

# RESOURCES FOR DEAF PARENTS WITH HEARING CHILDREN

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**“DEAF PARENTS AND THEIR HEARING CHILDREN INFORMATION PACKET”:** 23 pages of information of an introductory nature (assembled by a group of coda professionals in June 2001) about Deaf parents with hearing children and their bilingual/bicultural families to give to school, medical and other professionals not familiar with deafness. At the CODA International website <http://www.coda-international.org/> click on RESOURCES and then “Information Packet” print out the PDF.

**DEAF PARENT GROUPS:** In 1991, Deaf parents with hearing children formed KODA, Kids of Deaf Adults. The Maryland parents KODA website is at <http://www.md-koda.org/> KODAWest is at <http://www.kodawest.org/> There are others. For a discussion group that Deaf parents with hearing children and professionals can join on-line, send an email to [deafparenting-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:deafparenting-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) DPUK / - Deaf Parenting UK - England <http://www.deafparent.org.uk/>

**NATIONAL RESOURCE:** Through the Looking Glass is a national center for parents with disability and their families, Berkeley, California. They have scholarships for high school seniors/college students who have parents with disabilities. <http://lookingglass.org/>

**USING AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE WITH BABIES:** Several programs are available for hearing parents to use signs with hearing children which may be helpful to deaf parents who have hearing babies. Some possible sites are <http://www.sign2me.com/> and <http://mybabycantalk.com/content/information/research/babyresearch.aspx> Check out a book by Marilyn Daniels. (2000). *Dancing with words: Signing for hearing children's literacy*. Westport, CT: Bergin & Garvey or this article: Hannah Merker. (2001, February). Author Tells of Magic in American Sign Language: Marilyn Daniels' *Dancing with Words*. *Silent News*, 33 (2), p. 26. Check out a new resource <http://www.asltales.net/discount-koda.html> for a KODA discount and with several available ASL Tales products: *The Princess and the Pea* and *Rapunzel*.

**KODA CAMP:** Summer camp experiences for 9-15 year-old kodas: East coast New York - Camp Mark 7 <http://www.campmark7.org>, West coast Los Angeles - KODAWest <http://www.kodawest.org/>, Koda Camp-Midwest <http://kodacamp.wordpress.com/>.

**THE MILLIE BROTHER SCHOLARSHIP:** several \$3,000.00 college scholarships awarded annually. Over \$96,000.00 has been given out since 1990. Winning essays, applications etc. available at <http://coda-international.org/scholar.html>

**FAMILY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES:** fictional stories about deaf-parented families with hearing children. 1) An American story, *Love is Never Silent* (1985, made for television, Hallmark Hall of Fame) based on Joanne Greenberg's 1970 novel, *In This Sign*. Available from Hallmark Gold stores or on-line at [http://www.ornaments4less.com/Love-is-Never-Silent--Hallmark-Hall-of-Fame-DVD\\_p\\_72-4643.html](http://www.ornaments4less.com/Love-is-Never-Silent--Hallmark-Hall-of-Fame-DVD_p_72-4643.html) 2) A German film, *Beyond Silence* (1996) starring French Deaf actress Emmanuelle Laborit and American Deaf actor Howie Seago. Nominated for an Academy Award for Best Foreign Film: Germany. Available on DVD, in German with English subtitles. 3) In 2008, the DVD became available of the 1957 film starring James Cagney in the quasi biographical movie about silent film-era make up artist, star and coda Lon Chaney: *Man of a Thousand Faces*, Universal Studios Home Entertainment with captions.

## CHILDREN'S BOOKS FOR YOUNG KODAS (\* paperback)

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**Creech, S. (2008).** *Hate that Cat: A Novel*. NY: Harper Collins. (Grades 3-6 - Jack has a deaf mother)

**Ferris, J. (2001).** *Of Sound Mind*. NY: Farrar Straus Giroux. (children's story for grade 8 and above)

**Ray, D. (2006).** *Singing Hands*. NY: Clarion Books, Div. of Houghton Mifflin Co. (for 10-14 year-old middle-grade readers. Author had Deaf grandparents). <http://www.houghtonmifflinbooks.com/catalog/titledetail.cfm?titleNumber=100468>

**Mc Intosh, A. (2000).** *Sometimes I Talk, Sometimes I Sign*. Charlotte, NC: Central Piedmont Community College Press. (Select vocabulary illustrated in ASL - in English & Spanish, suitable for readers 4-8 years old)

**Uhlberg, M. (2005).** *Dad, Jackie and Me*. Atlanta, GA: Peachtree Publishers. (book by a coda for 9-12 year-old reading level - illustrated)  
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## ARTICLES & FILMS ABOUT KODAS: KIDS OF DEAF ADULTS

- Anthony, L. (2009, October 8).** The Same in sound and silence: Students with deaf parents offer unique perspective on communication. *Silver Chips Online*: MBHS Online Student Newspaper. Silver Spring, MD: Montgomery Blair High School. <http://silverchips.mbhs.edu/story/9535>
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- Living in Two Worlds: Naomi Berlove. (2007).** 9 minutes. Brooklyn, NY: Tucker Productions. [http://current.com/items/88794473\\_living\\_in\\_two\\_worlds](http://current.com/items/88794473_living_in_two_worlds)
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