

? More Children Staff Picks



Families of All Kinds

Every family is different but is made up of the people that love you. These books celebrate all of those beautifully diverse families.

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All Are Welcome

Alexandra Penfold

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Pen)

Illustrations and simple, rhyming text introduce a school where individual and family diversity is celebrated, and songs, stories, and talents are shared.

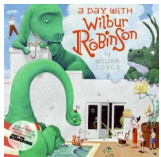


The Blessing Cup

Patricia Polacco

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Pol)

A single china cup from a tea set left behind when Jews were forced to leave Russia helps hold a family together through generations of living in America, reminding them of the most important things in life.

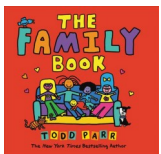


A Day with Wilbur Robinson

William Joyce

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Jo)

While spending the day in the Robinson household, Wilbur's best friend joins in the search for Grandfather Robinson's missing false teeth and meets one eccentric relative after another.

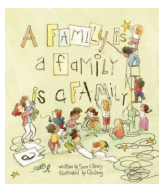


The Family Book

Todd Parr

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Par)

Represents a variety of families, some big and some small, some with only one parent and some with two moms or dads, some quiet and some noisy, but all alike in some ways and special no matter what.

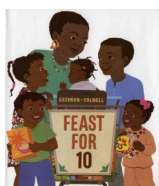


A Family is a Family is a Family

Sara O'Leary

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Ole)

One child is worried that her family is just too different to explain, but listens as her classmates talk about what makes their families special. One is raised by a grandmother, and another has two dads. One is full of stepsiblings, and another has a new baby.

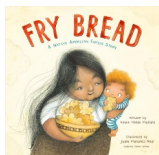


Feast for 10

Cathryn Falwell

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 510 Fal)

Various members of the family help Mama shop for the ingredients and prepare a wonderful chicken dinner for ten people, in a colorful counting book that also shows how a homemade dinner gets from the supermarket to the table.

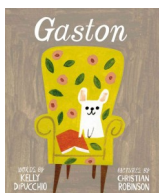


Fry Bread: A Native American Family Story

Kevin Maillard

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Mai)

An intergenerational group of Native American family members and friends make fry bread together.

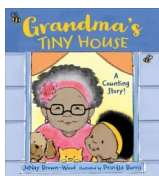


Gaston

Kelly DiPucchio

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Dip)

After a chance encounter at the park and a switch of places, Antoinette the bulldog and Gaston the poodle learn that family is about love, not appearances.

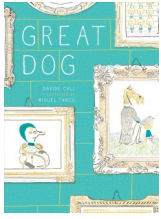


Grandma's Tiny House: A Counting Story!

IsNeV Brown Wood

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Bro)

A rhyming concept book reinforces early counting skills through the number 15 in a story of a loving grandmother whose neighbors, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and grandkids crowd into her tiny house and pile the table with foods for a yummy feast.

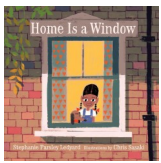


Great Dog

Davide Cali

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Cal)

Learning the stories of the other Great Dogs in their family, including marathon runner Uncle Tibor, astronaut Aunt Yuki and teacher Uncle Scooter, a pup and his father contemplate the grand future he will have.



Home is a Window

Stephanie Ledyard

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Led)

Moving from a beloved home into a new residence, a family discovers how they can bring everything they love about their old home to the new one because they still have each other.

Jethro Byrd, Fairy Child

Bob Graham

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Gra)

Annabelle finds a family of fairies in the cement and weeds, and they sing and dance for her when she gives them tea.

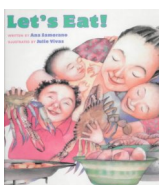


Just Right Family: An Adoption Story

Silvia Lopez

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Lop)

When Meili learns her parents are adopting another child, she must accept the role of big sister and realize a new addition can be just right too.

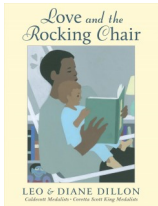


Let's Eat!

Ana Zamorano

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Za)

Each day Antonio's Mama tries to get everyone to sit down together to eat, but someone is always busy elsewhere, until the family celebrates a new arrival.



Love and the Rocking Chair

Leo Dillon, Diane Dillon

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Dil)

A multigenerational celebration of the lasting power of family follows the upbringing of a boy who is raised by loving parents before marrying and having children of his own.

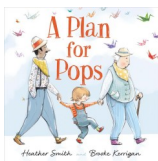


One Family

George Shannon

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Sha)

Celebrates families of different sizes, ages, races, and gender orientations in a story that introduces numbered groups from one to ten.

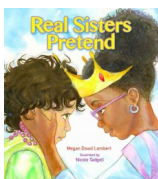


A Plan for Pops

Heather Smith

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Smi)

In this illustrated picture book, a child helps their grandparents deal with a difficult change in abilities.

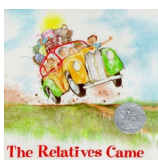


Real Sisters Pretend

Megan Dowd Lambert

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Lam)

Safe in the knowledge that adoption has made them a "forever family," stepsisters Mia and Tayja improvise an imaginary adventure with a joyful homecoming to a real home with their two moms.



The Relatives Came

Cynthia Rylant

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Ryl)

The relatives come to visit from Virginia and everyone has a wonderful time.

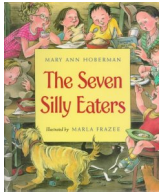


Saturday

Oge Mora

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Mor)

When all of their special Saturday plans go awry, Ava and her mother still find a way to appreciate one another and their time together.



The Seven Silly Eaters

Mary Ann Hoberman

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Hob)

Seven fussy eaters find a way to surprise their mother.

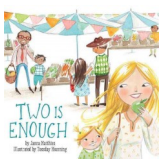


Stella Brings the Family

Miriam B. Schiffer

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Sch)

Stella brings her two fathers to school to celebrate Mother's Day.

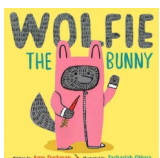


Two is Enough

Janna Matthies

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Mat)

From playing in the snow to a rainy-day ride, to double-scoop treats and crash-landing in leaves, two can be the perfect number for creating life's memories. And two can definitely be enough for a warm family, full of the love, support, and comfort that every child needs.



Wolfie the Bunny

Ame Dyckman

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Dyc)

When her hapless bunny family adopts a wolf cub, little Dot tries to convince her smitten parents that

Wolfie might eat them all up.

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