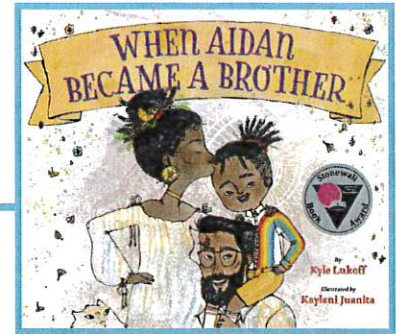# When Aidan Became A Brother

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## About the Author

Kyle Lukoff writes books for kids and other people. Before becoming a full-time writer, Kyle worked at five bookstores, in four libraries, for three schools, as two genders, through one intersection: people and books.

## About the Book

When Aidan was born, everyone thought he was a girl. His parents gave him a pretty name, his room looked like a girl's room and he wore clothes that other girls liked wearing. After he realized he was a trans boy, Aidan and his parents fixed the parts of his life that didn't fit anymore and he settled happily into his new life. When Aidan Became a Brother is a heartwarming book that will resonate with transgender children, reassure any child concerned about becoming an older sibling, and celebrate the many transitions a family can experience.

## Discussion Questions

+ What does it mean to be transgender?

+ What did Aidan's parents do to fix the parts of his life that didn't fit anymore?

+ Aidan explored different ways of being a boy. What are some of the things he did to show the world how he wanted to be a boy? Look at the illustrations for clues.

+ Aidan was concerned about getting everything right for the new baby. What were some of the things that he worried about?

+ What are some things Aidan and his parents did to get ready for the new baby?

## Activities

+ Make a list of some of the things that you do to show the world who you are inside.

+ Pretend that a family is expecting a baby. Draw a picture or make a collage of a bedroom that could make someone who is a boy, girl, both or neither comfortable and happy. Explore some of the toys and furnishings you would put into the room.

+ What names would you choose to pick from for a new baby? We think of many names as "boy names" and "girl names", but that doesn't include all the genders that people can be. Make a list of names that you would like for a baby who might be a boy, girl, both or neither.