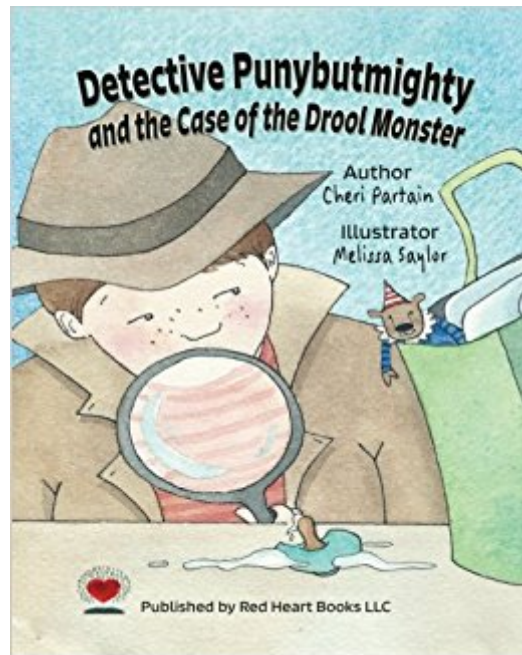




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Detective Punybutmighty: And The Case Of The Drool Monster



Synopsis

Adoption is a topic that is ever growing and changing in our society and its complexities are especially difficult to explain to children in a way they can relate to, with language they can understand. Introducing, Detective Punybutmighty, who is here to answer all of the questions you or your child may have about adoption, especially open adoption. In the first story of this adoption series, Detective Punebybutmighty explores the topic of infant adoption when his aunt and uncle adopt a baby through a domestic adoption agency. His witty humor and candid nature will have you laughing at every turn of this thought-provoking children's book that answers the difficult question, where did this baby come from and who does he belong to? The answers may surprise you!

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Customer Reviews

Cheri Partain is an adoption clinician, author, wife, and mother of two adventurous children. Cheri began her career in social work helping youth in a variety of settings before pursuing a Masters in Social Work degree at Portland State University. After obtaining that degree, she worked with children in the foster care system for a few years before she began working in 2006 for Portland, Oregon-based Boys & Girls Aid, a non-profit child welfare agency. She is passionate about her work because she believes adoption, when it is the right decision for the birthparents, can help all parties involved to heal and live to their full potential. She is also an advocate of open adoption, which gives children the ability to know their whole story. Stories are how everyone makes sense of the world, whether they are oral or written, real or imagined. Cheri is excited to have added storytelling to her own life. When she is not busy working, writing, or being a mom, Cheri enjoys running, hiking, skiing, reading, and having dance parties with her kids. Melissa Saylor is an artist and an illustrator.

She has lived and worked in Oregon her whole life and she loves it there. Melissa spends her days creating artwork, walking her dog, and drinking many cups of tea.

The hook: A pre-pubescent boy, wrapped up in his own "boy" world, realizes something BIG is going on in his extended family, and it has to do with the unexpected appearance of a baby! What?? He decides to put on his "detective cap" and the deductive reasoning approach to solve this unexplained mystery. His inner dialogue and thought processes are hilariously on-point. You immediately like this kid! A wonderful book for kids and adults to read together as a light-hearted, "easy" introduction to the topic of adoption. The illustrations are expressive and detailed and will capture young, non-readers as the story is read to them. Older readers will identify with main character and his view of adults and their world, probably with snickers of agreement. I am looking forward to more "cases" solved by Detective Punybutmighty!

This book is wonderful. We have a 3 and a half year old daughter that came to our family through adoption. The adoption is open and as a family we talk about it although we haven't seen her birthmom in a couple of years. My daughter loved it, and demanded "again" several times. The best part though was it was such a terrific conversation tool for us to talk about how she was fully part of our family PLUS fully loved by her birth family. And that her birth mom made a choice from love. This is one we will read again and again. Thank you so much for creating this wonderful story.

The cheerful illustrations in this book are a great fit for the happy message in the story. Although the images are simple, there are items that make me smile on most pages; a funny little stuffed toy, a "junk" drawer filled with the things in my junk drawer and a young boy using a cell phone. This is a great book, not just for families who have adopted a child, but for others who want their children to understand what adoption is about.

I really enjoyed this children's book. It was what I expected and more! When reading it to a 3 year old relative it had their full attention span and then some. They loved the characters. Can't wait to see what this author comes up with next!

Detective Punybutmighty takes a case on adoption, helping bring clarity, to young minds working hard to understand the process. The Author adds in the right amount of humor for both the young and old to enjoy.

What a wonderful book! It has so much that a child can relate to. Such as love of family, acceptance, and a mystery to keep the reader engaged in the story. I can't wait for more books from this author!

What a wonderful book. I bought it for my 9 year old grandson because he has two friends in his class that are adopted. After reading the book he understands adoption better. He loves the book and is hoping there will be another one. Good job Cheri.

Great book! Fun way to explain adoption to your kids.

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