The World on One Cartoon a Day: Mo Willems's Travel Diaries

Writer and artist Mo Willems (b. 1968) is famous among readers of all ages as the author of books about a pigeon who wants to drive a bus (and eat hot dogs, stay up late, and more). Long before writing about the Pigeon, as a recent college graduate in 1990, Willems spent a year traveling around the world. In three blank journals, the artist made a drawing every day of his trip, recording sights and experiences from every corner of the globe. Documenting his visits to more than thirty countries, Willems's captioned drawings are funny, insightful, and poignant. Quirky and comic images illustrate iconic sights and events (such as the Running of the Bulls in Pamplona, Spain), common challenges faced by travelers, and moments of human connection. More than a decade after his world tour, Willems collected the drawings for his daily visual travel diary and added brief textual passages to create *You Can Never Find a Rickshaw When it Monsoons: The World on One Cartoon a Day*.

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