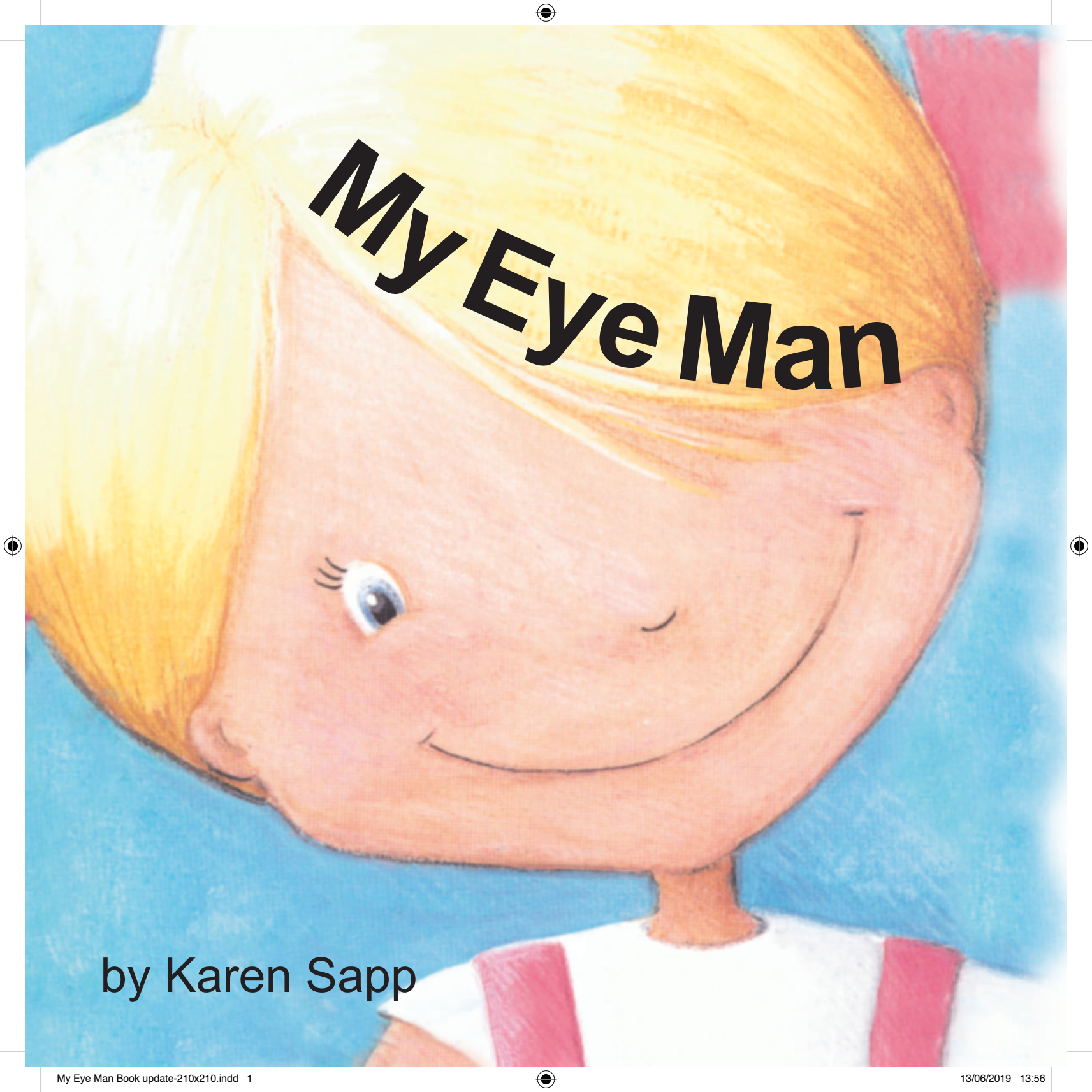




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MACS was formed in 1994 by a group of parents whose children were born with Anophthalmia (no eye), Microphthalmia (small eye) and Coloboma (a gap or cleft of the eye). Over the years we have gone from strength to strength and now, as well as providing much needed support for the families of these special children, we hold an Annual Family weekend, provide grants, respite holidays, and many, varied regional events around the country. We provide support for the children too and even have some of the 'grown up' children helping to run the group with us!

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I am going to have my new eye made today.

I won't be able to see out of it, but it
will look just like my own eye. It will
even be the same colour!

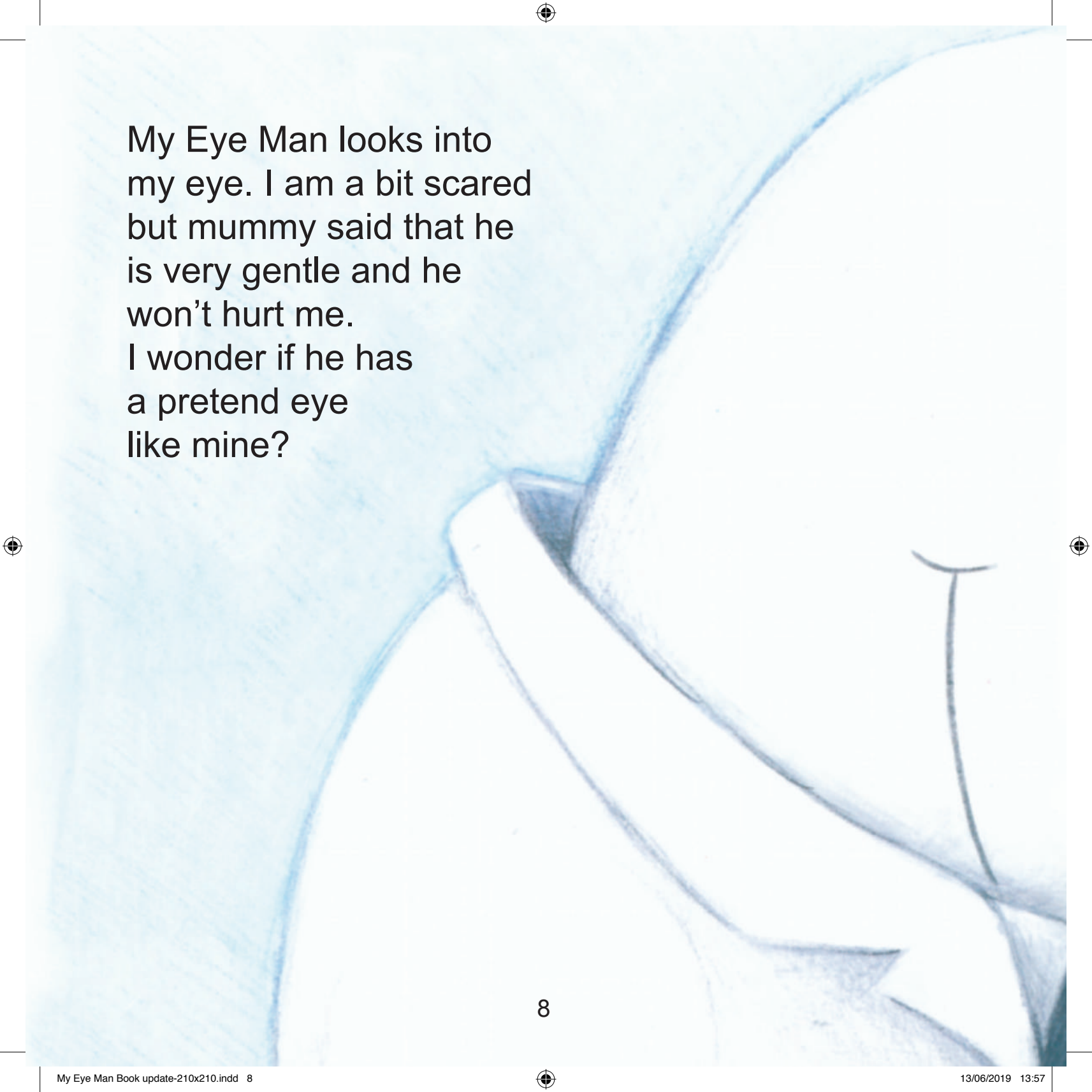
Sitting in the chair is fun, and it even
gives me a ride up and down.





My Eye Man has a badge with his name on,
and wears a white coat. I think it should
be blue like my new eye is going to be!

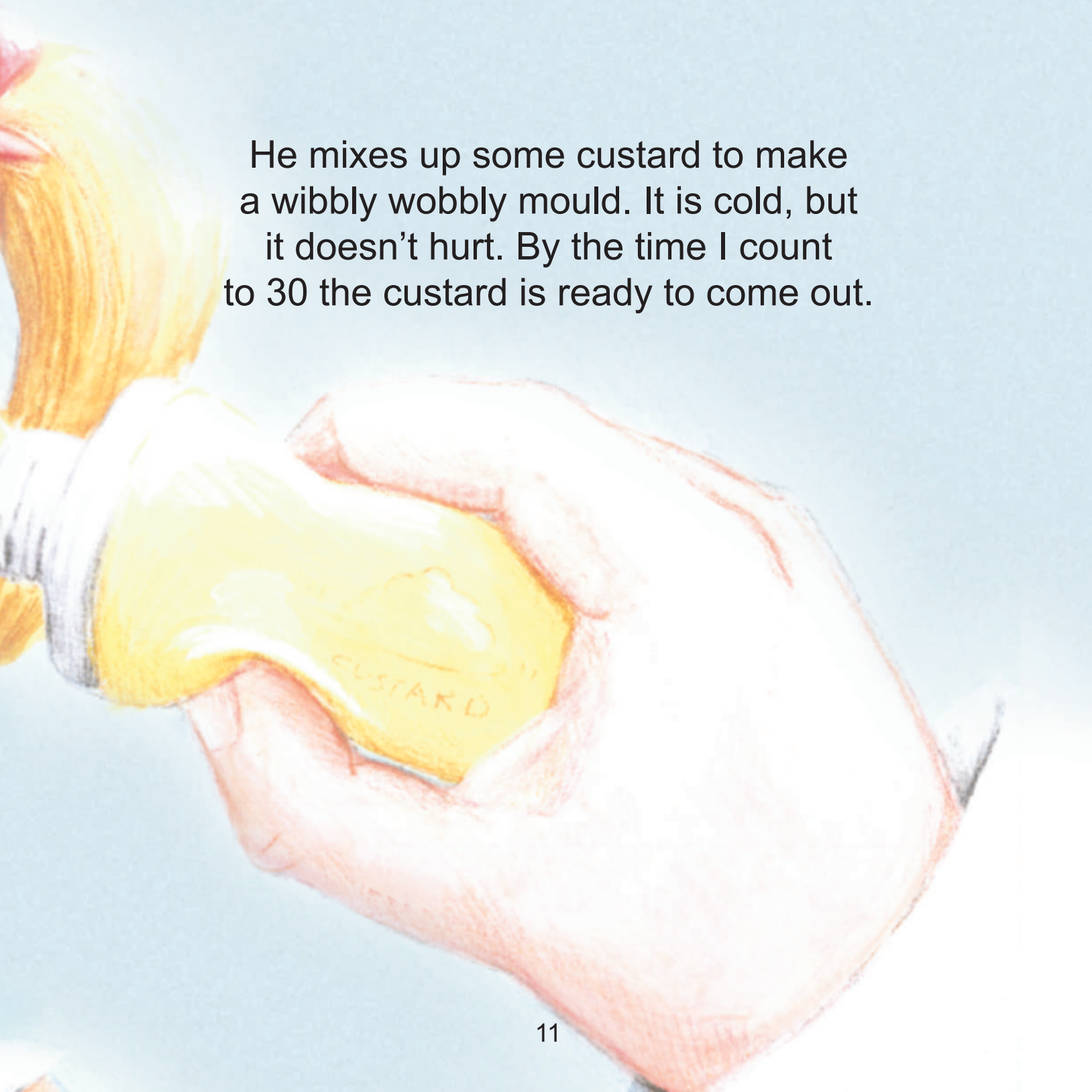




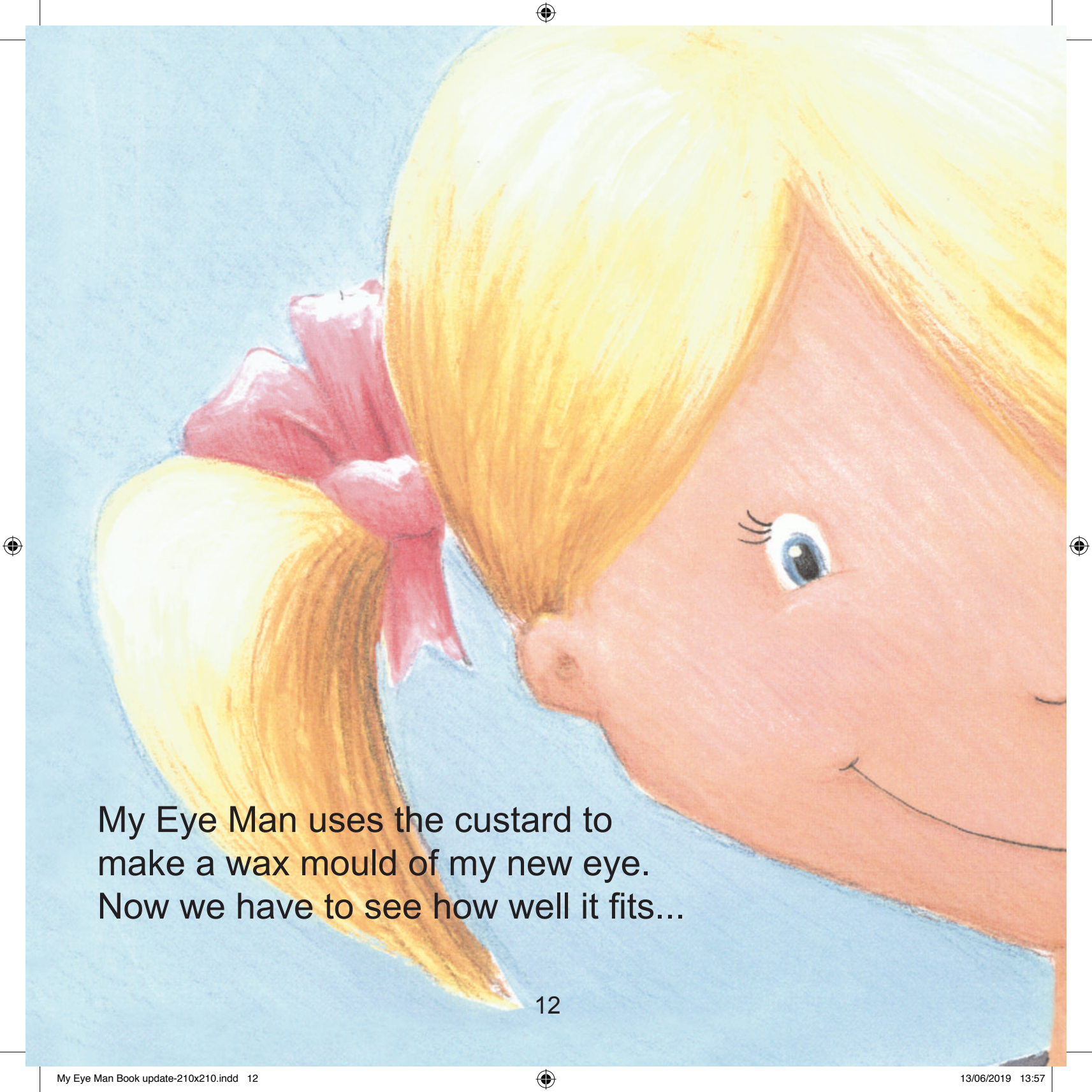
My Eye Man looks into
my eye. I am a bit scared
but mummy said that he
is very gentle and he
won't hurt me.
I wonder if he has
a pretend eye
like mine?



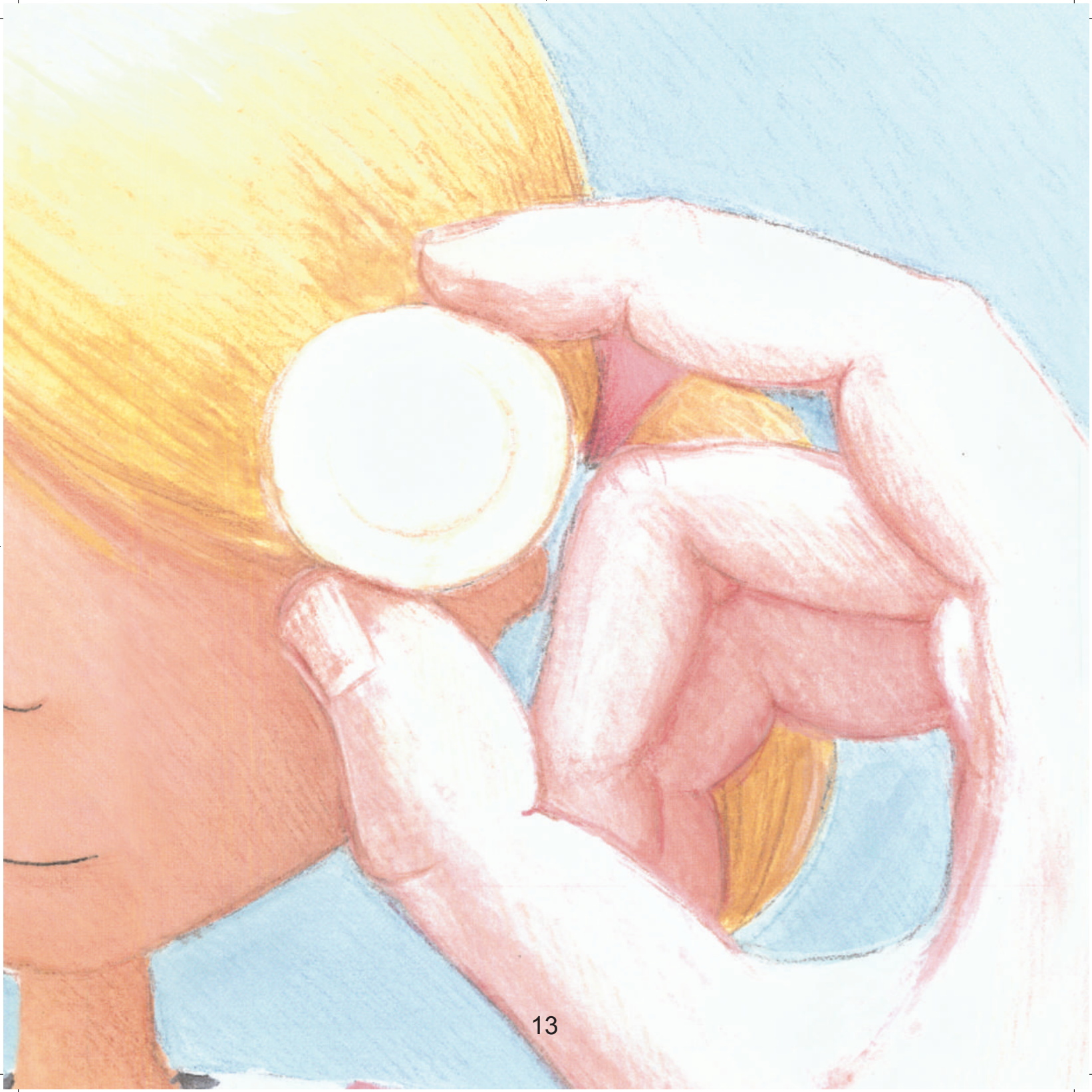


A detailed illustration of a hand holding a yellow, wobbly custard mould. The mould is shaped like a heart or a rounded square and has the word "CUSTARD" written on it in a simple, hand-drawn font. The hand is rendered in soft, pastel-like colors, with pinkish-red tones on the fingers and palm. The background is a light, solid blue. The overall style is soft and illustrative, typical of children's book art.

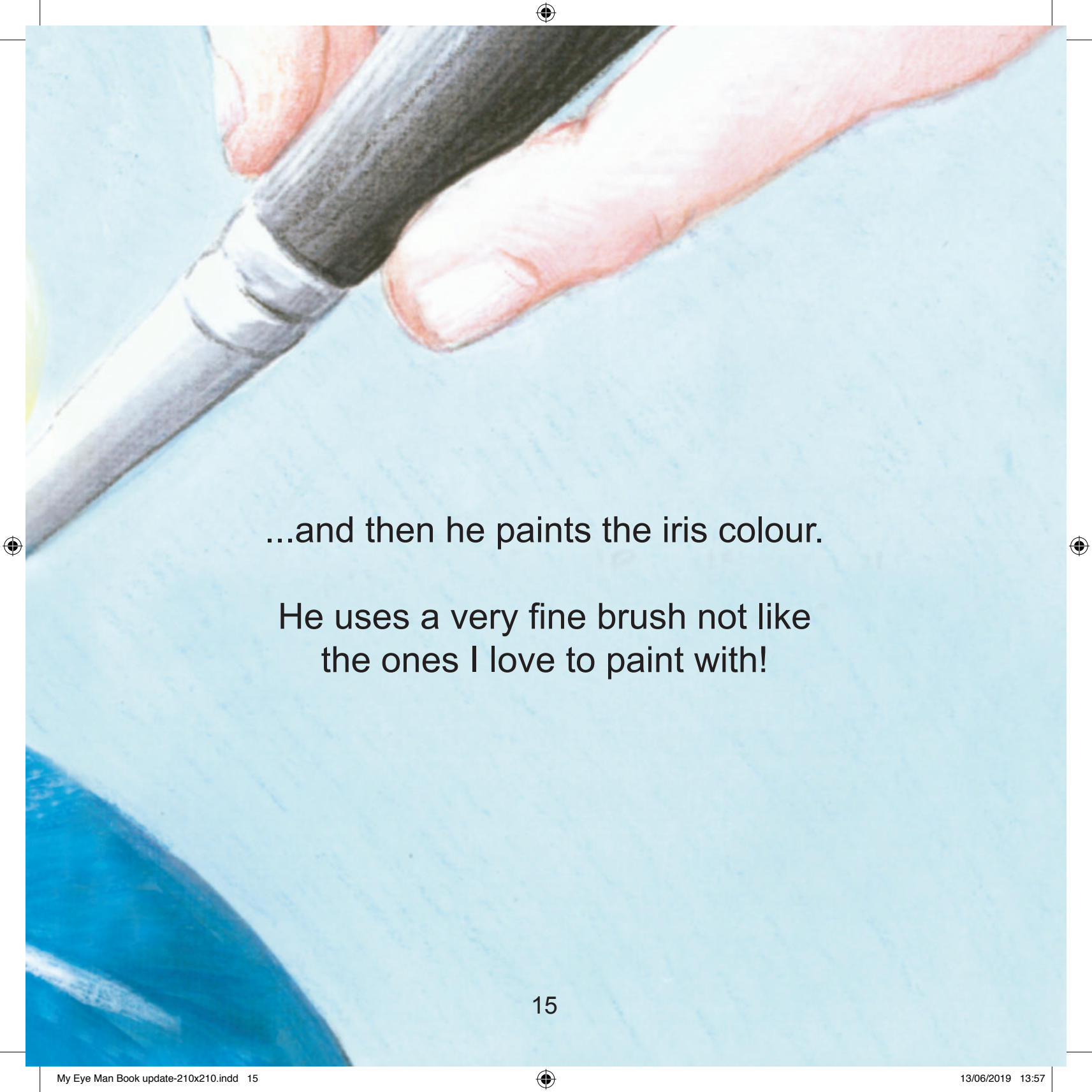
He mixes up some custard to make
a wibbly wobbly mould. It is cold, but
it doesn't hurt. By the time I count
to 30 the custard is ready to come out.



My Eye Man uses the custard to
make a wax mould of my new eye.
Now we have to see how well it fits...

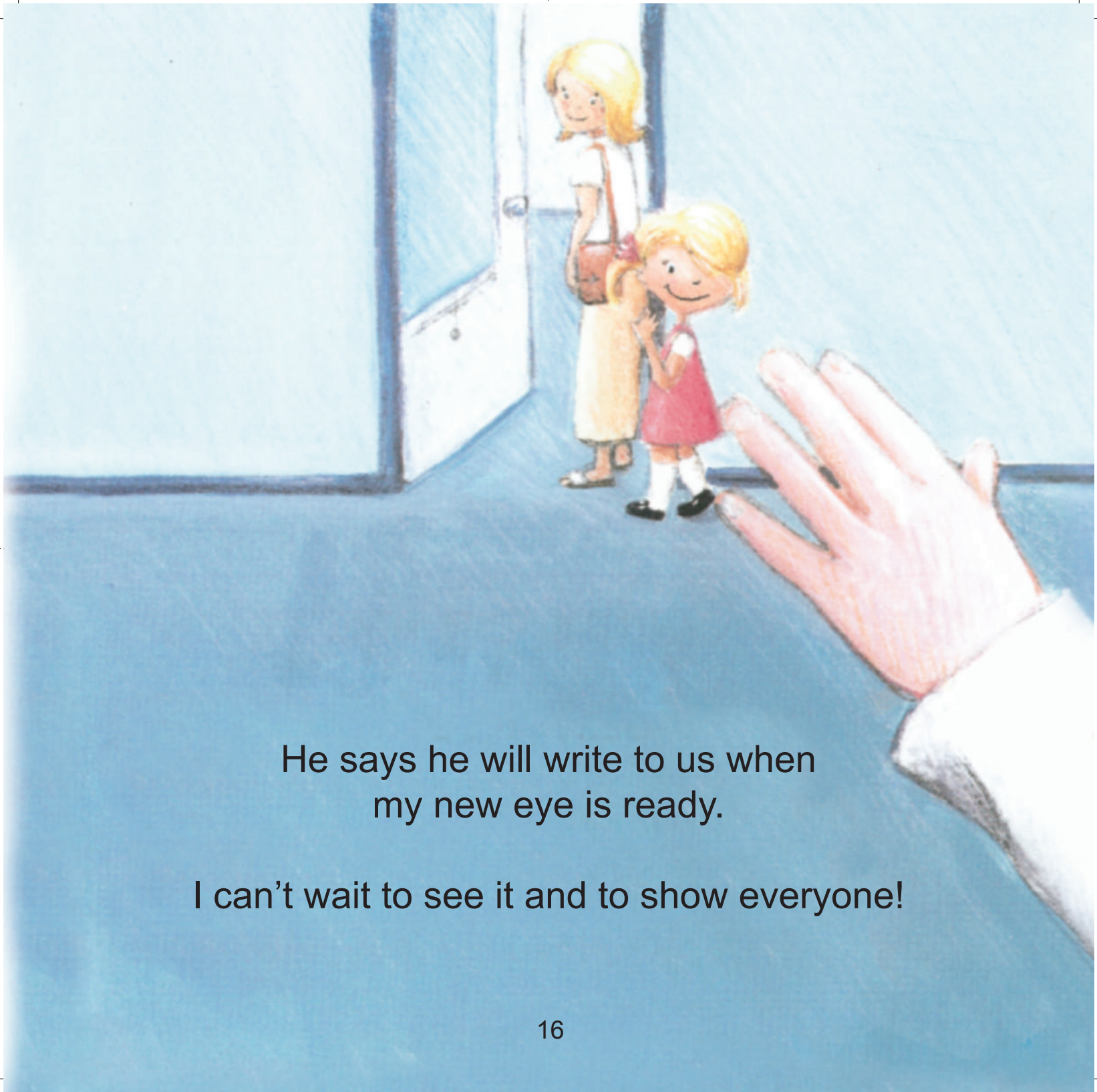




A close-up painting of a hand holding a fine brush, applying paint to a light blue background. The brush has a dark handle and a very fine tip. The hand is rendered with soft, realistic colors. The background is a light blue wash with some darker blue strokes visible in the bottom left corner.

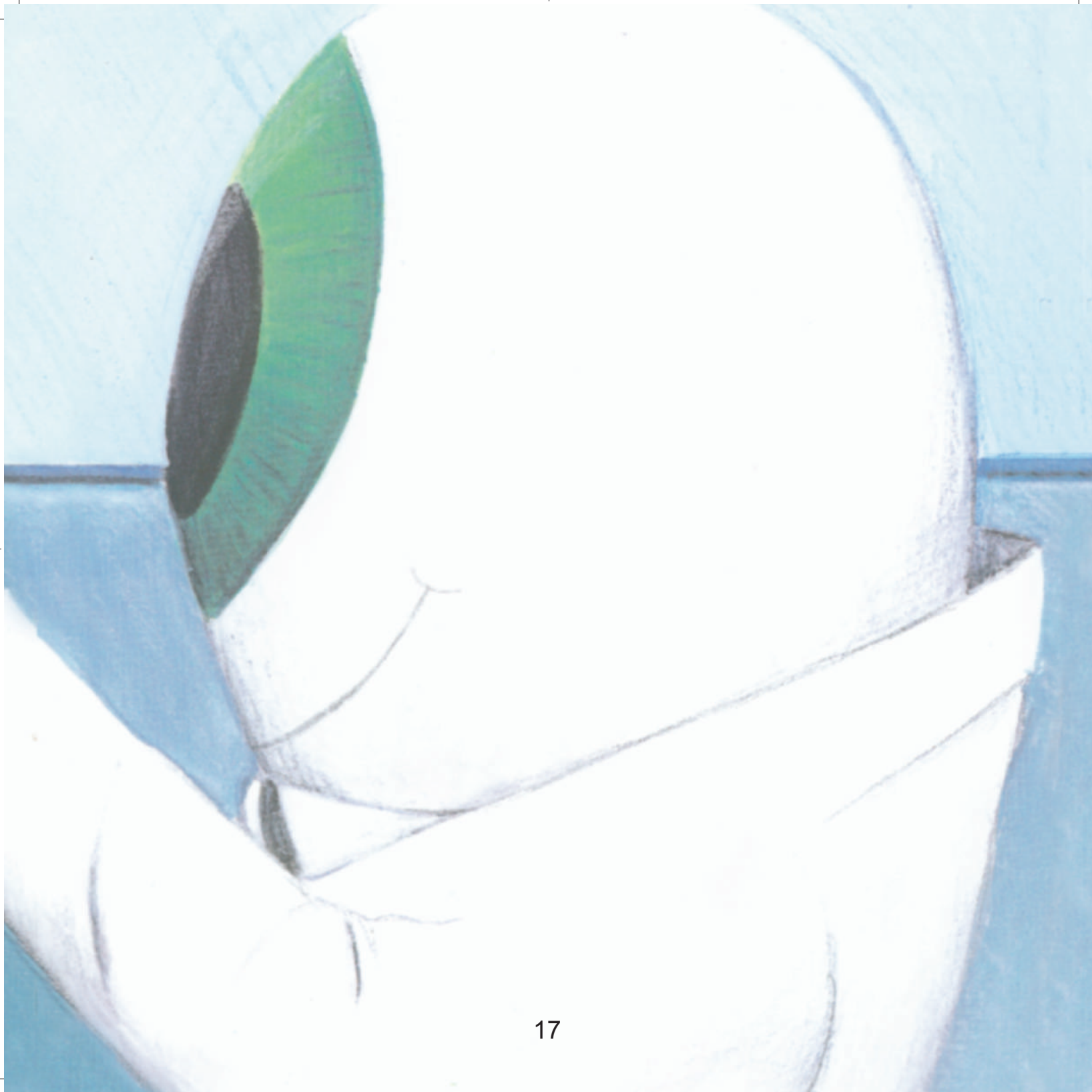
...and then he paints the iris colour.

He uses a very fine brush not like
the ones I love to paint with!



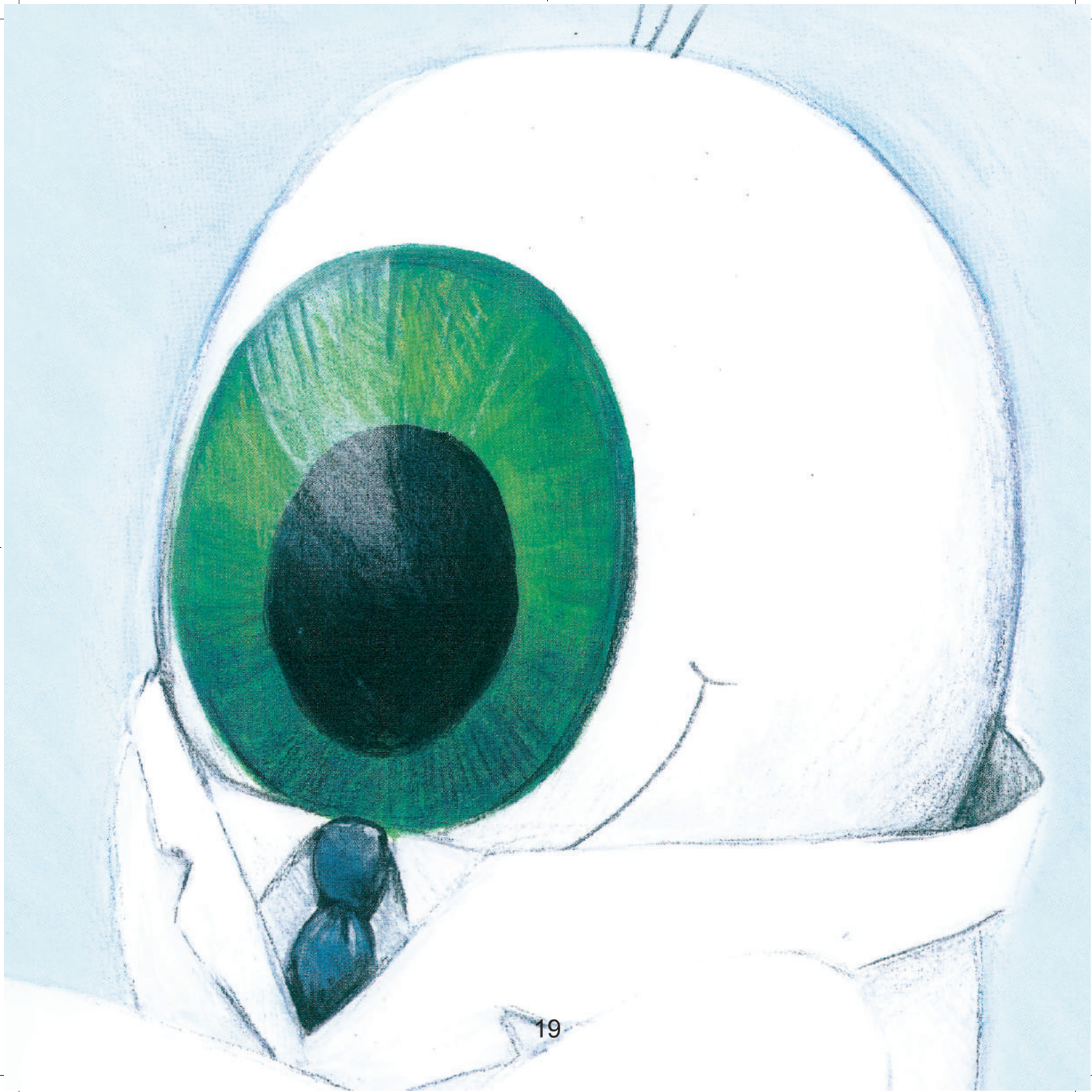
He says he will write to us when
my new eye is ready.

I can't wait to see it and to show everyone!



Hurray, here is my new eye!
My Eye man has polished it for me and
it is nice and shiny.





Now I look the same on both sides!

Mummy must remember to help me look
after it carefully, and to keep it clean
by washing it in soap and water.

As I get bigger I have to have new
clothes and shoes, and I will have to have
a new, bigger pretend eye too.

I wonder if my Eye Man will have a
blue coat next time?



MACS' mascot is MACS the Monkey. He is loved by everyone who meets him. He attends lots of MACS events and especially enjoys the Family Weekend each year.

He hopes to meet you soon!





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Come with Katie as
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Man to have her new
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