

# Booklist for prospective adopters

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with somerset county council

## **Real parents, Real Children: Parenting the Adopted Child**

(Recommended in America as essential reading for all adoptive parents)

Holly Van Gulden and  
Lisa M Bartels-Rabb  
(Crossroads 1996)

## **The Adoption Experience. Families Who Give Children Second Chance**

(This is a book of real life stories of adopters, which takes the reader through every step of the adoption process)

Ann Norris (Jessica Kingsley 1999)

## **The Primal Wound. Understanding the Adopted Child**

Nancy Newton Verrier  
Gateway Press 1993

## **Adopting the Hurt Child: Hope for families of Special Needs Children**

Gregory C. Keck  
Colorado Springs.Co.Pinon  
press 1995

## **The Essential Adoption Handbook**

Colleen Roberts

## **Adopting a Child: A Guide for People Interested in Adoption**

Jenifer Lord, (BAAF 2002)

## **Adopters on Adoption: Reflections on Parenthood and Children**

David Howe, (BAAF 1996)

## **Parenting the Hurt Child: Helping Adoptive Families Heal and Grow**

Gregory C. Keck  
Colorado Springs Co Pinon  
Press 2002

## **Oh Brother**

Claire Friday  
(Adoption UK)

## **Adoption Law for Adopters in England & Wales**

Mary Lane (Adoption UK 2006)

## **20 Things your adopted kids wish their parents knew**

S Eldridge

## **Next Steps in Parenting the Child Who Hurts - Tykes and Teens**

Caroline Archer  
Adoption UK 1999

## **New Families, Old Scripts. A Guide to the Language of Trauma and Attachment In Adoptive Families**

Caroline Archer  
Jessica Kingsley, 2006

## **Gay and Lesbian Fostering and Adoption: Extraordinary Gets Ordinary**

Edited by Stephen Hicks and  
Janet McDermott Jessica Kingsley  
Publications 1998

## **Pink Guide to Adoption for Lesbians and Gay Men**

Nicola Hill (2009) published by BAAF

## **Intercountry Adoption: Information and Guidance**

BAAF2006 (Pamphlet)

## **Children Adopted From Abroad: Key Health and Developmental Issues**

BAAF 2004 (Pamphlet)

## **Adopting an Older child – Forever and Ever**

Claudia Jewett  
(Association of British  
adoption Agencies)

## **Raising Adopted Children**

(Practical reassuring advice for every adoptive parent) Lois Melina  
(New York Harper Perennial 1998)

## **How it Feels to be Adopted. (19 children aged 8 -16 speak about their feelings of being adopted)**

Jill Krentz (London Gollancz 1991)

## **Adopted Children Speaking**

Caroline Thomas, (BAAF 1999)

## **Parents for Children - Stories of Adoption**

Alice Fowler  
(Profile books 2001)

## **Loving and Living with Traumatized Children**

(Reflections by Adoptive Parents)  
Megan Hurst, BAAF 2005

## **Attachment, Trauma and Resilience**

Therapeutic caring for children  
Kate Cairns, BAAF2002

## **Building the Bonds of Attachment. Awakening Love in Deeply Troubled Children**

Second edition 2006 Daniel Hughes  
Publisher Aronson

## **First steps in Parenting the Child who Hurts – Tiddlers and Toddlers**

Caroline Archer Adoption UK 1999

## **An Adoption Diary**

Maria James, BAAF