



Forever Families Through Adoption

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Talking About Adoption- Book List

PARENTING ADOPTED CHILDREN

TITLE	AUTHOR
Adoption is a Family Affair: What Friends and Relatives Must Know	Patricia Irwin
Adoption Parenting: Creating a Toolbox, Building Connection	Jean MacLeod and Sheena Macrae
All About Adoption: How to Deal with the Questions of Your Past	Anne Lanchon
Brothers and Sisters in Adoption: Helping Navigate Relationships When New Kids Join the Family	Arleta James
How To Raise An Adopted Child	Judith Schaffer and Christina Lindstrom
Keys to Parenting an Adopted Child	Kathy Lancaster Ph.D.
Parenting Your Adopted Child : A Positive Approach to Building a Strong Family	Andrew Adesman, Christine Adamec, and Susan Caughman
Pieces of Me: Who Do I Want to Be? Voices for and by Adopted Teens	Edited by Robert L. Ballard
Raising Adopted Children, Revised Edition: Practical Reassuring Advice for Every Adoptive Parent	Lois Ruskai Melina
Real Parents, Real Children: Parenting the Adopted Child	Holly Van Gulden and Lisa M. Bartels-Rabb
Secret Thoughts of an Adoptive Mother	Jana Wolff
Twenty Things Adopted Kids Wish Their Adoptive Parents Knew	Sherrie Eldridge
The Whole Life Adoption Book: Realistic Advice for Building a Healthy Adoptive Family	Jayne E. Schooler and Thomas C. Atwood
What I Want My Adopted Child to Know (An Adoptive Parent's Perspective)	Sally Bacchetta

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BONDING and ATTACHMENT and TRAUMA

TITLE	AUTHOR
Attaching in Adoption: Practical Tools for Today's Parents	Deborah D. Gray
Nurturing Adoptions: Creating Resilience After Neglect and Trauma	Deborah D. Gray
Parenting the Hurt Child: Helping Adoptive Families Heal and Grow	Gregory C. Keck & Regina M. Kupecky
The Boy Who Was Raised as a Dog and Other Stories from a Child Psychiatrist's Notebook	Bruce D. Perry, M.D., Ph.D. and Maia Szalavitz

TALKING ABOUT ADOPTION

TITLE	AUTHOR
Communicating with the Adopted Child	D.S.W., Miriam Komar
When Friends Ask About Adoption: Question & Answer Guide for Non-Adoptive parents	Linda Bothun

GENERAL ADOPTION

TITLE	AUTHOR
The Adoption Resource Book: All the things you need to know and ought to know about creating an adoptive family	Lois Gilman
Adopting in America: How to Adopt Within One Year	Randall B. Hicks
Successful Adoption	Jaqueline Hornor Plumez
You Can Adopt: An Adoptive Families Guide	Susan Caughman and Isolde Motley

BIRTH FAMILIES

TITLE	AUTHOR
Dear Birthmother: Thank You for Our Baby	Kathleen Silber and Phylis Speedlin
Because I Loved You: A Birthmother's View of Open Adoption	Patricia Dischler
The Adoption Reader: Birth Mothers, Adoptive Mothers, and Adopted Daughters Tell Their Stories	Wadia-Ells
To My Child Concerning Your Birth Mother	Joanne Green
All Alone in the World: Children of the Incarcerated	Nell Bernstein



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Raising Your Child to Be A Mensch	Neil Kurshan
The Ten Basic Principles of Good Parenting	Laurence Steinberg, PhD
12 Simple Secrets Real Moms Know	Michele Borba, EdD

TRANSRACIAL / TRANSCULTURAL ADOPTION

TITLE	AUTHOR
Black Baby White Hands: A View from the Crib	Jaiya John
Black, White, and Jewish	Rebecca Walker
Brown Babies, Pink Parents	Amy Ford
Dim Sum, Bagels and Grits: A Sourcebook for Multicultural Families	Myra Alperson
Does Anybody Else Look Like Me? A Parent's Guide to Raising Multiracial Children	Donna Jackson Nakazawa
I'm Chocolate, You're Vanilla: Raising Healthy Black and Biracial Children in a Race-Conscious World	Marguerite Wright
In Their Own Voices: Transracial Adoptees Tell Their Stories	Rita J. Simon and Rhonda M. Roorda
In Their Parents' Voices: Reflections on Raising Transracial Adoptees	Rita J. Simon and Rhonda M. Roorda
Inside Transracial Adoption	Gail Steinberg and Beth Hall
Loving Across the Line: A White Mother learns about Race	Sharon Rush
Weaving a Family: Untangling Race and Adoption	Barbara Katz Rothman

GAY PARENTING and ADOPTION

A Tale of Two Daddies	Vanita Oelschlager
Arwen and Her Daddies	De Witte van Leeuwen, Jarko
Families Like Mine: children of Gay Parents Tell it Like it Is	Abigail Garner
Gay Dads: A celebration of Fatherhood	David Strah
Out of the Ordinary: Essays on Growing Up with Gay, Lesbian and Transgender Parents	Howey, Noelle
The Complete Lesbian and gay Parenting Guide	Lev, Arlene Istar
The Kid (What Happened After My Boyfriend and I Decided to Get Pregnant	Dan Savage

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TODDLER ADOPTION

Toddler Adoption: The Weaver's Craft	Mary Hopkins-Best
Adopting A Toddler: What Size Shoes Does She Wear?	Denise Harris Hoppenhauer

TALKING ABOUT ADOPTION- CHILDREN'S BOOKS (Does not count towards training)

TITLE	AUTHOR
Adoption is for Always	Linda Walvoord Girard
A Mother for Choco	Keiko Kasza
All Kinds of Families	Norma Simon
And Tango Makes Three	Peter Parnell and Justin Richardson
Antonio's Card or La Tarjeta de Antonio	Rigoberto Gonzalez
Beginnings: How Families Come to Be	Virginia Kroll
Daddy, Papa, and Me	Leslea Newman
The Different Dragon	Jennifer Bryan
Double Dip Feelings	Barbara Cain
The Duke Who Outlawed Jelly Beans and Other Stories	Johnny Valentine
Every Kid's Guide to Understanding Parents	Joy Berry
Families Are Different	Nina Pellegrini
Felicia's Favorite Story	Leslea Newman
Flying Free	Jennifer Gregg
Forever Fingerprints: An Amazing Discovery for Adopted Children	Sherri Eldridge
Happy Adoption Day	John McCutcheon
Horace	Holly Keller
How I Became a Big Brother	Dave Moore
How I Became a Big Sister	Dave Moore
In My Heart	Molly Bang
In Our Mother's House	Patricia Polacco
King and King	Linda de Haan
Let's Talk About It: Adoption	Fred Rogers
Liking Myself	Pat Palmer
Love You Forever	Robert Munsch
Lucy's Feet	Stephanie Stein
Molly's Family	Nancy Garden
Momma, Mommy, and Me	Leslea Newman
Maria's Wish	Bruce King Komiske
My Adopted Child, There's No One Like You	Kevin Leman and / Kevin Leman III
My Family is Forever	Nancy Carlson
My New Family	Pat Thomas
No More Diapers!	Joae Graham Brooks
Oh the Things Mommies Do!: What Could Be Better Than Having Two?	Crystal Tompkins
Over the Moon: An Adoption Tale	Karen Katz



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Sarah: A Story of Love and Adoption	Kathie Nichols
Susan and Gordon Adopt a Baby	Judy Freudberg and Tony Geiss
Tell Me Again about The Night I was Born	Jamie Lee Curtis
We Wanted You	Liz Rosenberg
Who's in a Family?	Robert Skutch
Why Was I Adopted?	Carole Livingston
William is My Brother	Jane T. Schnitter
Wise Up! sm Powerbook	Marilyn Schoettle
You're Not my REAL Mother	Molly Friedrich

CHILDRENS BOOKS and STORIES OF ADOPTION – Preteens/Teens (Does not count towards training)

Adopted Teens Only: A Survival Guide to Adolescence	Danea Gorbett
All About Adoption: How to Deal with the Questions of Your Past	Anne Lanchon
The Emperor's Pendant	Steve Whan
The Face in My Mirror	Maureen Wartski
The Great Gilly Hopkins	Katherine Paterson
I Wish for You a Beautiful Life	Sara Dorow
How it Feels to be Adopted	Jill Krementz
The Mulberry Bird	Anne Brodzinsky
Returnable Girl	Pamela Lowell
Wise Up! sm Powerbook	Marilyn Schoettle

CHILDRENS BOOKS featuring LGBTQ FAMILIES – Birth-3 years (Does not count towards training)

TITLE	AUTHOR
123 A Family Counting Book	Bobbie Combs
ABC A Family Alphabet Book	Bobbie Combs
Everywhere Babies	Susan Meyers

CHILDRENS BOOKS featuring LGBTQ FAMILIES – 4-8 years (Does not count towards training)

TITLE	AUTHOR
A Beach Party with Alexis	Sarita Johnson-Calvo
A Boy's Best Friend	Joan Alden
And Tango Makes Three	Justin Richardson
Anna Day and the O-Ring	Elaine Wickens
Asha's Mums	Rosamund Elwin and Michele Paulse
Beginnings: How Families Come to Be	Stacey Schuett and Virginia

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	Kroll
Belinda's Bouquet	Leslea Newman
Best Best Colors or Los Mejores Colores	Eric Hoffman
Buster's Sugartime	Marc Brown
Celebrating Families	Rosemarie Hausherr
Daddies at Work	Merriam
Daddy and Me	Daly-Weir and Hathon
Daddy Care	Morgan
Daddy's Roommate	Michael Willhoite
Daddy's Wedding	Michael Willhoite
Dear Daddy	DePasquier
Families: A Coloring Book	Michael Willhoite
Friday Night is Papa Night	Sonneborn
Gloria Goes to Gay Pride	Leslea Newman
Heather has Two Mommies	Leslea Newman
I Can Be A Father	Lewin
I'm Lost	Cray and Megale
Is Your Family Like Mine?	Lois Ruskai Abramchik
Jaffa's Father	Lewin and Kopper
Jennifer Has Two Daddies	Pricilla Galloway
Jenny Lives with Eric and Martin	Susanne Bosche
King and King	Linda De Haan and Stern Nijland
King and King and Family	Linda De Haan and Stern Nijland
Lots of Mommies	Jan Severance
Love You Forever	Munsch and McGraw
Lucy Goes to the Country	Joe Kennedy
Mama Eat Ant, Yuck!	Barbara Edmonds
Molly's Family	Nancy Garden
My Crazy Sister	M.B. Goffstein
My Two Uncles	Judith Virginia
One Dad, Two Dads, Brown Dad, Blue Dads	Johnny Valentine
One Hundred is a Family	Pam Ryan Munoz
One More Thing	Thompson and Leder
Red Ribbon	Sarah Weeks
Saturday is Pattyday	Leslea Newman
The Daddy Book	Todd Parr
The Daddy Machine	Johnny Valentine
The Different Dragon	Jennifer Bryan
The Dragon Doctor	Barbara Danish
The Duke Who Outlawed Jelly Beans	Johnny Valentine
The Entertainer	Michael Willhoite
The Mommy Book	Todd Parr
The Moonlight Hide-and-Seek Club in the Pollution Solution	Rosamund Elwin and Michele Paule



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Two Moms, The Zark, and Me	Johnny Valentine
What Are Parents?	Kyme Fox-Lee and Susan Fox-Lee
What Mommies Do Best	Laura Numeroff
When Megan Went Away	Jan Severance
Who's In A Family?	Robert Skutch

CHILDRENS BOOKS featuring LGBTQ FAMILIES – 9-13 years (Does not count towards training)

TITLE	AUTHOR
A Celebration of Diversity, Commitment, and Love	Aylette Jenness
Generous Jefferson Bartleby Jones	Forman Brown
How Would You Feel If Your Dad Was Gay?	Ann Heron and Meredith Maran
It's Perfectly Normal	Robie Harris
Real Heroes	Marilyn Kaye
The Day They Put a Tax on Rainbows	Johnny Valentine
The Skull of Truth	Bruce Coville
Self-Portrait: Trina Schart Hyman	Trina Schart Hyman
Zack's Story: Growing Up with Same-Sex Parents	Keith Elliot Greenberg

CHILDRENS BOOKS on SEX ROLES, SEXUAL IDENTITY, AND POSITIVE SELF-IMAGE – 4-8 years (Does not count towards training)

TITLE	AUTHOR
Boys Don't Knit	Janice Schoop
Delphine	Molly Bang
Frog and Toad are Friends	Arnold Lobel
Good Morning Franny, Good Night Franny	Emily Hearn
I Like Me	Nancy Carlson
I Like Myself!	Karen Beaumont
In Christina's Toolbox	Dianne Homan
It's OK to be Different	Todd Parr
Jam: A True Story	Margaret Mahy
Jesse's Dream Skirt	Bruce Mack
Oliver Button is a Sissy	Tomi De Paola
Ruby the Red Knight	Amy Aitkin
Someone Special, Just Like You	Tricia Brown
The Boy Toy	Phyllis Johnson
We're Different, We're the Same	Bobbi Kates
What I Like About Me	Allia Zobel

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What is a Girl?	Stephanie Waxman
William's Doll	Charlotte Zolotow

CHILDRENS BOOKS on SEX ROLES, SEXUAL IDENTITY, AND POSITIVE SELF-IMAGE 9-13 years (Does not count towards training)

TITLE	AUTHOR
A Kid's First Book About Sex	Joani Blank
A Writer	M.B. Goffstein
An Enchanted Hair Tale	Alexis De Veaux
History of Women for Children	Vivian Sheldon Epstein
My Two Uncles	Judith Vigna
Oh Boy! Babies!	Alison Cragin Herzig and Jane Lawrence Mali
Nina's Book of Little Things	Keith Haring
The Playbook for Kids About Sex	Joani Blank

CHILDREN'S BOOKS featuring SINGLE MOTHERS

TITLE	AUTHOR
A Chair For My Mother	Vera B. Williams
Alfie Gets in First	Shirly Hughes
Alfie Gives a Hand	Shirly Hughes
Arraba Gah Zee	Ruth Rossner
Good Times, Bad Times– Mummy and Me	Priscilla Galloway
Granddaddy's Place	Helen V. Griffith
Maggie Doesn't Want to Move	Elizabeth Lee O'Donnell
Music for Everyone	Vera B. Williams
My Mom is so Unusual	Iris Loewen
The Trek	Ann Jonas

CHILDREN'S BOOKS featuring SINGLE FATHERS

TITLE	AUTHOR
Children and the AIDS Virus: A Book for Children, Parents, and Teachers	Rosemarie Hausherr
Come Sit By Me	Margaret Merrifield
Come Sit By Me Poster	Margaret Merrifield
Daddy is a Monster... Sometimes	John Steptoe
Gorilla	Anthony Browne
The Lost Lake	Allen Say
The Paper Crane	Molly Bang
What's a Virus Anyway?: The Kid Book about AIDS	David Fassler and Kelly McQueen



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CHILDREN'S BOOKS about AIDS

TITLE	AUTHOR
100 Questions and Answers About AIDS	Michael Thomas Ford
AIDS: Examining the Crisis	Tom Flynn
AIDS: You Can't Catch It Holding Hands	Niki De Saint Phalle
Alex, The Kid with AIDS	Linda Walvoord Girard
Felicia's Favorite Story	Leslea Newman
Losing Uncle Tim	Mary Kate Jordan
My Name is Jonathan (and I have AIDS)	Sharon Schilling
The Voice of AIDS	Michael Thomas Ford
Tiger Flowers	Patricia Quinlan
Z's Gift	Neal Starkman

VIDEO

TITLE	AUTHOR
Off and Running	Nicole Opper
Closure	Bryan Tucker

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