

# Chasing Rainbows





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It was a rainy afternoon,  
Shane and Tara  
were eating cookies  
on Tara's covered porch.

They watched the rain  
cover everything  
like a big, wet blanket.

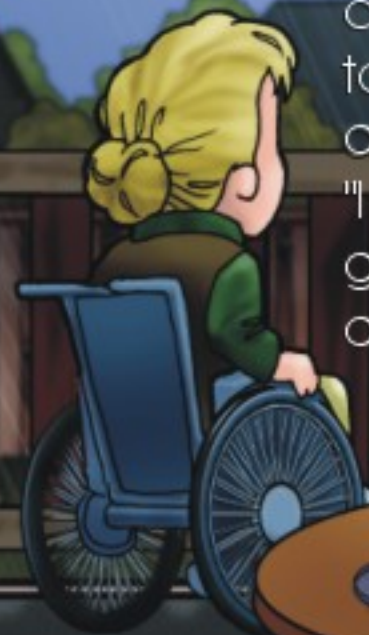


After a while, the rain stopped. The clouds cleared away, and a big rainbow appeared in the sky.

"Oh look," shouted Tara.  
"There's a rainbow!"

"Wow!"  
said Shane.  
"Look at all  
those colors!"

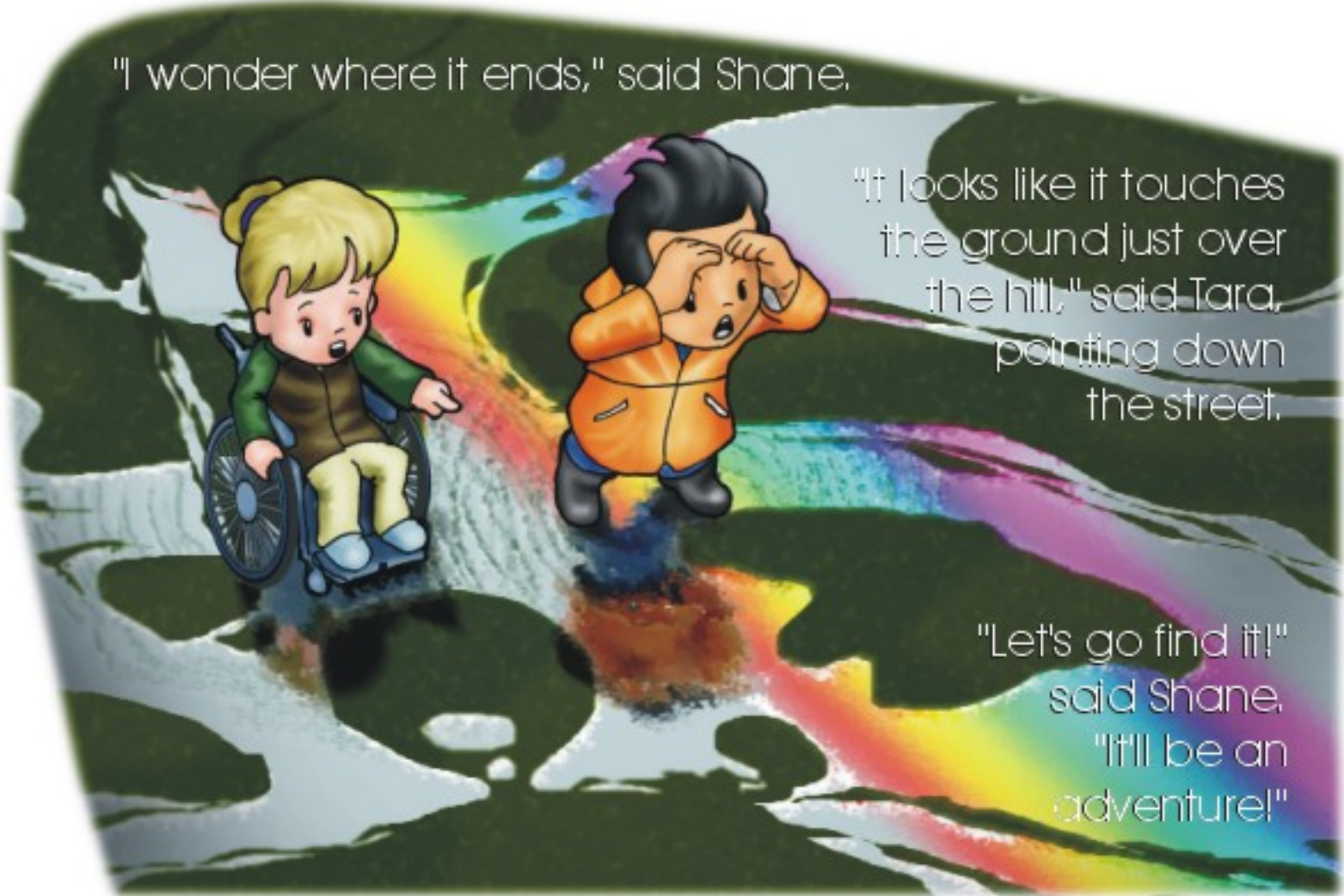
"And look how the  
colors blend  
together,"  
added Tara.  
"I see red,  
green, blue,  
and even gold."



They both went out into the yard to get a better view.

"It's soooooo big!" said Tara. It goes across half the sky!"

"I wonder where it ends," said Shane.

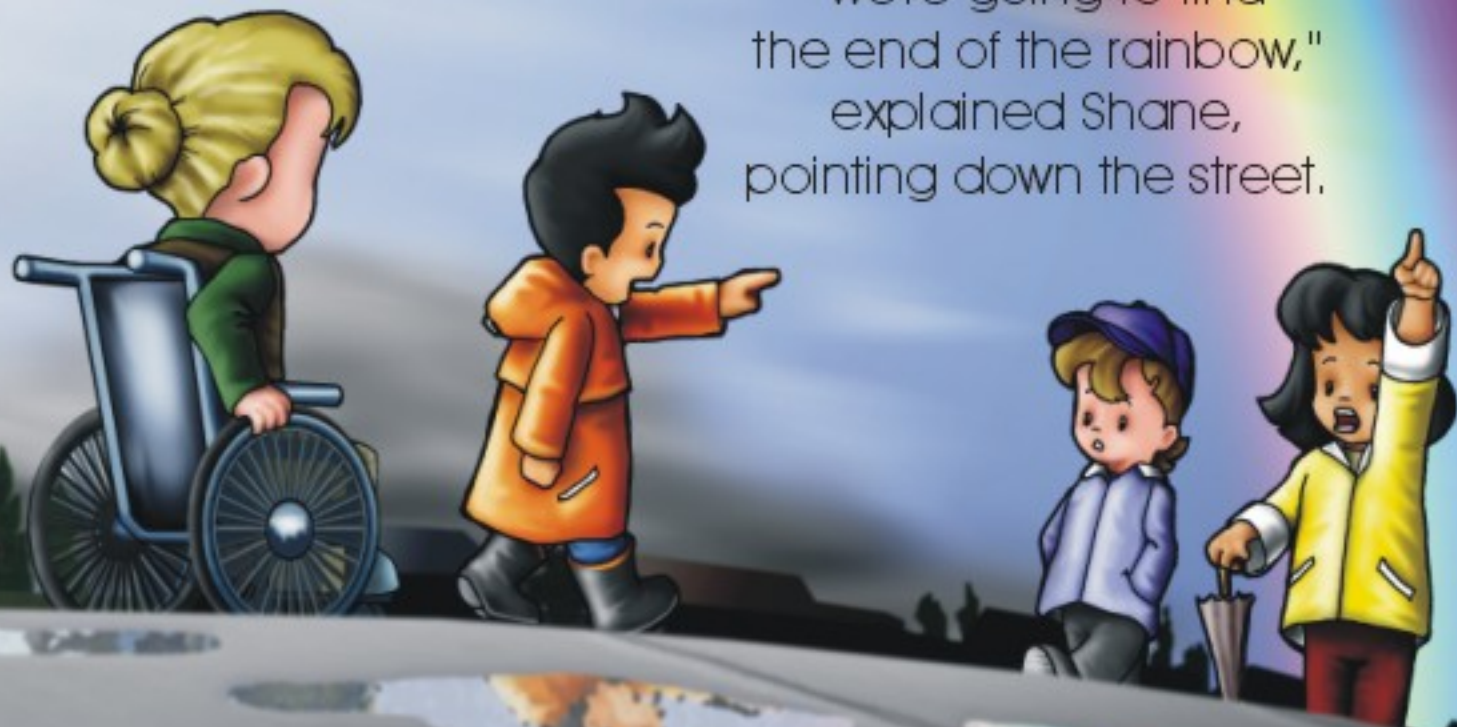
An illustration showing two children in a yard. On the left, a girl with blonde hair in a bun, wearing a green jacket and yellow pants, sits in a blue wheelchair. She is pointing towards a large, vibrant rainbow that stretches across the sky and down the ground. On the right, a boy with black hair, wearing an orange jacket and dark pants, stands with his hands on his forehead, looking up at the rainbow. The background shows a green lawn and a grey path.

"It looks like it touches the ground just over the hill," said Tara, pointing down the street.

"Let's go find it!"  
said Shane.  
"It'll be an  
adventure!"

So off they went in search of the end of the rainbow. Along the way, they met Tony and Samantha.

"We're going to find the end of the rainbow," explained Shane, pointing down the street.



"That's funny...so are we!" exclaimed Samantha, pointing in the opposite direction. "But we're going towards the other end."

Tara and Shane turned around and looked at the other end of the rainbow.



"Hey Tara," said Shane, "It looks like the other end of the rainbow is right in your backyard!"

"How did we miss that?" wondered Tara.  
"Let's all go back to my house and find the end of the rainbow!"

When they arrived, they were disappointed. the end of the rainbow still seemed far, far away.

"Well this is no good," complained Shane,  
"Now we'll never find the end of the rainbow!"

"Wait," said Tara.  
"I have an idea."





Tara went over to her father's tool shed.  
She picked up the garden sprinkler.



"Why is she doing yard work, now?" wondered Tony.  
"We're supposed to be looking for the end of the rainbow!"

Tara took the sprinkler  
to the middle of her yard  
and set it down.

"I wonder what she's up to,"  
said Samantha.

"I don't get it," said Shane.

Then, Tara made her  
way to the tap at  
the side of the house.  
She turned on the water  
and shouted, "Here goes!"



The sprinkler gurgled and gushed to life, spraying Shane, Samantha, and Tony with water. Suddenly, everybody knew what Tara was up to.

"Ah ha!" laughed Shane, soaking wet.

"I get it! I get it! Tara has made rainbows for us!"



With water spraying everywhere and the sun shining through, Tara had made rainbows right in her backyard.