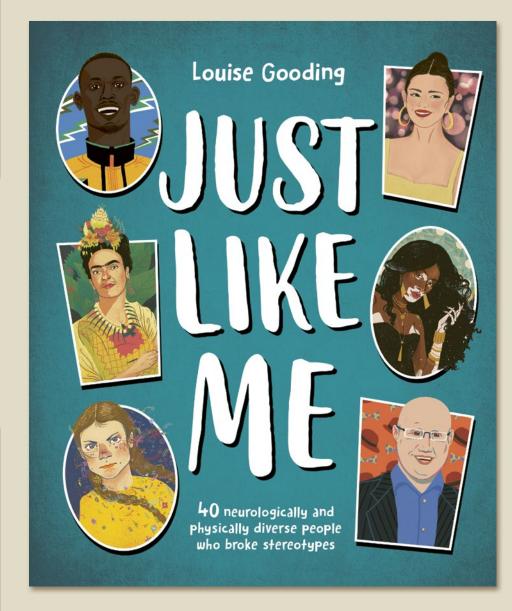
Just Like Me



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SELENA GOMEZ

"You are who are; you're unique and you're rare."



on July 22rd, 1992.

ndustry began at a very early age. At six years old she successfully auditioned for a part in a children's show called Barney. Selena's bubbly personality impressed the producers and she was later taken on to work for the Disney Channel. She was cast as one of the lead roles for a show called Wizards of Waverly Place.

Selena became a household name, not only as a TV star, but as a pop singer, too. With music singles, albums and world tours. Selena often performed in front of thousands of people.

Then, without warning, Selena went very quiet, avoiding social media and not promoting any of her new music. Selena had been dealing with poor health for quite some time and was told her declining health was due to something called lupus. She needed

to pay closer attention to her health

Choosing to ignore her doctors, Selena carried on with her busy lifestyle, until she found her body was just too weak, forcing her to stop.

Having chosen to ignore the doctors' warnings, Selena was now being told that her kidneys had suffered a lot of damage and she would need a kidney transplant. It was a life or death situation and a very scary time for Selena. 36

She would need chemotherapy and strong medication, as well as a potential ten year wait for a suitable donor for a new kidney. A close friend found out about her plight and volunteered to get tested, to see if she could be a match. As luck would have it, she was, Selena's friend offered to donate one of her kidneys to Selena to save her life. To Selena, this was the most amazing gift anyone could and would ever give her.

The operation was a success for both Selena and her friend. Selena was told that after the operation it would be extremely unlikely her lupus would return, but she would need to continue to take better care of herself in future.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Selena is a world-famous actress, television producer and singer. She has sold over seven million albums and over twenty-two million singles.

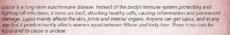
She was named as one of the 2012 Glamour Award Women of the Year. Not only does Selena collaborate with many top name perfume, make-up and fashion brands, but she also has her own fashion line Dream Out Loud, producing clothing made using eco-friendly materials.

Selena is a UNICEF spokesperson, she helps raise awareness of the importance of providing clean water to those living in Ghana, Africa,

alleges

Selena loves dogs. She has adopted many dogs over the years from various shelters. One of her dogs was originally saved and taken to a local animal shelter by her father. The shelter said they would have to put the dog down if a home wasn't found for him within a few weeks. Appalled at hearing this, Selena adopted the dog straight away.

What is lupus?



Medication and treatment depends on the type of lupus someone has and the severity of the symptoms. There is a high risk of heart disease, kickney disease and stroke if the symptoms are not cosely monitored and treated by a doctor.

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