

# A SPOONFUL OF TIME

by Flora Ahn

## Specs:

**Categories:** Juvenile Fiction: Fantasy & Time Travel, Social Themes-Immigration, Social Themes-Bereavement

**Age Range:** 8-12 years

**Format:** Hardcover, 272 pages, 1 c text-based interior with chapter opener recipes and b&w chapter opener line drawings

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## Target Reader:

8-12 year old readers who enjoy magical realism and light scifi novels

Korean and other immigrant parents and readers who are looking for books that reflect their cultural experiences

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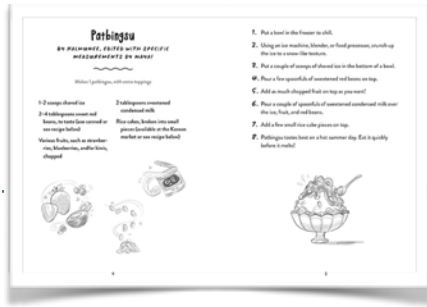
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## Key Selling Points

- FOR MIDDLE GRADE FANS OF TAE KELLER AND REBECCA STEAD: Middle grade readers of magical realism and contemporary fiction will love time-traveling with Maya.
- A COMPELLING FAMILY STORY WITH A MAGICAL TWIST: Maya's connection with her grandmother, magical home-cooked meals, and buried family secrets make for a heartwarming page-turner.
- THEMES OF IMMIGRATION AND CULTURAL HERITAGE: Similar thematically to the memoir *Crying in H Mart*, Maya's multi-generational Korean immigrant family explores the link between food, memory, and cultural heritage.
- RECIPES YOU'LL WANT TO MAKE (AND EAT): A Spoonful of Time includes 5 mouthwatering Korean recipes in section openers that readers will be inspired to try making! These recipes will be lightly illustrated (eight interior spots) by Jenny Park.

*When You Reach Me* meets *Love Sugar Magic* in this unforgettable middle grade novel where time travel, family recipes, and family secrets collide.

### About the Book:

Maya's grandmother, Halmunee, may be losing her memory, but there's something almost magical about the way she cooks. Whether Halmunee serves salty miyeokguk or sweet songpyeon, her stories about Korea come to life for Maya.



Then one day, something extraordinary happens: a single delicious bite of patbingsu transports Maya and Halmunee back into one of Halmunee's memories. Suddenly they're in Seoul, and Halmunee is young.

This is just the first of many secrets Maya will uncover: that she and her grandmother can time-travel, and they aren't the only ones with this ability. As Maya eats her way through the past, her questions multiply—until a shocking discovery transforms everything she thought she knew about family, friendship, loss, and time itself.

Brimming with heart and interspersed with seven family recipes that readers can make themselves, this is a story to savor by rising Korean American author Flora Ahn.

### About the Authors:

**Flora Ahn** is an attorney by day and an author and illustrator by night. Her work includes a children's chapter book series, *Pug Pals* (Scholastic) and an Audible Original, *The Golden Orchard*, named one of Audible's best kids' titles of the year. Raised in California by her Korean immigrant parents, Ahn lives in Virginia with her two pugs and practices law in DC.

