MISSOURI BUILDING BLOCK
PICTURE BOOK AWARD

Woo Hoo! You’re Doing Great!
By Sandra Boynton

Related Books:
Oh! The Places You’ll Go by Dr. Seuss
Be You! By Peter Reynolds
Taco Falls Apart by Brenda S. Miles, illustrated by Monika Filipina
Something, Someday by Amanda Gorman, illustrated by Christian Robinson
The Most Magnificent Thing by Ashley Spires
The Big Cheese by Jory John, illustrated by Pete Oswald
In My Heart by Jo Witek, illustrated by Christine Roussey
I am Golden by Eva Chen, illustrated by Sophie Diao

Rhymes:
“If You Chance to Meet a Frown”
If you chance to meet a frown
Do not let it stay
Quickly turn it upside down
And smile that frown away!

“Everybody Has a Name”
Everybody has a name
Some are different
Some the same
Some are short
Some are long
All are right
None are wrong
My name is _____

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It’s special to me!
It’s exactly who I want to be!


“I Put My Hands Together”
I put my hands together,
This is how I start
I curve my fingers right around,
And I can make a heart!

Source: Jbrary - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qghkj_15Kxw

Songs:
“If You’re Happy and You Know It”
If you’re happy and you know it, clap your hands. (Clap-clap)
If you’re happy and you know it, clap your hands. (Clap-clap)
If you’re happy and you know it, then your face will surely show it.
If you’re happy and you know it, clap your hands. (Clap-clap)

If you’re happy and you know it, stomp your feet. (Stomp stomp)
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“Special Me”
_Sung to Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star_
Special, special, special me,
How I wonder what I’ll be.
In this big world I can be,
Anything I want to be.
Special, special, special me,
How I wonder what I’ll be.


“No One Like Me”
_Sung to “Here Comes Peter Cottontail”_
There's no one who is just like me,
No one who knows how to be:
Me when I am mad or sad.
Me when I am very glad.
There's no one who's just like me.
Me is who I'm proud to be.
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“The More We Get Together” from Singable Songs for the Very Young by Raffi

Activities:
Self-Portrait – Have children look into a mirror and draw a picture of themselves. See if they can use words to describe what they love about themselves, or what about them is “great”!

Random Acts of Kindness – Help children make a list of kind acts they witness throughout the day. One option would be to make a “kindness tree” and add “leaves” that have the kind acts written on them.

I’m Proud Of...List – Help children make a list of the things they are proud of – about themselves, or about others in the classroom or family. Validate their feelings and continue to add to the list over time.

Acronym Name - Create a fun acronym with their name. For example:
   C - Charming
   H - Happy
   A - Amazing
   R - Radiant
   L - Loving
   I - Intelligemt
   E - Excellent

Confidence Flower - Have children write the things they love about themselves on each petal and then glue the petals into a flower with their name as the center of the flower.