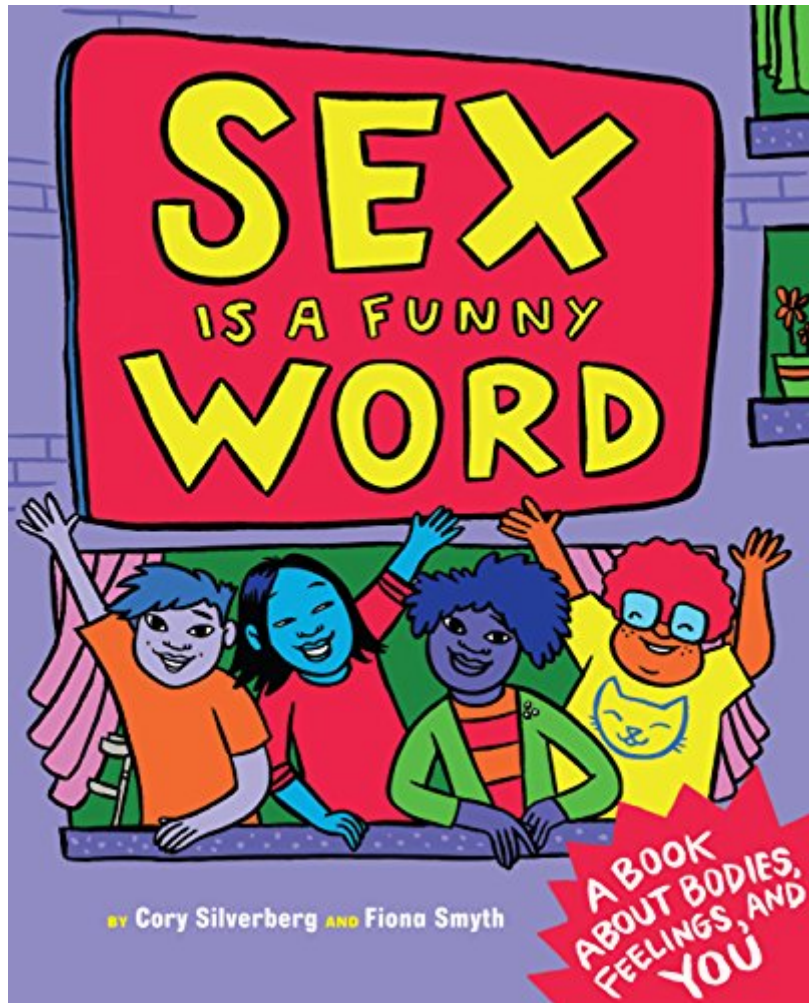




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# Sex Is A Funny Word



## Synopsis

2016 ALA Stonewall Book Award, Honor Book A comic book for kids that includes children and families of all makeups, orientations, and gender identities, *Sex Is a Funny Word* is an essential resource about bodies, gender, and sexuality for children ages 8 to 10 as well as their parents and caregivers. Much more than the "facts of life" or "the birds and the bees," *Sex Is a Funny Word* opens up conversations between young people and their caregivers in a way that allows adults to convey their values and beliefs while providing information about boundaries, safety, and joy. The eagerly anticipated follow up to Lambda-nominated *What Makes a Baby*, from sex educator Cory Silverberg and artist Fiona Smyth, *Sex Is a Funny Word* reimagines "sex talk" for the twenty-first century. From the Hardcover edition.

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## Customer Reviews

I'm a trauma therapist that works with children who have been sexually abused. This is one of the best books I have used. Not only is it amazing and diverse with children's education and raising awareness, it has a special section to explain to children about the inappropriateness of sexual abuse. It is one of the first books I have used that directly addresses this. All the other information is

also very helpful. I highly recommend any child therapist to purchase this book.

As a mom and a Youth Services Librarian, I have read many books about bodies, sex, etc. This is, hands down, the BEST book about sex for children and adolescents I have ever encountered! I really appreciated how this book was very matter of fact about body parts and feelings, including the spectrum of sexual preferences and gender identities. I first heard about this book at a library conference and requested a copy from my library so I could check it out. As soon as I read it, though, I made it a point to buy a copy for my home library. Every parent should read this book and make it available for curious children to read,

My 9 y/o son was molested by a family member over a span of a few months. It was absolutely devastating for me. One of my fears was that he would turn around and offend against someone else and continue the cycle. I try to have an open dialogue with my kiddos. I want them to feel comfortable talking about anything with me. However, I was not raised that way and struggle knowing how to say things in the right way. Therapy wasn't much help. He acts fine so the therapist didn't really do much and decided that he didn't need regular visits after a few months. This book was AMAZING. It is able to describe things in the perfect way, exactly like I wish I knew how to say. We sat down and read it together. He listened very quietly and would ask questions from time to time. There are questions at the end of each chapter that encourage conversation and thought. It covers all areas of sex, love, sexuality, anatomy. I would recommend this book to EVERYONE looking for a way to talk to their kids about this awkward but necessary subject. My son is 11 now but I've also read it to his younger brother who is 9 now. I read it with each boy separately so they would feel free to ask whatever they wanted. Thank you to the authors, THANK YOU! This has really been helpful for my sons to clear up any confusion.

Great book for all kinds of kids. It's not so much about specific sexual acts, but about feeling comfortable with yourself, your feelings, and other people and their feelings & diverse. Great, inclusive, sensitive & sensible book, that addresses not only kids' curiosity & interest, but also their nervousness & fears.

This book is about the most important book I've seen for preadolescent children. It addresses the kinds of questions kids have about bodies, emotions, relationships, and sex before puberty, and it does this in a way that includes kids of every sort. It completely avoids stereotyping, and it refuses

to force kids into conventional boxes, yet it provides accurate and complete information about the kinds of things they want to know. Silverberg frames the entire thing in the language of respect, trust, joy and justice while Smyth's illustrations make sure that all kids can be engaged and welcomed into the story.

I absolutely love how this book presents information about bodies, gender and sexuality for young people. A must for any parent who wants sex-positive, age-appropriate tools to support kids as they grow. I recommend this book to everyone!

A great book that covers gender identity, sexuality, and the beautiful uniqueness that our bodies are. Body positive and LGBT+ friendly, I can't recommend this book enough.

I love this book! It's so inclusive, fun, and explains bodies as well as feelings. It's also much longer than I thought it would be, which I consider a bonus ;) The drawings are super cute and the language is simple without leaving anything important out. Heck, even I learned a few things, and I'm an adult! Would definitely recommend.

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