

A Note from PJ Goes to School

Find out how your child is exploring Jewish values through PJ Library books



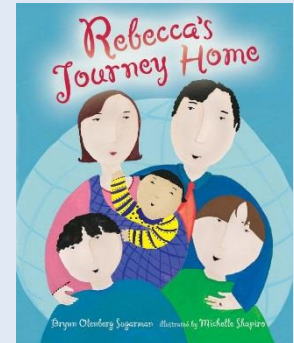
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READ

Rebecca's Journey Home

By Brynn Olenberg Sugarman
Illustrated by Michelle Shapiro
Published by Kar-Ben Publishing

This is one family's story of adopting a Vietnamese child, and how they thought deeply about meshing the child's heritage with their own.



DISCUSS

What's in a name? Tell your children about the origin of their names.

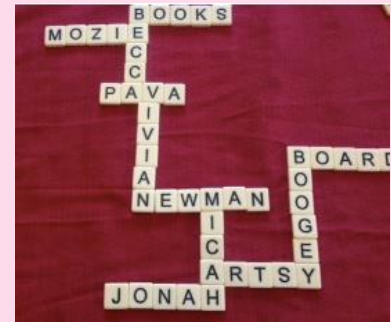
Jewish Values

Significance of names – Names can convey meaning; family history; and emotional ties to people, places, or Biblical heroes.

Each person is unique – According to a Hassidic saying, within every person is something precious that can be found in no one else.

DO

Namegrams: Using the letter tiles from Scrabble or Bananagrams, spend a few moments constructing a family crossword puzzle that displays the names of your family members and a few unique characteristics about your family.



MORE

PJ Library books related to choosing names and unique family structures:

The Schmutzy Family

My Name is Aviva

An argument about the psychology of names: <http://bit.ly/names-matter>