



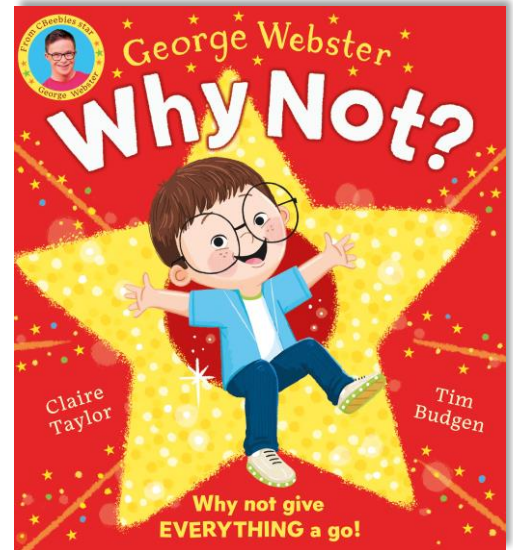
Why Not?



The new picture book by pioneering
TV presenter, George Webster

*“HELLO! This is me. I am George.
We may have met before,
and I'd love you to get to know me
Just a little bit more...”*

- ✿ Developed in partnership with George's co-author, Claire Taylor, **Why Not?** follows a little boy called George as he tells the reader all about himself – who he is, his life and his experiences. George knows that having Down syndrome is an important part of him but it does not define him.
- ✿ A heartfelt and inspirational story, George encourages others to give things a try – however big or small. We are all different, we are all remarkable, and we are all capable of great things!
- ✿ Featuring George's real-life family and friends as well as a joyful cast of characters reflective of society.
- ✿ Celebrating uniqueness and being ourselves, **Why Not?** highlights the importance of representation, inclusion and how our differences make us special
- ✿ With bright and bold illustrations by bestselling illustrator, Tim Budgen



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WHY NOT? is out
in **March 2024** in
time for World
Down Syndrome
Day

*“It's very important to
represent people with a
disability in books and the
wider media. I hope my
books will prove that our
stories need to be told for
all the children and families
in the world.”*



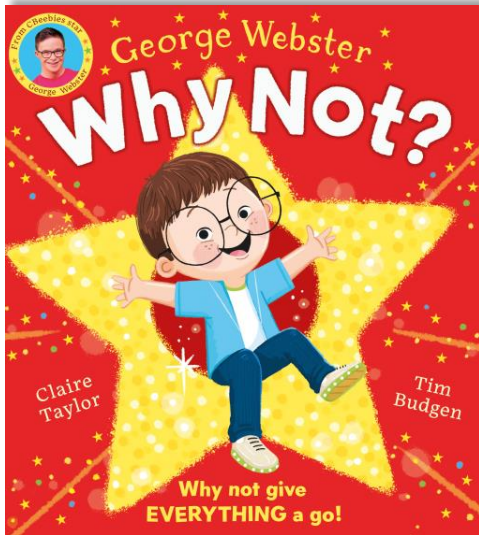
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About George Webster: An actor, TV presenter and Ambassador for Mencap, George Webster was catapulted into the public eye when he spoke about Down syndrome in his myth-busting video for BBC Bitesize and was later asked to be a presenter on CBeebies. George is the first ever CBeebies presenter with Down syndrome. In November 2022, he won a BAFTA award in the 'Best Presenter' category. George lives in Leeds.

About Claire Taylor: Claire Taylor is a Series Producer for BBC Children's. She has worked for the BBC for 20 years looking after much-loved and prestigious shows such as "Something Special" and "CBeebies Bedtime Stories". Claire has been honoured to guide George through his presenting journey to date and is delighted to be working with him on this very special picture book. Claire lives in Manchester.

About Tim Budgen: Tim Budgen is the outstanding illustrator of bestselling books such as *Twenty Dinosaurs at Bedtime*, *Twenty Unicorns at Bedtime* and *The Magic Pet Shop* series. Tim's illustrations are bright, engaging and perfect for children! Tim lives by the sea on Hayling Island.

