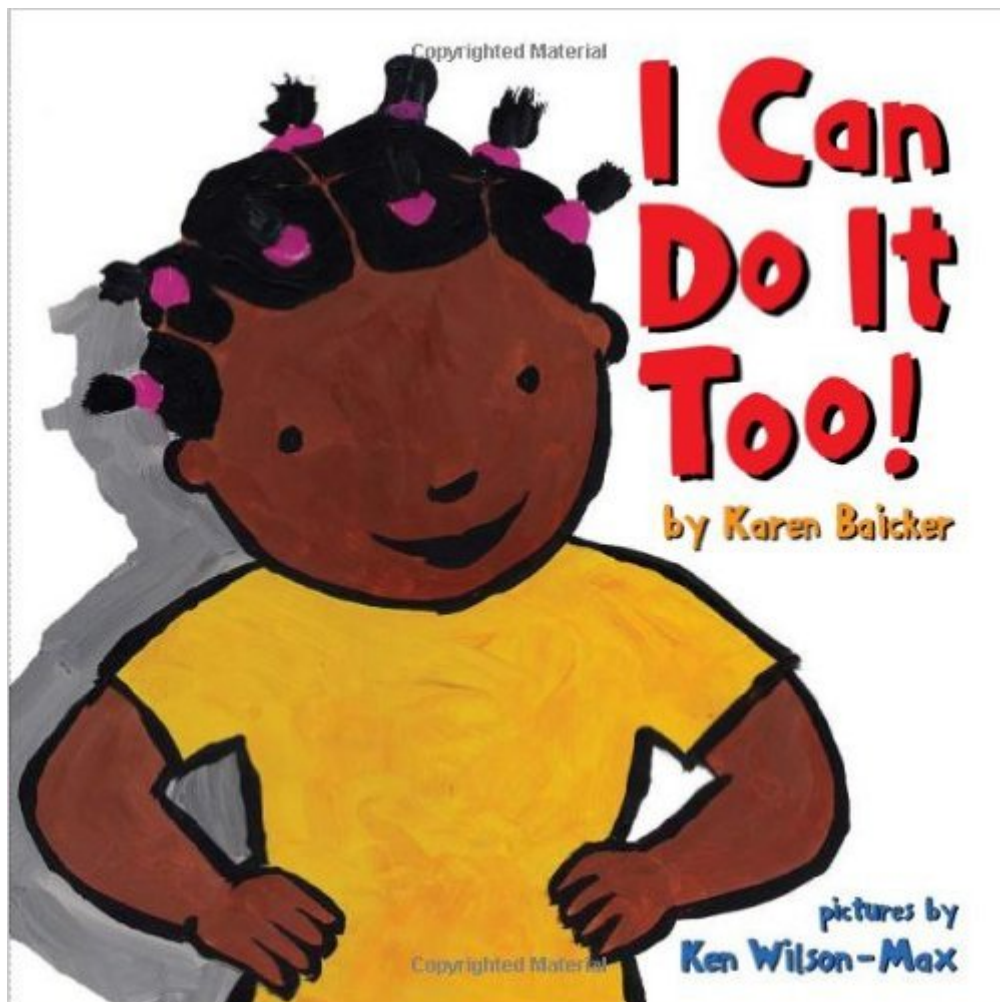


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# I Can Do It Too!



## Synopsis

This heartwarming story reminds us how satisfying it is to grow up surrounded by love. *I Can Do It Too!* affirms a little girl's growing independence as she, too, can begin to do all the things she sees her parents, relatives and neighbors do: pouring juice at breakfast, strumming a guitar, and even riding a bike! The simple cadence of text and direct-to-the-heart art result in a book as warm and generous as its message, providing reading pleasure for toddlers, older siblings, and the grown-ups who love them.

## Book Information

Board book: 18 pages

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Age Range: 1 - 3 years

Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

A very simple but age-appropriate story for a two-year-old: in a series of incidents, the toddler narrator observes something that father or mother or uncle or older neighbor can do, and then asserts "I can do it too!" The lively and brightly colored illustrations confirm that she can, though not always in the same way. A great book to share with a child who wants to do things him or herself. As a bonus, it's printed on unusually heavy paper (not cardboard, paper), making it easier for little hands to turn the pages without tearing them.

My little girls, adopted, are being raised in a very "white" world, even though they are black. Even at their young ages, they are sensitive to this and I am striving to introduce them to black characters with which they can identify. My 3 yr old, especially, loves this book (she got so excited by the main

character's many pigtails, because they look like her own!). It's a sweet, cute, little book, but in our family it's serving a greater purpose than the author probably even intended.

You just don't realize how few early picture books featuring African-Americans there are out there until you stumble across one that's really fantastic. Looking at Karen Baicker's enjoyable, "And I Can Do It Too!", I'm struck by how she has taken such a simple subject and applied it to a variety of situations. More impressive by far, however, are Ken Wilson-Max's brave and deceptively simple illustrations to the story. If you're looking for something to read to those antsy early readers that let's them play along and join in on the chorus, this book's for you. The book jacket to this story puts it best when it says that this is truly a tale about, "growing up surrounded by love". The little protagonist in this story is doing her darndest to do everything the grown-ups around her do. Her dad pours orange juice? "I can do it too!" Her grandpa reads to her? "I can do it too!" You get the idea. The thick paints employed by skillful Wilson-Max are bright and colorful. They expertly convey everything from a fancy tea to a tender moment of hugs. Additionally, the sturdy pages in this book hold up well to little hands. As for the pictures, there are no tiny details here, making this book a perfect one for group storytimes. You can make out every person and action in this tale from quite a distance. And those brushstrokes. Those wonderful wonderful brushstrokes. You can tell Wilson-Max had a lot of fun painting these pictures. It's a lovely story told with eloquence and style. A perfect story for any little one that's just getting the gist of everyday chores and actions.

I have nephews, but even they enjoyed reading about the little girl who could do so much. At the time my nephews were just learning to read, so the repetitiveness of the phrase I can do it too really made them feel like they were reading the story. I liked the way it encouraged them to participate with the reading. The art work is colorful and eye catching. I would recommend this book to anyone with young readers.

I started reading this book to my daughter when she was 1 year old. Now she is nearly three and she knows all the words. I love how this book relates to her life and one day I even combed her hair the same...she loved it. GREAT BUY.

My three year old LOVES this book -- clearly his favorite. My son loves to repeat the refrain: "I can do it too". And of course the illustrations are beautiful. Baicker is a genius! I highly recommend this book.

Toddler loves this book and now repeats the catch phrase "I can do it too" as well as points out the child's mistakes in the book. Great read!

Already read one of the new books. This will be a go to book for us! My little one loves to read and this was interesting to her!!

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