



# An Ideal Canteen

美好食堂

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In a charming canteen, Chef Kangaroo busily prepares lunch for the hardworking animals. *An Ideal Canteen* places animals at the heart of the story, with Chef Kangaroo portrayed in a human-like role, joyfully contributing to the zoo through his cooking. This tale not only teaches children about the diets of different animals but also nurtures a sense of love and respect for them, promoting a vision of a world where humans and animals thrive together as equals.



## Yi-Ting Lee

Yi-Ting Lee, a graduate of the Cambridge School of Art in the UK, enjoys using gentle brushstrokes and rich colors to tell small, heartfelt stories. Her works are both inspiring and fun, offering children a joyful reading experience. Lee works with various media, from collage to watercolor, where her only rule is "no rules."

Her published picture books include *Mr White*, *An Ideal Zoo*, *Mr White in Love*, *Let's Play Again*, and *An Invitation Letter*.

# In An Ideal Canteen, Preparing Meals is Joyful

By Rex How

In *An Ideal Zoo*, many hardworking animals carry out their daily tasks. The zoo also has an ideal canteen that prepares lunch for these diligent creatures. Chef Kangaroo oversees all the meals, with little Joey and Hedgehog assisting him. When it's time for lunch, which animals arrive to eat?

Capybaras, wild boars, turtles, anteaters, penguins, brown bears, monkeys, orangutans, lions, zebras, ostriches, deer, elephants, pythons, owls, parrots, clouded leopards, giraffes, horses, unicorns, koalas, eagles, bats, and camels...

What has Chef Kangaroo prepared for

them?

Vegetables, fruits, snacks, fish, seafood, hamburgers, sushi, and a juice bar—he can even take special requests for a custom meal. Seals and sea lions request a full seafood platter with crabs, squid, shrimp, and clams, and Chef Kangaroo prepares a seafood boat for them. Beavers want giant wood sandwiches, and Chef Kangaroo happily agrees. In the end, all the animals enjoy the food they wanted.

But Chef Kangaroo notices one quiet guest sitting in the corner—it's little Pangolin, Dun-Dun! What does Dun-Dun want to eat? How will Chef Kangaroo

satisfy him?

*An Ideal Canteen* continues the theme of animal-centered stories, where Chef Kangaroo dedicates himself to an ideal zoo by doing what he loves—preparing meals that make all the animals happy. For Chef Kangaroo, nothing could be more wonderful than that.

Yi-Ting Lee enjoys using soft strokes and rich colors to depict charming stories. Her works are both fun and inspiring, bringing children multiple layers of

enjoyment during reading. Her previous book, *An Ideal Zoo*, was selected by Taiwan's Ministry of Education as one of the best books for infants and toddlers, and *An Ideal Canteen* is a delightful sequel.

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*Rex How is the managing director of Books from Taiwan.*



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歡迎光臨美好食堂。  
Welcome to The Ideal Canteen!





“Hello Chef,  
please give me a loaf of timber bread.”



沒問題!  
“No problem!”

