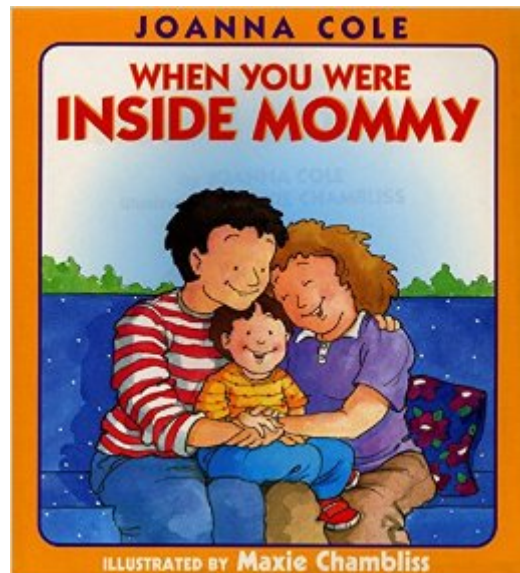


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When You Were Inside Mommy



Synopsis

Isn't it amazing that you were once inside Mommy? With clear inviting text and lively illustrations, Joanna Cole and Maxie Chambliss introduce young children to the concepts of pregnancy and childbirth--from the time they begin as one tiny cell to the joyful moment when their parents welcome them into the world.

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool and up

Customer Reviews

My 28 month old son loves this book. When we first got it, two months ago, he received the information with wide-eyed wonder. Now, he is able to "read" the book himself, reciting the simple sentences himself from memory while looking at the pictures. We are expecting a new sibling next year, and our thought was that before our son should know or could understand that a new baby was inside mommy, it would be helpful for him first to know and understand that he was once inside. Small kids are ego-centric by nature, and knowing it was about him really helped. I have not been able to find a better book to accomplish this job. I'd recommend it without reservation to anyone looking for a first book on the facts of life. The language and material are approached in a simple, direct, age-appropriate way. That said, there are some things a parent might want to know before purchasing this book: 1) As the cover illustration suggests, the book features a two-parent, heterosexual family with one child. The family has a light peach skintone. The sex of the child is not

explicit, but the illustrations lean toward implying he's a boy.²) The book does not address the sexual act, sperm, or eggs. This is somewhat good, because the material is enough for a small child to digest without adding that to it, but it makes things a bit confusing. A two page spread reads, "In the beginning you were just one tiny cell. Half of the cell came from your mommy, and the other half came from your daddy. That cell was smaller than this dot! ." The illustration shows the mom and dad holding together halves of a construction paper heart. This confused my child and made him think we could create a child by making a collage.

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