

THE LITTLE THINGS by Rachael Brogan Flanery

Two women talk at a coffee shop.

WOMAN A

I can't look at my newsfeed anymore.

WOMAN B

It's like I want to be informed but I have to take care of myself.

WOMAN A

It's all just so depressing-

WOMAN B

Angry.

WOMAN A

I don't know where to start.

WOMAN B

I'm reading a book-

WOMAN A

The one about the girl who got her village maxi pads?

WOMAN B

No. The guy-

WOMAN A

Who made socks for homeless people.

WOMAN B

Yes! So good.

WOMAN A

My cousin said it was totally inspiring.

WOMAN B

It's the little things.

WOMAN A

Totally. If a thousand people did-

WOMAN B
Did a thousand good things.

WOMAN A
Totally amazing.

WOMAN B
What could we make for homeless people?

WOMAN A
Hum.

As she thinks she takes a drink of her latte and makes a sad face.

WOMAN B
What's wrong?

WOMAN A
They forget the vanilla.

WOMAN B
That's the worst.