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secret mission:  
Secret Agents of  
Kindness

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## DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to Naeomi  
One Special Little Girl  
Whose Random Act of Kindness  
Touched the Heart of the Nation of Italy.



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# 1-A COVID-ops Secret Mission

You are sitting in your secret agent room at home base, when suddenly an orange button flashes.

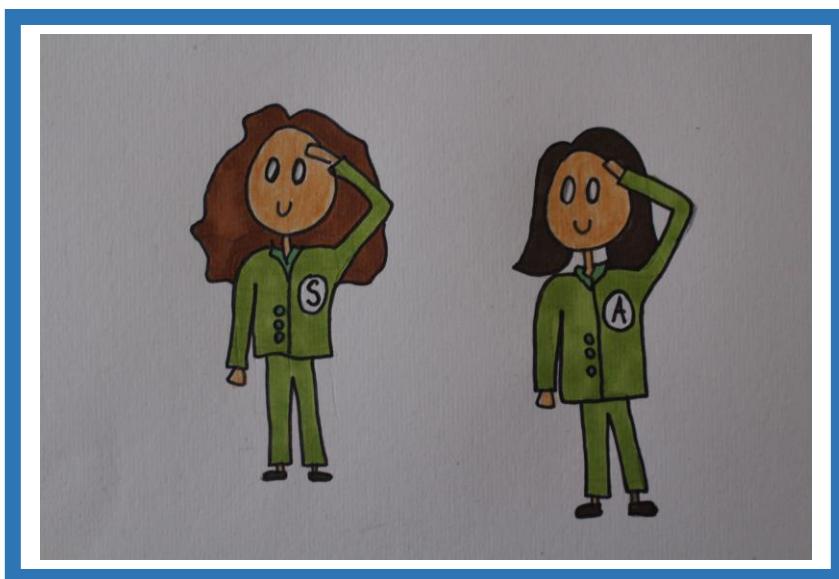
You go to a secret website and enter a secret code.

A message appears on your screen—

*ALERT! ALERT!*  
*CALLING ALL*  
*SPECIAL AGENTS!*  
*SECRET MISSION*  
*ASSIGNMENT!*

“Special Agent? That’s me!” you think. You are excited to find out about a secret mission. You press the orange button to open the message.

Special Agent Serena and Special Agent Anna appear on your screen.



Special Agent Serena speaks first.

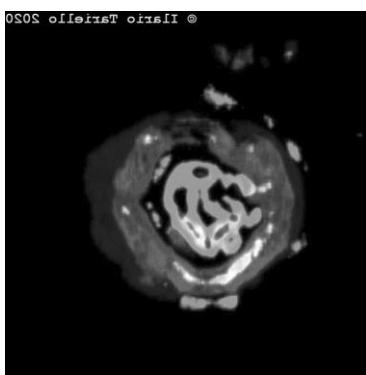
“Good Morning, Special Agents! Special Agent Serena here with Special Agent Anna joining me from her remote base. It is good to find you all in your secret home base. Special agents just like you all over the world have joined our ranks. We are becoming a large and mighty army!”

“I want to remind you to stay inside your base. Keep wearing your armor when you must go out. Keep using your special tools that I sent to you by drone.”



“Go back and read your training manual often so you do not forget what makes you a special agent! It is important!”

Special Agent Anna nods and says, “Yes, it is very important!



You must keep doing the things we trained you to do until we win this war with the alien virus COVID-19.”

“We are a strong and mighty army together. But armies do more than sit in their base. For years now, I have had a special mission. I began it when I was just a tiny child just like yourself. I know that Special Agent Serena does these kinds of missions, too.

Now that you have been trained and had time to learn how to be a Special Agent, it is time to call you to a secret mission.

Commander T and Commander Liz have the details to share with you.”

## 2 A SECRET MISSION

Commander T and Commander Liz both appear on the screen.



Commander T says, "Welcome back, Special Agents. I am glad that you answered the call to be a special agent. I am glad that you are safe and strong."

But this army can do more than only protect you and your family.

I told you before that this is a war with the alien virus COVID-19.

It is hard work for the doctors and nurses and hospital workers who fight on the front lines each day.

It is hard work for the police who help keep us safe and help us remember the rules.

It is hard for your parents to do their work from home and teach school to you.

It is hard to be sick in the hospital and alone.

It is hard for the people who work at grocery stores to keep food on the shelves for you to buy to eat. They cannot stay in their safe place. They must go to work so that we have food and gas and all the things we need.”

“When the alien virus was the strongest in my country, one little girl made all the grownups in my country proud. She did a very brave and noble thing.

She called the police station to read a letter of thanks that she had written all by herself.

It touched the heart of my nation with her kindness.

She has inspired this secret mission we are calling you to today.

Commander Liz is the master mind of this mission and is here to share it with you.

Commander Liz smiles at you. Her eyes light up as she starts to speak. "Hello, my tiny but mighty army! I am so proud of you!"



"I have seen the great work you are doing to keep you and your family safe and remember all the rules. I believe you can do more than keep your world safe. I believe, my special agent army, that you can help change the world with me.

Do you want to know how?

This mission, should you choose to accept it, comes in two parts. One is very secret. It will be a secret mission to your own family.

The other mission, you will need the help of a grown up to do.

I call this mission:

# **Secret Agents of Kindness**

## 3 MISSION SECRET AGENT OF KINDNESS

“So far, all your focus has been on you and your family. You have become a real superhero, teaching others how to fight off the evil alien virus COVID-19.



It is good to take care of you and those you love. It

is also good to think about other people and show kindness.”

Commander T told you about those on the front lines in this war. He told you also about much more your parents have to do now while we fight this virus.

You cannot be a doctor, nurse, or policeman right now. You cannot sell the food we all need.

But you can do a job just as important. You can help make those who do these jobs stronger!

You see, it is hard to do what they do!

They get tired. They even get scared sometimes.

They wonder if anyone cares.

And that is where you can help.

Did you know that joy makes you stronger?

Stop right now and smile. Go tickle your mom or dad and make them laugh. Laugh with them.

Doesn’t that make you feel good?

It brings joy to your heart.

You can bring a smile to the face and joy to the heart of those workers on the front lines!

You can bring strength to them through Mission Secret Acts of Kindness. You can make them smile.



First, you need a special card. Can you make it yourself with some paper and crayons? Write these words on your cards.

**A Secret Act of Kindness  
to make your day better.**

Cut out your cards using safe scissors and put them in a special place. You will need them later.

Remember this is secret!

This mission is not to make your name special.

It is to make other people feel special.

When you do that, it makes your heart feel good, too.

We don't do kind things to get something back.

We just do it to be kind.

That is a reward all by itself.

The best part of all is, you don't have to be under attack by an evil alien virus to be a Secret Agent of Kindness!

You can learn to be kind to others and do it every day for the rest of your life!

And always make people feel loved and special when you do.

So, if you choose to accept this mission, Special Agents Serena and Special Agent Anna are going to talk to you about special things you can do even while we all stay safe inside our homes.

I asked them to talk to you and show you some ways to make the people in your city who are on the front lines fighting the evil alien virus.

# 4 SECRET AGENT OF KINDNESS HOME MISSIONS

Special Agent Anna appears on your screen.



“The first part of your mission is right in your own home. When I was a little girl, my mom taught me and some neighborhood kids about being Super Secret Kindness Agents.

I made up cards just like you just did and looked for ways I could do something kind for my family and neighbors. I left my card afterwards and hid! They never knew who did it!

It was lots of fun!

Me and the neighbor children would go over and rake leaves or sweep the porch or shovel the snow, with our parents' permission, when neighbors were not watching.

We would leave a Secret Act of Kindness card on their door.

Then, we would hide and see them come back home and find the kindness surprise.

It was always fun to see the way it made them smile.

I also did Secret Acts of Kindness for my family.

I would do chores without being asked, pick flowers for my mom and put them in water for a surprise, I would pick up toys my little nephew had played with and leave my Secret Acts of Kindness card for them to find.

I would hide and watch and imagine new ways to do my Secret Acts of Kindness.

You can do the same thing!

It's easy! It's fun!

I also did all my schooling at home until I went to college.

Another Secret Act of Kindness you can do is to do your class work and homework, and extra work even, without even being asked.

It always made my mom smile.

You are doing school from home.

You can do the same thing to make your parents smile.

It is much more fun to do school if you make it a special mission to do a good job and never complain.

There is one more thing you can do in your home as a Secret Act of Kindness.

Your grandparents are older and need to stay inside. They get lonely.

Your parents are very busy with work at home and the extra time they must give to teaching you school.

They may not have as much time to talk to your grandparents now.

You could be the family special agent to call or facetime your grandparents every single day. Show them the special things you are doing to help the world be a better place!

Now, Special Agent Serena is going to give you some ideas to make the world a better place around you, too!"

# 5 SECRET AGENT OF KINDNESS OUTSIDE MISSIONS

Special Agent Serena steps up to talk.



“Hello, Special Agents!

I love art! Do you?

There are projects you can do to bring joy to the special workers in your area.

You can write a letter of thanks or make a nice picture with the word “THANKS” in the middle to send to the doctors and nurses at the hospital or police in your city.

Perhaps writing your letters could be used for themes for schoolwork? Ask your parents!

Make a beautiful “Thank you for helping all the people” full page and decorate it with your favorite drawings or stickers. Mail it to the hospital or ask your parent to email it to them!

Make “Get Well” Cards for the sick people in the hospital and ask the nurses to share you notes with the ones who need joy for the day.

Make homemade masks and leave one on each door in your neighborhood. Maybe your parents or an older brother or sister can take them to older people who need one and cannot get one.

Make some smaller “Thank you for serving us.” cards and ask your parents to take them to hand to the clerk when they buy groceries or get gas or go the bank or other essentials.

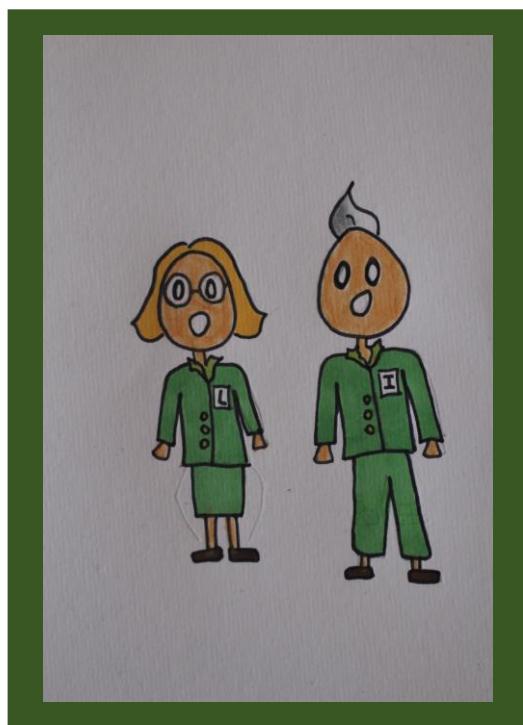
Make a special # 1 Best Teacher thank you card for your parents who are teaching you school.

We just want you to join us as special agents who care about other people and show it!

When you do special things let us know! You can earn a special citation for doing Secret Acts of Kindness as a Secret Agent of Kindness.

Commander T and Commander Liz are coming back to say a final word. As for me and Special Agent Anna, we say 'go do good and kind things!'"

## 6 CHANGE THE WORLD



Commander T and Commander Liz appeared on the screen again.

Commander Liz spoke first.

“I want you to know how much I believe in you, how much we believe in you. We believe that children and youth can do very special things even when they are young. We even believe that grow ups can learn a lot from you, if they will only look and listen.”

Commander T stepped up to speak,

“I hope you will accept this mission.

I believe you will.

I believe you will begin to look for ways to do special things for your parents, your brothers and sisters, your grandparents, your neighbors, your friends, and your world.”

Commander T and Commander Liz smiled at the screen and said together,

“We love you and believe in you and are counting on you, our special little army.

Let’s go change the world together, Special Agents!”



You can email Commander T and Commander Liz at [agent@covidops.info](mailto:agent@covidops.info)

Visit us at [www.covidops.info](http://www.covidops.info) for information, a live book reading with Commander T and the team, and fun things to do while you fight the alien invasion including videos of Commander T and Commander Liz and Special Agent Anna and Special Agent Serena reading the book with translators!

Also, videos will be posted to make special art projects and write letters to send out in your city.

Stay in! Stay safe! Stay strong! Special Agents!

## ABOUT THE COVID OPS TEAM

The Franklin and Tariello families joined forces from across the ocean to take on a secret mission, which was to train all children on how to be superheroes in the current war against COVID-19. Dozens of volunteers from all around the world have translated the books into languages to empower the children of their own countries. Together, we will win this war!



**Elizabeth Franklin, Commander Liz, or Mama Liz**

the author of this book, writes books and speaks to children, teens, and college students to empower them to greatness in the areas of time and success. She saw the potential in this mighty army of children, and how they could be superheroes right in their own homes and neighborhoods. She believes children have the potential to change the world right here, right now.

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**Special Agent Serena Tariello** is in high school with an interest in architecture and music. She is a black belt in karate and her dream is to become an actress. She speaks as a teenager who is living in the closed-down cities of Italy who does Secret Acts of Kindness by taking masks to the elderly of her city. She has used her artistic talent to create these illustrations and bring life to our ideas.



**Special Agent Anna Franklin** is studying Communication Studies and Geography (meteorology concentration) at the University of Tennessee. She is an author, speaker, and researcher who wants to help everyone be more prepared for severe weather. She has written two children's book series and dances. She brought her heart for preparedness into this book. Anna has served her community and the world with Secret Acts of Kindness many years. She gathers stuffed bears with a ribbon with a tag around the neck that say, "I Care" and makes "I Care" boxes of essentials to take to children in disaster events. [www.AnnaEFranklin.com](http://www.AnnaEFranklin.com)

