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I Can Do It Myself! (Empowerment Series)





Synopsis

Children and parents alike will delight in this joyous declaration of toddler independence. This book celebrates the feats of growing out of babyhood and starting to embrace the world on your own terms. Whether itâ [™]s being tall enough to reach a high shelf or brave enough to splash in the waves, Krensky and Gillingham address the small victories that come with growing just a little bit older. Energentic text and retro-fresh illustrations celebrate this important developmental stage with charm and relevance. Note: illustrations are in the style of vintage screen prints, with imperfect variations in color and texture. Praise for I Can Do It Myself "Short and satisfying, these 'empowering celebrations' of burgeoning independence will encourage small children to see how far they've already come." —The Wall Street Journal "Krensky celebrates the increasing independence of toddlers and their pride of accomplishment." —The Horn Book Awards The Canadian Children's Book Centre's Best Books for Kids & Teens - Spring 2013 Toronto Public Library systemâ [™]s “First & Bestâ • Reading Program

Book Information

Series: Empowerment Series Board book: 12 pages Publisher: Harry N. Abrams; Brdbk edition (August 1, 2012) Language: English ISBN-10: 1419704001 ISBN-13: 978-1419704000 Product Dimensions: 6.5 x 0.5 x 9 inches Shipping Weight: 8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (36 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #38,766 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #13 in Books > Children's Books > Early Learning > Basic Concepts > Body #263 in Books > Children's Books > Early Learning > Beginner Readers #879 in Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction > Chapter Books & Readers > Beginner Readers Age Range: 1 - 3 years Grade Level: Preschool and up

Customer Reviews

A friend in childhood development gave my 1-1/2 year olds one of the first books in this series, I Can Do It Myself!, and as a reader and writer I immediately fell in love with Stephen Krensky's writing. He does more than you can image in two spreads of one simple sentence each. As a parent, I love the simple ways in which the book recognizes and celebrates a child's accomplishments. Although we have and greatly enjoy all three books, I KNOW A LOT may be my favorite so far (I hope there are more!). The writing truly is beautiful and surprising which makes it incredibly enjoyable to read as a grownup. Many books for the toddler set contain rhymes which can make for repetitive ideas and words. Stephen choses to focus on elements of childhood not always called out in a book, but certainly relevant and recognized. "I know rocks are heavy and flowers are light" - so crazy beautiful, right?!PLUS, I love the dad featured in I KNOW A LOT. Our now 2-1/2 year old girls love their dad, and get a lot of care and support from their dad, and it is wonderful to finally see this represented in a regular old book that is clearly about the child, as opposed to seeing a dad in a book marketed for Father's Day.Our girls love the book too, love exploring the gorgeous and unique drawings, and love saying that YES, I KNOW THAT, TOO or YES, I CAN DO THAT, TOO! as we follow along with the main character's accomplishments. On a more mundane level, these books stand up, construction-wise! My girls wreck havoc on all of their books, often shredding the covers, pulling the paper off the board, but these Appleseed books are stronger than they! This is a series of book that I confidently give as birthday presents. They are beautiful in words and images, memorable in theme, and incredibly well made!

Simple message of self help skills. Developmentally appropriate for the child who is beginning to show signs of wanting to do everything independently! Board book is bigger then the average square size. Excellent quality. Great Buy. Highly recommend.

I bought this book as encouragement for my son to start learning how to dress himself (en route to potty training). The illustrations are like 60's screen prints, simple yet bright and colorful. And even better, there is enough going on in each image for your child to pay attention.

The book itself is pretty cute and I like it, but the book showed up bent, hard to turn the pages and a little dirty. I got it brand new through .com, not the market place. Um? All my other books showed up in perfect condition

This is my favorite one of the set! I got these for my little niece! She loves them. If you have a little one I highly recommend them. They have beautiful illustrations. The sentences are simple so they are perfect to grow with your child as they learn to read. And they are empowering.

my kid loves this series (18 month old). we also sent this to a 9 month old as a gift and she loves it too! I love the illustrations because they remind me of his nursery :D great book. he points out the "apple", "books", "nana", etc . super cute series!

Great books/illustrations for a young mind. The premise is simple and positive for a toddler to grasp. I am huge fan of the art style which is both lovely to view as well as clear for a toddler to understand. These are not long stories so the short text simple premise stay well within the attention span of my 22 month old toddler. I would've bought them sooner had I know about them!

It's hard to find books to read to a 3 month old, but my daughter is really drawn to the high contrast graphic illustrations and the simple, rhyming text of this book. I love the theme of independence (although at this age it is pretty funny), the retro styling and the little details like the bike helmets on both the girl and her bird friend.

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