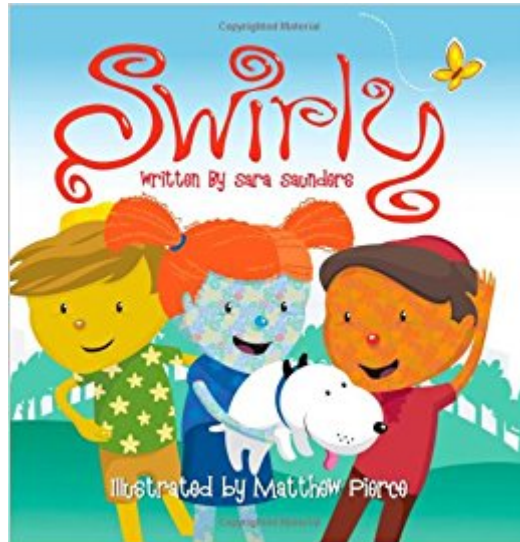


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# Swirly



## Synopsis

Lila isn't just like her yellow friends or her blue cousins, so she feels as though she doesn't fit in anywhere. But when she meets another swirly kid and his swirly mom, she finds out that she does belong somewhere . . . with a very special swirly Someone.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

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## Customer Reviews

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What happens when we grow up in a different culture from our birth culture? Swirly is a wonderful illustrated story of a girl who has to navigate the cultural differences between her family and her host culture. This book explores the emotional ride of being a TCK ("third culture kid"), as the main character learns who she is and how she fits into the world around her. While this book is perfect for TCKs or expat families, it's great for anyone anywhere. The moment you step out of your family of origin, you hit cultural difference, however small they may be. Your best friend's family isn't the same as yours, with different rules, values, etc. Swirly helps us take a peek into what it means to define ourselves in the midst of cultural differences and appreciate those differences.

Fantastic book for helping young children understand how their diversity is a good thing! My

kindergarten class is very diverse and this book is the perfect one for helping all of the students see how all of us together make the world better.

This is one of the best books for teaching children about how it feels to be a TCK and gives real meaning and words to emotions TCKs have! This book is very helpful for families who live as global nomads!

I love this book. Our family has lived in multiple countries. As a result of this book, we have discovered a new way to describe and discuss living as a third culture family. I love the way that it has re-framed some of the issues that my kids feel. I especially appreciated the way that it incorporated Jesus in the discussion.

Great book for TCKs!!!! Love it!

I've passed this on to many friends who have used it to help their kids, as well as themselves, process life as global nomads. This is my favorite resource I've ever found on teaching TCKs how to dialogue about emotions.

What a great book! I have family members who are missionaries and who are in the military, and this book helps explain the cultural differences that children absorb while living in other countries. It is also nice to see a book that touches on the love that Jesus has for all people. Thank you!

I read this book at an international school elementary library and immediately knew I wanted a copy. I work with Third culture/missionary kids and their families and this book really explains to young children how they are different and the same as monocultural people.

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