



A Note from the Author

Hi! I am so glad you have found this resource!

My book, *Since the Baby Came*, offers a unique take on a timeless topic. The heartfelt and humorous drama unfolds completely in verse, addressing the full range of emotions a young child experiences when a new baby joins the family—from surprise and confusion to feelings of neglect and jealousy to wholehearted tenderness and affection. The book also introduces young children to the playfulness and fun of various forms of poetry.

My hope is that my book and this resource will help you and your family welcome your new baby with love and joy.

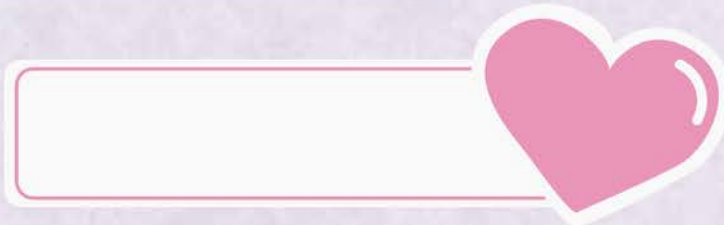
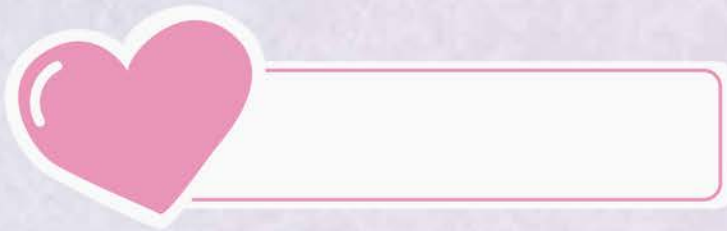
—Kathleen Long Bostrom





Choose a Name for Our New Baby!

What should we name the new baby in our family?
Think about your friends at school or church and write a few
of your favorite names below. Mommy and Daddy can help, too!



Our Family Portrait

What does our family look like? Let's draw it out in the picture frame below. Don't forget our new baby!



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Baby's Fun Puzzle



OUR BABY CANNOT WAIT
TO MEET YOU! ARE YOU
READY? HERE WE GO!



Wheel of Emotions

Make your own emotions wheel with this handy book-inspired template to help your child learn new vocabulary and express their feelings about the family changes.

Directions:

- 1 Print the next page on white card stock paper.
- 2 Cut out the wheel and arrow.
- 3 Align the arrow over the center dot on the wheel.
- 4 Punch a hole through the arrow and wheel.
- 5 Secure the arrow with a round-head fastener. Tape the back of the fastener onto the wheel to keep it in place.



- You can find round-head fasteners in your local office supplies store.
- Try gluing the wheel onto a paper plate for variation!
- You may also laminate the materials before assembly.



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