# The Girl Who Loved the Rainbow

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Community Story

Level 2

"It is raining, raining, raining," cried out a little girl. She peeked out of the window and listened to the rain that went pitter-pat, pitter-pat. She pushed open the window a little more till the air blew the rain to her face. Her face was now covered with drops of rain. She jumped up and down with delight. How she loved the rain!

The little girl's name was Megha. Her mother told her it was because she was born on a cloudy day. It had rained all night. So they named her Megha.

Now, her mother saw Megha watching the rain and laughed. She took hold of the sash of her dress and pulled her back gently. "You are getting wet, Megha, come away from the window," she said.

Megha did as she was told but sat by the window. She continued to watch the rain while eating pakoras.

After an hour, it stopped raining. Slowly the squirrels appeared out of their hideouts. Megha's cat Pichku also came out from under the bed where he was hiding. Pichku hated the rain more than the squirrels he could not catch!

The wind blew strongly. Megha's mother pointed to the sky and told her that the wind was pushing away the clouds and the sun would start shining soon.

Megha made a sad face. Her mother told her that Megha might see a rainbow. Now, Megha's face brightened. A rainbow! What was a rainbow, she wanted to know.

Her mother took out a drawing paper and Megha's crayons and drew the colourful rainbow on it. Megha thought it was very pretty. Her mother explained that there were seven colours in the rainbow - VIBGYOR. It stood for Violet, Indigo, Blue, Green, Yellow, Orange and Red.

Megha forgot about being sad when it stopped raining. She wanted to see the rainbow. Before her mother could stop her, she jumped out of the window. She ran around the garden watching the sky.

"C'mon, sun, get out from under the clouds...I want to see a rainbow," she screamed.

She jumped into a puddle and there in the puddle was trapped a little rainbow. She looked closely and saw they were the same colours her mother had told her about.

"VIBGYOR, VIBGYOR," she chanted.

And then, she looked up and there it was - the most beautiful rainbow ever.

It was bright and huge and stretched across the sky in a big arc. Megha stretched out her hand to catch the rainbow.

Now if only it rained in the colours of the rainbow, she thought.

*Why do you think it does not rain in the colours of the rainbow?*

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(English)

The story is about a young girl Megha who sees her first rainbow, and loves it!

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.

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