

## Sesame Street "Lonesome Joan"

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Let me tell you all a story 'bout a girl named Lonesome  
Joan

When she was three she thought she'd try to tie her  
shoe

Her Momma said, "I'll show you how!"

She pushed her Mom aside

"I'll do it alone," said Lonesome Joan

And her laces stayed untied

Oh, Lonesome Joan, Lonesome Joan

Felt she had to do everything alone

She said, "I don't need no help, I can do it by myself"

Oh, Lonesome, Lonesome Joan

Well, she got a little older -- thought she'd learn to read  
and write

Her teacher tried to help her

Joan yelled, "Get out of my sight!"

So she never learned to write her name or even read a  
book

And all alone she never learned to swim or skate or  
count or cook

Oh, Lonesome Joan, Lonesome Joan

Felt she had to do everything alone

She said, "I don't need no help, I can do it by myself"

Oh, Lonesome, Lonesome Joan

Well, time went by and Joan grew old as people  
sometimes will

When Joan was 81 years old, she met a girl named Lil

Lil said, "Joan, it's just ridiculous the things that you  
can't do!"

Joan, you're an 80 year old woman -- Time you learn to  
tie your shoe!"

Oh, Lonesome, Lonesome Joan

You don't have to do everything alone

You can use a little help

Don't have to do it by yourself

Oh, Lonesome, Lonesome Joan

So Lil taught Joan to read and write and tie her shoe

and more  
And Joan lived to the happy age of a hundred and forty  
four  
So be sure you learned a lesson  
From that old girl, Lonesome Joan  
When you're trying for the first time,  
You don't have to try alone

Oh, Lonesome Joan, Lonesome Joan  
You don't have to do everything alone  
You can use a little help  
Don't have to do it by yourself  
Oh, Lonesome, Lonesome Joan  
Oh, Lonesome, Lonesome Joan

Yippie tie yie, pardners!

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