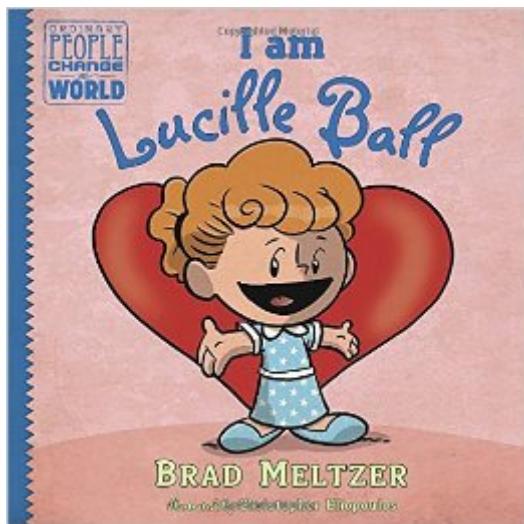


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# I Am Lucille Ball (Ordinary People Change The World)



## **Synopsis**

"We can all be heroes" is the message of this picture-book biography series from #1 New York Times Bestselling author Brad Meltzer. *âœ*Kids always search for heroes, so we might as well have a say in it,â • Brad Meltzer realized, and so he envisioned this friendly, fun approach to biographyâ "for his own kids, and for yours. Each book tells the story of one of Americaâ™s icons in a vivacious, conversational way that works well for the youngest nonfiction readers, those who arenâ™t quite ready for the Who Was biography series. Each book focuses on a particular character trait that made that role model heroic. For example, Lucille Ball could make any situation funny. By making people around the world laugh, she proved that humor can take on anything. This engaging series is the perfect way to bring American history to life for young children, providing them with the right role models, supplementing Common Core learning in the classroom, and best of all, inspiring them to strive and dream.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## **Customer Reviews**

I have to admit that I'm a big fan of Brad Meltzer, and when I discovered his ORDINARY PEOPLE CHANGE THE WORLD series I gained even more appreciation for him. He is able to let us see not just the individuals behind the name but what helped them become who we know them to be. With I

AM LUCILLE BALL we are able to see that just by her being comfortable in her own skin Lucy was able to become greatness not just on television but in life. It doesn't mean she was accepted everywhere she went, but she was able to not allow that to stop her---and neither should we. One of the great lessons that Lucy learned is that you have to trust that everything will be ok. She learned that when her dad used to throw her in the air, and she learned it when she trusted her gut and believed in her abilities. She also shows why it is so important for us not to compare ourselves to others. We have to love ourselves, and when we do we will be able to become exactly what is meant for us to become. Another job well done by Brad Meltzer. I AM LUCILLE BALL gives us the tools necessary to remember that regardless what our age we have to never give up on ourselves.

Another fabulous book by Brad Meltzer. These "ordinary people change the world" books are the favorites in our house. My 4 year old can somewhat coherently speak about Lucille Ball and Rosa Parks and Jackie Robinson (though the bit about him sleeping in bed with his mom was NOT helpful) and Albert Einstein and Abraham Lincoln, and they give excellent examples of how great people can make choices, even when they are small, that can make a big difference. Lucille Ball is in particular a favorite. It gives us tools to talk about being yourself, rejection, work ethic, being silly, leadership, tenacity, and being different. We love it.

I am delighted with this biography and I am delighted with Brad Meltzer for his presentations of 'ordinary people'. Students especially who might happen to be reluctant readers are willing to read these biographies and that is great. Lucille Ball was always a favorite in our family and this is a great way to present her life to the younger public. Brad Meltzer writes good stuff and I love the illustrations especially the cover.

I had already bought the Amelia Earhart "I Am" book and loved it. The Lucille Ball book is phenomenal as well. The illustrations are precious, and the story is amazing. I especially like the photos of Lucille Ball at the end of the story. I really like that these books are great stand-alone books, and will be great for getting children interested in finding out more about inspirational people.

How can Brad achieve fun and learning history together? He certainly is capable of doing so. I have purchase a series of books from him and my kids love it and remembers everything they read. They think it is hilarious and told me other books are "boring". Learning history is easy and fun with these series. I rate it 5 out of 5 Stars.

An amazing little book about Lucille Ball. I'm a diehard Lucy fan and I am so excited there's a book my daughter can read about this extraordinary comedienne! It is a great summary of the struggles and successes Lucille went through during her life. The message at the end is a wonderful message that most kids need to learn and live. I highly recommend!

This was perfect for a niece (8) who is taking acting classes and loves to read. The next day she was asking if she could watch I Love Lucy. We shared watching the chocolate factory and wine making episodes for the first time.

Love this series of books. My daughter is 4 and loves them. It's amusing to hear a four year talk about Lucille Ball, Amelia Earhart and Abraham Lincoln. She's taken the books to school to share with her friends. Great learning and written age-appropriately.

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