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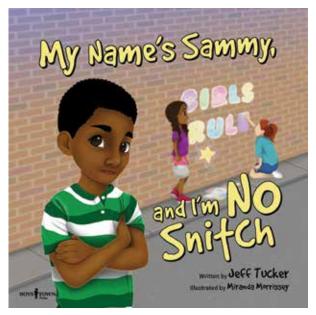
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"It is so important for children to learn the difference between 'snitching' and 'reporting,' and to feel comfortable talking with adults about what they see others dealing with and what they are challenged with personally.

This book is relevant, gives practical scenarios, and holds the reader's attention."

Rebecca Stutzman,
 Certified School Social Work Specialist







# **Publishing Date Sept. 8, 2020**

Children's Fiction/Life Skills Grades K-5, Ages 5-11 ISBN: 978-1-944882-61-7 31 pages, full color illustrations Softcover, 9x9 \$10.95, Item No. 68-001

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# My Name's Sammy, and I'm No Snitch

Jeff Tucker, Illustrated by Miranda Morrissey

# Sammy wants you to know he's not a tattletale or a bigmouth. And he's definitely no snitch!

No matter what he sees, Sammy stays silent. When his best bud sticks a wad of gooey gum under a desk, Sammy doesn't spill the beans. When someone sneaks off with a cupcake, he doesn't tattle. Afterall, he's no snitch and proud of it.

But will Sammy stay tight-lipped when a good friend is bullied and targeted for a beatdown after school?

My Name's Sammy, and I'm No Snitch is a realistic and riveting tale that teaches young readers the difference between snitching and reporting, and helps them understand why the slogan "see something, say something" is meant to keep everyone safe.

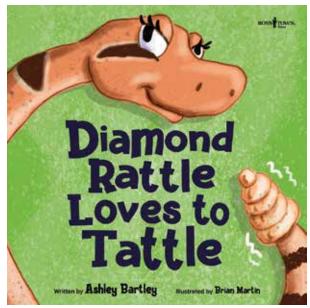


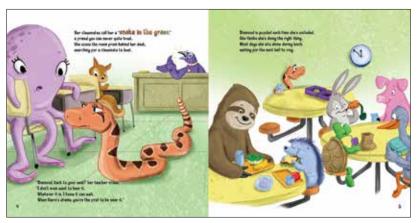
JEFF TUCKER is a licensed professional counselor who provides mental health services to students of all ages. Jeff is passionate about education, promoting mental health in children, and social justice issues. He is an avid reader and writer who believes in the power of books to help children thrive. Jeff lives in Louisiana with his spouse and their spoiled dog, Dixie. My Name's Sammy, and I'm No Snitch is Jeff's debut picture book, with more Chicorée Elementary Stories for Success to follow! Miranda Morrissey holds a bachelor's degree in both fine arts and graphic design. She lives in Wisconsin.



"This book is both cute AND practical for teaching our students about when to alert vs. when to ignore or problem solve. 'Is someone unsafe? Can the problem wait? Does the problem involve you?' are perfect questions to teach students. The examples in this story are SPOT ON, as are Diamond's responses! Diamond Rattle Loves to Tattle would be an excellent addition to any elementary counselor or teacher's library!"

 Sara M. Cottrill-Carlo, NCC, MS, MEd, The Responsive Counselor





## **Publishing Date July 14, 2020**

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# **Diamond Rattle Loves to Tattle**

Ashley Bartley, Illustrated by Brian Martin

Diamond Rattle loves to tattle, she's been telling on others for years. She's quick to glide up to her teacher's desk and tattle on all of her peers!

This adorable tale is the story of an elementary-aged rattlesnake amongst a classroom full of other elementary-aged animals. The problem? Diamond LOVES to tattle. And when she tattles, her rattles glow and grow! Her tattling tendencies are affecting her friendships – so much so that her peers are avoiding her and she finds herself eating lunch alone. Fortunately for Diamond,

her caring teacher Ms. Crow is there to teach her more about problem-solving, staying out of others' business, and the difference between a report and a tattle. Will Diamond be able to control her snitching snake tendencies? Find out in this charming tale from debut author, school counselor, and mom Ashley Bartley. Written for K-5 students.



ASHLEY BARTLEY, MEd, NCC is a school counselor whose writing has been published in *The Joyful Life* magazine and on the *Kindred Mom* blog. She earned her BA in psychology from the University of Virginia and her MEd in school counseling from the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, VA, where she grew up. She also has a diploma from the Institute of Children's Literature and is a National Board Certified Counselor. She lives in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley of Virginia with her husband and three young boys. Learn more at www.counselorstation.com.



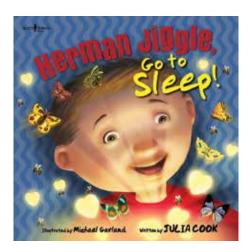
# Herman Jiggle, Go to Sleep!

Julia Cook, Illustrated by Michael Garland

It's the nightmare of babysitters and parents everywhere! Being asked countless off-the-wall questions as you put a child to bed. And every answer only causes more silly questions and more delays.

This is the dilemma Herman Jiggle's mom confronts as she tries to coax her son to wash his face, brush his teeth and go to bed. But Hermie is a curious kid who wants answers to the great mysteries of life, such as why do we have bubble gum and how do cows see in the dark, before he'll even think about falling asleep.

*Herman Jiggle, Go to Sleep!* is author Julia Cook's comical take on bedtime routines and how a good night's rest is key to every child's success.





# **Publishing Date July 28, 2020**

Children's Fiction/Life Skills Grades Pre K-5, Ages 5-11 ISBN: 978-1-944882-58-7 31 pages, full color illustrations Softcover, 9x9 \$10.95, Item No. 55-053



**BOOK SERIES** 

Julia Cook Illustrated by Michael Garland GRADES K-5. AGES 5-11

"This book is perfectly timed for my own family and the kids and families in my pediatric practice. Sleep is SO important for restoring our bodies and our brains, and giving us control over our emotions. Author Julia Cook and talented illustrator Michael Garland have given us a fun, relatable story for children and parents, as well as valuable tips and encouragement to help us not give up in the bedtime battle! I will recommend this often!"

- Melissa Reinhardt, MD, Pediatrician and mom to three highly energetic and CURIOUS boys



# Herman Jiggle, Say Hello! How to talk to people when your words get stuck

Julia Cook, Illustrated by Michael Garland

Whenever Herman introduces himself, his words get stuck and he becomes a mumbling mess! If he's ever going to overcome his social anxiety and greet others properly, Hermie must be brave, take a breath, smile, and simply say "Hi."

ISBN: 978-1-944882-51-8 31 pages, full color illustrations Softcover, 9x9 \$10.95, Item No. 55-051



JULIA COOK, a former educator and school counselor, has written many books for children and teachers, including the popular page-turners I Just Don't Like the Sound of No!, Making Friends Is an Art!, and The Worst Day of My Life EVER! Her activity guides for teachers offer classroom-ready fun to reinforce the life lessons shared in her storybooks. Among her many awards, Julia has received the Association for Educational Publishers Distinguished Achievement Award, and her books have been honored by The National Parenting Center, Mom's Choice Awards, and Teachers' Choice Awards.

Michael Garland is a *New York Times* best-selling author and illustrator. Michael was born in Manhattan, and studied art at Pratt Institute. Having authored and illustrated dozens of his own titles, Michael frequently speaks at schools, literary conferences, and festivals across the country. Michael also has illustrated more than 40 titles, including books by celebrity authors James Patterson and Gloria Estefan.

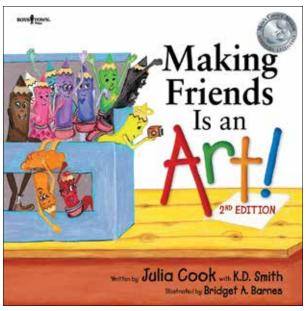


# Making Friends is An Art! 2nd Ed.

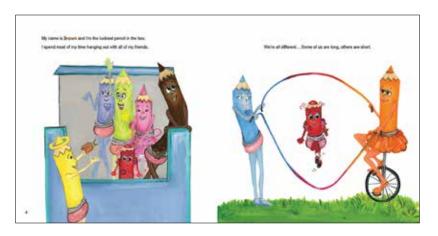
Julia Cook with K.D. Smith, illustrated by Bridget A. Barnes

# Brown pencil uses his own strengths to be a good friend.

This second edition of *Making Friends Is an Art!* is an inspirational friendship tale that follows a colored pencil named Brown. Multi-talented Brown is the luckiest pencil in the box! In this story, he learns that in order to make and keep friends, he needs to know how to be a good friend. Brown must find a way to share his many talents with others. At first, that seems hard, but soon Brown realizes that to be a good friend, all he has to do is be himself! And to share all his special talents, like listening to others, being trustworthy, honest and kind, and having fun.



"... my absolute favorite book about friendship. The main lesson of this book is that 'To have good friends, you need to be a good friend.' The author also points out that 'you can't expect the other colors to like you if you don't like yourself.'" - Heather, blogger at schoolcounsellingconnection.com



# **Publishing Date June 16, 2020**

Children's Fiction/Life Skills Grades K-5, Ages 5-11 ISBN: 978-1-944882-56-3 31 pages, full color illustrations Softcover, 9x9 \$10.95, Item No. 55-052





JULIA COOK, a former teacher and school counselor, writes books for children that let them laugh while learning to solve their own problems, use better behavior, and develop healthy relationships. She has received the Association for Educational Publishers Distinguished Achievement Award, and her books have been honored by The National Parenting Center and Mom's Choice Awards. Julia also plays the accordion and rides a unicycle, just like Orange!

K. D. SMITH is an author, speaker, and consultant from New York, New York. BRIDGET A. BARNES is an artist and illustrator in Omaha, Nebraska.

"Dear Julia – It was from a sincere place of concern that I reached out to you... Thank you for being receptive to my inquiry and appreciative of the challenges that came with editing your book."

- Kimberly Smith, JD, ROLWIM Founder, author of Crystal Stairs

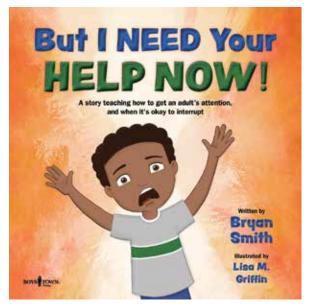
"Dear Kimberly – You have given me priceless feedback about this book that has allowed me to grow as a human being. Thank you for giving me the tools I needed to turn this story into a difference-maker."

- Julia Cook, MS, National Award-Winning Children's Author



"It is always hard to know the right way and the right time to interrupt, especially when we are excited. My own children sometimes need to be reminded when I am on the phone or busy talking to someone. This book is a great reminder for kids with great examples of situations they will encounter!"

- Wendy Sears, mother of 3







# Publishing Date Aug. 11, 2020

Children's Fiction/Life Skills Grades K-5, Ages 5-11 ISBN: 978-1-944882-59-4 31 pages, full color illustrations Softcover, 9x9 \$10.95, Item No. 56-021

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# **But I Need Your Help Now!**

# A story teaching how to get an adult's attention, and when it's okay to interrupt

Bryan Smith, Illustrated by Lisa M. Griffin

# Isaac is impatient... and a little rude.

When he needs help, he wants immediate assistance. When he has questions, he wants instant answers.

Isaac never waits his turn and does whatever he feels like to get an adult's attention, including hollering at his teacher and seizing the shirttail of a store clerk. Watching him interrupt others is a masterclass in bad manners and embarrassing behaviors. And it's not just his lack of patience and poorly timed interruptions that

cause chaos. He mistakenly stays quiet during an emergency when an adult's attention is desperately needed. The result is a yucky, sickening mess.

In the pages of *But I Need Your Help Now!*, young readers learn valuable lessons about how to wait their turn, stop blurting out in the classroom and, when necessary, interrupt the right way.

This is the first title in the Stepping Up Social Skills series.



BRYAN SMITH is an award-winning author who comes from a family of educators. Bryan began his career as an elementary school teacher before realizing he had a talent for helping children deal with difficult issues. He has since become a school counselor, where he flourishes teaching students life skills that will take them far and help them succeed. Bryan is married with two children.

 $LISA\,M.\,GRIFFIN\,holds\,a\,BFA\,in\,illustration\,and\,is\,an\,active\,member\,of\,the\,Society\,of\,Children's\,Book\,Writers\,and\,Illustrators.$ 

# THE EXECUTIVE FUNCTION BOOK SERIES

The Executive FUNction storybooks teach children how to plan, organize, manage time, and maintain self-control.

Winner of the Counselor's Choice Award!



Bryan Smith Illustrated by Lisa M. Griffin GRADES K-6. AGES 5-11

# I'll NEVER Get All of That Done!

# A Story about Planning and Prioritizing

Bryan Smith, Illustrated by Lisa M. Griffin

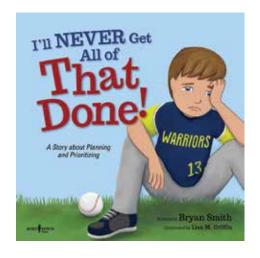
Blake has a to-do list that's just too long. How can he finish his homework, clean his room, AND bake cookies for the baseball bake sale?

When Mom encourages Blake to follow the 3 Ps – prioritizing, planning, and posting a reminder of what needs to be done – he's unimpressed, until his responsibilities pile up and his deadlines quickly approach.

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"I can't say enough amazing things about every single one of these books by #bryansmith... I just love how relatable all of the characters and situations are, and our conversations and connections are always amazing!"

- Kim Gameroz, Behavioral Support Specialist



# What's the Problem? A Story Teaching Problem Solving

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# My Day Is Ruined! A Story for Teaching Flexible Thinking

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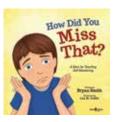
#### Of Course It's a Big Deal! A Story about Learning to React Calmly and Appropriately

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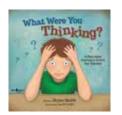


#### How Did You Miss That? A Story for Teaching Self-Monitoring

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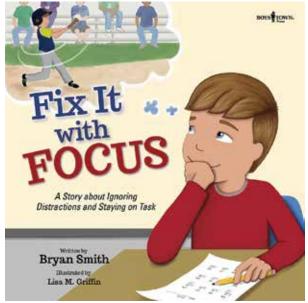
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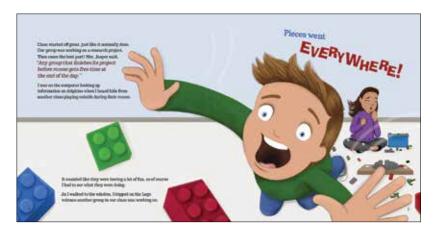
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"Through the art of relatable characters and storytelling, author Bryan Smith does it again! Fix It with Focus provides parents, teachers, and children tried and true ways to regain focus. Childhood provides a sense of wonder, and this humorous book engages readers as the main character learns why focus is important and how he can successfully build the skill."

- Deni Bleggi, Elementary School Principal







# Publishing Date Aug. 25, 2020

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# **Fix It with Focus**

# A Story about Ignoring Distractions and Staying on Task

Bryan Smith, Illustrated by Lisa M. Griffin

## Focus. Focus. Focus. That's the advice Blake frequently hears but fails to follow.

Blake stumbles from one mishap to another because of a complete lack of concentration. He carelessly demolishes a Lego volcano in his rush to look out a window. A baseball bruises his elbow (and ego) because a dirt clod takes his focus off the game. And he ends up all wet when he interrupts his own story to do something foolish.

Can using strategies such as manipulatives, work/brain cycle, and glove taps help Blake maintain focus and strengthen his concentration muscles?

Fix It with Focus adds another entertaining lesson to our Executive FUNction series, written for K-6 students who need a helping hand to learn self-control or manage ADHD.



BRYAN SMITH is an award-winning author who comes from a family of educators. Bryan began his career as an elementary school teacher before realizing he had a talent for helping children deal with difficult issues. He has since become a school counselor, where he flourishes teaching students life skills that will take them far and help them succeed. Bryan is married with two children.

LISA M. GRIFFIN holds a BFA in illustration and is an active member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators.

# It's My Way or the Highway Turning Bossy into Flexible and Assertive

Julia Cook, Illustrated by Kyle Merriman

Cora June is B-O-S-S-Y! She stops her teacher's boring assignments. She dictates the games people play at recess. She even objects to family dinners.

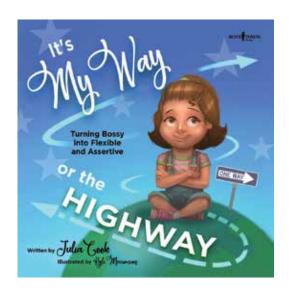
If Cora June doesn't get her way in the classroom, on the playground or at home, she makes life miserable for those around her. Will anyone put the brakes on her outlandish demands? Will Cora June ever realize that she can be a leader, but still be flexible? Or that there's a difference

between being assertive and being bossy? See what lessons are learned in this thought-provoking tale about the benefits of not always getting your way. *It's My Way or the Highway* is the first title in an exciting new book series, The Leader I'll Be!

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Julia Cook Illustrated by Kyle Merriman GRADES K-6. AGES 5-11

"Julia Cook has penned another incredible book for children! Through the eyes of Cora, children learn the importance of flexibility. To be a good leader, you need to listen and ask, not demand. Because life isn't all about you. It's My Way or the Highway is an excellent tool for parents, school counselors, teachers, social workers, psychologists, and pediatricians..."

- Erin Bowden, MS, Professional School Counselor

# **The Great Compromise**

Julia Cook, Illustrated by Kyle Merriman

Cora June and her classmate, Wilson, are locked in a battle of wills.

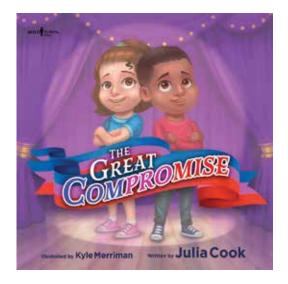
Each one desperately wants to be the ultimate decider. They scream at each other about whether to play dodgeball or soccer at recess. They get into a tug of war over a Popsicle. Each wants to dictate where to go on the next class trip! Can these two opinionated, wanna-be leaders compromise or agree to anything?

Using rhymes and relatable situations, this story offers valuable lessons about the power of compromise and why the best leaders are never afraid

to negotiate. The Great Compromise ...... is the latest addition to the The Leader I'll Be! series by awardwinning author and education expert Julia Cook.

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"Mrs. Cook has once again tapped into a vital skill our future leaders must possess with a story that appeals to students! The Great Compromise teaches the art (and importance) of compromise to children. The tips for parents and educators are sure to encourage the development of students who can successfully compromise!"

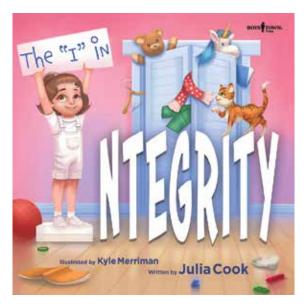
- Kimberly Hall, Elementary School Librarian

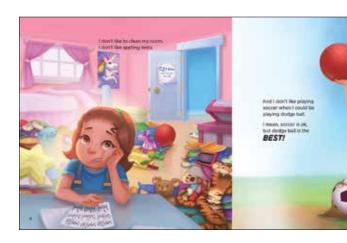


# THE LEADER I'LL BE! BOOK SERIES

Julia Cook, Illustrated by Kyle Merriman

The Leader I'll Be! series uses rhymes and relatable situations to help children develop the skills they need to become the leaders they were born to be.







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# The "I" in Integrity

Julia Cook, Illustrated by Kyle Merriman

## Cora June is learning a thing or two about doing the right thing - even when no one is looking!

Cora June isn't afraid to cheat or break promises if it will get her out of doing what she doesn't like. When Mom tells her to clean her room, Cora June covers up her messiness by cramming everything in the closet. At school, she turns her shoe into a cheat sheet and then breaks a promise to one of her best friends.

Whether at home or in school, Cora June's actions lack character. Will she be able to find her missing integrity, stop cheating, and repair her damaged relationships and reputation?



JULIA COOK is a former school counselor and teacher who has evolved into a national award-winning children's author, international parenting expert and inspirational speaker. She travels the country and abroad discussing her stories, encouraging children to laugh while learning to solve their own problems. Cook's research-based books have been referenced in such publications as *Parent's Magazine, The New Yorker, The Chicago Tribune*, Care.com, *Military Spouse*, Yahoo.com, Dr.laura.com, and babyzone.com.

With approximately two million books in print, she has received the Association for Educational Publishers Distinguished Achievement Award, and her books have been honored by The National Parenting Center, Teachers' Choice Awards, and Mom's Choice Awards. Some of her best-selling titles include; But It's Not My Fault!, I Just Don't Like the Sound of No! and Making Friends is An Art! Julia is a proud mother and grandmother.

KYLE MERRIMAN is a professional illustrator and concept artist with experience designing various games, books and animated short films. He earned his BFA in illustration from Brigham Young University.

# Parker Plum and the Intergalactic Space Detective

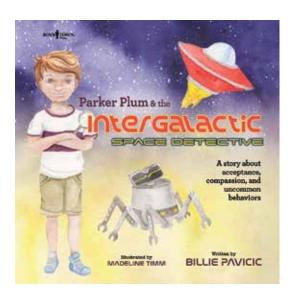
# A story about acceptance, compassion, and uncommon behaviors

Billie Pavicic, Illustrated by Madeline Timm

Parker Plum wishes he could be just like his favorite comic book hero, Max Mayhem, Intergalactic Space Detective! Unfortunately, when Parker starts playing detective, his curiosity gets the best of him. He ends up snooping into things that are none of his business and misunderstanding other people's motives and behaviors. Fortunately, his comic hero Max comes to life to offer guidance and teach Parker that sometimes the best way to help others is to understand them, not change them.

Readers of every age will enjoy following Parker as he learns a better way to help others and why he doesn't always need to know everything about everyone.



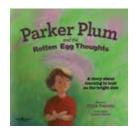


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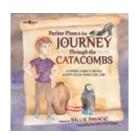
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"A wonderful story about what children can do when they encounter uncommon behaviors. Children will enjoy becoming an intergalactic space detective by learning how to Ask the right questions and See the bigger picture when it comes to showing compassion for others. The tips for teaching compassion are a valuable bonus teachers can use for discussions in class. This book is perfect for the elementary classroom!"

- Joy Jackson, MA, Professional School Counselor



Parker Plum and the Rotten Egg Thoughts A story about learning to look on the bright side ISBN 978-1-944882-33-4 31 pages, full color illustrations Softcover, 9x9 \$10.95, Item No. 62-001



Parker Plum and the Journey Through the CATacombs A story about being happy with who you are ISBN 978-1-944882-43-3 31 pages, full color illustrations Softcover, 9x9 \$10.95, Item No. 62-002



BILLIE PAVICIC earned her MA in counseling from Marymount University. With nearly a decade of experience as an elementary school counselor, Billie combines that experience and her creativity in the lessons she incorporates in her children's books and activities. This busy mother of two enjoys writing and all things strange and unusual, and her series, uses a little bit of fantasy grounded in a whole world of reality to keep kids interested and teach them important life skills, such as how to have a positive mindset and learning to be happy with who you are.



# **He's Not Just Teasing!**

# A book about the difference between teasing and bullying

Jennifer Licate, Illustrated by Suzanne Beaky

A tale about the fragile friendships of upper elementary and middle school kids and their willingness to stand up for others.

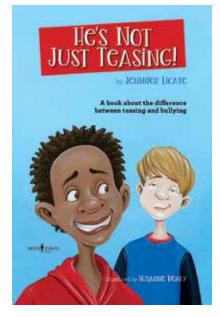
Malcolm has a problem, and his name is Joe. Malcolm is often the target of goodnatured ribbing because he's an excitable scatterbrain. Malcolm knows the jokes and laughs at his expense are all in good fun and sometimes even teach him a lesson. But the snark coming from Joe isn't funny.

Joe taunts and bullies Malcolm. When he attacks, Malcolm's friends do nothing. They are silent bystanders, and Malcolm is left to wonder why. Can he find the courage to



ask them for help, or will Malcolm have to stand up for himself?

He's Not Just
Teasing! is a quick
read chapter book
that examines
the differences
between bullying
and teasing, the
fragile friendships
of children and the
power of kindness.



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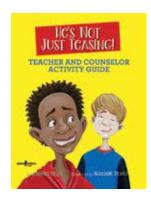
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**BOOK SERIES** 

Jennifer Licate Illustrated by Suzanne Beaky



# He's Not Just Teasing! Teacher and Counselor Activity Guide

Jennifer Licate, Illustrated by Suzanne Beaky

Designed to accompany the He's Not Just Teasing! chapter book, this guide includes the text from the story, along with discussion questions and activities for each chapter! Readers learn the difference between teasing and bullying through relatable examples. The author offers different strategies for stopping bullying in action! Use this activity guide to engage students in meaningful conversation and relevant activities to help with their prosocial development.



Counseling/Bullying Grades 4-8 ISBN: 978-1-944882-64-8 Approx. 40 pages, 20 Activities Softcover, 8.5 x11 \$19.95, Item No. 69-002



JENNIFER LICATE received her master's degree in school counseling from West Chester University and has worked as a school counselor for more than ten years. Jennifer works with children from kindergarten to 12th grade. She channels her love of counseling and creativity to craft children's books with relatable characters and situations. Her aim is to help children of all ages navigate the challenges of growing up.

SUZANNE BEAKY studied illustration at Columbus College of Art and Design. Her expressive illustrations are commissioned by children's book, magazine and educational publishers worldwide. She has received a number of awards and lives in Pennsylvania with her husband.

# THE FREDDIE THE FLY BOOK SERIES

A book series celebrating children who demonstrate good character.

# Freddie the Fly: Truth or Care

# A story about honesty, caring, and using your social filter

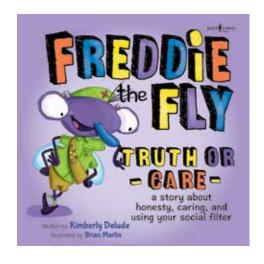
Kimberly Delude, Illustrated by Brian Martin

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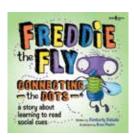


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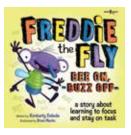
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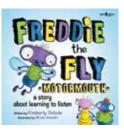
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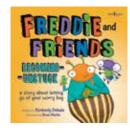
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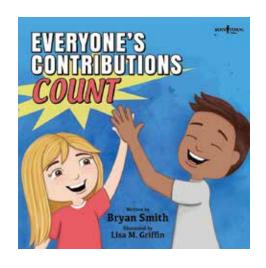
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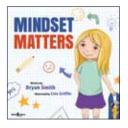


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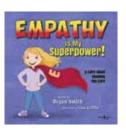
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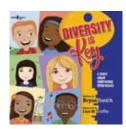
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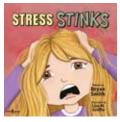
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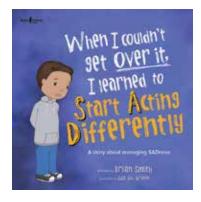
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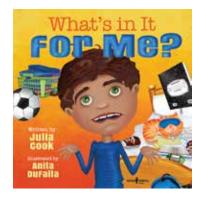
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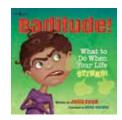
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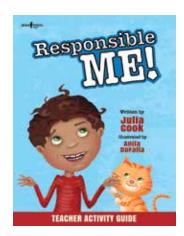
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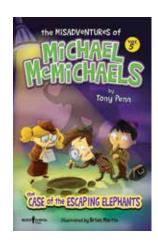
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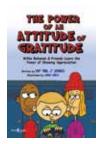
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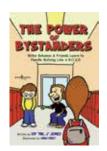
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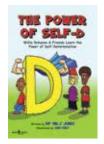
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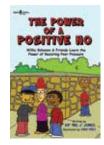
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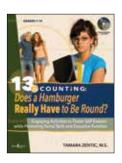
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LEONA LUGAN spent 10 years working with victims of crime and family abuse. She currently provides grant writing services, ghost writing, and consultation to nonprofit organizations and small businesses. Her educational background in communication, sociology and guidance counseling has given her a broad base from which to approach many topics affecting today's youth. Her personal experience growing up poor in the Midwest, frequently moving from town to town, inspired her to write *Middle School Misfits*.

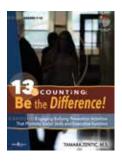


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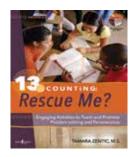
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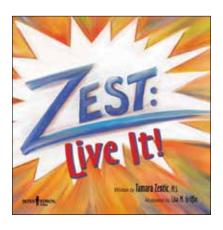
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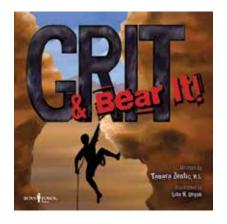
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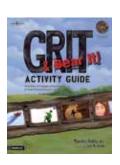
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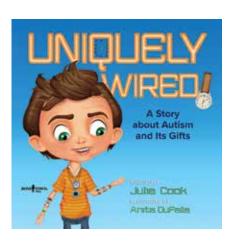
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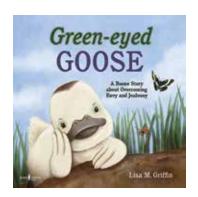
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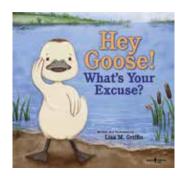
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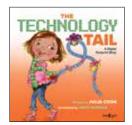
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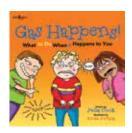


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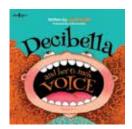
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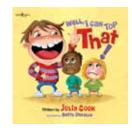
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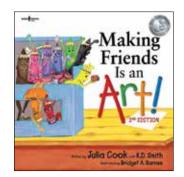
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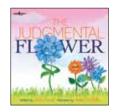
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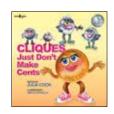
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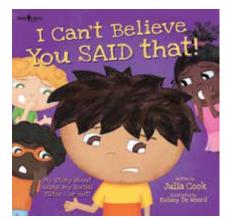


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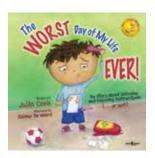
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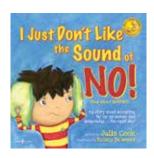
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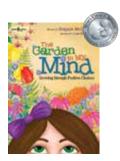


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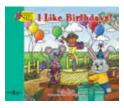
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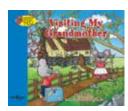
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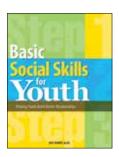


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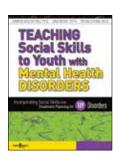
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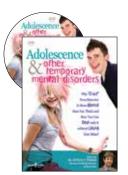
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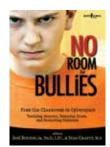
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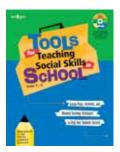
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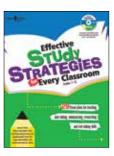
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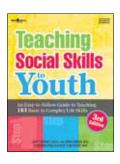
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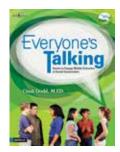
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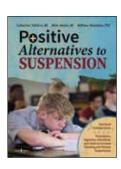
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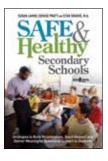
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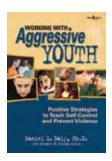
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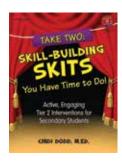
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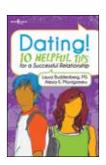
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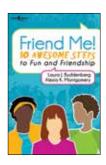
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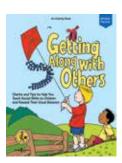
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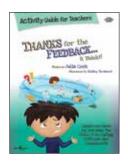
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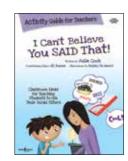
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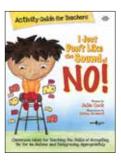
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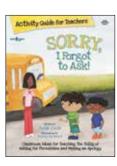
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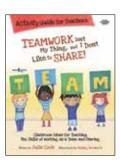
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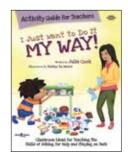
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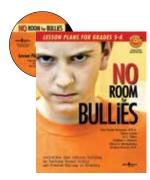
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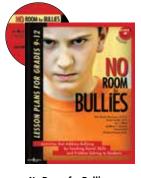
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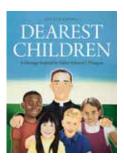
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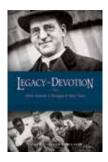
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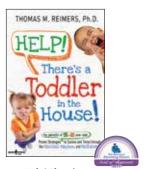
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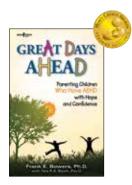
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Discounts apply only to single item retail price.

## **SHIPPING**

Boys Town Press will charge <u>actual</u> shipping charges on all orders.

#### **RETURN POLICY**

- Items damaged in shipment must be called in for return authorization within seven (7) days upon receipt.
- Books purchased under Schedule "A" are fully returnable in resalable condition (no price stickers, markings or damage).
   Ship to Boys Town Press Returns, 250 Monsky, Boys Town, NE 68010.
- Returns must be shipped PREPAID and will be credited at earned discount if they are returned in resalable condition as determined by the publisher. Reference quantities, titles, invoice number, and account number.
- Boys Town Press will issue a credit memo toward future purchases or refund your payment. Please specify.

# **Special Markets Terms**

These terms are effective for one calendar year. Boys Town Press reserves the right to redefine terms after one year.

**TO QUALIFY:** Your Boys Town Press merchandise sales must be conducted through marketing.

**DISCOUNT:** 50% discount off list prices; No minimum requirements.

**TERMS:** All products are non-returnable. Net 30 days.

**FREIGHT:** Boys Town Press will charge actual shipping charges unless otherwise specified.

**TO SET UP AN ACCOUNT:** Fill out the Special Markets credit application below.

# **Special Markets Application Form**

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In order to service your account and keep you informed of new and appropriate titles, please complete the following information and return it to Boys Town Press.

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CONTACT PERSON				
ADDRESS				
CITY, STATE, ZIP				
PHONE () FAX (	)			
SHIPPING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT)				
What type of customer do you serve? (	Educators, Parents, etc.)			
How do you plan on marketing the Boys Town Press materials?				
APPLICANT SIGNATURE	DATF			

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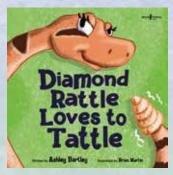


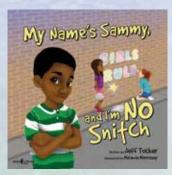
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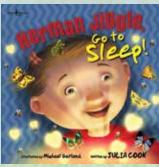


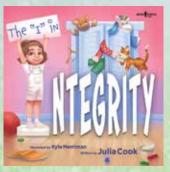


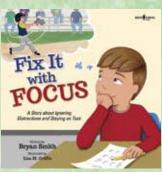


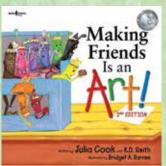












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