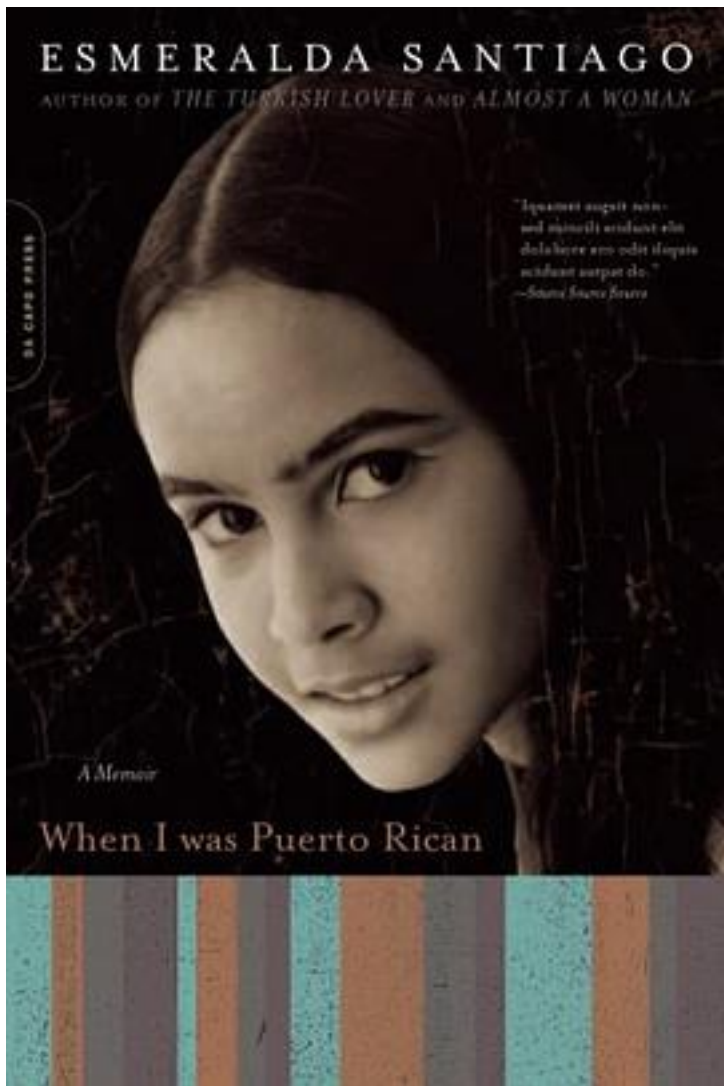


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"The American story of immigration, this time with a unique Latin flavor." ( Los Angeles Times Book Review ) Esmeralda Santiago's story begins in rural Puerto Rico, where her childhood was full of both tenderness and domestic strife, tropical sounds and sights as well as poverty. Growing up, she learned the proper way to eat a guava, the sound of tree frogs in the mango groves at night, the taste of the delectable sausage called morcilla , and the formula for ushering a dead baby's soul to heaven. As she enters school we see the clash, both hilarious and fierce, of Puerto Rican and Yankee culture. When her mother, Mami, a force of nature, takes off to New York with her seven, soon to be eleven children, Esmeralda, the oldest, must learn new rules, a new language, and eventually take on a new identity. In this first volume of her much-praised, bestselling trilogy, Santiago brilliantly recreates the idyllic landscape and tumultuous family life of her earliest years and her tremendous journey from the barrio to Brooklyn, from translating for her mother at the welfare office to high honors at Harvard.

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头95%的部分十分平淡。但是最后的5%  
实在是太精彩！还是很喜欢的，虽然比我看过的成长小说们来说，写的真的差强人意；  
但是作者很真诚，不是靠着卖自己来自第三世界国家，卖故国的stereotype 和  
cliche的故事情节（没错，这里说的就是追风筝的人）的好作家。

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