Because I Said So

English · C1

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Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

The grammar · Not only did I..., Little did I know

Find it: __ / 2

1 · SEE IT

Little did I know he was improvising too,

2 · LEARN IT

Not only do I hate small talk	I hate small talk, and that's not all	**Not only did I say it**	I said it, and that's not all
Not only am I the first	I am the first, and more	**Not until I got over it did I get by**	I only managed after I got over it
Only when he smiled did I remember	I remembered only when he smiled	**No sooner had I bought it than I quit**	I quit right after I bought it
Little did I know	I had no idea		

3 · FIND IT

Circle every example of not only did I..., Little did I know. One line has none.

1. Never did I think I'd say, "Because I said so."
2. just an abundance of them, too many for a kid with one sock on at nine at night.
3. Not only did I say it, I said it in his exact tone.

2 · Lyric Scramble

__ / 5

Number the lines 1 to 5, in song order.

- [ ] the very same one that ran my childhood like a small, strict government.
- [ ] My son wants to know why the sky is blue, why the dog can't sleep in his bed,
- [ ] a voice with a mortgage and strong opinions on the thermostat,
- [ ] a voice came out of me that I don't remember inviting,
- [ ] Somewhere between the bedtime story and the fourth glass of water,

Sing it together

Play the song. Everyone sings the chorus. Then two halves take turns, line by line.

My score ____ / 7

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English · C1 · Grammar: Not only did I..., Little did I know · 7 points

Grammar · Find it (2)

1 never 2 none 3 only

2 · Lyric Scramble (5)

the very same one that ran my childhood like a small, strict government. 4 · My son wants to know why the sky is blue, why the dog can't sleep in his bed, 5 · a voice with a mortgage and strong opinions on the thermostat, 3 · a voice came out of me that I don't remember inviting, 2 · Somewhere between the bedtime story and the fourth glass of water, 1

For the teacher

Play the song once with the lyrics. Do "See it" and "Learn it" together; students do "Find it". Students do the 4 games alone or as homework, add up their score and hand in the sheet. Each game is also in the app's Arcade.

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