

THE COAT OF TODAY



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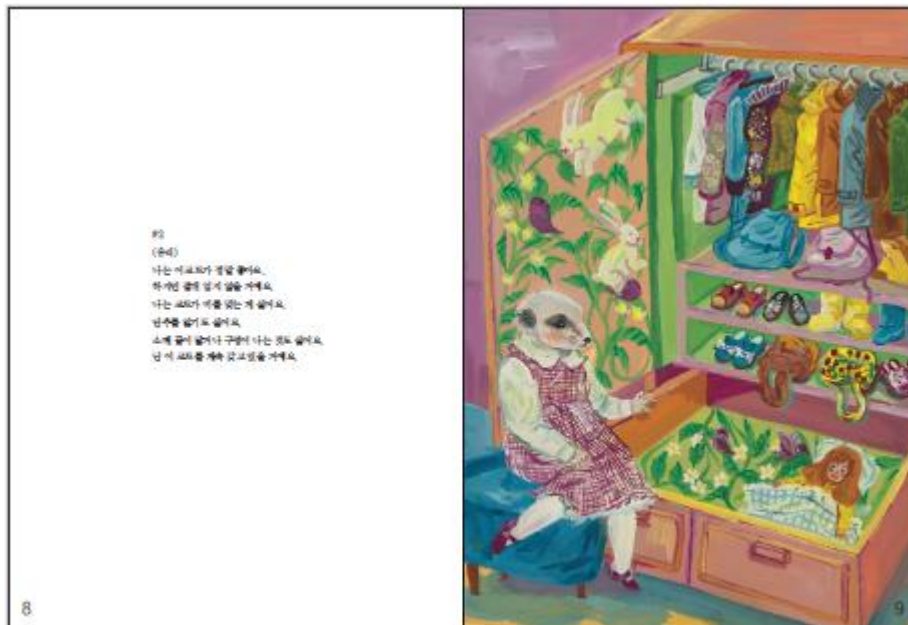
SIZE 210*288mm

RIGHTS SOLD World available

This charming picture book tells its story in two voices, Yu-ri who treasures her favorite coat so much she never wears it, and the coat itself, which feels hurt that Yu-ri only keeps it shut away in the closet.

One day, Yu-ri's mom suggests passing the coat down to her younger cousin. Fearing that it will be thrown away, the coat quietly slips out of the house on its own. Rolling through the world, the coat becomes torn, soaked, and worn down. Yu-ri spots her precious coat caught in a tree. For the very first time, she puts it on.

This book gently shares the message that the most precious things are meant to be experienced with courage, not just admired from afar, to finally create bonds that make them all the more special.





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Author Biography

Mi-kyeong Song, the author, debuted in 2008 when she won the Woongjin Junior Literature Award for her work "The School for School-Haters." Since then, she has established herself as an innovative and unique voice in Korean children's literature, often blending fantasy elements with warm, empathetic storytelling. Song has received several major awards, including the 5th Changwon Children's Literature Award for "The One Munching on Gravel" and the 54th Korea Publishing Culture Award for "Some Kid."

Su-yeon Lee, the illustrator, earned her MA in Illustration from Camberwell College of Arts in the UK and currently teaches picture book and graphic novel courses at Hankyoreh Education.

Her title *Two Friends on My Shoulders* was selected for the 2023 White Ravens, and *What Kind of Furniture Do You Need?* was featured in the 2025 AFCC Illustrator Gallery. Her works have also been recognized internationally: *You Are My Every Season* was shown at the 2022 AFCC, *The Big House* was chosen for the 2025 BRAW Amazing Bookshelf, *Many People Go to the Sea* was included in the dPictus 100 Outstanding Picturebooks, and *Wish* was honored in the 2025 BBCK "Most Joyful Books in Korea" list.