

## How Oomphoo came into existence for this book?

I always loved reading children's books more so than other ones. One element from children's books that always appealed to me was the presence of illustrations and of comic characters. In my view, their presence made the entire narration lively and colourful by adding visual excitement; besides and rather more importantly, their presence succeeded in carrying and conveying the underlying message with ease.

The idea of being easy to follow and fun to read was playing in my mind when I took up my husband, Dinesh's next book: *The Scientifically Intuitive Case Witnessing Process: A Journey of Three Steps*. I discussed my views about the presentation of the book with Dinesh, and after I got a green light from him, I was ready to think about their practical implication.

After thinking and thinking, and meditating upon "WHAT SHOULD THAT BE?", came an idea of a witty and intelligent character that I intended to add a fun element to the concepts presented by Dinesh in his book. It was important to let this character be funny and at the same time equally intelligent in order to give justice to the pregnant concepts lay by the author and in order to maintain the context and the content of the concepts presented by the author.

With the help of Dinesh, I could finally craft this comic character to balance his concepts with humour and science with art. In our view, the final persona of this comic element succeeds to pay justice to its intended role; indeed it added an X-factor to this book and hence we decided to promote it to be a co-author!

The name of this cartoon came as a spontaneous click in my mind when I thought over its persona and what it does in the book: in this book, it come as the critic, who pop its head up in disagreement with Dinesh. When you are in disagreement with someone, a spontaneous interjection happens which can sound like "Oophoo" so from this Oophoo emerged the name of this cartoon -- **Oomphoo**-- a name that best suited its expression in this book!

So, in short, Oomphoo is a comic element and the co-author of this book, *The Scientifically Intuitive Case Witnessing Process: A Journey of Three Steps*. In this book, Oomphoo is the reader's friend, as well as a commentator on--and critic of--Dinesh's work. He makes comments throughout the book, exhibiting his vast knowledge of homoeopathy and sense of humour. His remarks, always full of insight, are not necessarily meant to be taken literally; rather, his words are designed to prompt the reader to think more deeply about the points being explored by Dinesh and to do so in the context of joy and laughter. A great English poet, Sir Philip Sidney, wrote of the importance of teaching wisdom by delight. This is what Oomphoo seeks to do!

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