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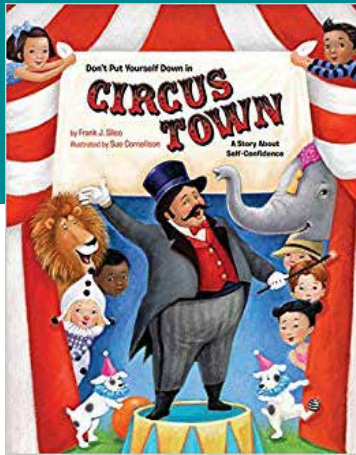
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## Book Review

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Everyone in Circus Town is busy preparing for the big show. Many of the performers are having lots of missteps and falls, and they start to get down on themselves. Ringmaster Rick sees the falling self-confidence and calls a meeting where he encourages the performers to not let their mistakes define them as a failure. He teaches them to think positive thoughts and be confident in their abilities. With persistence and self-confidence, they are able to keep working and put on a fantastic show!

A great way to teach children about self-confidence! The circus is a most appropriate setting for this topic and this story is a fun way for kids to learn! The illustrations are colorful and adorable, with soft edges. A Note to Caregivers in the back explains what self-confidence is as well as some strategies for building it in children. This story is straightforward, but still cute and enjoyable, and would be a great addition for an elementary classroom or home library!

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Excellent

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