

Heather Has Two Mommies

Just For Fun Rating (0-5): Age Range: 4+ years

Diversity Themes: Sexuality; Family Diversity; Race/Ethnicity; Class/Socioeconomic Status

Potential Questions/Comments:

1. Do you have any friends like Heather? Friends who have two mommies?
 - a. What about two daddies?
 - b. What about some of the other kids in her class? Do any of their families look similar?
2. Does Heather's class look similar to yours? In what ways?
3. What do you think of the things Heather likes to do with her mommies? Is it similar to the things we like to do as a family?
4. Are there any types of families that the book missed? If so, what are they? What do they look like? Who is in them?
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6. _____
7. _____

Continuing the Conversation

Find out if your child's school allows books such as these. Find out why or why not. If not, advocate (with your child!) for these books to be allowed & encouraged. Talk to your child about the importance of having books like this. If books like this are allowed and are read regularly, ask about the reactions of the class to them. Do some kids laugh? Do some look uncomfortable? If so, ask your child why this might be. If not, explain that for some people it is uncomfortable and explain why. Ask your child what they think about that. Have a discussion with your older child about marriage equality - provide the facts & allow them to express their opinions on the subject.

