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## The “I” in Integrity! (I mean the “ME!”)

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Pages to reinforce the  
lessons Cora June learns.**





My name is  
**Cora  
June.**

I like EVERYTHING,  
except...

I don't like to clean my room.  
I don't like spelling tests.



And I don't like playing soccer when I could be playing dodge ball.

I mean, soccer is ok, but dodge ball is the ***BEST!***



A few days ago, my mom said...

*“Please clean your room, Cora June.*

*You really have a mess!*


*There are clothes everywhere, and toys in your bed,  
and there’s a book inside this dress!”*

“OK, Mom.”





But since I don't like  
to clean my room,  
I took a short cut.



“I’m done!”

“So fast? Did you do a good job?”

“Yep, I put everything where it goes.”

“What about your integrity? Did you put that away, too?”

“I sure did!”

*Hmmm... I didn't even know I had an integrity.*



*Was it a game?*

*Or a book?*

*Or some clothes?*

*Oh well, my room looks pretty good.  
I'll just see how it goes.*



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**Cora June is back, and this time she's learning a thing or two about doing the right thing - even when no one is looking!**



When Cora June half-heartedly cleans her room by taking a shortcut, Mom is quick to ask her about her **INTEGRITY**. Not really knowing what it means, Cora June assumes it's probably hidden under her bed, or in her closet. When the concept of integrity comes up again at school, Cora June starts to think a bit harder about it. Again, it's probably under her bed. Right?

When she learns what integrity actually means, Cora June realizes that she can't find hers - and starts to remember the ways she hasn't really shown it recently! Fortunately, Mom is there to help her find the "**I**" in **INTEGRITY**. Follow Cora June as she learns about her integrity, and see if she can use it to right her recent wrongs.

Another hit for award-winning author and parenting expert Julia Cook, this book will have K-5 readers, parents, and educators in stitches - all while teaching the importance of integrity.

"Honesty, empathy, respect and humility are the cornerstones of INTEGRITY. Julia's ability to convey these essential character-building skills through a child's world view, is pure genius. *The "I" in INTEGRITY* is a must-have book for parents, guardians and educators to teach this much-needed lifelong lesson to their children!"

- Gloria Pereyra-Robertson, 2017 Oregon State Teacher of the Year, 2018 NEA Teaching Excellence recipient, and 2019 Life Changer of the Year recipient  
A Leading Educator Ambassador for Equity for the Education Civil Rights Alliance (ECRA)



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 *But It's Not My Fault*. 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.

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