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Dedicated to every single boy and every single girl in this world.

May you be empowered by this book and know that you have a voice... a voice that you have every right to use.

~ Sara Ernst

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ISBN: 9798564625784 Copyright 2021 Wild Pickle Press Shout No is the perfect way to teach little ones what to do when they're faced with tricky situations and people. With clear and concise directions, your child will be empowered to act in their own self defense. I highly recommend this book as a tool for anyone interested in protecting children from harm.

Greta Eskridge
Author of "Adventuring Together"
and Child Advocate

Increasing safety for a child is not just a conversation, and certainly not about increasing fear, but includes PRACTICE and CONDITIONING our kids to establish confidence in what to do when they feel uncomfortable or unsafe. I encourage every caregiver and child to not just read this book...but PRACTICE THIS BOOK so kids don't have to think of what to do when they feel threatened.

Kirsten Parker-Smith Social Worker

LET'S HEAR FROM SOME GROWN UPS!

As a story time leader and children's library event planner, I feel that I could read this book to a group of kids at the library and have it explain "stranger dangers," or as the book refers to them, "tricky people." Shout No is intentional about addressing real-life endangerment and carefully conveys how to

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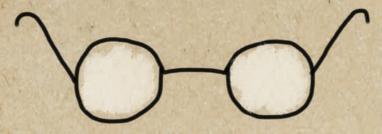
confront them at a child's level.

Whether you are a rookie or a seasoned veteran, teachers everywhere will be praising Shout No. Shout No addresses a very serious and all too common situation in a way that's easy to understand for children. It opens the door for more conversations between children and their trusted adults. This book will have a permanent spot on my personal and classroom bookshelves.

Angela Davis Elementary School Teacher I highly recommend this book to all parents as a great way to build children's confidence, as well as the needed tools and life skills to empower them to stand up for themselves as they grow up in today's world.

Nell Mikkelson School Counselor Elementary School

HELLO GROWN UPS Will you please read this first?



This book is meant to be a guide and foundation as children grow.

Use it as simply as possible or use it as a jumping off point for further conversations when you feel they are ready.

Polite vs Protect

Being polite is important in every day life as children are often taught to respect others by using "Please" and "Thank You."

It's equally important to teach children that while they may still use those words in safe situations, they do NOT need to be polite or use "Please" and "Thank You" to someone who is doing something to them that isn't right! Neither the song lyrics nor the words in this book include polite words for that reason.

Please use this as a tool for discussing times when being polite is good and when it isn't necessary.

Stranger vs Tricky Person

- A STRANGER IS SIMPLY SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW.
- A STRANGER COULD BE A TRICKY PERSON, BUT...
- EVEN YOUR BEST FRIENDS WERE ONCE STRANGERS.
- A TRICKY PERSON IS ANYONE WHO TRIES TO GET YOU TO DO SOMETHING THAT ISN'T RIGHT.
- EVEN A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER SHOULD NEVER DO SOMETHING TO YOU THAT DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT.

PRACTICE

GETTING MORE COMFORTABLE WITH ANYTHING TAKES PRACTICE! SING THE SONG WITH YOUR CHILD! ACT OUT SOME SCENARIOS WITH THEM! PRACTICE SHOUTING THE NECESSARY WORDS TOGETHER! READ THIS BOOK WITH THEM OFTEN (OR LISTEN TO THE SONG) TO PROMOTE LEARNING AND REMEMBERING THIS IMPORTANT MESSAGE.





IMPORTANT!



Before you ever say words out loud, you have FEELINGS first!

If you found out you were going on a special trip somewhere wonderful, you might FEEL happy or excited. Because you FEEL that way, you are able to express your FEELINGS in words! You might say, "Hurray!" or "Thank you!" or "I'm so excited!" You can say it because you had a FEELING about it first!

When someone does something to you that isn't right...or they say something to you that isn't right, you get a FEELING about that too. You might FEEL nervous, scared, mad. or you might even FEEL uncomfortable (like you did something wrong). YOU DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG!

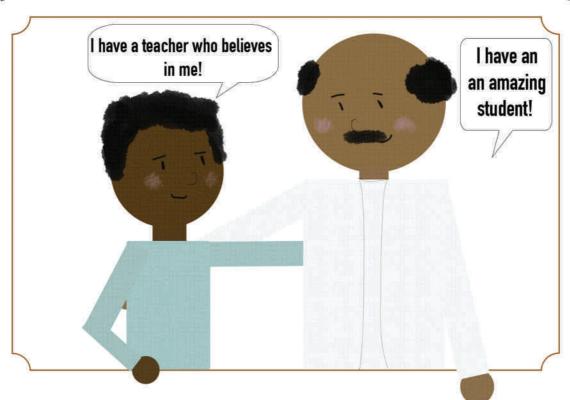
LISTEN TO YOUR FEELINGS!

YOUR FEELINGS ARE HELPING YOU TO KNOW WHAT TO SAY OUT LOUD!

A stranger is just someone that you don't know



but sometimes becomes a friend with whom you grow



But a stranger should

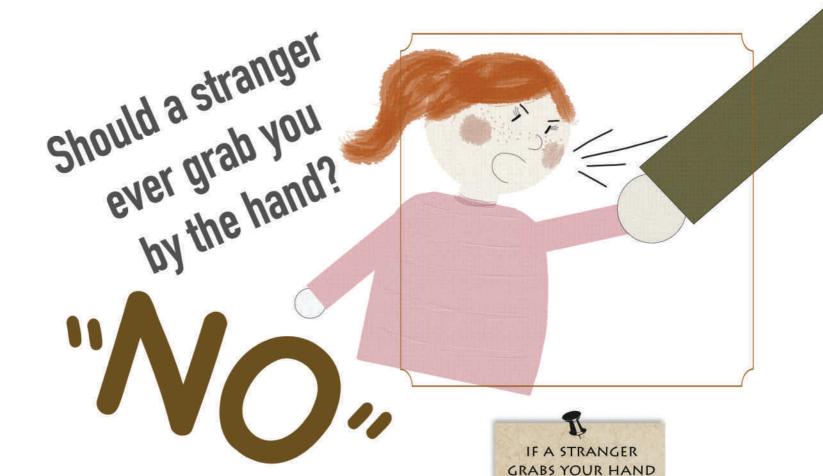
NEVER

do the following to you...

if they do you yell

and your willing

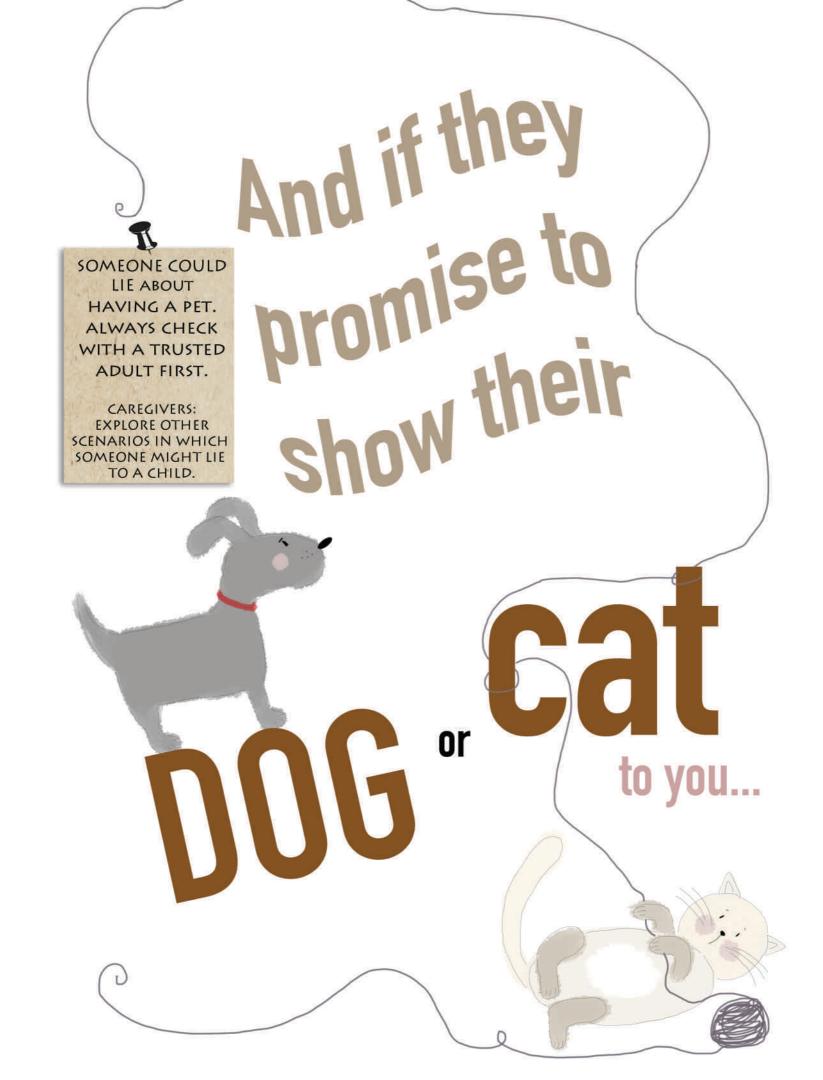




Or lead you to their car or to their van?

OR ARM AND
TRIES TO LEAD YOU
AWAY...YELL AS
LOUD AS POSSIBLE TO
DRAW ATTENTION,
AND PUT UP A FIGHT.





and go tell someone TRUST!

TRUST
WITH YOUR CHILD.
IN THEIR LIFE
CAN TRUST.

Shout No THE PERSON NO. THE PERSON NO. shout no shout no Like spirit Shout No Shout No shout no THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE Shout No

shout no





And if they get their

camera

out for a picture of you,







NO ONE EXCEPT A TRUSTED
ADULT SHOULD BE TAKING
PICTURES OF YOU...
STRANGER! NO ONE
SHOULD EVER TAKE
YOUR CLOTHES ON...NOT
EVEN SOMEONE YOU KNOW!



MEANS THAT YOU BELIEVE IN SOMEONE!

WHO IS A PERSON
THAT YOU TRUST
AND FEEL SAFE WITH?

tell someone YOU TRUST!





You might have friends you love, and family who you love,



But NO ONE has the right to treat you rough...



or do anything that you feel uncomfortable to do...

JOU

IF A MOM OR DAD ISN'T AVAILABLE ...YOU 60 TELL SOMEONE YOU TRUST!

RUN away

and go tell someone TRUST!





There's a FEELING that's inside you that tells you something's wrong...

If you're not quite sure about it, just think about this song...



NEVER KEEP SECRETS
FROM YOUR TRUSTED
ADULT. SECRETS ARE
DIFFERENT FROM SURPRISES.
SURPRISES MIGHT BE A
BIRTHDAY GIFT OR A FUN
TRIP THAT OTHERS WILL
FIND OUT ABOUT SOON.

SECRETS ARE NOT SAFE
TO KEEP AND COULD HURT
YOU OR OTHERS.



SHOUT STOP!

DON'T
DO THAT
TO ME!



SOMEONE NEEDS TO KNOW WHEN YOU HAVE BEEN MADE TO FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE! TELL SOMEONE YOU TRUST!

RUN away

and go tell someone TRUST!



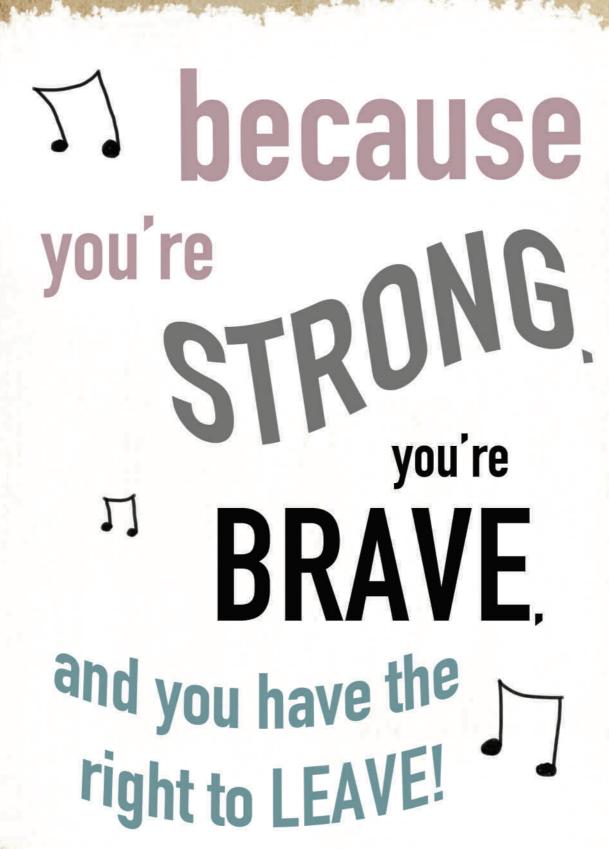
What do you do?



SHOUT STOP!

DON'T
DO THAT
TO ME!





Shout No

THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN

shout no

WHO CAN YOU TRUST?

Every home is different.

You may only have a mom...or just a dad.

You may have both. Perhaps you don't have either in your life at the moment. You might have grandparents...or an aunt and uncle. You might have a teacher or a coach in your life that you feel safe with. Whoever that very special person is for you...THAT is the person you should be able to trust.

WHAT IS TRUST?

TRUST means that you believe strongly in something or someone. People that you TRUST are people that you feel safe with. These are people you know that you can talk to about ALL of your important feelings and they will help you.

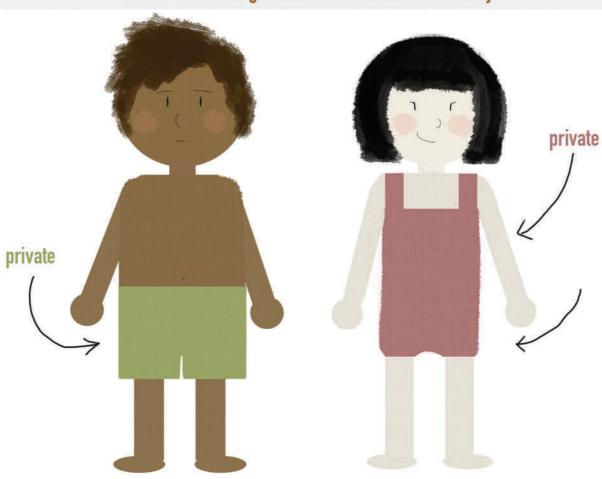
YOUR BODY IS YOURS

Loving hugs from family can be comforting, or holding hands with a good friend. But not all kinds of touch are good.

The word INAPPROPRIATE means...it isn't right to do!

There are places on your body that are meant to be private and are INAPPROPRIATE (or not right) for others to touch.

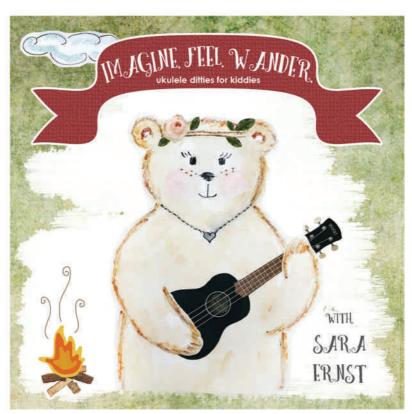
Your private places are those that are covered when you wear a bathing suit. If someone touches you in a private place on your body, or asks you to touch them in a private place... SHOUT "NO!" and go tell a trusted adult immediately.



Sometimes a parent or trusted adult may need to help you when you take a bath or use the bathroom. Also, a doctor may need to examine you...ONLY WITH a trusted adult in the room too.

READ-ALONG SING-ALONG!





IT'S NOT JUST A BOOK...IT'S A SONG!

"SHOUT NO"

"SHOUT NO" HAS BEEN HEARD ALL OVER THE WORLD AND IS AVAILABLE TO STREAM

(AND PURCHASE) THROUGH ALL MAJOR MUSIC PLATFORMS ON THE ALBUM,
"IMAGINE. FEEL. WANDER." IT IS ALSO AVAILABLE AS A SINGLE. YOU MAY LISTEN FOR FREE

ON YOUTUBE OR THE WEBSITE BELOW! JOIN SARA BY LISTENING TO HER SING THE SONG

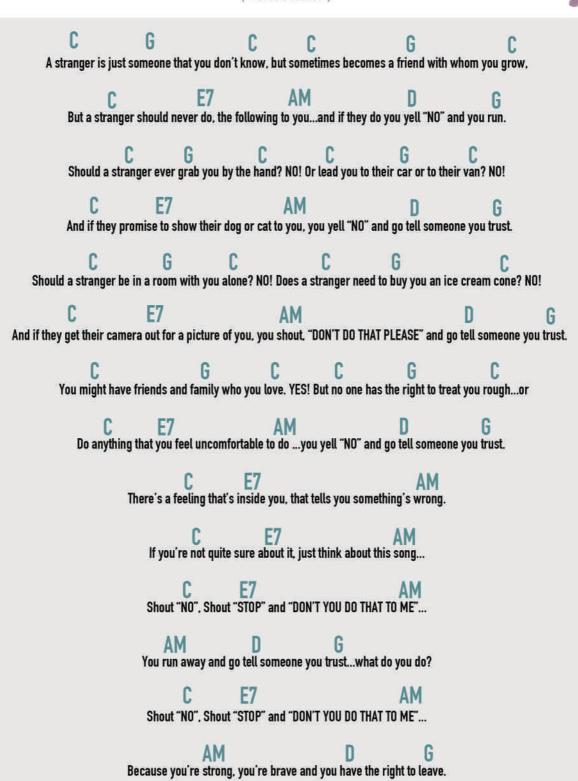
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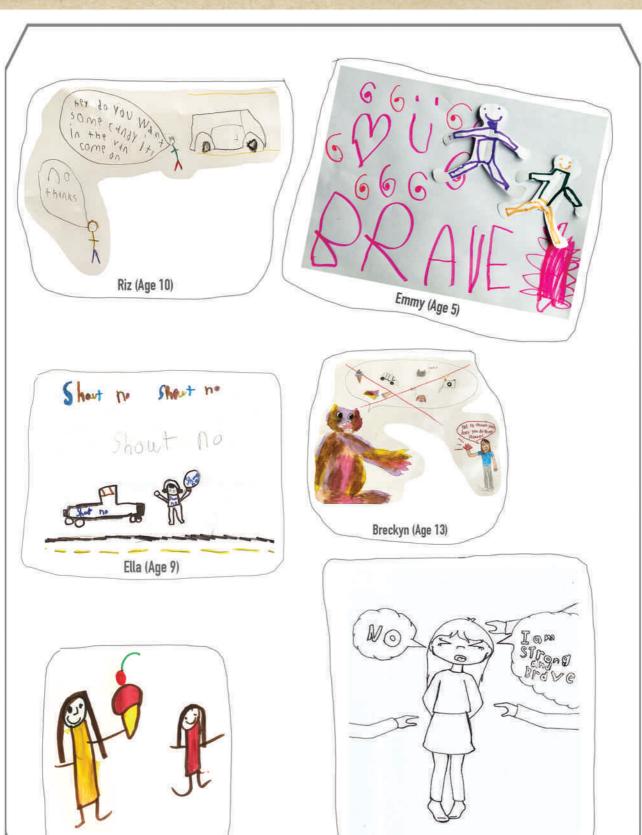
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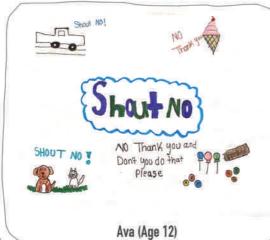


Aberdeen (Age 6)

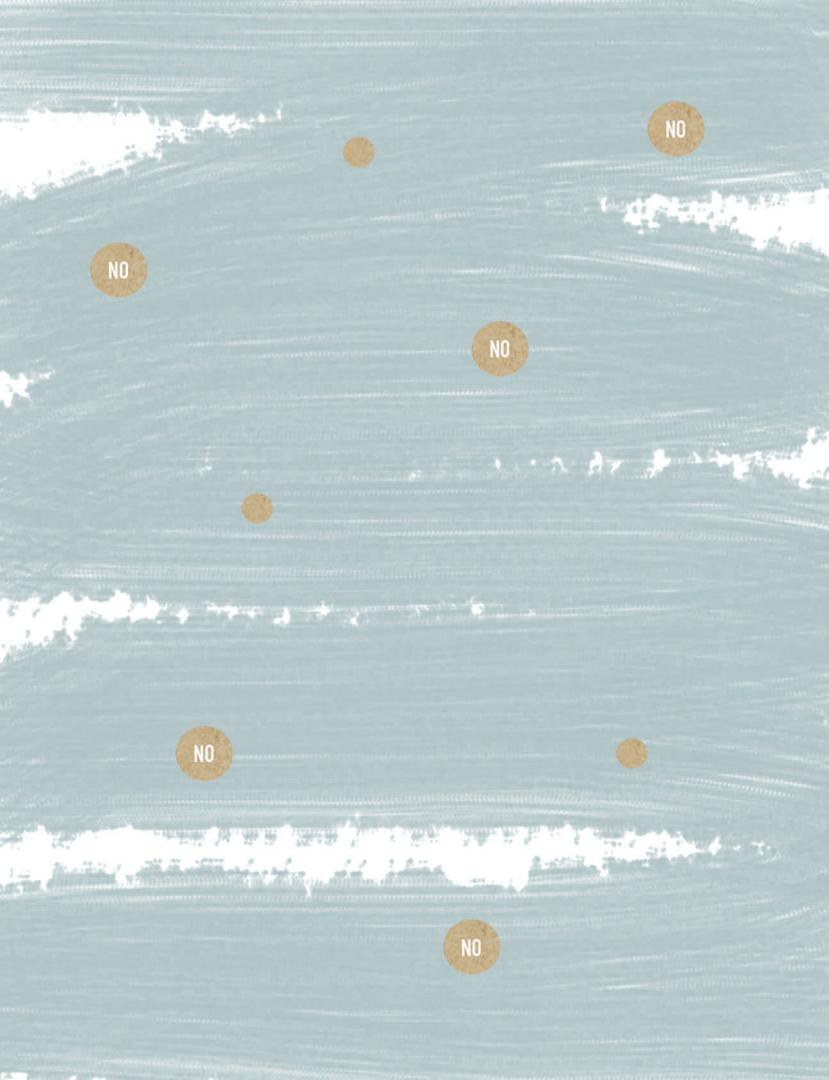


Corinne (Age 4)









ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Sara Ernst is a nature-loving children's author, illustrator, musician and photographer. She has a passion for encouraging, empowering, inspiring and teaching children (and their grown-ups) through her stories and songs.

For more about Sara's children's books, music and art... please visit:

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