

A special session with a special child 19/08, 26/08.



Her name was "Chang Siow Mei age 9 yrs old (not the child's real name, she wrote the name on the portrait pg). She received the book I am Special on 19/08. She was lying on bed feeling sad and sat up to draw and write immediately with a cheerful face.

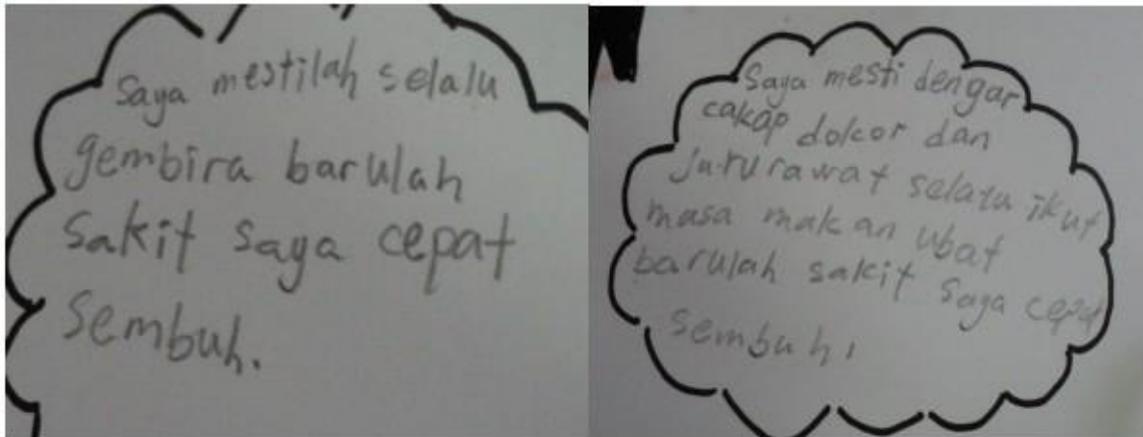


In her wishes (pg6) Siow Mei wrote:



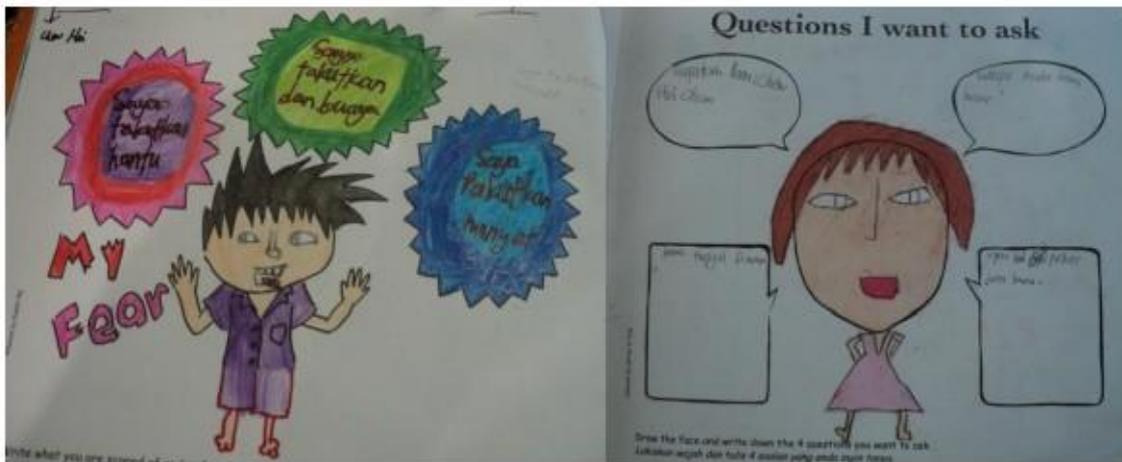
“ Saya ingin penyakit saya cepat sembuh. Saya juga ingin menjadi seperti budak budak lain lari, dapat main dan cepat pergi ke sekolah.

Saya mestilah selalu gembira barulah sakit saya cepat sembuh. Saya mesti dengar cakap doktor dan juruawat elalu ikut masa makan ubat barulah sakit saya cepah sembuh!



She wanted to be a Guru when she grows up and is special because she is good at 'Matematik'.
 Her favourite food are: Fish, chicken, roti canai, nasi and apple.

She wrote an interesting question on 'Questions I want to ask(Pg9): siapa kah CHC (her real name). Kenapa muka kamu besar? She has lost weight and has a big face with a small thin body.



Siow Mei had a chat with Mr Frog (on pg 15, I am Special)

Mr Frog asked Siow Mei, 'tell me what you are thinking?'

Siow Mei replied: "Saya mahu penyakit saya cepat sembuh. Saya ingin pulang ke rumah. Saya mahu cepat dapat Buah Pinggan yang BARU!"



This week she was cheerful as she was waiting to be discharged and waiting patiently for her father to come and fetch her.



She drew a picture of a house with dark cloud above. It was raining, there were 2 strong suns on both sides and the rainbow slightly above the house. There was no one in this house (she said). Two doctors came by and chatted with her. She was laughing and finished colouring the whole

picture with blue skies and everything nice?

house was surrounded by green fields. The weather as she had drawn had dark clouds and was raining, at the same time there were also 2 strong suns on both sides and a big rainbow. As I reflected on her drawing, it seemed the house have to withstand the changes in the weather changes. Before she got down from the bed she had completed the whole drawing with blue skies, the rain had stopped and the rainbow is out. She smiled and said goodbye to us...

I gave her a new copy of 'I am Special' and a box of crayons. I am not sure when I will see her again. The 2 session with Siow Mei helped me to look at values of life. The questions that she wrote in the book while working on it helped her to build her resilience. Will the adults be able to provide answers to the statements she wrote:

“ I want to get well quickly

I want to receive a new kidney soon

I must be happy so that I will recover soon

I also want to be like other children able to play and go to school

*Siow Mei knows. What she doesn't know is WHY?

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