

I REALLY WANT TO



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This book belongs to:



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Win!



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Today is Sports Day. **I can't wait!**

And as I know that I'll be great,
I've planned how I will celebrate . . .



because I'm going to **win.**



All morning I've been training so,
I'm feeling strong, I'm good to go.



I'll take home every prize, you know.



There's **nothing** I won't win.

First up, there is a race to run.
The chance I'll lose is next to none.
There's just **no way** I'll be outdone
I'm certain that I'll win.



I'm way ahead, I've so much speed
my victory is guaranteed . . .

Oh no! I've tripped!



I've lost my lead.



And now I **will not** win.

But, never mind. There's plenty more
for me to win . . . like tug of war!
I've never lost at that before.
This time I'm **sure** to **win!**



I pull with all my **strength** and **might**
and really put up quite a fight . . .



... But she is **twice** my weight and height!
There's **no way** I can win.

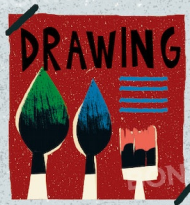
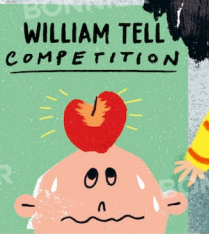


Look, sports just aren't my thing, okay?
And though things have not gone my way,
tomorrow is a different day.

I'll find **something** to win!



A spelling bee could spell success . . .
I'm pretty good, I must confess.
If I don't know a word, I'll guess.



This is my chance to win!



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I've spelled with skill, moved down the list,
but now there comes a shocking twist –
I have to spell ventriloquist . . .



I never, EVER win!



Although that makes me want to cry,
I'll give a different thing a try,
and in the dancing contest I
do **everything** to win.

I whirl and twirl, I leap and hop,
I sway and spin and body-pop.
I come to a **flamboyant stop!**



I think that I might win!

But now the other girl's routine,
is deemed the best the judge has seen,
so *she* is crowned the dancing queen.



How does she **always** win?

Collecting prizes, medals, bling
and lifting trophies is **my** thing.

To be the best means **everything**.



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So in this game of hide-and-seek,
I've searched for near enough a week.

She has not even made a **squeak!**



I give up trying to win!



But now there is a different prize . . .
and she has *lost*? That's a surprise!
And this is when I realise . . .



she **doesn't** always win.

But strangely, she seems not to mind.
She's come not first but far behind,
and tells the winner, being kind . . .



“You did **deserve** to win.”

And then she hugs me once she's said,
“You cannot always be ahead.
Enjoy the things you love, instead!”



You do not **have** to win.”

So, as I really love to bake,
I try with all my heart to make
my favourite, most delicious cake –
without a prize to win.



And, actually, I have to say
I've had the most fantastic day!
I don't need prizes anyway
or care if I don't win.

My friend says now she thinks that I
could give one final thing a try.
A competition's caught her eye;
she thinks that **I could win!**



Bake off!

This cake display's incredible!
Each cake looks more than edible.
At least my entry's credible –
I can't expect to win.

And now the judging has begun,
but how to pick the cake that's won?
The prize could go to anyone.
They **all** deserve to win!



It's fine to lose. It's quite all right.
The contest is **extremely tight.**

But even so, my friend was right! She told me . . .

**I Would
WIN!**



For Sallyanne – with heartfelt thanks xx
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To Eiril and Tara

I hope this book will always remind you that you win with your passion.

Much Love, Tante Lu

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What do you love to do?
Put your name and
your passion on these prizes.

Congratulations!



I love to:

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