

## Childrens Book List

About Foster Care/Adoption	Synopsis	Copies
Murphy's Three Homes by Jan Levinson Gilmon	A Tibetan Terrier puppy, is told he is a 'good luck dog'. However, after going through two different homes and an animal shelter, the puppy starts to feel like a 'bad luck dog' who nobody wants.	2
Kids Need to Be Safe by Julie Nelson	Learn why some kids move to foster homes, what foster parents do, and ways kids might feel during foster care	4
Maybe Days by Jennifer Wilgocki and Marcia Kahn Wright	Learn the people and procedures involved in foster care, the feelings, reactions, and concerns of new foster children	1
For Your Own Good by Doris Sanford	A story about Jerome and his younger brother. They stay in a foster home while their mother tries to recover from her substance abuse	2
My Foster Family by Jennifer Levine	A children's coloring book that offers young children entering foster care the opportunity to explore their feelings and adjust to the foster care system	1
Moving to Another Foster Home by Adam Robe	Robbie Rabbit learns he must move to a new placement after his foster mom is no longer able to care for him	1
I Miss My Foster Parents by Stefon Herbert	Learn about the fear and anxiety when leaving foster home and living with new adoptive family	1

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Let's Talk About Foster Homes by Elizabeth Weitzman	This book explains why one goes to a foster home and who foster parents are, what to do if things don't work out, and other matters regarding foster care	1
The Star by Cynthia Miller Lovell	The book follows a fictional young girl, Kit, who is taken from her mother to safety in a foster home	0
McDuff Moves In by Rosmary Wells and Susan Jeffers	This book starts with a dog looking for something to eat and sleep, but finds himself an unexpected home	0
Being Adopted by Stephanie Herbert	Describing the love a girl has for her family	1
Zachary's New Home Geraldine M. Blomquist and Paul B. Blomquist	by This book is about the adventures of Zachary, a kitten, who is taken from his mother's house when she is unable to take care of him. Following Zachary as he goes into foster care, being adopted by a family of geese and his feelings of shame, anger and hurt	0
The Visit by S. Latisha Herbert	A story for children living in foster care and then being reunited with their brothers and sister that live in a different foster home	1
On My Own: Helping Kids Help Themselves by Tova Navarra	Learn how to help children deal with large and small problems, from what to do if a fire starts to answering the phone to dealing with injuries	1
Let's Talk About When Your Parent Is in Jail Wittbold	by Maureen K. This book discusses why the jail system exists, why people go to jail, and how to deal with having a parent in prison	1

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Meeting my CASA by Adam Robe	For children in foster care (ages 5-10), this book provides an educational story for kids in out-of-home care. Robbie Rabbit meets his court-appointed special advocate for the first time. Learn how Robbie feels about having a CASA	1
Families Change by Julie Nelson	Children will learn that when there is a change in the family, it's not their fault. They understand that they can remember and value their birth family and love their new family	2
Love You From Right Here: A Keepsake Book for Children in Foster Care by Jamie Sandefer	Love You From Right Here takes you through an abbreviated look at the emotions a young foster child experiences throughout her transition in a new foster home.	2
Little White Fish is Happy by Guido van Genechten	Mom is coming to get little fish so little fish says good bye to his friends	1
<b>Books about Belonging/Feelings</b>		
Did My First Mother Love Me? By Kathryn Ann Miller	Morgan's adoptive mother reads to Morgan a letter written by her birth mother. In the letter she explains the kind of life she wanted for her child	1
Wanting to Belong by Adam Robe	Feeling like he doesn't belong, he breaks something and attracts the immediate attention of his foster parents- foster parents considers why that might be, and then takes steps to help him feel more included	1
The Boy Who Didn't Want To Be Sad by Rob Goldblatt	A boy who doesn't want to be sad tries eliminating all sources of sadness from his life, ultimately, he realizes that all sources of sadness are also his sources of happiness, and he reclaims them all	1

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The Boy With Pink Hair by Perez Hilton	A story of a boy who is not afraid to be who he is and how his difference makes a difference	1
When I Miss You by Cornelia Maude Spelman	A young guinea pig expresses her distress when her mother and father go away but she eventually finds ways to deal with it	0
It's Scary Sometimes by "I and Others"	Explores and explains some of the common fears of children	1
The Berenstain Bears and the Bad Dream by Stan & Jan Berenstain	After watching a scary movie, both Brother and Sister Bear are troubled by nightmares until Mama and Papa explain what causes bad dreams	1
Tell Me Again About the Night I Was Born by Jamie Lee Curtis	Asking her parents to tell her again about the night of her birth, a young girl shows that it is a cherished tale she knows by heart	1
Real Life Heroes A Life Storybook for Children by Richard Kagan	This book will help children with traumatic stress move from painful or fractured memories to a more positive perspective not by denying hardships, but by drawing strength from the supportive people in their lives	1
Does A Kangaroo Have A Mother, Too? By Eric Carle	For parents and Children to share the knowledge that love crosses all boundaries and ties all creatures on this Earth together.	0
The Comfy-Cozy Nest	Big Bird is having a hard time after a confusing and upsetting thing happened. Alan, Big Bird's friend, teaches him an important coping strategy he can use anytime, anywhere. <a href="http://Sesamestreetincommunities.org">Sesamestreetincommunities.org</a>	

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Books about Private Parts/Sexual Abuse		
Bobbie's Story by Brennan Lynn Mars	Providing foster parents with information about sexual abuse of children, resulting behavior and feelings, and suggestions for working with abused children as they deal with their experiences	1
A Terrible Thing Happened by Margeret M. Holmes	For children who have witnessed any kind of violent or traumatic episode, including physical abuse, school or gang violence, accidents, homicide, suicide, and natural disasters such as floods or fire	2
It's My Body by Lory Freeman	A book to teach young children how to resist uncomfortable touches	1
My Body is Private by Linda Walvoord Girard	To help children distinguish between good touching and unwanted touching	1
Your Body Belongs to You by Corenlia Spelman	The author explains that a child's body is his or her own; that it is all right for kids to decline a friendly hug or kiss, even from someone they love; and that you can still be friends even if you don't want a hug now	1
I Said No! by Zack and Kimberly King	Helping kids set healthy boundaries for their private parts can be a daunting and awkward task for parents, counselors and educators. This book will help caregivers find appropriate approaches to address	1
Someone Hurt Me by Susan Cavaciuti	This book will encourage abused children to work through their feelings and guide them in the healing process	1
Please Tell! By Jessie	Written and illustrated by a young girl who was sexually molested by a family member	1

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<b>Books about Anger/Respect</b>		
Cool Down and Work Through Anger by Cheri J. Meiners	Children learn that it's okay to be angry, but not okay to hurt anyone with actions or words	1
Hands Are Not for Hitting by Martine Agassi	Teaching children why hitting is harmful and unhealthy	1
When I Feel Angry by Cornelia Maude Spelman	Education about how to identify and handle our emotions	1
The Berenstain Bears Get In A Fight by Stan & Jan Berenstain	Mama Bear helps Brother and Sister Bear realize that everyone argues once in a while, even with loved ones	1
The Berenstain Bears Show Some Respect by Jan & Mike Berenstain	Gramps and Gran Bear go on a picnic with Mama and Papa Bear and the cubs. As the family searches high and low for the perfect spot, they end up learning a few things about respect	1
How to Take the Grrrrr Out of Anger by Elizabeth Verdick	Learn anger-management tips to guide kids to understand that anger is normal and to help them learn that they can express it in healthy ways	1
<b>Books about Honesty/Lying</b>		
The Berenstain Bears and the Blame Game by Stan & Jan Berenstain	There's always enough blame to go around, but what matters is how we work together to fix the problem	1
The Berenstain Bears and The Truth by Stan & Jan Berenstain	When Brother and Sister Bear accidentally break Mama's favorite lamp, their little lie grows bigger and bigger, until Papa Bear helps them find the words that set everything right again	1

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<p style="text-align: center;">A Children's Book About Lying by Joy Berry</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Help children understand the difference between fantasizing, being mistaken, and purposely lying. Also teaches children the importance of telling the truth</p>	1
<p style="text-align: center;">Be Honest and Tell the Truth by Cheri J. Meiners</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Learn the difference between what's true and what isn't. The words and pictures help young children discover that being honest in words and actions builds trust and self-confidence. They also learn that telling the truth sometimes takes courage and tact</p>	1
<p style="text-align: center;">Ruthie and the (Not So) Teeny Tiny Lie by Laura Rankin</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Learn about why choosing the truth can help cut even the biggest mistake</p>	1
<p style="text-align: center;">Do You Have a Secret? By Jennifer Moore-Mallinos</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">This book helps kids distinguish between good and bad secrets</p>	1
<p style="text-align: center;">Words Are Not for Hurting by Elizabeth Verdick</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">This book teaches children that their words belong to them. They can think before they speak, then choose what to say and how to say it. Explores positive ways to respond when others use unkind words and the importance of saying "I'm sorry."</p>	1
<p style="text-align: center;">Lying A Sure Way to Destroy Your Creditbility! By Dave Craig</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Themes in the book include: partial truths can mislead, adults don't always tell the truth, parents want to believe their children, the consequences of lying, admitting guilt and moving on</p>	1
<p style="text-align: center;">Stealing A Sure Way to Make Life Miserable! By Drave Craig</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">This book teaches how stealing costs everyone the many jobs created just to control stealing crimes, the kinds of people who steal, why they steal, what they steal, etc.</p>	1
<p style="text-align: center;">Edwurd Fudwupper Fibbed Big by Fannie Fudwupper</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">One day, Edwurd tells a lie that the army, the air force, and the dogcatcher are called to reverse the damage</p>	1