

SADHBH DEVLIN

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a Special gift

an egg donation story

First
in a series of
Irish produced
Donor Conception
storybooks!

NISIG - National Infertility Support and Information Group

Tips for Reading and Talking Together

This story has been created to help families formed through donor conception to introduce the concept to their young children.

Before you read the story:


- Talk about the title on the cover. Ask your child what they think the story might be about.
- Talk about what a gift is. What is your child's experience of giving or receiving gifts?

Read the story with your child.

After you have read the story:

- Discuss the 'Talk About' ideas at the back of this book.
- Can you spot Little Otter's baby photos? Do you have any similar photos you can look at together?





Did you ever notice that there are
different types of family all around us?
Families come in all shapes and sizes.

There are many, different ways to make
a family too. This is the story of how
my family was made.

When my Mammy and Daddy met and fell in love,
they knew that someday they wanted to make
a special family of their own.



They set about gathering
all the things they needed.

A Recipe
for a Family

LOVE
CARE
PATIENCE
LAUGHTER
HOPE
UNDERSTANDING

a SPECIAL SEED
from DADDY

a SPECIAL EGG
from MAMMY



They had almost everything on their list,
but one teeny-tiny but oh-so-important
thing was missing!



Without it there could be no family.
Without it there could be no ME!



But my Mammy and Daddy are very smart,
and they never gave up. They decided
to go to the doctor to ask for help.



The doctor knew a lot about how families are made.
She told them all about a kind person called a donor.
“Donors love to help people make families,” she explained.

“Don’t worry,” she said. “I can show you
how to find a donor. We will all work together
to help you make a special family of your own.”



And she did!



The donor gave Mammy and Daddy exactly what they needed to make their list complete and give them the gift of...



ME!!!



I'm glad there's a donor in my family story,
because without her, there wouldn't be a family.

Without her, we wouldn't get to have a party
every year to celebrate my birthday!





**There are different types of family all around us,
but I love mine the most.**

Talk About

- What story did Little Otter tell us?
- What was missing from Mammy and Daddy's list?
- Who gave Mammy and Daddy the thing they needed to make their list complete?
- Why is Little Otter glad that there is a donor in his family story?



About NISIG

The National Infertility Support and Information Group - is a charity-registered support group established in Cork in 1996 by a group of dedicated people who needed and wanted to be in contact with others who understood their fertility journey.

How does NISIG support donor families?

NISIG supports people nationwide through their fertility journey, offering a confidential listening ear and emotional support to couples and individuals.

Support meetings & Family events

Donor Conception meetings are held regularly for all those considering donor conception, on the journey or that already have children using donor conception.

NISIG holds family events for donor families to enable children to socialise together and the parents to meet and share their experience. We also keep members informed of externally organised events, such as family get-togethers and training courses.

Family Conversations: Donor Talks

NISIG runs periodic events for parents (and parents to be) of donor conceived children, whereby they have an opportunity to meet with parents, grandparents, and adult children born from donor conception, to discuss how to initiate the conversation around their child's origins with them.

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