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Join Isabella on an adventure of discovery-and find out how imagining to be these extraordinary women teaches her the importance of being her extraordinary self.

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Editorial Review

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Kindergarten-Grade 2—"Good morning, Isabella," says a mother to her daughter. "My name is not Isabella!" says the child. She is Sally, the "greatest, toughest astronaut who ever was!" At breakfast she becomes Annie the sharpshooter, and then Rosa on the bus ride to school. When she gets home that afternoon, she is Marie, the scientist; then Elizabeth, the doctor; Mommy, the greatest mother; and, finally, Isabella again. She falls asleep thinking about who she will become tomorrow. Throughout the day, the mother good-humoredly encourages her daughter's flights of imagination. The repetitive text, while somewhat contrived, serves to drive home the message that girls can do and be anything they want. The inclusion of motherhood in the list of worthwhile occupations is refreshing. The colorful mixed-media artwork reinforces the fanciful, upbeat tone of the book. An appendix gives more information on the lives and careers of all the women alluded to, and a list of works consulted presents opportunities for further research. Use this story to ignite young readers' interest in women's history.—*Rachael Vilmar, Eastern Shore Regional Library, Salisbury, MD* Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Review

""The exuberance of the text and typography, coupled with Isabella's force of personality, ensures that the pages fly along, largely and blessedly free of the earnestness that plagues so many "girls can do anything" books."" - *Publishers Weekly*

"A tremendous book." - Mommy's Memorandum

" "A great story for little girls!"" - Amanda's Favs

""The perfect book to teach young girls about the inner strength of their gender."

" - New Age Mama

""It's the kind of book that can open a little girl's mind up to a world of new stories simply by letting her explore all the possibilities."" - *BabyCenter*

""Fun inspiration...sure to be enjoyed." " - Chronicles of an Infant Bibliophile

""A delightful tale of young Isabella trying on the personality of daring women who left an indelible mark on history."" - *Modern Home Modern Baby*

""Empowering to young girls and very positive."" - Eco Child's Play

""Isabella puts an imaginative spin on her day-to-day activities that reminds us all that we can do anything and be anyone we choose."" - *Parenting Pink*

""The perfect book for the girls! "" - Mommy Mandy

""This book does a superb job at introducing the reader to real life women who were and are strong role models for young women."" - *Dad of Divas*

""Perfect for any kid who is constantly imagining what they want to be when they grow up."" - Montrends

""Not only is this a great story to help inspire little girls, it's a great book to help teach any child about women's history."" - *Katie Talks About*

""Would willing share this book with friends and family."" - My 5 Monkeys

""This book will inspire and empower young girls to make a difference in whatever they choose to do, and show them they don't have to pretend only to be mermaids, princesses, and fairies."" - *Non-Toxic Kids*

About the Author

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Mike Litwin is an award-winning illustrator who combines oil glazing, color pencil, collage, and other mixed media to create scenes that serve the imagination and education of children.

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