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# Yellow Hill Park

This is a delightful story about a young girl's journey and her friendship with a sunflower! From this friendship she is able to discover what she wants to be in life. Her journey takes her from her home to a private fashion design school and then to an orphanage in the city of Dubai. From here, she is able to see life from a different point of view. A view point that differs greatly from the affluent lifestyle she is accustomed to in Abu Dhabi, UAE and/or known as United Arab Emirates. ☺





## My Roots

It's summertime in Yellow Hill Park. Off to the side a special flower sits and watch. There are hundreds of others like it nearby and although they're different in color, size and shape, its unique pedals, bud and stem sets it apart. Somehow it appears more alive than the other flowers in the park. Perhaps it's the oversize head seen from afar? I suppose you'll never know unless you're a native to these parts.

It's amazing what you can learn from a flower's point of view: Events about people's lives; their money or the lack thereof; or, their jobs and education, but more importantly, human relations. Allow me to share with you a young girl's friendship with this special flower. She's also a resident here at Yellow Hill Park.

This plant is known simply as Sun Flower. It's revered for its unique abilities and is located in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. Sun Flower is befriended by the locals especially during the summer months when at full bloom. It often expresses its gratitude by waving its yellow pedals whenever a soft breeze blows through. You'll also notice that it has a darkened bud. A presumed birthmark that's always present. Truly there's no mystery... just a typical species here in the desert.

Sun Flower has prayed for cooler weather but nothing has changed. Visitors have speculated that its Allah's way of sharing His love: a love that exceeds 100 degrees! Sun Flower knows it's just a normal day but visitors are displeased. Well, I suppose you can't please everybody. Welcome to the Middle East!

Hold on a minute... just a second ago a delightful little girl of eight years old took several pictures of Sun Flower. She appeared enamored with its beauty and Sun Flower thanked her by slowly releasing a pedal to the ground. She smiled kindly but quickly became very sad. Sun Flower thought: "Why is she crying... what could be troubling her?" Sensing the flowers discomfort she explained, "Other than my parents no one ever tells me that I am pretty, but aren't I?" With her sunglasses on, camera, and school box draped over her shoulder, she continued... "...Well?!"

Sun Flower was unable to reply because it had become overwhelmed with her flying friends! With a sticky ice cream cone in one hand she had attracted several humming birds that created a heavy nest on its head!

