Module 1: Valuing Each Child and Family

Children’s Books

- **A Chair for My Mother**, by Vera B. Williams. 1982. New York: Greenwillow Books. When the home Rosa shares with her mother and grandmother is destroyed by fire, the family saves up their spare change to buy a new chair.

- **A Day with Dad**, by Bo R. Holmberg. Illus. by Eva Eriksson. 2008. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press. Tim’s father lives in a different town, but when he comes to visit Tim on the train, father and son spend a special day together.


- **Daddy Makes the Best Spaghetti**, by Anna Grossnickle Hines. 1999. New York: Clarion. Corey’s dad makes the evening routine fun by cooking great spaghetti, dressing up as Bathman, and pretending to be a barking dog.


- **The Family Book**, by Todd Parr. 2003. New York: Little, Brown. This colorful, lively story celebrates many different types of families, including stepfamilies, families with two moms or two dads, and single-parent families.

- **Fred Stays with Me!** by Nancy Coffelt. Illus. by Tricia Tusa. 2007. New York: Little, Brown. A little girl whose parents are divorced runs into trouble when her dog, Fred, starts misbehaving.

- **Has Anyone Seen My Emily Greene?** by Norma Fox Mazer. Illus. by Christine Davenier. 2007. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press. It’s time for lunch and the table is set, but Emily Greene is hiding. Will her father find her?

- **Heather Has Two Mommies**, by Leslea Newman. Illus. by Diana Souza. 2000. Los Angeles: Alyson Wonderland. In this now classic story, Heather, a preschooler with two moms, discovers that many of her friends have very different sorts of families.


• **Mystery Bottle**, by Kristen Balouch. 2006. New York: Hyperion. A young boy and his Iranian grandfather are brought together by a magic bottle.

