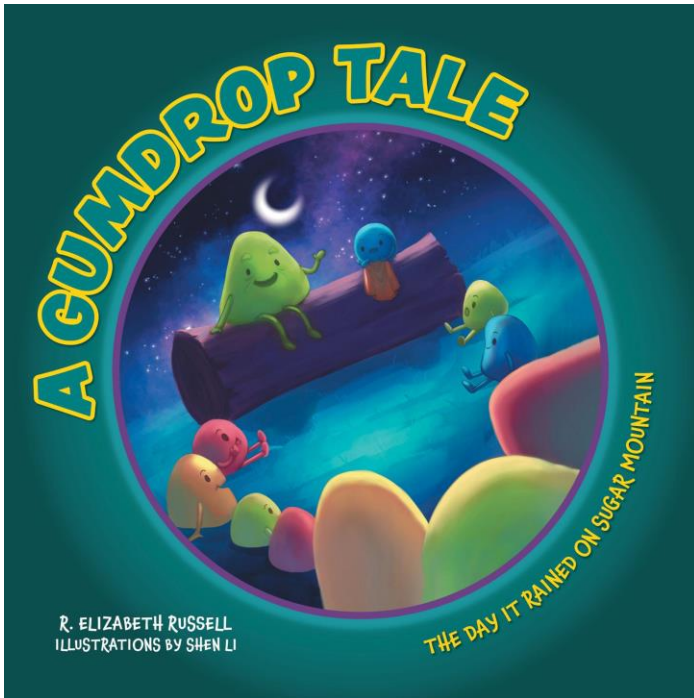


# A Gumdrop Tale

The Day It Rained on Sugar Mountain  
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## About the Book

“A *Gumdrop Tale*” tells the story of a utopian society who live atop a peculiar mountain. The people listen to each other, help each other, and work together to live in peace and harmony. Until an unusual stranger arrives sowing seeds of negativity and doubt, and one by one the people of Sugar Mountain turn against each other. As their utopia crumbles, heavy rain falls. With their home now in danger the people must find a way to save Sugar Mountain, and their dream of a happy, peaceful society.

Written for Readers aged 7 years and above, “A *Gumdrop Tale*” encourages learning, conversation, and sparks imagination with themes such as unity, awareness, acceptance, and resolving conflict. The secret of this book is the deeper you read, the more meaning you will uncover.

## About the Author

R. Elizabeth Russell was born and raised in Brantford, Ontario. The city was much smaller when she was young. Raised in a family where learning was valued and encouraged, Elizabeth learned to love words, stories, and the workings of her imagination at an early age. Her writing is often inspired by events and experiences in her life.

Having worked closely with children of varying age groups, as well as with children facing challenges, Elizabeth has learned there is always something a child can teach you.

After graduating from the University of Waterloo with a Bachelor of Arts in Peace and Conflict Studies, a career in banking brought Elizabeth new opportunities to learn, new skills to master, and new goals to set. She embraced every role, building knowledge and strong relationships.

She is often found in nature, and meditation and reflection are her valued tools. A fascination with astrology turns her gaze toward the stars. Learning and growth are themes in her life as she strives for inner peace. Elizabeth knows to count her blessings.

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