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A splendid, terrible, yet sensitive account of deranged dictator Kim Jong-il's Communist "paradise" as seen through the eyes of an 8- year-old child.

Jun Sang—born on February 16, the same day as Kim Jong Il—is a little North Korean boy like so many others. Very proud to share a birthday with the Great Leader, he usually behaves the way he's been taught to in school, for the Great Leader is watching , telling him what to do, and to hate those he should hate from the bottom of his heart. But this "paradise" and the blind devotion Jun Sang shows to Kim Jong Il will not last much longer, for change is afoot.

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