

## **I Matter Because I Am the Best Version of Me I Can Be**

We are all different and have our own ways of doing things, that is why we matter. There are times when we disagree over things because one person thinks he or she can do it better than the other person. We matter because there is only one person in the world who will ever be like you. Sometimes we try to blend in because we do not want to be different. We matter because we all have different dreams and goals, but that is okay. No matter what, there are going to be times we want to blend in or do things the same as others, but we are all different. I matter because I am the one and only me.

In life we all have goals or dreams, and they might be different than others. You can accomplish anything as long as you are okay with standing out in a crowd. I know that there are times when I do not want to stand out and other times when I want to be noticed. I matter because I want to do different things than other people do, and that is okay.

Sometimes others might be having a hard time, or we might be the one having a hard time. We do not always notice it, but leaders are all around us to help us through. Anyone can be a leader. I always try to be a good leader whenever I can. One place where we can hear words from other leaders are in quotes. When I see or hear a quote, I usually do not think much about it. However, even a few words can help you during hard times. Sometimes the answer is right in front of us, we just have to listen. I matter because I am a leader.

Sometimes we try to blend in and do what our friends do. There can be someone in our class who is different and we don't want to be the different one. We are not always going to want to do the same things as our friends, and if we do what they want we are never going to succeed in life. If we just do what others are doing, then we will not know what to do when we need to do what we think is best for us. There have been times when I just did what my friends

were doing. I have learned that it is okay to be different and to do my own thing. I matter because I am different than my friends.

I am the only version of me. No one else will think like I do or do things the way I do. We all have a voice, and we all have actions. We have to stand up for what we believe in. You might have an idea that no one else will think of unless you say something. You have to be you. If someone thinks differently than you or does things different than you, it is okay because we are all different. Sometimes we do not want to work with others on a school project because they work differently than we do. Working with them could be good because they might think differently and have different ideas than you do. Working with them could be good because you will have totally different ideas to help you on the project. I matter because I am the one and only version of me.

I matter because I am me. You matter because you are you. Even if you have different goals in life, or work differently, or even think differently, you are still the best you can be. Even if you try to blend in with your friends, you will always be different, no matter how hard you try. I matter because I am different from everyone else. I matter because I am a leader. I matter because I have a voice. I matter because I am the only version of me. I matter because I am the best me I can be.