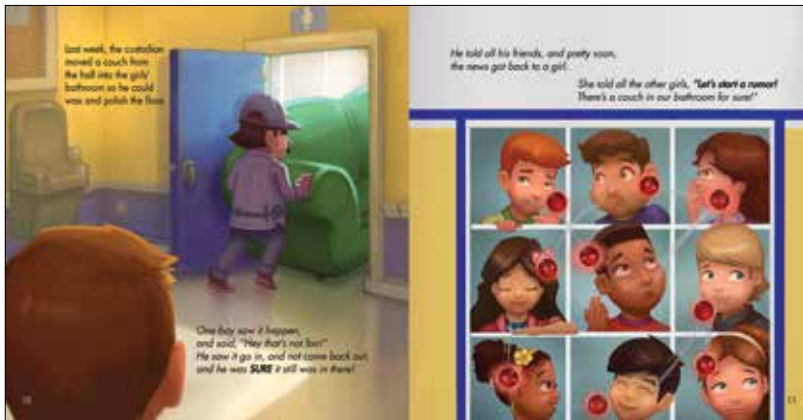
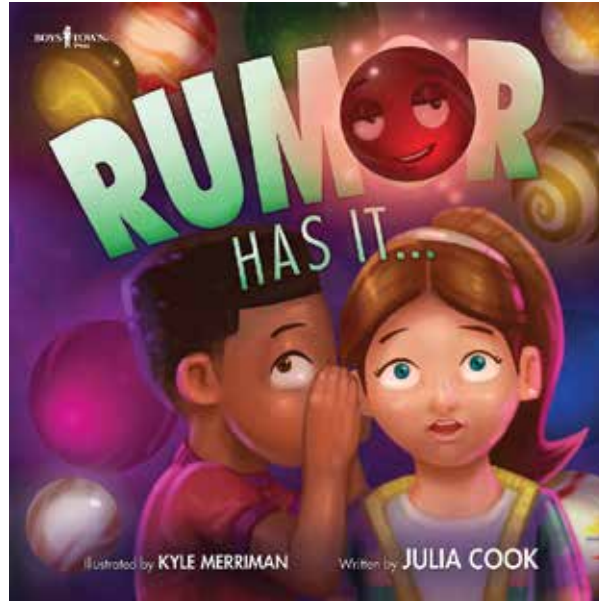


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***Rumor has it...that the girls have a couch in their bathroom. And they sometimes take naps in there. And guess what else?***

Whether we've been the subject of a rumor or the one spreading a rumor about someone else, most of us have been involved with rumors somehow. But how many people really stop to think about the damaging effects?

Award-winning author Julia Cook cleverly brings this serious subject to light in an entertaining, but cautionary tale about the importance of NOT starting or spreading rumors.

Told through the eyes of the rumor marble, the story describes how a simple misunderstanding starts a chain reaction that can't be undone! Children will laugh as they learn that it's much easier to prevent a train – or rolling rumor marble – from starting to roll forward than trying to stop one!

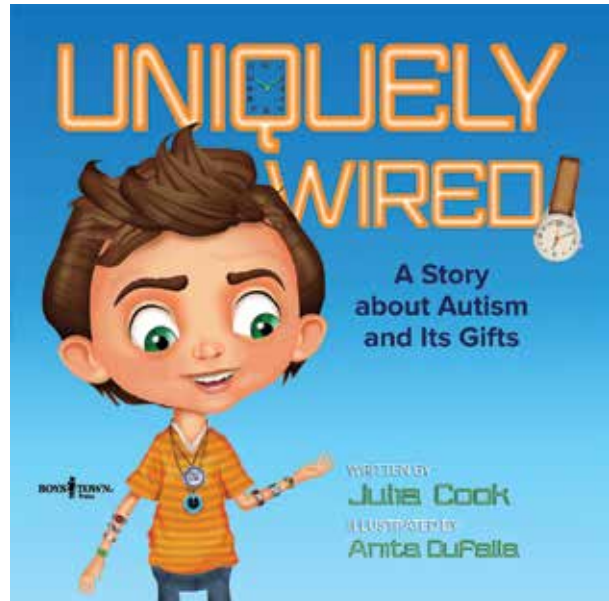


JULIA COOK, a former teacher and school counselor, writes books for children that let them laugh while learning to solve their own problems, use better behavior and develop healthy relationships.

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.

*“I think this should be mandatory reading for anyone who deals with kids with Autism and families of kids with Autism... Great resources that teachers should have in their classroom to teach acceptance and differences.”*

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### A Story about Autism and Its Gifts

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***Zak is obsessed with watches. Before that it was trains.  
 He owns hundreds of watches and is quick to tell everyone everything about them.***

Zak has autism, and he sometimes responds to the world around him in unconventional ways. As Zak describes his point of view, young readers gain a better understanding of his behaviors and learn valuable lessons about patience, tolerance and curiosity.

Parents, educators and counselors can use this vibrantly illustrated storybook to increase children’s awareness of autism spectrum disorders and foster greater understanding toward

those on the spectrum. Insightful advice for relating to children living with ASD is included and helps reinforce the story’s empowering, inclusive message.

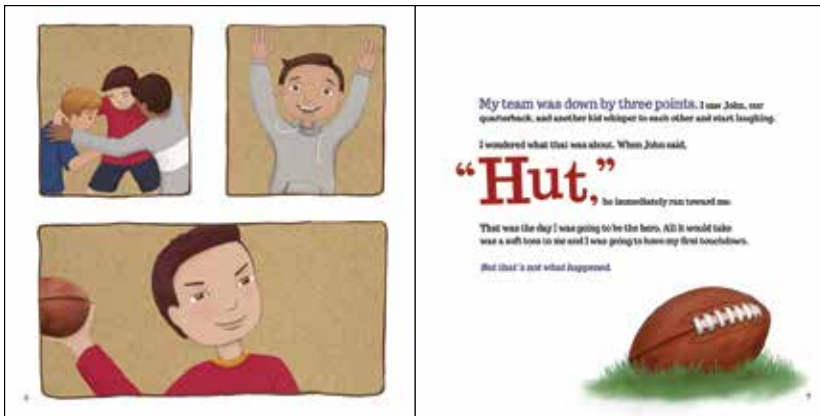
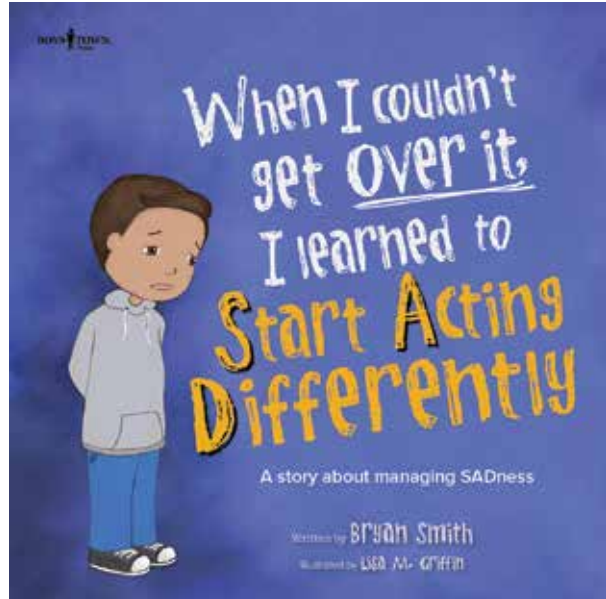
*“This book touched me not just as a pediatrician, but also as the mom of an autistic son. Julia Cook has truly captured the beauty and uniqueness of these kids. I will be recommending this book to patients, colleagues, family members, friends, teachers, or anyone who wants to understand more about autism.”*

– Dr. Melissa Reinhardt, pediatrician



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## When I Couldn't Get Over It, I Learned to Start Acting Differently

### A Story about Managing SADness

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*Kyle is a fourth-grader who sometimes feels blue and out of sorts.*

He's not sure why, but he can never bounce back when he gets into a funk. When things go wrong at school or home, he can't shake it off and just move on. With the help of a kind teacher, Kyle learns how to recognize and manage his sadness by reframing his attitude and learning how to **Start Acting Differently**.

It is important for children to know that sometimes feeling sad is a normal part of life. Author Bryan Smith gives young readers the tools to manage and work through their feelings of sadness.



BRYAN SMITH has worked in the education field for more than 15 years, first as an elementary school teacher then as a school counselor. He excels at teaching students life skills that will take them far and help them succeed. He is also a popular children's author whose other titles include *Kindness Counts*, *My Day Is Ruined!* and *What Were You Thinking?*

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**Time to Get Started!**  
A Story about Learning to Take Initiative

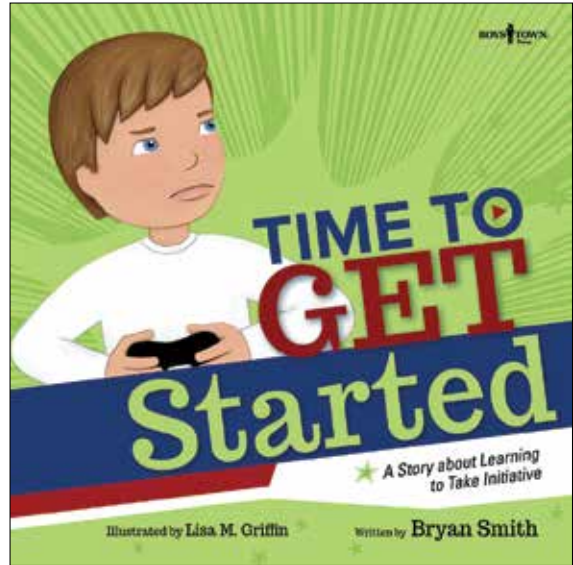


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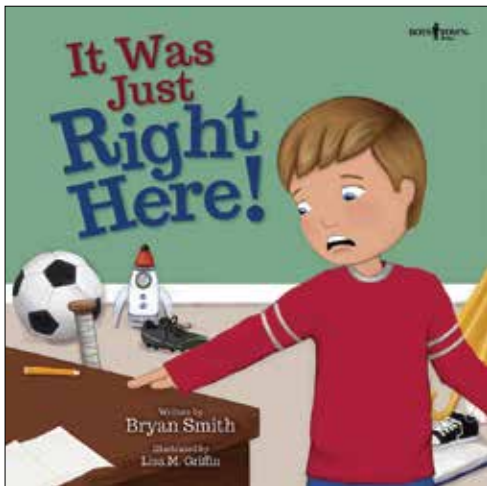
Blake is busy! He's always moving and always has something going on! So why is it that people keep insisting that he do things he doesn't want to do? Why does he have to clean his room RIGHT NOW? He'll get to it EVENTUALLY!

Luckily for Blake, his mom is there to work with him on the important skill of taking initiative. And she should know – she says her dad had to work with her on that same task when she was young!

Blake and Mom explore WHY Blake doesn't want to get started, and they go through a few simple steps on how to take initiative and get things done. Will Blake be able to use these steps to get started on his work at home and school? Find out in the newest title in the very popular *Executive FUNction* series.



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**It Was Just Right Here!**

By Bryan Smith, Illustrated by Lisa M. Griffin

Blake is always losing things, and everyone acts like it's his fault. Blake doesn't think it's a big deal. After all, he's just a kid! But when his field trip form is missing and the class pet is discovered dwelling among all the debris inside his desk, Blake realizes he has a problem.

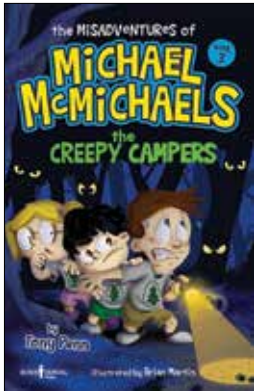
With help from his teacher, a timely baseball analogy, and support from his parents, Blake discovers the benefits of being organized. Children and parents alike will find this comical, colorful storybook helpful in understanding why everything has its place.

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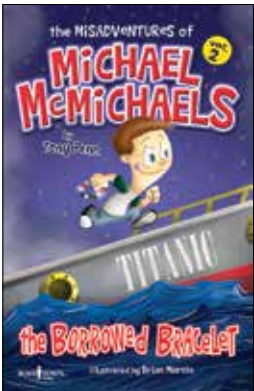
By Tony Penn, Illustrated by Brian Martin

Michael, his best friend Kenny and the always-annoying Harriett are at summer camp.

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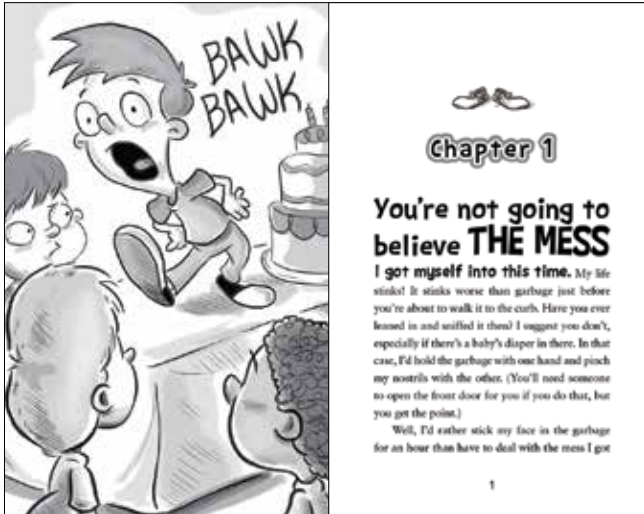
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– Children’s Bookwatch, The Midwest Book Review



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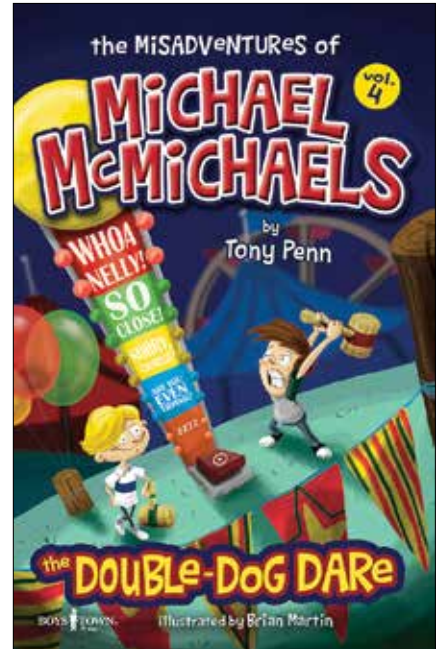
By Tony Penn, Illustrated by Brian Martin

*A classic tale of two rivals and their double-dog dares.*

When wealthy new student Zeke moves into the neighborhood, he threatens to steal away Michael’s best friend, Kenny. Green with envy, Michael challenges Zeke to crazy double-dog dares just to prove he’s still top dog and Kenny’s best bro. But when harmless dares escalate into bad jokes that hurt others, Michael

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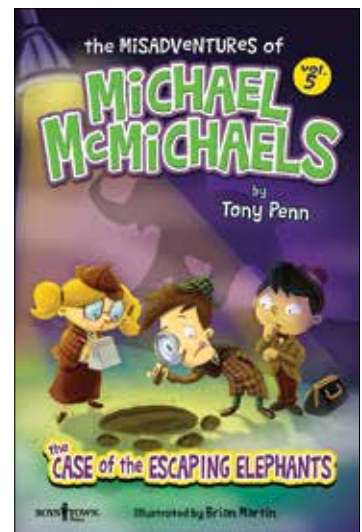
By Tony Penn, Illustrated by Brian Martin

Michael McMichaels just can’t get enough of playing on the family’s electronic devices — even on a family trip to the zoo! But he never expected his fanatic phone use to cause such chaos! Michael knows he has to do something to help resolve the issues he created — and that includes working with frenemy Harriet! Will Michael be able to crack the case — and learn about moderation along the way? Find out in this timely tale by Tony Penn.



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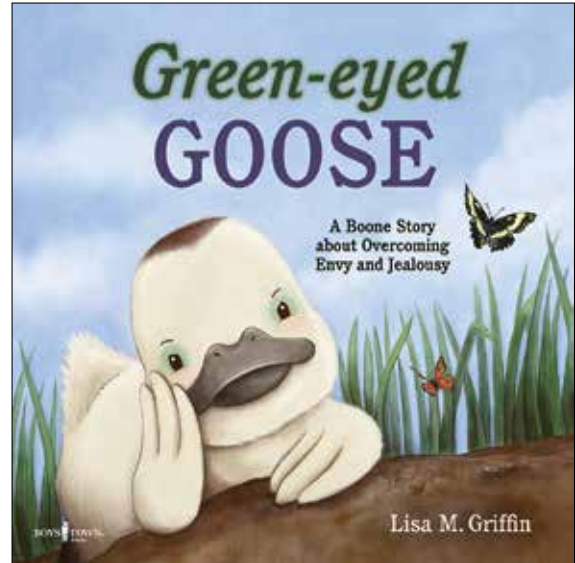




**Green-Eyed Goose**  
**A Boone Story about Overcoming**  
**Envy and Jealousy**

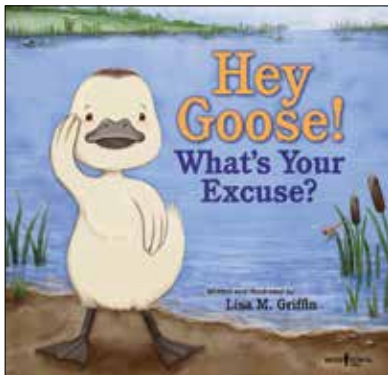
*Written and Illustrated by Lisa M. Griffin*

Boone is back, and boy is he bothered! Why is his brother Finn the first to fly? And why can Otter flip but Boone can't? And what's with Beaver's big tail? It just doesn't seem fair! But Boone soon learns, with the help of those around him, that instead of begrudging what others have or earned, he should be grateful for what he has, and work hard to earn what more he wants.



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When Boone's momma and siblings swim off to the opposite shore, he won't follow. He has his reasons, like the water seems too cold and deep, and the other shore looks too muddy. But when he sees his family having fun, he wonders what he's missing.

Soon enough, Boone's curiosity grows bigger than his fears. Slowly he paddles away from his safe space, taking readers on a journey that reveals why leaving your comfort zone can lead to exciting and unexpected places.



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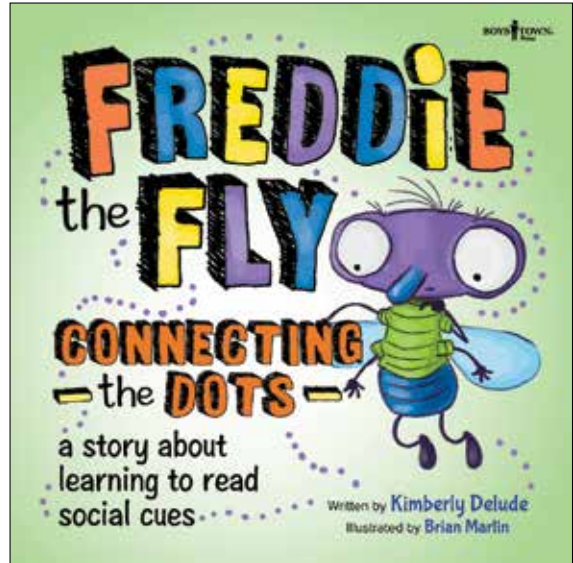




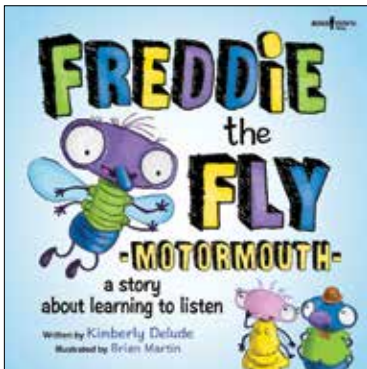
**Freddie the Fly: Connecting the Dots**  
 A Story about Learning to Read Social Cues

By Kimberly Delude, Illustrated by Brian Martin

Freddie returns with quite the conundrum! He keeps missing social cues, so he misunderstands what people mean, and then he finds himself in a mess. He just doesn't get that there's a lot more to communication than the words that people say. Fortunately for our favorite fly, he has his dad and Principal Roachford available to teach him about connecting the communication dots, including voice tone, facial expressions and body language.



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 A Story about Learning to Listen

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*A story with plenty of buzz.*

Freddie the Fly likes to talk and talk and talk. He's so busy buzzing about the latest gossip, he can't listen to anyone else. Freddie doesn't realize how much of a chatterbox he is until he meets Mesquita. Her mile-a-minute mouth makes Freddie seem like a mute.

This colorful storybook teaches kids how to control their conversations and be excited about listening to, and learning from, others.



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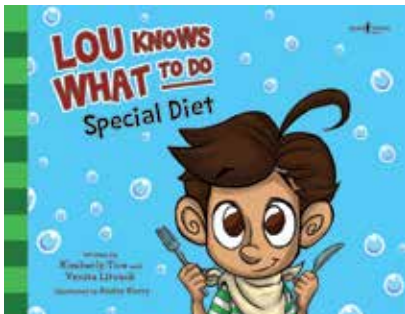
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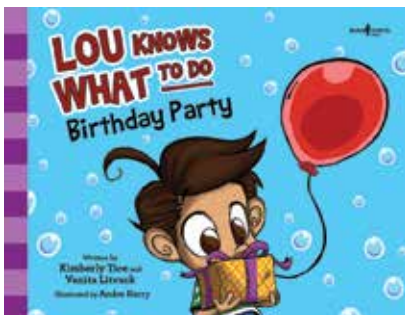


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*"This book conveys so much thought, care and sensitivity into helping kids with restrictive diets feel comfortable with what they eat and, most importantly, who they are."* – Patrick Pierre, Jr., MS, MED

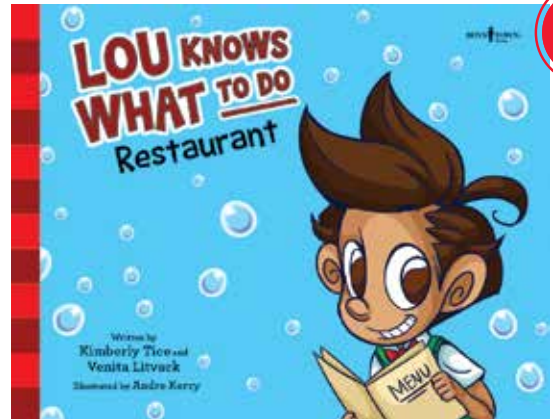
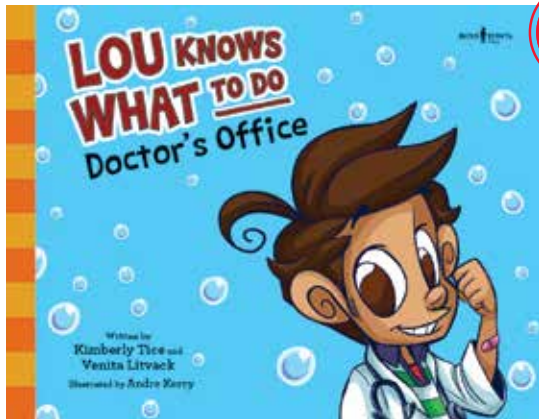


## Birthday Party

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*"Lou Knows What To Do: Birthday Party is a great social learning tool that helps children prepare for and cope with social situations at a birthday party. This is a wonderful resource for families, teachers, and therapists!"* – Amanda Wagner, M.S. CCC SLP



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In the this edition of *Lou Knows What to Do*, Lou once again relies on his special bubble wand to show him what to expect when visiting a doctor or dentist. For example, what is a check-up? What kinds of check-ups might Lou need? Why is a check-up important? Who will Lou see while he's at the medical or dental office? What tools might the doctor or dentist use?

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## Restaurant

By Kimberly Tice and Venita Litvack,  
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When it's time to go to a restaurant, whether he's with a parent or family member, Lou knows what to expect and how to handle himself. Lou's bubble wand will help him be successful in any social situation that could be a challenge for him, such as waiting to be seated, ordering from the menu or waiting for others to finish their food.

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## Mindset Matters

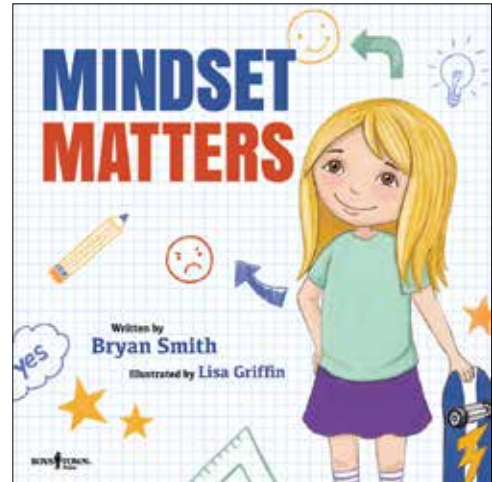
By Bryan Smith, Illustrated by Lisa M. Griffin

**An entertaining and eye-opening look at the power of the “gonna get it done” mindset.**

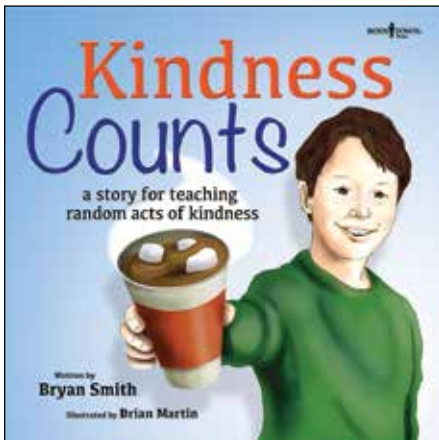
Amelia is her name and conquering new challenges is her game! She’s an up-for-any-adventure second-grader who’s eager to try new things — provided nothing goes wrong. At the first sign of trouble she’s done.

But after a little self-reflection and some loving advice from dear-old Dad, Amelia learns she needs a “gonna get it done” mindset. With her new outlook, she discovers success has many definitions... more than she ever imagined.

*Mindset Matters* teaches children how to see problems and dilemmas as opportunities to learn and grow, and reveals why failing doesn’t make them failures.



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## Kindness Counts

**A Story for Teaching Random Acts of Kindness**

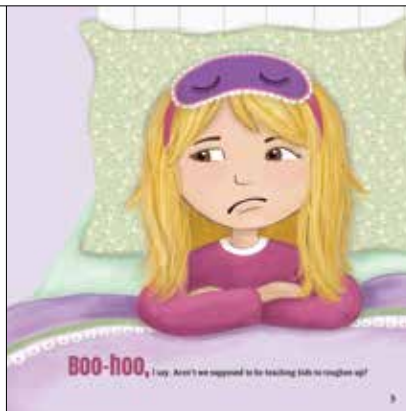
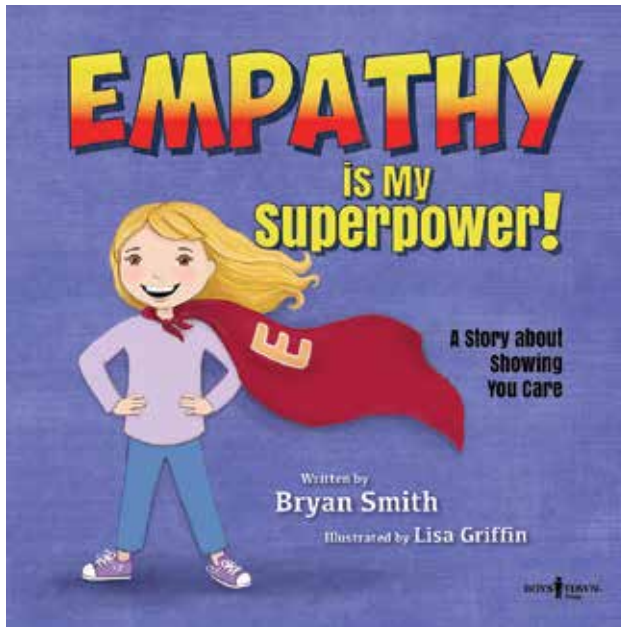
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When Cade and his family learn their ice cream treats were paid for by another patron, it starts a discussion about random acts of kindness and what it means to “pay it forward.” Cade then starts doing random feel-good gestures. But when Dad wants him to donate a few of his favorite toys, Cade thinks that’s being a bit too kind. Can Cade be generous to others if it requires a real sacrifice?

This is author Bryan Smith’s first book in the *WITHOUT LIMITS* series.

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## Empathy is My Superpower

A Story about Showing You Care

By Bryan Smith, Illustrated by Lisa M. Griffin

*Amelia can't quite get why some people behave the way they do.*

Why does her brother cry when it's dark? Why does her classmate Kayla take so long to do her math? And what's up with that strange-smelling dish that Priya brings to lunch every day? With the help of her parents, Amelia soon learns about the importance of empathy and starts to see the power it can have! Will Amelia

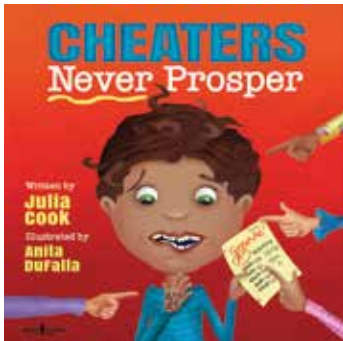
be able to put her new-found skill to good use and help others find the strength in empathy as well? Written for readers in grades K-6, this storybook also includes tips to help parents and teachers foster empathy in every child.



BRYAN SMITH has worked in the education field for more than 15 years, first as an elementary school teacher then as a school counselor. He excels at teaching students life skills that will take them far and help them succeed. He is also a popular children's author whose other titles include *Kindness Counts*, *My Day Is Ruined!* and *What Were You Thinking?*

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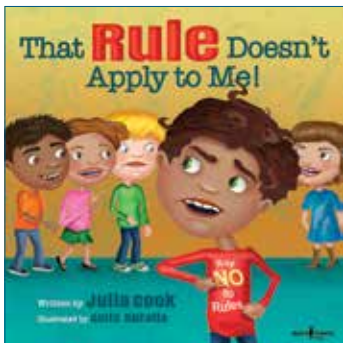
### Cheaters Never Prosper

By Julia Cook, Illustrated by Anita DuFalla

What should have been a friendly competition among classmates to make a sweet treat quickly turns sour after Noodle cheats his way to victory. He says he didn't really want to cheat but everyone has to once in a while, so what's the harm?

Young readers will learn a valuable lesson about the cost of cheating while enjoying a few laughs in this storybook.

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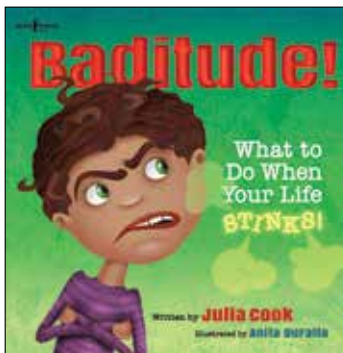


### That Rule Doesn't Apply to Me!

By Julia Cook, Illustrated by Anita DuFalla

The rules keep getting in the way of Noodle's fun! Rules for this and rules for that. There are so many rules! Can't he just have a rule-free day? Kids will laugh as Noodle describes the variety of rules he deals with daily. Will Noodle's mother and teacher convince him that rules are meant to help, not harm, him?

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### Baditude!

By Julia Cook, Illustrated by Anita DuFalla

Everything in Noodle's life stinks, or so he thinks.

Noodle's attitude, or "baditude," is alienating everyone around him. Can Noodle let go of his angst and try to find the brighter side of life? With help, Noodle learns how to turn his 'have tos' into 'get tos' and his baditude into gratitude!

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### But It's Not My Fault

By Julia Cook, Illustrated by Anita DuFalla

It just isn't Noodle's fault that his brother's game ran late, and he didn't finish his homework. Or that his mom forgot to remind him to turn in his library book.

Luckily, Noodle's mom is there to teach him not to blame others or try to find fault; but instead take responsibility for his actions.

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## What's in It for Me?

By Julia Cook, Illustrated by Anita DuFalla

Noodle is always being told what to do. Pull the weeds. Make his bed. Kick the ball a certain way in soccer. Ugh! But he wonders, why? What's in it for him? Luckily, the adults in Noodle's life are there to teach him the importance of moving 'need tos' into 'I did Its!' Join Noodle as he learns the value of practicing small chores now, so he'll be ready for life's big challenges later.

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## The PROcrastinator

By Julia Cook, Illustrated by Anita DuFalla

Noodle wonders why there is always so much to do. "Noodle do this. Noodle do that. Please do it RIGHT NOW. You must feed the cat." But Noodle has SO MANY — and SO MUCH better — things to do, like hang out with friends, watch must-see TV and play videogames.

Award-winning children's author Julia Cook uses Noodle to offer simple strategies to help kids learn how to balance doing what needs to be done while still finding time for fun.

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*"The PROcrastinator is a must-have for all school counselors, teachers and parents. Written with lots of humor, this book brings home the all-important message of WORK FIRST... PLAY AFTER! – something that a lot of kids struggle with from time to time. I 'Roger' that!"*

– Dee Anna Kelley, Missouri Elementary School Counselor of the Year



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.

ANITA DUFALLA is an award-winning illustrator.



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**The Technology Tail**

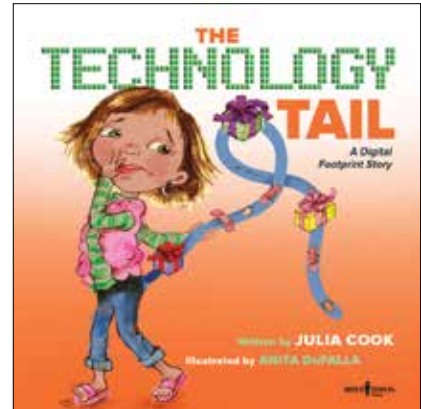
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**Digital Citizenship brought to life!**

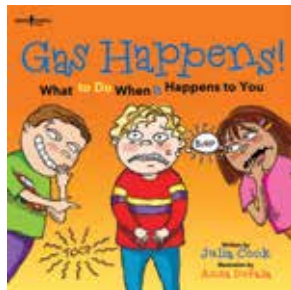
Don't be mean and irresponsible! That's the straight-to-the-point advice "Screen" has for young readers who are active on social media.

Whether tapping out messages on their computers, tablets or phones, "Screen" wants all kids to know everything you post is attached to you for life, creating a digital trail that can't be erased.

The *Technology Tail* delivers a timeless message to a new generation just learning how to navigate the fast-changing digital age. Written for children in grades 1-6, this storybook uses rhymes and colorful illustrations to grab their attention. There are also tips for parents and teachers who want to reinforce online safety, kindness and respect in a digital world.



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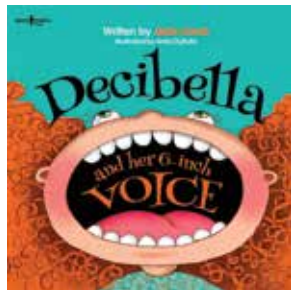


**Gas Happens!**

Did you know that everyone and every living thing passes gas (except jelly fish and coral sponges)? If it's so natural, and so common, why do we struggle with teaching children how to respond appropriately when it happens?

Join Gus as he and his classmates learn a brief biology lesson behind why we all pass gas, and the right way to handle it when it happens in public.

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Brad is a "one-upper." At school, he's mockingly referred to as BRAG because anytime someone shares an experience, Brad chimes in with his own story... but it's always more extreme. His habit of one-upping everyone leaves him lonely and unpopular.

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### Of Course It's a Big Deal!

**A Story about Learning to React Calmly and Appropriately**

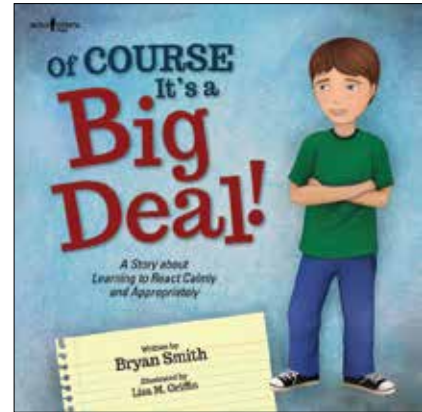
By Bryan Smith, Illustrated by Lisa M. Griffin

What was supposed to be a carefree afternoon of go-cart racing and putt-putt golfing quickly turns sour when Braden shouts and pouts about the rules. (Turns out, he's too short to drive a go-cart.) Hearing his parents say the rules are the rules only makes him madder. "They haven't been kids in like 100 years or something!" he fumes.

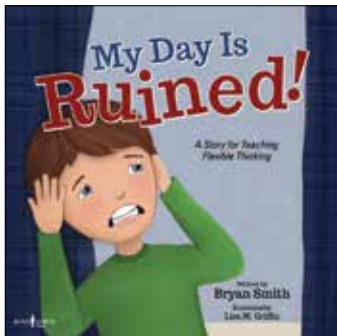
At home and school, there's more frustration. Will Braden ever learn to keep his cool in the face of disappointment? Will every discouraging moment send him into an emotional meltdown? See what lessons are learned in this fast-paced story about the perils of overreacting and losing self-control.

*"Controlling your impulses is a hard topic to teach to children. Finally a book that gets the point across in a humorous manner. I can't wait to use this with the children at my school."*

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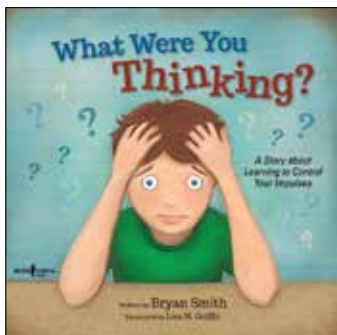


### My Day Is Ruined!

**A Story for Teaching Flexible Thinking**

Braden was so excited for his upcoming championship baseball game! But imagine his surprise when he woke up to pouring rain... and NO GAME! This, coupled with some events at school that don't go his way, send Braden on an overreaction tailspin! Will Braden be able to recover and practice the tips of flexible thinking that his teacher and mom shared with him? Find out in this comical story by Bryan Smith.

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### What Were You Thinking?

**A Story about Learning to Control Your Impulses**

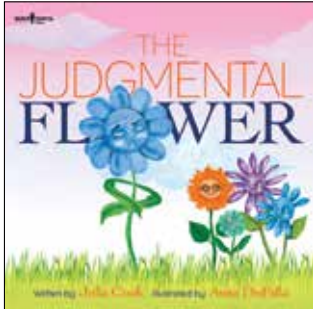
Third-grader Braden loves to be the center of attention. His comic genius, as he sees it, causes his friends to look at him in awe. But some poor decision-making, like ill-timed jokes in class, forces the adults in Braden's life to teach him about impulse control. But will the lessons shared by his teachers and his mom really help Braden manage his impulses? Find out in this hilarious story.

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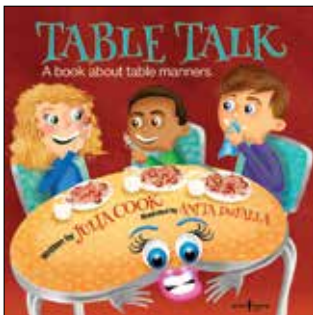


### The Judgmental Flower

By Julia Cook, Illustrated by Anita DuFalla

When Purple Flower moves into the Blue Patch, Blue just isn't sure how he feels about that! Fortunately, Blue's Mom is around to point out how much Blue and his friends can learn from the wind, the rain, and the bees, who treat all flowers the same. Will Blue start to look at the world differently? Find out in this timely and important tale about valuing diversity.

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### Table Talk

By Julia Cook, Illustrated by Anita DuFalla

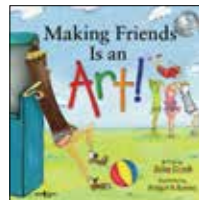
Written from the Table's point of view, this humorous tale helps kids understand that table manners are about much more than what fork to use. Good table manners are about being respectful, kind and considerate to others and their feelings. Sharp, entertaining illustrations from award-winning illustrator Anita DuFalla bring the Table's tips to life.

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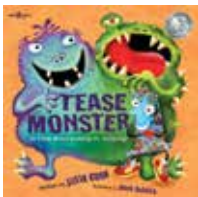
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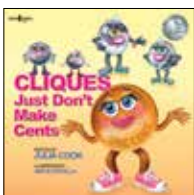
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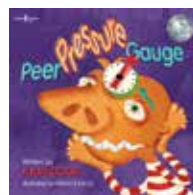
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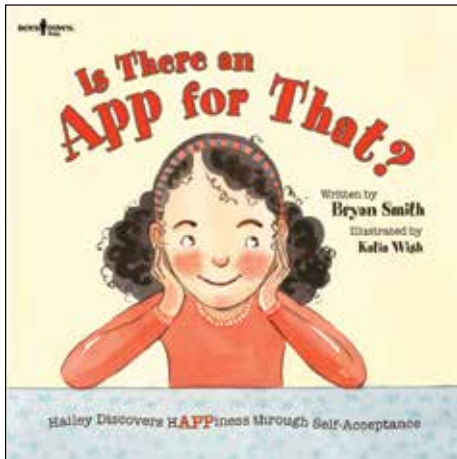
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**Is There an App for That?**  
**Hailey Discovers Happiness through Self-Acceptance**

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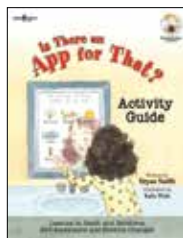
Magic Apps promise to make Hailey taller, faster, smarter, and so much more!

Join Hailey on her comical adventures as she uses app after app, trying to be someone she just isn't, and begins to realize that trying to be like others isn't all it's cracked up to be!

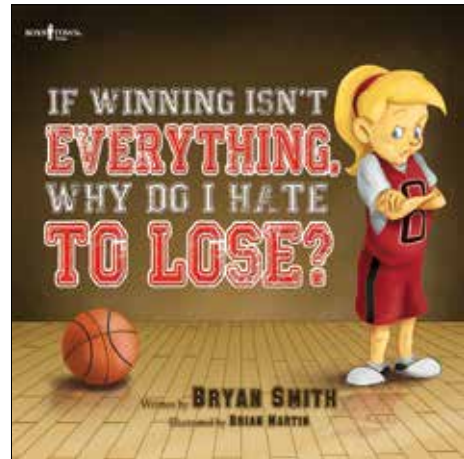
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This is the story of Kelsey, a young basketball star who will do whatever it takes to win on and off the court. Unfortunately, her poor sportsmanship – or sportsGIRLship, as she likes to call it – hurts her team and her relationships. Can anyone – her coach or her mom – teach Kelsey how to have fun and play fair, win or lose?



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*“A great basketball-themed book packed with valuable life lessons that parents felt would be perfect item for any child! ... Reviewers felt that this would be a great tool for teachers to use in class, for coaches to use for a team or for parents to teach at home.”*

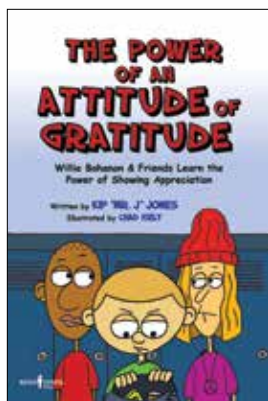
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**The Power of an Attitude of Gratitude**  
**Willie Bohanon & Friends Learn the Power of Showing Appreciation**

*By Kip Jones, Illustrated by Chad Isely*

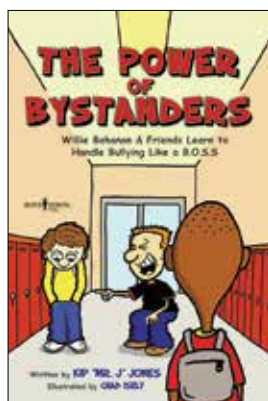
Willie enjoys hanging with Hugh, until he realizes Hugh acts like the world revolves around him. When someone does him a favor, he won't say "Thank you." Hugh acts like an entitled jerk!

Will Hugh be able to overcome his attitude of entitlement and develop an attitude of gratitude?

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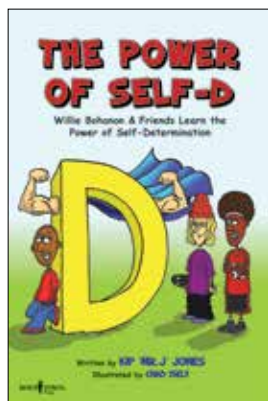


**The Power of Bystanders**  
**Willie Bohanon & Friends Learn to Handle Bullying Like a B.O.S.S.**

*By Kip Jones, Illustrated by Chad Isely*

This graphic novel helps kids understand how bystanders can stop bullying. Readers learn along with Willie and his friends how to handle bullying like a **B.O.S.S.** (Bystanders hold the key; **O**pen your mouth; **S**tand up for others; **S**tick together.)

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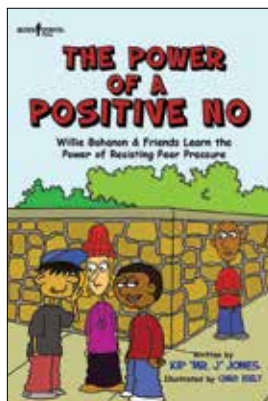


**The Power of Self-D**  
**Willie Bohanon & Friends Learn the Power of Self-Determination**

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Even with a strong family and awesome role models, sometimes Willie loses focus and gives up. Luckily for him and his pals, a mentor teaches them about **S.W.A.G.** – **S**elf-determination, **W**orking hard, **A**mbition and **G**uidance. It's a timely lesson for the teens, who are reminded that they power their own success.

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**The Power of a Positive No**  
**Willie Bohanon & Friends Learn the Power of Resisting Peer Pressure**

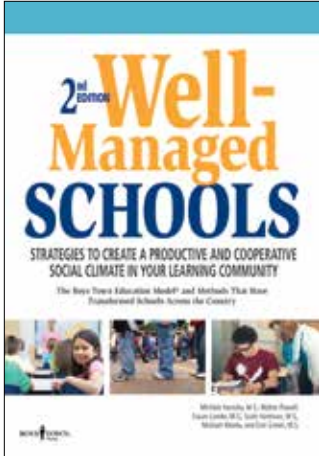
*By Kip Jones, Illustrated by Chad Isely*

Willie and his friends are facing some difficult times and making questionable choices. You can see that peer pressure is affecting the group in a negative way.

Fortunately, counselor Mr. J is here to help Willie and his friends learn the importance of setting boundaries and saying no when it counts!

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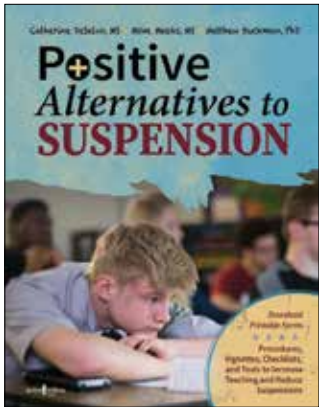


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**Positive Alternatives to Suspension**

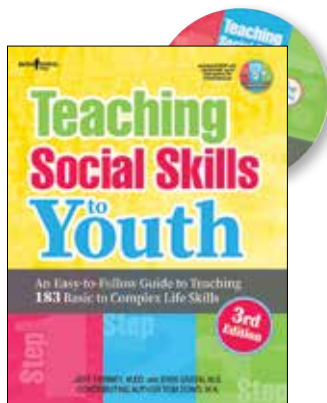
*By Catherine DeSalvo, MS, Mike Meeks, MS, Matthew Buckman, PhD*

This book provides all the guidance you need to decrease the frequency, severity and duration of disruptive behaviors and avoid harsh and ineffective disciplinary practices.

The authors provide a blueprint for creating an in-school alternative to out-of-school suspension, giving students the best opportunity to overcome their challenges and find success. They explain how to create structure, use motivation and teach social skills so students remain engaged and connected to school. Several behavioral situations that typically lead to suspension, including bullying, stealing and fighting, are highlighted and linked to specific social skills that address those behaviors. Checklists for setting up an effective alternative suspension classroom, along

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**Teaching Social Skills to Youth, 3rd Edition**

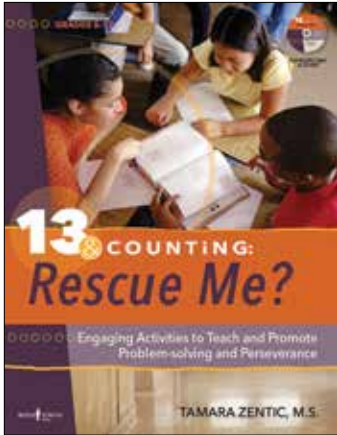
*By Jeff Tierney, MEd, Erin Green, MS*

Describes step-by-step component behaviors to 183 skills. The skills range from basic to complex and have been updated to reflect the challenges today’s youth face.

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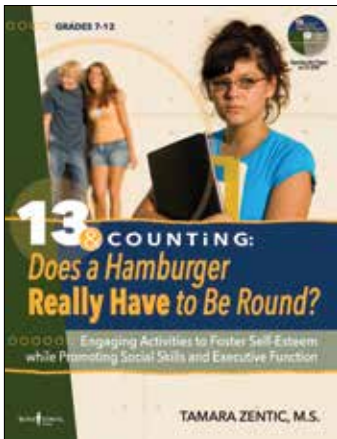
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This book offers strategies and activities that inspire youth to develop better problem-solving skills, gain more autonomy in the decisions they make, and cultivate an optimistic outlook on life's problems, stresses, and difficult situations.

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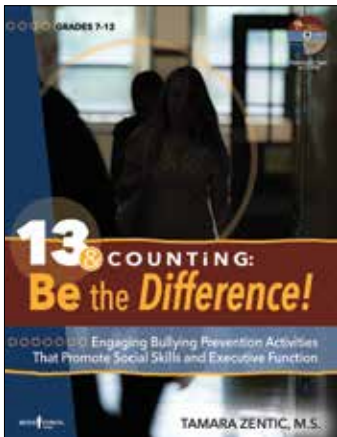
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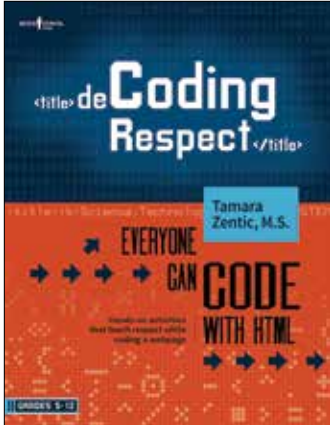
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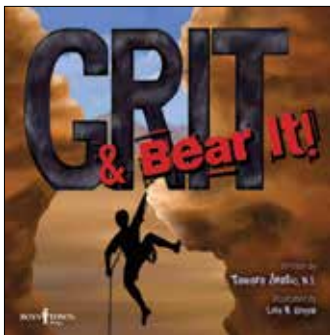


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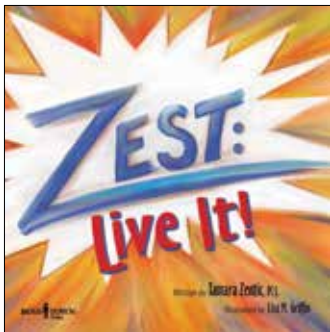
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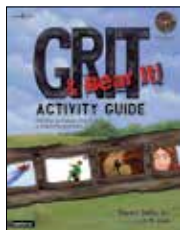
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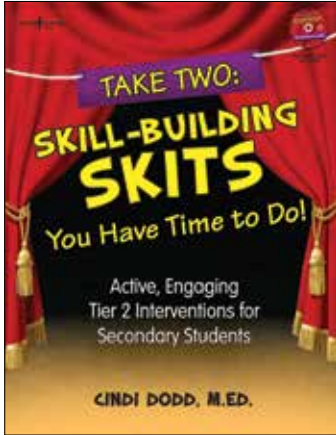
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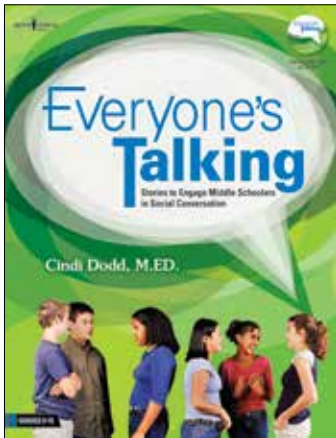
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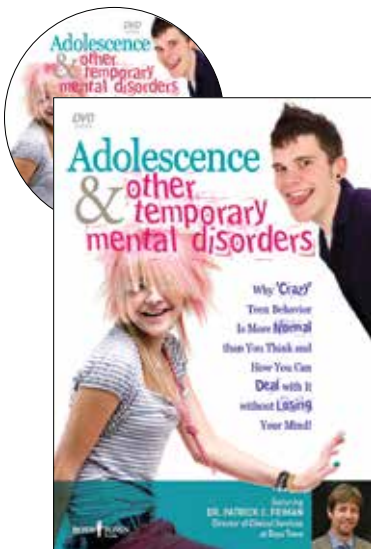
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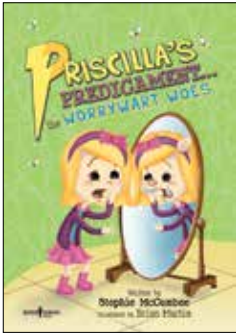
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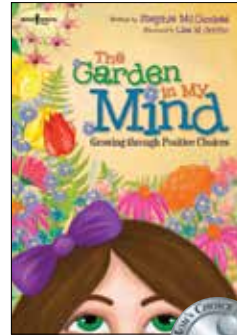


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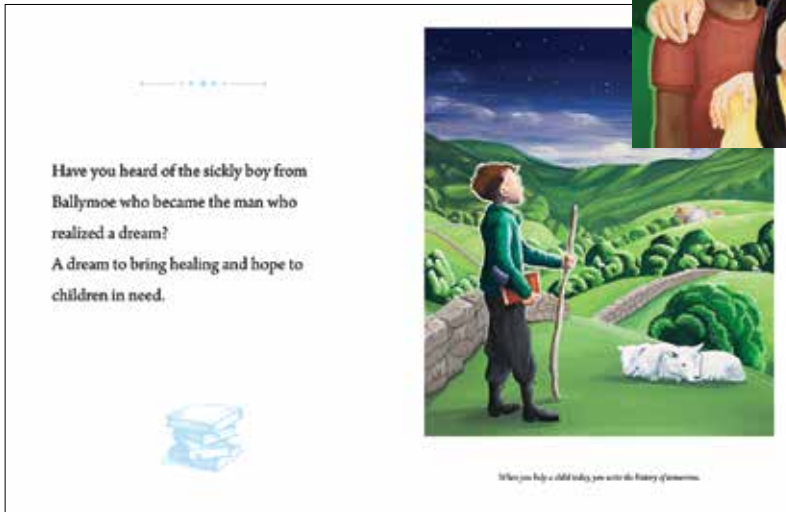
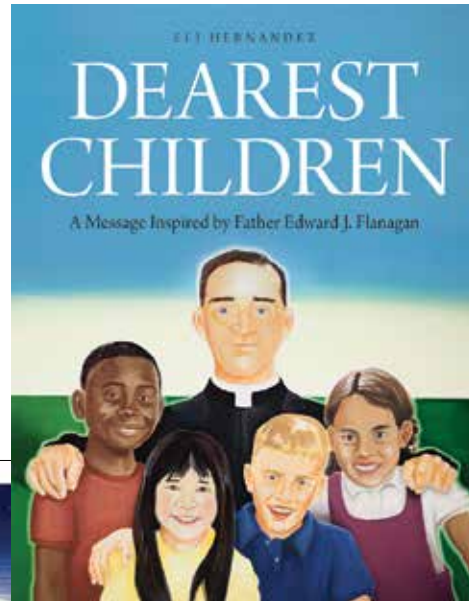
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## Dearest Children

### A Message Inspired by Father Edward J. Flanagan

*Written and Illustrated by Eli Hernandez*

On December 12, 1917, Father Edward J. Flanagan opened his Home for Boys in Omaha, Nebraska. It later became known as Boys Town, and grew to become far more than a simple home for orphans.

Beautifully illustrated and written for children in grades K-5, the text echoes the words of Father Flanagan, presented in his quotes under each historically informed image. The title, *Dearest Children*, pays homage to the beloved priest, borrowing the very way he addressed the children in his care, often calling them “my dears” or “dearest children.”

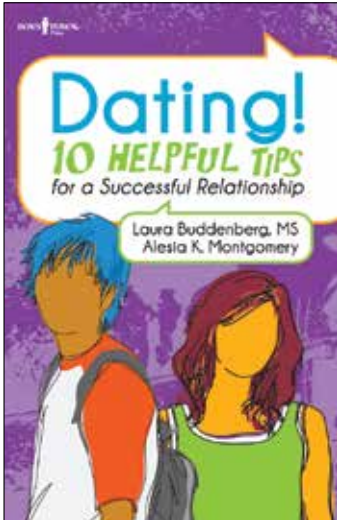
Collaborating with the Boys Town Hall of History and experts in the Boys Town Model of Care, author and illustrator Eli Hernandez has captured Father Flanagan’s true character and made his most valuable wisdom accessible to the youngest of readers.

Following the main text, parents will find interactive activities and discussion topics developed by Laura Buddenberg, MS, Director of Pastoral Affairs at Boys Town and a former Boys Town trainer specializing in spirituality issues. This section provides opportunities for families to further connect through Father Flanagan’s inspirational messages and put his principles into practice.



ELI HERNANDEZ has been drawing, painting and telling stories since he was a child growing up in rural Iowa. He holds a B.F.A. from the School of Art and Art History at the University of Iowa. Eli has been employed with Boys Town’s Marketing Production team, contributing to creative projects since 2001. Living Father Flanagan’s mission every day inspired him to write and illustrate *Dearest Children*, his first children’s book.





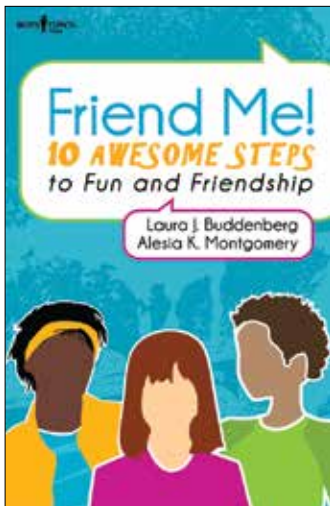
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*In this pocket guide for high school teens, young people learn how to have safe and fulfilling dating relationships.*

Each chapter highlights a teen couple’s relationship story... some happy, some sad. All of the stories offer valuable insight into what it takes to create and maintain healthy relationships (or how to recognize when it’s time to end an unhealthy one). Inside, readers will find 10 helpful relationship skills, warning signs that signal a dating relationship may be unhealthy and advice on using social media responsibly. This book gives teens the skills and confidence they need to have great dates and be a great date!

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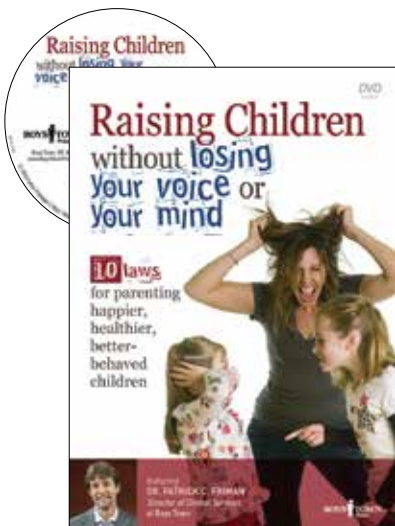
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This pocket guide for children in grades five through eight (ages 10-13) helps them look at their relationships and make healthy decisions. Kids are asked to consider these questions: Do you want a best friend? Do you wish you had more friend requests? Do you have friendships that just aren’t any fun?

Inside, readers will find 10 easy-to-follow rules for making and keeping friends, 10 friendship skills for getting along with anyone and special quizzes to help kids figure out what type of friends they want. Reading this book will give kids the skills and the confidence to seek out new relationships, put more fun in their friendships and be the kind of person others can happily call “my good friend.”

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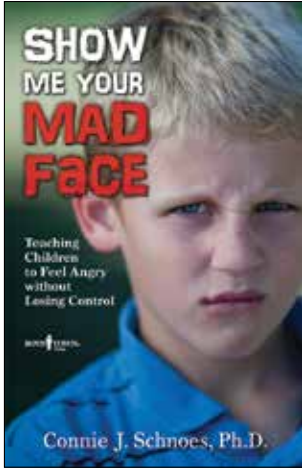


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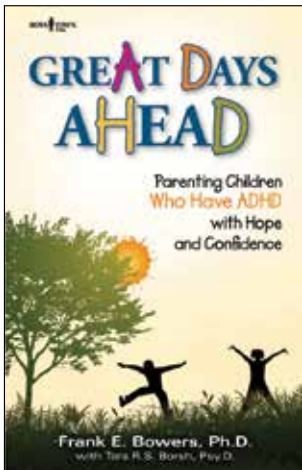
In these pages, parents are told not to shield their children from situations that make them angry. Instead, all children must learn that feeling angry at times is a normal emotion, and there are appropriate ways to control and express anger without hurting themselves or others. Readers will learn how to recognize angry behavior in children, teach children healthier, more positive ways of expressing anger or frustration, and recognize when professional help may be necessary.



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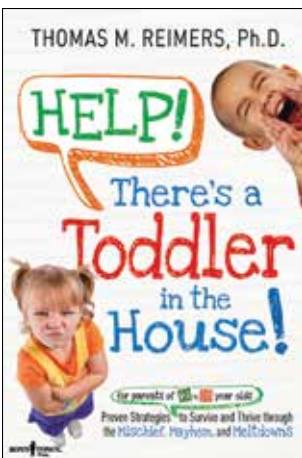
By *Frank E. Bowers, PhD, with Tara R.S. Borsh, PsyD*

With a father’s insight and a clinician’s knowledge, Dr. Bowers examines the challenges a child with ADHD presents and offers parents workable, effective ways of handling the behavior problems.

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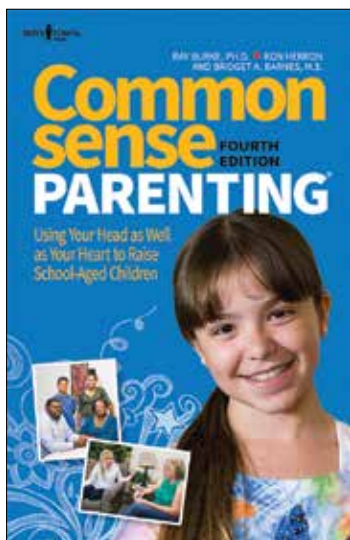
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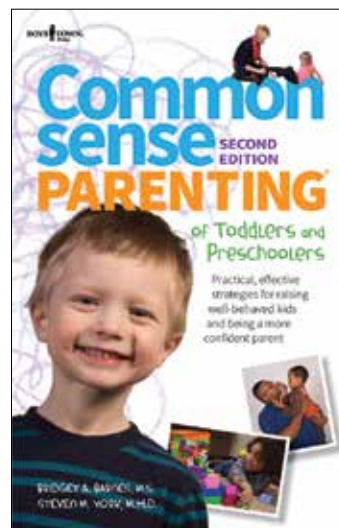
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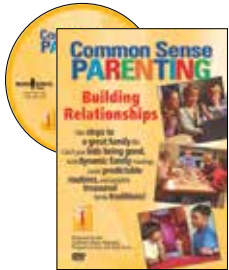


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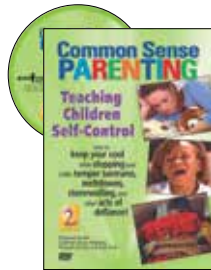
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### Building Relationships

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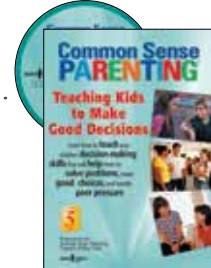
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Often, what you need to teach a child is an appropriate social skill to replace a problem behavior. The key to preventing problems is teaching before a potential problem situation occurs, when both you and your child are calm. Preparing children by helping them learn social and life skills not only helps prevent disruptive behavior but can also save them from experiencing awkward, embarrassing or even dangerous situations.



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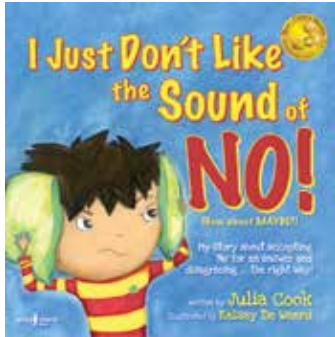
Many children at times have problems related to school – from getting homework done, to following school rules or getting along with classmates. For some, problems are the result of academic deficits. But for other children, it is their disruptive behavior or lack of appropriate social skills that leads to trouble at school. This DVD shows what parents can do at home and in partnership with the school to help improve children's academic performance and school behavior.



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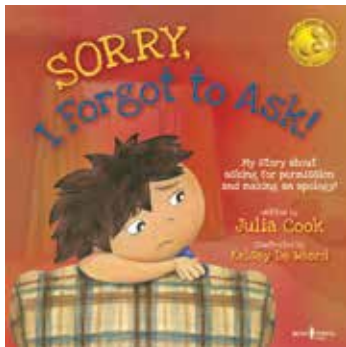
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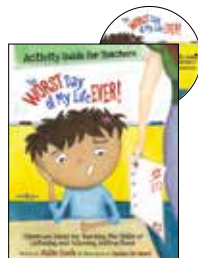
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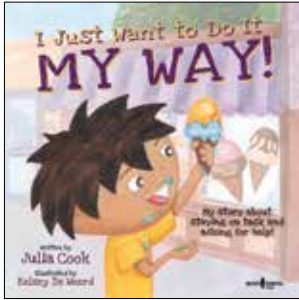
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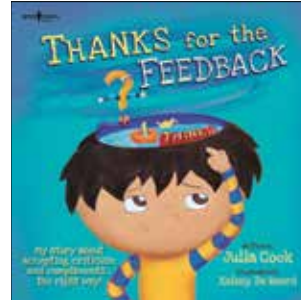
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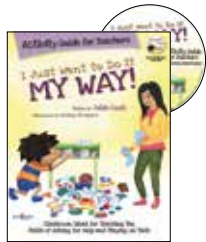
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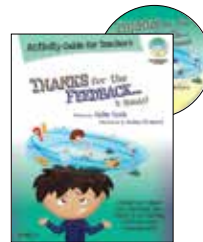
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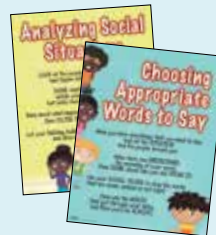
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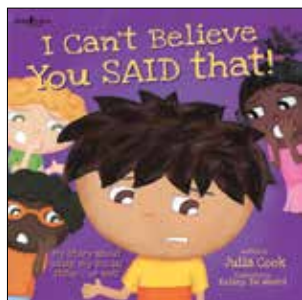
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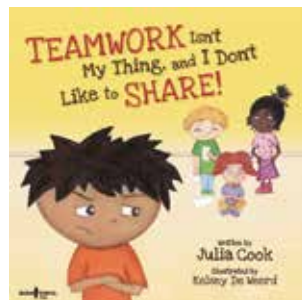






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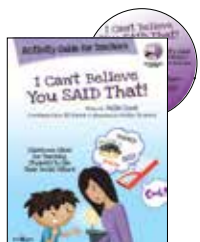
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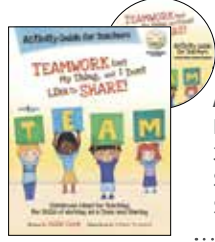
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RJ's teacher wants him to work with bossy Bernice, messy Frankie, and Norma on a report. After a frustrating school day with his "team," RJ goes home to find only one cookie left in the jar. And his mom makes him share it with his sister!

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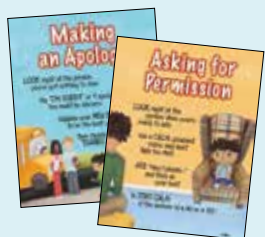
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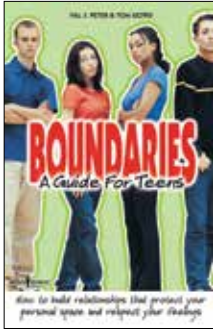
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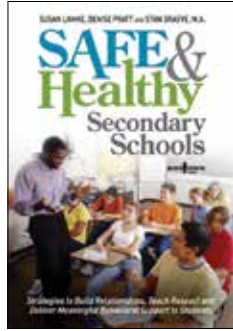
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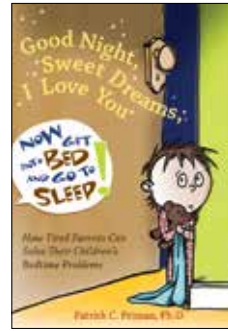
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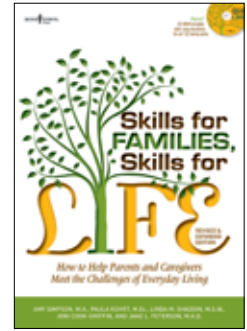
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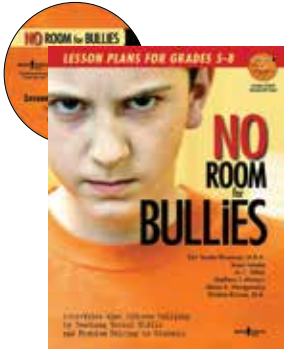
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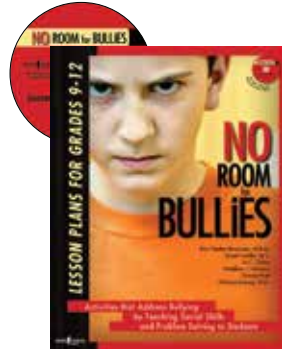
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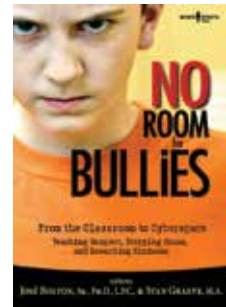
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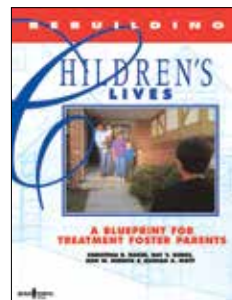
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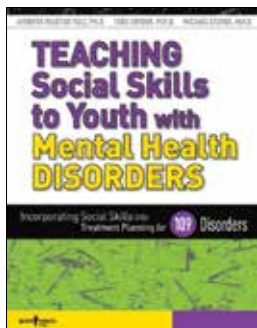


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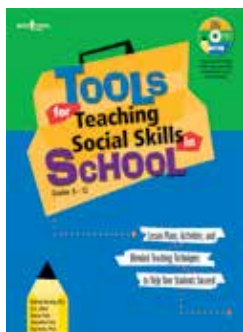


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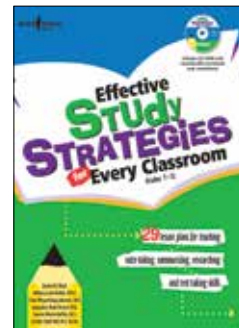
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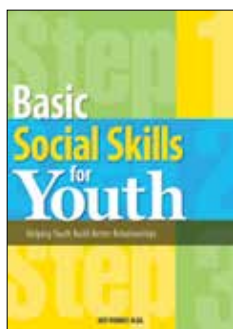
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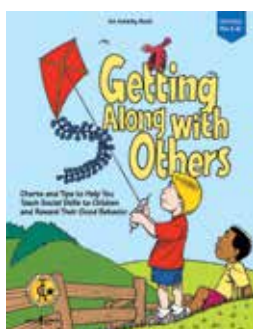
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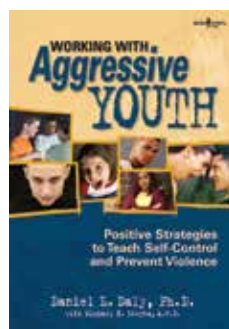
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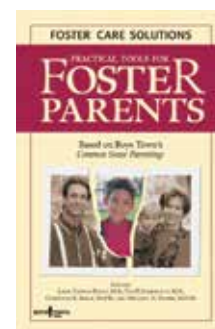
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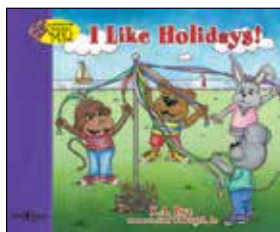
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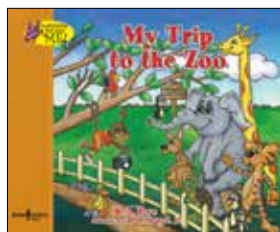
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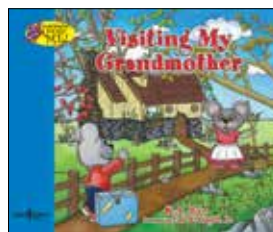
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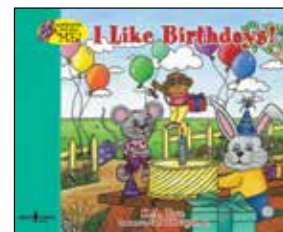
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» **ISBN** – our ISBN prefixes are 978-0-938510, 978-1-889322, 978-1-934490, and 978-1-944882

## Special Markets Mail Order Terms of Sale

These terms are effective for one calendar year, unless otherwise negotiated.

Boys Town Press reserves the right to redefine terms at the end of each calendar year.

### TO QUALIFY

Your Boys Town Press merchandise sales must be conducted through print media (newsletters, catalogs, direct mail, print advertisements, etc.).

### DISCOUNT

50% Discount off list prices of books and videos

No minimum requirements

### TERMS

All products are non-returnable.

Damaged products must be called in for a return authorization within 7 days of receipt of damaged goods to ensure proper credit.

Net 30 days

Special Market accounts are not eligible for any other allowances or discounts.

### FREIGHT

Boys Town Press will charge actual UPS shipping charges unless otherwise specified

### DROP SHIPPING

Upon request, we will drop ship to your customers. Please send a pre-addressed shipping label for each address.

### TO SET UP AN ACCOUNT

To receive a discount you **MUST** provide the following:

1. Fill out the Special Markets credit application
2. Attach two printed samples of your catalog displaying Boys Town merchandise
3. Provide your current circulation plan (method of distribution, quantity of distribution and mail dates)

If the above requirements are not met within 60 days, your account will be removed from the Special Markets Terms until the requirements are met.

## Boys Town Press 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 with two copies of your most current direct marketing piece.

*Thank you in advance, we are looking forward to hearing from you.*

COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

SHIPPING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT) \_\_\_\_\_

BOYS TOWN PRESS MATERIALS REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT TYPE OF CUSTOMER DO YOU SERVE? (EDUCATORS, PARENTS, ETC.) \_\_\_\_\_

### How do you plan on marketing the Boys Town Press materials?

METHOD	CIRCULATION	APPROXIMATE DATES OF PROGRAM	CLOSING
Catalog			
Newsletter			
Direct Mail Piece			
Other			

### Payment method for this account

- Cashier's Check/Money Order     Purchase Order  
 Credit Card Number

APPLICANT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

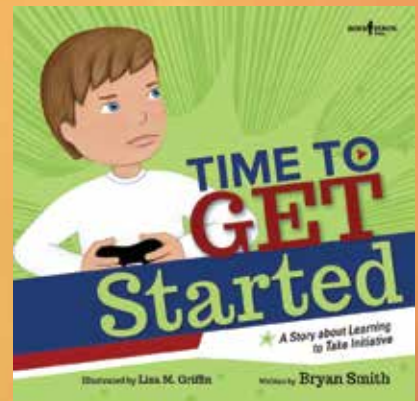
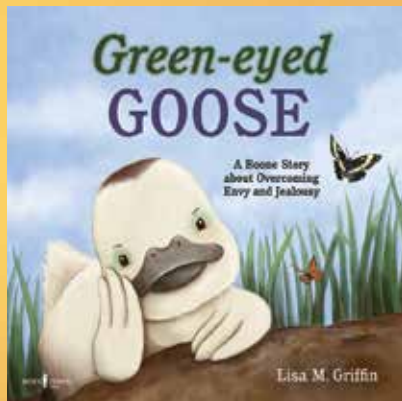
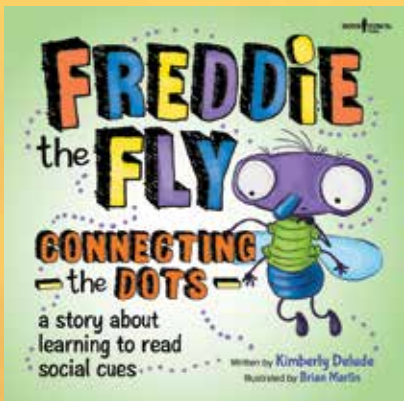
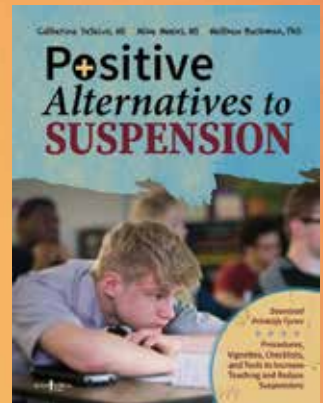
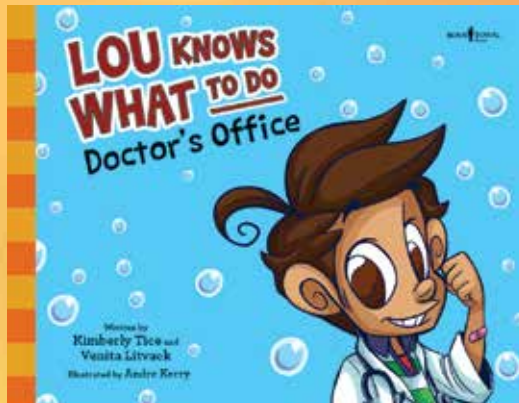
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