and went back in line as before.



The people who passed by were very happy to see the complete rainbow in its maximum splendor. And everyone, both the people and the colors of the rainbow, lived happily ever after.