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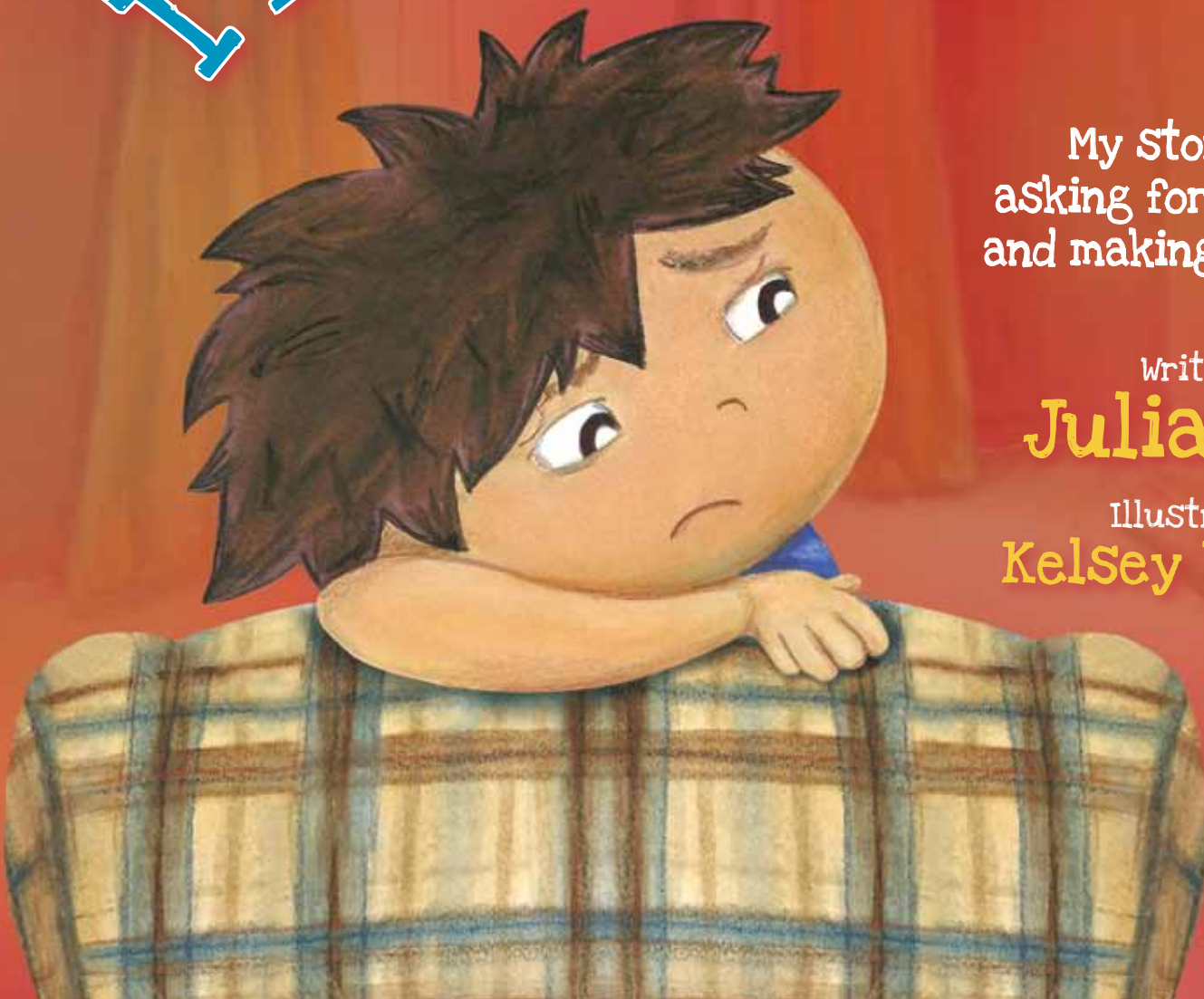
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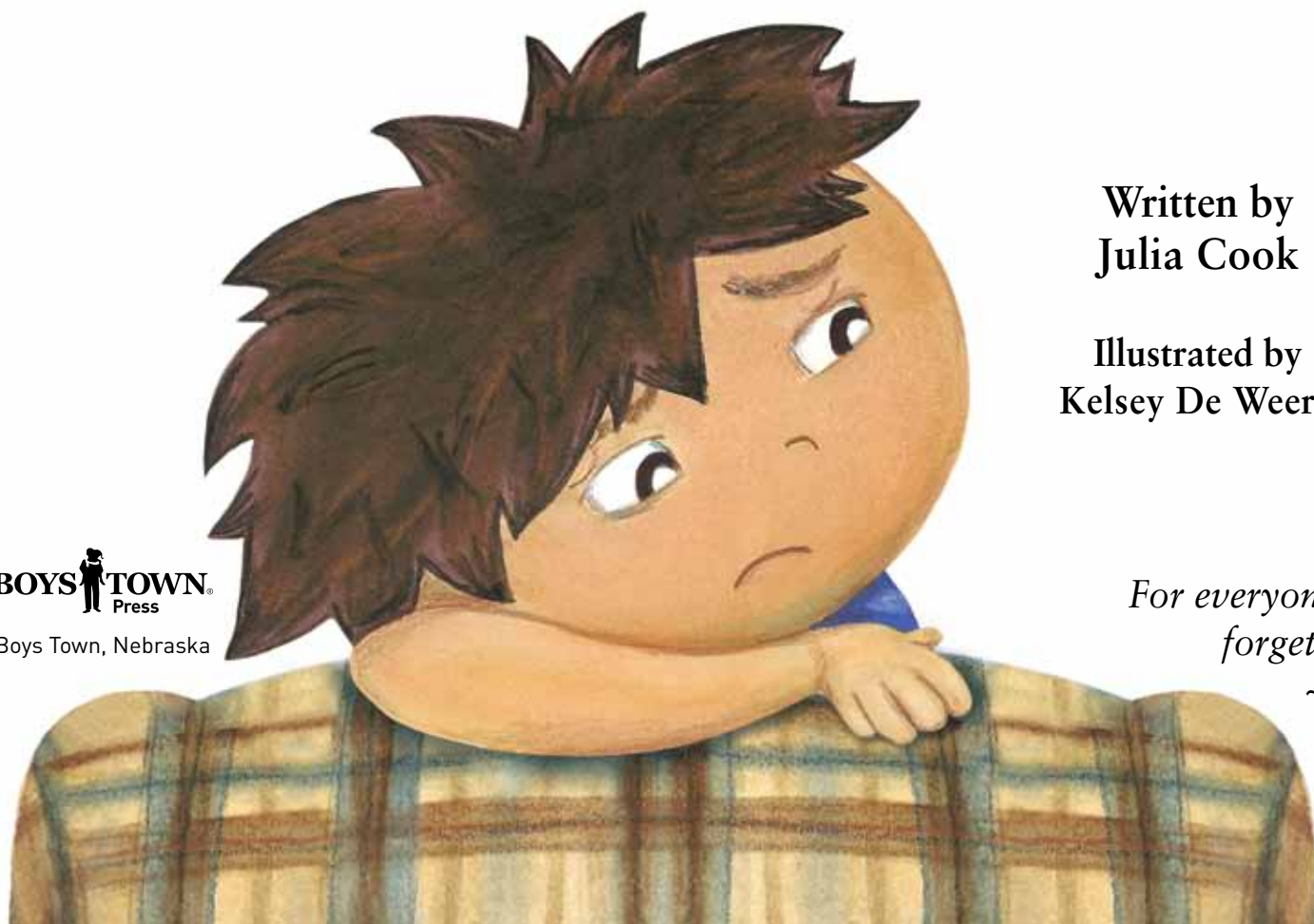
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~ Julia*



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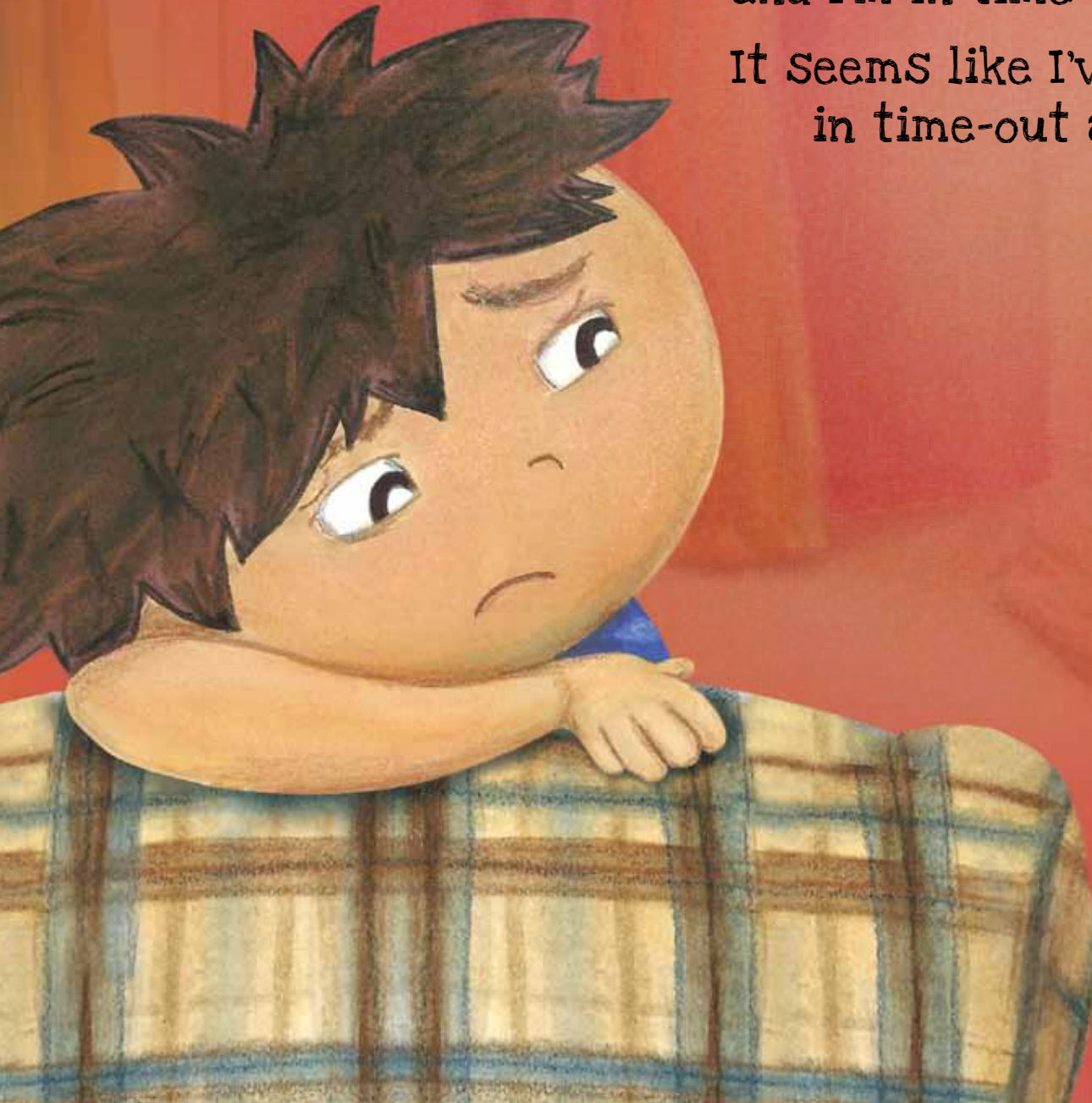
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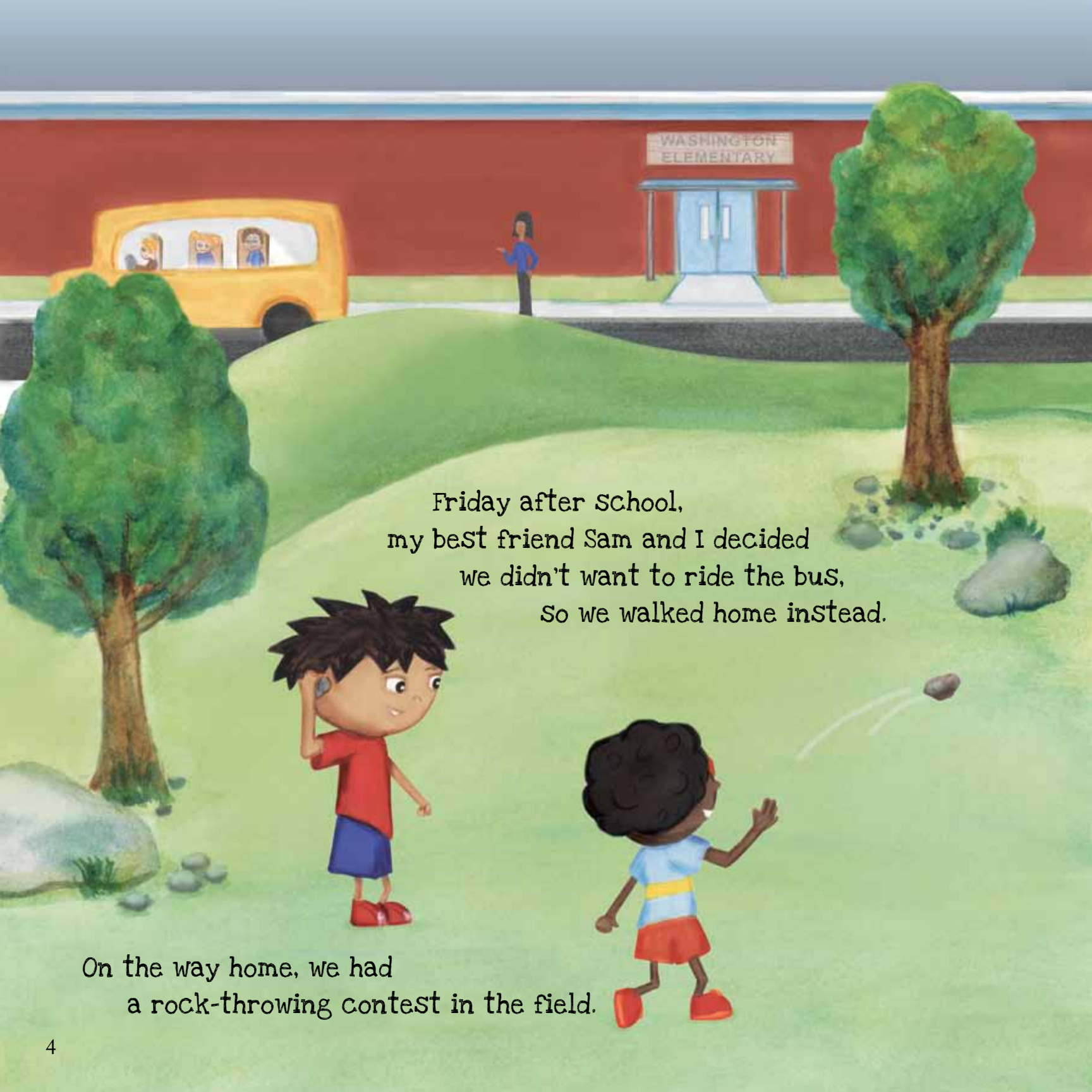
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My name is RJ,
and I'm in time-out again.
It seems like I've been
in time-out a lot lately.





Friday after school,
my best friend Sam and I decided
we didn't want to ride the bus,
so we walked home instead.

On the way home, we had
a rock-throwing contest in the field.



We took our shoes off and went wading in the frog pond –
but we didn't catch any frogs.

Then, we stopped at the
corner store and bought slushies.

I got bubblegum blueberry
and Sam got grape.





RJ is making a lot of trips to the "time-out" chair!

Without telling anyone, RJ and his best friend Sam decide to walk home from school instead of riding the bus. Later, the two of them are caught trying to use Dad's computer to get on the Internet. After their piano lesson, RJ and his sister Blanche snack on Mom's triple-layer double-chocolate cake with whipped cream frosting and spoil Grandma's birthday party surprise.

Dad helps RJ learn how to do a better job of asking for permission, and when RJ and Sam return to school their principal has them practice making an apology. RJ feels a lot happier when he says he's sorry to his teacher, the bus driver, and Grandma, and he learns that asking for permission will mean fewer trips to the time-out chair!

SORRY, I Forgot to Ask! is the third title in the award-winning *BEST ME I Can Be!* series from the Boys Town Press to teach K-6 children social skills that can make home life happier and school more successful. Tips for parents and educators on how to teach and reinforce the skills are included.



"Julia Cook has created yet another delightful story to teach all-important social skills to children. RJ can lead the way when kids need to learn about asking for permission and saying they're sorry."

– Dr. Thomas M. Reimers

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