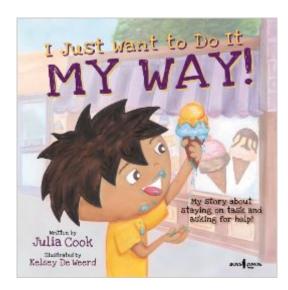
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# I Just Want To Do It My Way!: My Story About Staying On Task And Asking For Help (Best Me I Can Be!)





## Synopsis

RJ s way of doing things isn t working out for him, especially in math class. His teacher is upset because so many of his assignments are missing or incomplete. RJ blames Norma the booger picker and Rodney the alphabet burper for distracting him during class. The fifth and final book in Julia Cook's award-winning series, Best Me I Can Be! Follow RJ as he learns he can save himself a lot of grief if he stays on task and does things the right way!

# **Book Information**

Series: Best Me I Can Be! (Book 5) Paperback: 32 pages Publisher: Boys Town Press; 1 edition (February 8, 2013) Language: English ISBN-10: 1934490431 ISBN-13: 978-1934490433 Product Dimensions: 8.8 x 0.1 x 8.7 inches Shipping Weight: 4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (108 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #3,669 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #21 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > Social Skills #22 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > Manners #77 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > Emotions & Feelings Age Range: 5 - 12 years Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## **Customer Reviews**

I have am to write that I like Julia Cook's book titled "I Just Want to Do It My Way" and I would definitely recommend it to parents and other members of the community (ie teacher, counselors, and extended family) who are looking for children's book addressing the importance of asking for help and the value of task persistence. The target age of this book varies, generally speaking, I would say the book it well suited for children ages 6-10. Focus or Message: As I have indicated, this book message focuses on asking for help and the importance of staying on task and is written from the child's, RJ's, point of view. The author approach is consistent with the her blog where she states, " In order to teach a child you need to enter their view of the world". The need for children to

develop task persistence or grit currently is a hot topic in education and the focus of a great deal of educational research. There is an entire research facility, Duckworth Lab's, in Pennsylvania which has been established with the primary purpose of conducting research in this area. It is no surprise that the founder of Duckworth, Angela Duckworth was even invited to speak at the 2009 Ted Talks and still is a sought out speaker by many well respected educational association including the ASCD, which is a global community dedicated to excellence in learning, teaching, and leading. The importance of task persistence is also listed as an essential element Kristi Mraz and Christine Hertz new book titled "A Mindset for Learning: Teaching the Traits of Joyful, Independent Growth". A book I am looking forward to reading soon.

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