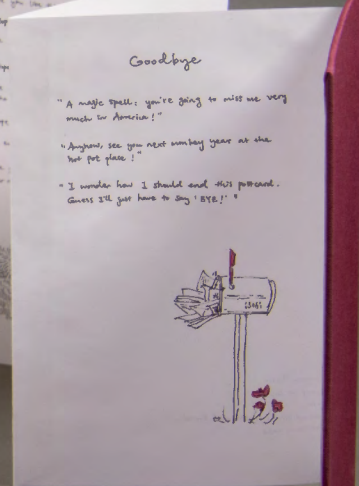
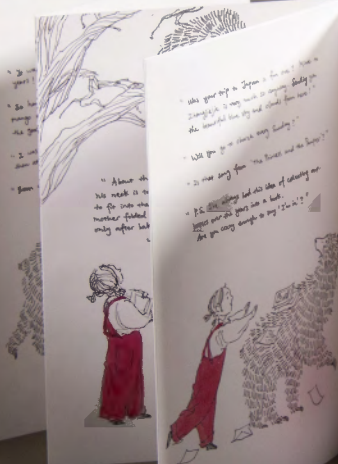


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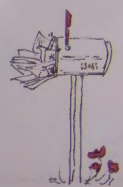
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... lanterns that swayed in the wind, I saw rain's
... on the ground, I saw corpses of flowers on the soil
... and the meaning of the rain as it fell on things, I heard
... of the thunder.
... and birds.
... and splashes as cars drove through puddles, I heard the
... of piano from my earphones.
... chirped. I lifted my umbrella. First the trees came
... view, then the architectures.
... ay, there was the colorless sky, and the rain,
... ing, making sounds. "

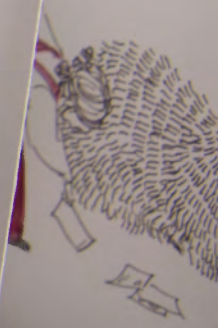


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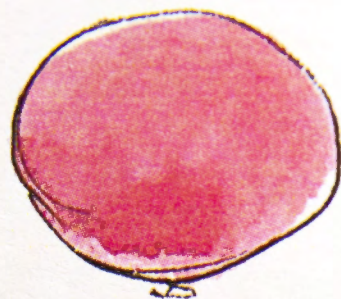


"Island?"
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Dedicated to
the authors
of this book,
whose words
brought me happiness



Letters and Reminders

"In having I am to show the happiness with you, and that I should like to be with you."

"After a long and difficult journey, I am now in the hands of the Lord."

"This is the last of the journey, I am now in the hands of the Lord."

"It is a good day for the Lord."



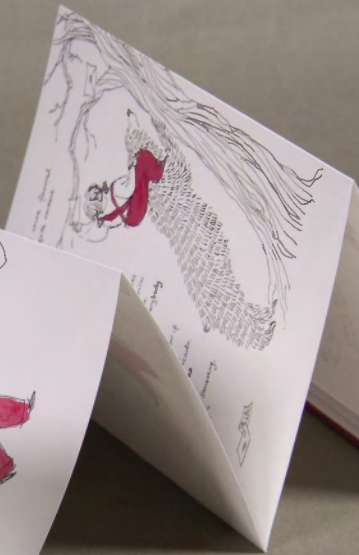
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Gifts

"A bear in a yellow T-shirt for you!"

"Once upon a time, I made this little mouse myself -- but I've forgotten how I made it ... but matters not, it's purely hand-made anyway!"

"You will find my wishes in those books."

"I couldn't find a box to fit the doll. It's too big. Hope you don't mind."



"I made the flower myself!"

"This is only a stuffed animal, but it is very meaningful. A very kind Santa Claus gave it to me in person, and now I give it to you. I hope you can feel the joy as much as I do."

"They are very heart-warming socks at any rate."



Sentiments

"I cried when I watched him sing 'The Foxes Who Missed the Old Days' so very terribly much. There were evening chatters and snacks on the little south side of the river of no return. When good is going, it is a time machine to the past."

"Perhaps the same person would go through and periods in different places. Perhaps not."



Letters and Postcards

"So here I am to share the happiness with you, and it shall be doubled when you see it."

"After a long and difficult journey, my second letter has finally arrived at your letterbox! I wonder what your letterbox looks like."

"This pen has such powerful ink!"

"It's a card for you, bought at Windermere. And I am writing this from a hotel in London."



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"I also walk to
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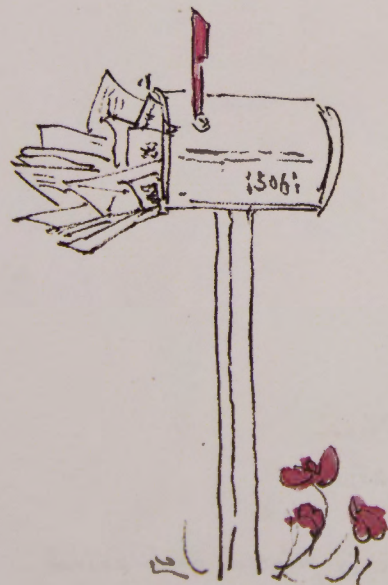


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