

I Accept Others

by Kellie Cardone • illustrated by Pauline Gregory





SET THEME:

I Treat Others Well

Build Social and Emotional Intelligence

Discuss how accepting others means valuing another person who might have different needs:

- Help children understand that sometimes others eat different foods for health or cultural reasons.
- Explain that others might dress differently because of health needs.
- Encourage children to consider ways they can accept others who are different from them.

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How to Read This Book with Children

- 1** Read aloud the title. Discuss what it means to accept others.
- 2** Read aloud the book with children.
- 3** Talk about Tulip's reactions as you read.
- 4** Ask children to describe how Tulip's behavior changes over the course of the story.
- 5** After reading, use the Real-World Wrap-Up prompts to discuss the photograph.
- 6** Guide children to connect the story to their own experiences.

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Tulip is very excited. Her mom is preparing a birthday picnic for her and her friends at the splash park. She can't wait to celebrate with her two best friends and play outside.





Today is going to be
the best birthday ever!

Let's see. I have my
goggles, my swimsuit,
and sunglasses.



She knows it's going to be the best birthday ever because her mom is making her FAVORITE sandwiches. Monster Butter sandwiches.



Oh no! Tulip almost forgot.
Tootie is coming.



Tootie is one of Tulip's best friends. But Tootie is allergic to Monster Butter. That means no Monster Butter sandwiches for her birthday.

