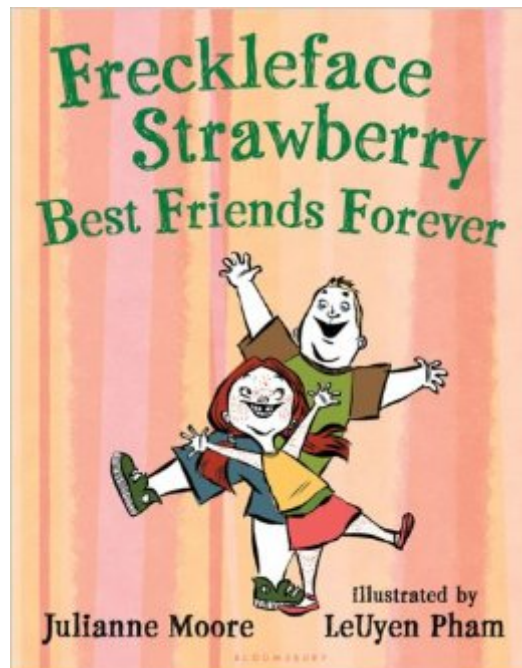


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# Freckleface Strawberry: Best Friends Forever



## Synopsis

Freckleface Strawberry and Windy Pants Patrick are as different as can be-but that doesn't stop them from being the best of friends. After all, they have a lot of important things in common, like having families and liking recess and loving books. But the rest of the kids don't see it that way. They think that girls and boys are just too different to be friends. So one day, Freckleface decides NOT to play with Windy Pants Patrick. And he decides not to play with her. And nothing really changes . . . or does it? She still eats lunch and plays and reads books-and so does he. So why don't those things feel fun anymore? Witty, warmhearted, and brought to life with LeUyen Pham's gentle hilarity, Julianne Moore's latest book celebrates the importance of recognizing-and keeping-a true friend.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 8

## Customer Reviews

I thought this was a really awesome and fun book with great illustrations. It's a great book for starting discussions with your kids about differences and how different people can still get along.

I have to disagree with one being forced to have a discussion they are not ready to have. My seven year old has this book and loves it. The first time we read it he didn't even notice the two moms. The

second or third time he did notice but all I said to him is the same way he has a mom and dad they have a mom and a mom. The end. Not a big issue and if he did want to know more I would have happily told him what he wanted to know. You don't need to go into big elaborate discussions and or details. It's all about explaining things to children in an age appropriate level. Not to mention that my son goes to CATHOLIC school where THEY do look down on having "two moms" so he is aware of the fact that having same sex parents can be a negative thing. THIS BOOK IS GREAT! NOT ONLY IS IT FUN IS ALSO TEACHES TOLERANCE IN ALL LEVELS. Religion, culture, sexuality and anything else people are quick to judge when they don't understand something. You are taught tolerance and respect not born with it.

I am so delighted - for all the children in my life - that Freckleface books continue to be written. I have given each book in the series - first Freckleface Strawberry, then Freckleface Strawberry and the Dodgeball Bully, and now Freckleface Strawberry: Best Friends Forever - to dozens of kids of all ages and there isn't one who hasn't been charmed by the stories. Each book has a wonderful message to share and does so in a delightful, engaging way. What's so special about the way the books are written and illustrated is how they draw children in. I love reading them with kids for this reason and hope that we can look forward to yet another as Freckleface helps us deal with some of the challenges of growing up in today's world.

As a Public school teacher I have used these books in my class. The kids love them! We need more books like this that teach our kids it's ok to be different!! I highly recommend this series! The illustrations are wonderful. This teacher gives it an A+!

My 3 children love all the Freckleface books. They are a wonderfully engaging way to transmit a powerful message about accepting and embracing individuality. I recently read Freckleface Strawberry Best Friends Forever to my kindergartener's class and the teacher used it as an opportunity to talk about how important it is to respect differences. She compared the message in the book to a recent book they read about the differences in animals. Then she went on to talk about the golden rule. She borrowed the book from me to share with the other teachers at the school. The next day she told me the librarian ordered all of the Freckleface Strawberry books for the school library! The kids smiled throughout my reading and they paid close attention when the teacher was emphasizing the message. Freckleface Strawberry Best Friends Forever is clever, entertaining and a very valuable educational tool.

I cannot get enough of these books. I have a 7yr old red head and she loves to read these to anyone who will listen. I also loved reading them to her. They don't get old and we discuss questions I come up with.

When my seven-year-old daughter chose this book at our local library, I had no idea that somewhere in this book there would be an awkward subject. Let me elaborate - Helen who is nicknamed Freckleface Strawberry because of her hair and freckles meets a boy named Patrick at school. Patrick is called Windy Pants, because well, you know...anyway, the two gravitate towards each other despite others frowning on their friendship - how can a boy and girl be good friends, especially when Helen is so small and Patrick is so big? Well, peer pressure gets to them and they drift away from each other, but eventually realize that they are happiest when they play together and they should not let others' opinions matter. Here's something else you should know - Patrick is shown as having two moms. Yes, he is in a non-conventional family, but the beauty of the story is that it focuses not so much on this but on the friendship between the two. Why should an innocent child be discriminated against because he/she is not from a conventional family unit? The message of tolerance and acceptance is subtly weaved into this well-written story, and to tell the truth my seven-year-old did not even catch on to the "two moms" thing so it's not something to freak out about. However, I had to mention it just so that parents are aware of this and can use their discretion regarding this book.

Another great book by Julianne Moore with a very positive, uplifting message. We've purchased the three-book series of Freckleface Strawberry for our daughter and can't wait for the next one to come out.

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