

# Compassion in Action postcards

## THESE ARE A FEW REASONS WHY I THINK YOU'RE GREAT!



You always remember to

The world should celebrate you by

You make the best

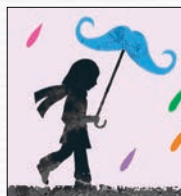
You're really good at

I smile whenever you

I love how you always say

You're good to talk to because

Your spirit animal is



## LET'S FIND A NEED AND MAKE A PLAN TO HELP OTHERS.



Fight hunger by organizing a food drive for a local food bank.



Collect shoes for needy children who live in your neighborhood or around the world.



Create a kindness basket for someone who is facing a challenge.



Help formerly homeless or refugee families by collecting household goods in "Welcome Home" boxes.

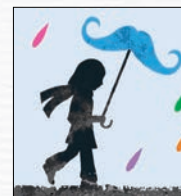


Volunteer at an animal shelter by taking cute photos of their dogs and cats to be used as their profile pictures or raise money to buy pet toys and food.



Plan a "Respect the Earth" day to increase the number of recycle bins in your town.

**EVERYONE HAS A GOOD IDEA.  
WHAT'S YOURS?**



## MUSTACHES FOR MADDIE



Maddie has a quirky sense of humor and a fondness for sporting fake mustaches—the more outrageous-looking, the better. Her world is turned upside down when she's diagnosed with a brain tumor. Readers will take the journey with Maddie as she battles her illness, encounters obstacles, including a jealous friend who becomes a bully, and finds love and support from people who care about her, expressed in an outpouring of photos sent to her of people slapping on silly fake mustaches to cheer her on.

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FROM:

TO:

To show her friends how much they mean to her, Maddie makes cards with a black mustache on pink paper which read, "I mustache you a question. How did I ever get as good of a friend as you?" She personalizes each card by saying things like: "Thanks for walking home with me and making me laugh" or "Thanks for giving me cards when I was sick. They made me feel so good I thought I should give all my friends one."



FROM:

TO:

The night before she has surgery for her brain tumor, with her future uncertain, Maddie writes a letter to her parents to tell them how she feels and to thank them for teaching her how to imagine, for telling her everything is okay, and for giving her silly mustaches to make her laugh. She tells them she loves them forever and wants nothing more than to be back with them when all of this is over.



Based on the true story of the authors' daughter, who was diagnosed with a brain tumor when she was eleven years old and courageously battled her illness and conquered her fears while embodying a spirit of compassion, humor, and grace throughout her health setbacks and the trials of navigating middle school.



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