



★ **Patience, Miyuki**

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Bursting with enthusiasm at the first signs of spring, Miyuki ignores her grandfather's reminders to be patient and wanders far from home in search of the purest water to entice a promising bud to blossom. The book's springtime scenes, lucky cats, and colorful yukata in origami paper patterns pay cheerful tribute to traditional Japanese style and customs. Miyuki's diminutive size and kokeshi-doll looks are reminiscent of Japanese folktale hero Issun-bōshi, the inch-high samurai. It's destined to be a modern classic.

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