

Subject: Book of FCC Stories - Send YOUR FAMILY'S Story

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Send in *YOUR* story...

All members are encouraged to participate.

Man-Li Lin, ten year instructor of the FCC-LI Chinese Heritage and Language Program, invites you to participate in this landmark project.

The Project:

National Publisher in Taiwan is interested in published one of my books and After I a recent discussion with the president of National Publisher in Taiwan, we are planning to publish a book of our childrens' stories.

Eight years ago, I collected some articles from our students of our school's first two classes. After so many years, and with so many more members, I think we should have enough stories to compile a book for publication.

This will be the best book to remind our children how they came to US, how they have been loved and raised. The book will be printed in both English and Chinese (I will translate to Chinese.).

The Process:

For parents: You can submit as much as you would like, in any style. The publisher and I will decide how to present this book once until I collect all the articles. I think we will have some pages in color for the photos so please prepare at least two family photos that one was when the girls just came to US and one is most recently taken, (then and now).

I need time to translate the articles so you can send me what you already have and write more in the summer. I hope this will be your summer project for the whole family. Maybe you can set up a weekly evening to have a family writing time. I hope I can most of the stories at the end of August and we can get the book published before Christmas so we can have the best gift for the holiday season.

For children:

I list some questions for them to answer so parents can choose the

appropriate questions you think and guide them to express themselves.

Topics of your essays can be anything you choose. Here are some ideas to get you started.

1. I feel _____when my parents tell people that I was adopted from China.
2. I feel _____ when I go out with my parents and people are staring at us.
3. I feel _____ when my parents told me about the trip they went to China to bring me back.
4. I feel _____ when my parents told me that my birth parents could not keep me.
5. I feel _____ that I was adopted by my mom and dad.
6. I love my mom because _____.
7. I love my dad because _____.
8. I like to (do) _____ with my mom.
9. I like to (do) _____ with my dad.
10. I want/don't want to visit my birth place someday. I want to: see the orphanage, the city that I was born, see the children that not as lucky as I, meet my birth parents.
11. My parents take me to Chinese School since I was ___ years old. I love to go to Chinese School because I can see my friend_____, I learn Chinese, Chinese dance, Kung Fu, have fun with my parents, in the same class with my parents, went to Flushing, performed in the nursing home.
12. I fee _____ because I have a very special family.

All submissions should be sent asap to Man-Li Kuo Lin @ manlikuo@hotmail.com



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