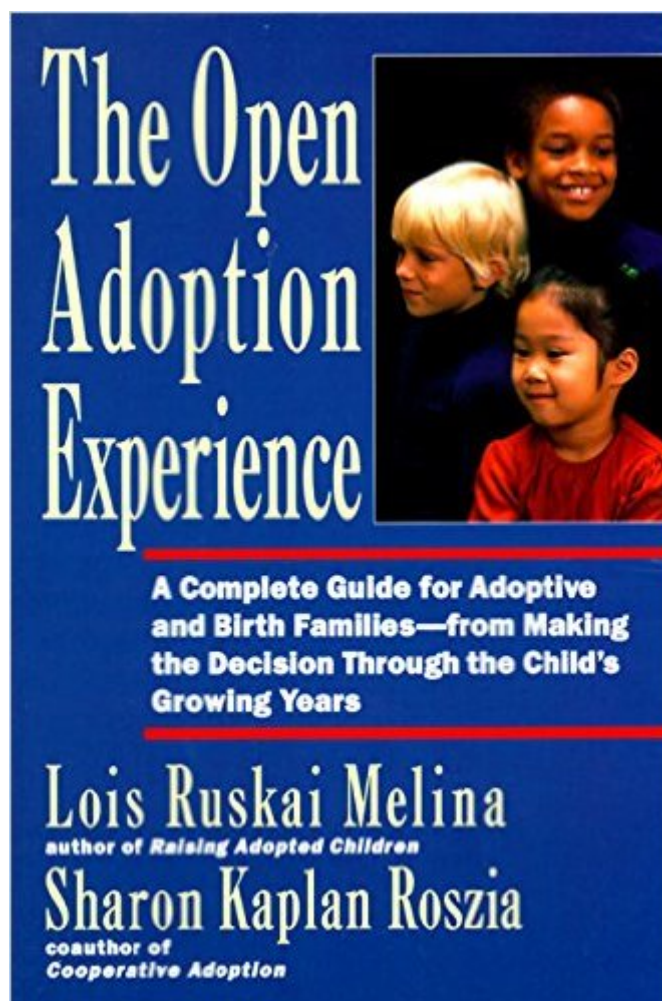


The book was found

The Open Adoption Experience - A Complete Guide For Adoptive And Birth Families



Synopsis

Two leading experts provide an authoritative and reassuring guide to the issues and concerns of adoptive and birth families through all stages of the open adoption relationship.

Book Information

Paperback: 416 pages

Publisher: William Morrow Paperbacks; 1 edition (November 17, 1993)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0060969571

ISBN-13: 978-0060969578

Product Dimensions: 5.3 x 1 x 8 inches

Shipping Weight: 12.8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.2 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (21 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #108,917 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #93 in [Books > Parenting & Relationships > Adoption](#) #541 in [Books > Deals in Books](#) #2109 in [Books > Parenting & Relationships > Parenting](#)

Customer Reviews

If I were adopting today and had read this thoughtful book, I would jump at the opportunity for an open adoption. The information on pre-adoption and placement aspects is persuasive for both adoptive and birth parents, especially since the author is non-judgmental. When you think about it, open adoption seems ideal for both parties involved. Really a utopia. I get goose bumps thinking about it. And yet. . . yet. . . The U.S. has gone from one extreme of adoption practice (secrecy) to another, openness. Unfortunately, the adversarial relationship between advocates and critics of openness in adoption is exacerbated by lack of empirical research. It is this lack of empirical evidence that should caution prospective adoptive parents about this new extreme practice. Lois Ruskai Melina's book was published in 1993, but we have now at least one large longitudinal study on openness. Harold D. Grotevant and Ruth G. McRoy report in their study, *Openness in Adoption, Exploring Family Connections* (Sage 1998): "The clearest policy implication of our work is that no single type of adoption is best for everyone." These authors warn that the long-term impact of openness for all parties in the adoptive kinship network is not known and longitudinal research is necessary to answer this question. We now have a generation of children who grew up in open adoptions, and we need to find out from them, now that they are adults, how they perceived the practice in their lives. We do not have such a comprehensive study of their

experiences, but only anecdotal records. Even if some adoptive and birth parents like openness, this does not mean that the practice is good for the children. Some research also indicates that birthmothers who see their children suffer more than those who do not see them.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

The Open Adoption Experience - A Complete Guide for Adoptive and Birth Families In On It: What Adoptive Parents Would Like You To Know About Adoption. A Guide for Relatives and Friends. (Mom's Choice Award Winner) In On It: What Adoptive Parents Would Like You To Know About Adoption. A Guide for Relatives and Friends The Open-Hearted Way to Open Adoption: Helping Your Child Grow Up Whole Microsoft SharePoint 2013 Planning for Adoption and Governance: Planning for Adoption and Governance The Post-Adoption Blues: Overcoming the Unforeseen Challenges of Adoption Surgery Open Heart: A Surgical Nurse Guides You Through Open Heart Surgery (Open Heart Surgery, Aortic Valve / Mitral Valve Replacement, Coronary Artery Bypass, Aortic Aneurysm, Myxoma) Choice: True Stories of Birth, Contraception, Infertility, Adoption, Single Parenthood, & Abortion Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families and Churches (Updated and Expanded Edition) Ready or Not: 30-Day Discovery for Families Growing Through Foster Care and Adoption Loving across the Color Line: A White Adoptive Mother Learns About Race Twenty Things Adopted Kids Wish Their Adoptive Parents Knew Raising Multiple Birth Children: A Parent's Survival Guide, Birth-Age 3 From the Hips: A Comprehensive, Open-Minded, Uncensored, Totally Honest Guide to Pregnancy, Birth, and Becoming a Parent Active Birth - Revised Edition: The New Approach to Giving Birth Naturally (Non) Polyamory: The Practical Dater's Guide to the Pursuit and Maintenance of Open Relationships ****FREE BONUS BOOK**** (Polyamory, Polyamorous, Relationship, ... Polyamory Dating, Open Relationships) Open Water Swimming Manual: An Expert's Survival Guide for Triathletes and Open Water Swimmers Third Eye Awakening: The Ultimate Guide on How to Open Your Third Eye Chakra to Experience Higher Consciousness and a State of Enlightenment (Third Eye, Pineal Gland, Chakra, Kundalini) The Complete Adoption and Fertility Legal Guide (Sphinx Legal) Bountiful, Beautiful, Blissful: Experience the Natural Power of Pregnancy and Birth with Kundalini Yoga and Meditation

[Dmca](#)