When The Joke Jokes Back

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What do you call a cross between a mouse and Cosmo from Fairly Odd Parents?

Julia! She’s loyal and quiet

Easily scared but has this kind of stupid bravery about her

When you meet her, make sure to explain everything you’re saying slowly

Almost as if you are talking to a child

I mean

Let’s be honest

I’m a complete airhead who can’t even tell you what’s going on half the time!

I hope you’re laughing! I’m a joke afterall!

I’m good that

Not being a joke

But making people laugh I mean

I’m very good at a lot of things.

I’m good at drawing, coming up with stories, applying Lip Smackers lip balm

IN the flavor cotton candy

OF course

Hmm, let’s see…

Oh! I’m really good at acting.

Acting the way everyone wants me to act.

Have you ever met somebody who’s the definition of vivacious

Vivacious meaning lively and animated

These people are so bubbly and they always appear to be in a good mood

I am one of these people

There’s nothing I like better than to make people smile

I love watching the way their eyes light up

 and how dimples will sometimes form at each side of their cheeks

I love how I can make people flush with joy

The problem is that I feel like I have to be happy all of the time for the sake of others when

In reality

I’m not always happy

It’s like, at this point, people expect me to be this radiant, sunflower weaving, manic pixie dream girl

All of the time

Look, I’m not your Ramona Flowers, your Jaimie Sullivan, I am NOT your Star Girl

I am NO damsel in distress, I DO NOT exist to be your personal cheerleader

My purpose in life is not to save you and be forgotten by the audience the moment the movie is over

Quite frankly, it’s pretty unfair of you to hold me to your creepy expectations

I’m not your plaything nor am I a joke

It might come as a BIG surprise but

Believe it or not

I am human, not a puppet

I don’t have to be your court jester

Something that exists purely to amuse you

Your worn out toy that you’ve grown bored of but can’t seem to part with

Look, I get that you want me to be happy 24/7 but this isn’t about you

This is about ME

MY thoughts

MY feelings

ME

And I’m not letting you take this from me anymore!