

## **Me and My Sister**

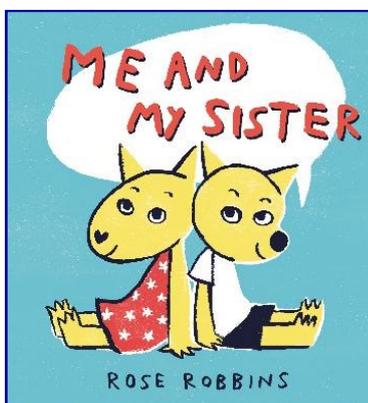
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This appealing brother and sister duo spend a lot of their day together, eating meals, going to school and playing. But life with an autistic sibling is not always easy. A delightful picture book about siblings from an outstanding new talent suitable for all families but especially those with a differently abled family member. 'A sweet and caring book that will genuinely help siblings of children with disabilities understand that their sibling is different, not less.' Nicole Rogerson, Autism Awareness Australia.



### **Themes:**

- Family
- Unconditional Love
- Understanding differences
- Acceptance
- Autism

### **Discussion Questions:**

- When you first look at the cover, do you think you can predict what the story is about?
- After reading it, how close were your predictions?
- How would you describe the relationship that the siblings have?
- What is the underlying theme of this story?
- What do you think the author wants you to learn from it?
- Discuss how their relationship might be more challenging than other brother/sister relationships.
- 'But strangers don't always see her the way I do'. As a class, discuss how this is a difficult situation for both the siblings to be in.
- 'Sometimes my sister just needs to be alone. And sometimes she doesn't!' Do you think that this is a true saying for all of us? Explain.
- As a class, make a list of situations that you might find yourself in when acceptance is important.

### **Activities:**

- Draw a picture of you and your brother/sister/cousin or friend doing an activity that you enjoy doing together.
- Write a letter to someone important in your life telling them how and why they make you laugh and why they are so special to you.