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Foster Care and Adoption Suggested Reading List

A Child Called "It": One Child's Courage to Survive
Author: Dave Pelzer

Adopted: The Ultimate Teen Guide
Author: Suzanne Slade

Adopting the Hurt Child: Hope for Families with Special-Needs Kids
Authors: Gregory C. Keck, PhD and Regina M. Kupecky, LSW

Adoption Answer Book: Your Complete Guide to a Successful Adoption
Author: Brette McWhorter Sember

Adoption Awareness in School Assignments: A Guide for Parents and Educators
Author: Christine Mitchell

Adoption is a Family Affair: What Relatives and Friends Must Know
Author: Patricia Irwin Johnston

A Family for Leanne
Author: Shelby Griffin-Timberlake

A Family For Sammy - This book has been designed to help explain the process of foster care to young children (Special Stories Publishing) (Special Stories Series) Author: Kate Gaynor

A Foster Mother's Cry: There is Something Within Me
Author: Mary L Latimer

A Knock On The Door: Stories By Biological Parents Who Have Children In Foster Care
Publisher: Youth Communications

All About Adoption: How Families are Made
Author: Marc Nemiroff

Another Mother: Co-Parenting with the Foster Care System
Author: Sarah Gerstenzang

Another Place at the Table
Author: Kathy Harrison

An Unlit Path
Author: Deborah L Hannah

The Armor of Love and Hope
Author: Doris Cerasani

Attaching in Adoption: Practical Tools for Today's Parents
Author: Deborah Gray

Attachment-Focused Parenting: Effective Strategies to Care for Children
Author: Daniel A Hughes

Beyond Consequences, Logic, and Control: A Love Based Approach to Helping Children with Severe Behaviors (Vols1-2)
Author: Heather T. Forbes, LCSW

Beyond the Foster Care System: The Future for Teens
Author: Betsy Krebs
Birth of an Adoptive, Foster or Stepmother: Beyond Biological Mothering Attachments  
Author: Barbara Waterman

Birthmarks: Transracial Adoption in Contemporary America  
Author: Sandra Patton

Blending in: Crisscrossing the Lines of Race, Religion, Family, and Adoption  
Author: Barbara Ann Gowan

The Blind Side: Evolution of a Game  
Author: Michael Lewis

Borya and the Burps: An Eastern European Adoption Story  
Author: Joan McNamara

Building a Home Within: Meeting the Emotional Needs of Children and Youth in Foster Care  
Author: Toni Vaughn Heineman (Editor), Diane Ehrensaft (Editor)

Building the Bonds of Attachment: Awakening Love in Deeply Troubled Children  
Author: Daniel A. Hughes

Children in Foster Care  
Author: James Barber

Children of the State  
Author: Nicia Aiyetoro

Child's Journey Through Placement  
Author: Vera I. Fahlberg, M.D.

Creating Capacity for Attachment  
Author: Arthur Becker-Weidman, PhD (editor), Deborah Shell, MA, LCMHC (editor)

Dare to Love: The Art of Merging Science and Love into Parenting Children with Difficult Behaviors  
Author: Heather T. Forbes, LCSW

Families are Forever  
Author: Craig Shemin/ Deb Capone

For When I’m Famous: A Teen Foster/Adoption Lifebook  
Author: Beth O’Malley

Foster Care Odyssey: A Black Girl’s Story (Willie Morris Books in Memoir and Biography) –  
Author: Theresa Cameron

Foster Parenting: A Road Less Traveled - III,  
Author: Howard Lee Coleman

Foster Parenting Toolbox, The  
Editor: Kim Phagan-Hansel

Fostering Hope: Living the Dream with My Name on It  
Author: Shane Salter

The Great Gilly Hopkins  
Author: Katherine Paterson

Guide to Foster Parenting: Everything But the Kids!  
Author: Mary Ann Goodearle, MS

Handbook of Adoption: Implications for Researchers, Practitioners, and Families  
Author: Rafael A. Javier (ed.)
The Heart Knows Something Different: Teenage Voices from the Foster Care System  
Available through: Youth Communication – Author: Al Desetta

Help Yourself for Teens: Real-Life Advice for Real-Life Challenges  
Author: Dave Pelzer

Helping Children Cope With Separation And Loss  
Author: Claudia L. Jewett-Jarratt

Hope's Boy: A Memoir  
Author: Andrew Bridge

How It Feels To Be Adopted  
Author: Jill Krementz

I Beat the Odds: From Homelessness to The Blind Side and Beyond  
Author: Micheal Oher with Don Yaeger

I Don't Have Your Eyes  
Author: Carrie Kitze

In Their Own Voices: Transracial Adoptees Tell their Stories  
Authors: Rita J Simon and Rhonda M Roorda

Inside Transracial Adoption  
Author: Gail Steinberg and Beth Hall

Is Anyone in There? Adopting a Wounded Child  
Author: Michael Trout

Kids Need to be Safe: A Book for Children in Foster Care  
Author: Julie Nelson

Language of Flowers, The  
Author: Vanessa Diffenbaugh

Lifebooks: Creating a Treasure for the Adopted Child  
Author: Beth O'Malley

The Lost Boy: A Foster Child's Search for the Love of a Family  
Author: Dave Pelzer

The Lost Children of Wilder: The Epic Struggle to Change Foster Care  
Author: Nina Bernstein

Love in the Driest Season: A Family Memoir  
Author: Neely Tucker

Loving Across the Color Line: A White Adoptive Mother Learns About Race  
Author: Sharon E. Rush

Maybe Days: A Book for Children in Foster Care by  
Authors: Jennifer Wilgocki, Marcia Kahn Wright, and Alissa Imre Geis

Me May Mary  
Author: Mary Cameron Kilgour

Miles to Go  
Author: Laurel-Rain Snow

Mulberry Bird (for Children)  
Author: Anne Braff Brodzinsky
Multiple Transitions: A Young Child's Point of View on Foster Care and Adoption  
Author: Michael Trout

My Foster Family: A Story for Children Entering Foster Care  
Author: Jennifer Levine

Nurturing Adoptions : Creating Resilience after Neglect and Trauma  
Author: Deborah D. Gray

One for the Murphys  
Author: Lynda Mullaly Hunt

One Small Boat: The Story of a Little Girl, Lost Then Found  
Author: Kathy Harrison

On Their Own: What Happens to Kids When They Age Out of the Foster Care System?  
Author: Martha Shirk (Author), Stangler, Gary (Author), Jimmy Carter (Foreword by)

Orphans of the Living: Stories of America's Children in Foster Care  
Author: Jennifer Toth;

Parenting the Adopted Adolescents: Understanding and Appreciating their Journeys  
Author: Gregory C. Keck, PhD

Parenting the Hurt Child: Helping Adoptive Families Heal and Grow  
Author: Gregory C. Keck, Ph.D. and Regina M. Kupecky, L.S.W.

Parenting Other People's Children: Understanding And Repairing Reactive Attachment Disorder  
Author: John L. Stoller

The People Movers: The Shameful Story of the Foster Care System  
Author: Pamela Martin-Makuk

Perspectives on a Grafted tree: Thoughts for Those Touched by Adoption  
Compiled by: Patricia Irwin Johnston

Practical Tools for Foster Parents  
Author: Lana Temple-Plotz

Real Parents, Real Children: Parenting the Adopted Child  
Author: Holly van Gulden and Lisa M. Bartels-Rabb

Reasonable People: A Memoir of Autism and Adoption  
Author: Ralph James Savarese

Robbie's Trail through Foster Care  
Authors: Adam D Robe, Kim A Robe, and Nathalie Gavet

Sam's Sister  
Author: Juliet C. Bond

Siblings in Adoption and Foster Care: Traumatic Separations and Honored Connections  
Author: Deborah N. Silverstein

Small Town, Big Miracle  
Author: Bishop W.C. Martin with John Fornof

Somebody's Someone  
Author: Regina Louise

Success as a Foster Parent: Everything You Need to Know about Foster Care  
Author: National Foster Parents Association, Arlene Matthews Uhl, Baldino, Msw
Talking with Children About Adoption  
**Author:** Christine Mitchell

The Teen’s Guide to World Domination  
**Author:** Josh Shipp

Telling the Truth to Your Adopted or Foster Child: Making Sense of the Past  
**Authors:** Betsy Keefer and Jayne E. Schooler

The Heart Knows Something Different: Teenage Voices from the Foster Care System: Youth Communication  
**Author:** Al Desetta (Editor)

The Star: A Story to Help Young Children Understand Foster Care  
**Author:** Cynthia Miller Lovell and Angie J. Przystas

There Is An Urgency  
**Author:** Gregghi Arawn Love

Things Happen for a Reason: Even Foster Care and Adoption  
**Author:** Kimberly Snodgrass

Three Little Words: A Memoir  
**Author:** Ashley Rhodes-Courter

Transracial Adoption & Foster Care: Practice Issues for Professionals  
**Author:** Joseph Crumley

Turning Stones: My Days and Nights with Children at Risk: A Caseworker’s Story  
**Author:** Marc Parent

Twenty Things Adopted Kids Wish Their Adoptive Parents Knew  
**Author:** Sherrie Eldridge

Wasted: The Plight of America’s Unwanted Children  
**Author:** Patrick T. Murphy

The Women Who Raised Me: A Memoir  
**Author:** Victoria Rowell

You Ain’t Got No Easter Clothes: A Memoir  
**Author:** Laura Love