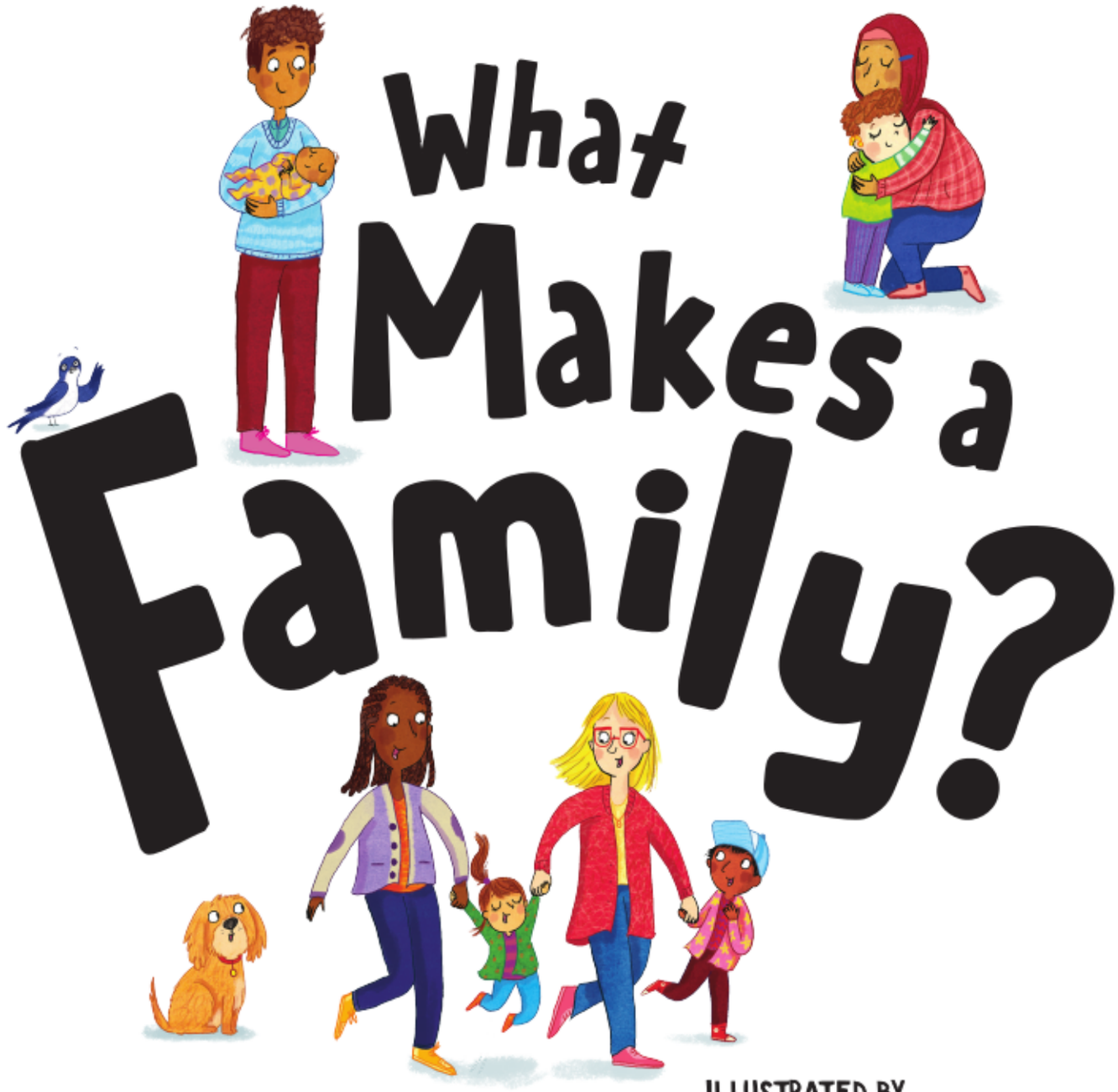

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Dedicated to my adorable friend Amanda Colman, whose bubbly, nutty and lovable family (yes, Tabs, Cesca and Mia) are tops!

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What Makes a Family?

This book is all about families. It will help you understand...

- who can be part of a family
- how a family starts
- what people do as part of their families.

No two families are the same. You might find that some families are similar to yours, while others are different.

Use this book to learn about and celebrate families of all shapes and sizes.

It's good to know...

A family's closeness makes it special to each person in it.

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Meet Tiki and Murphy

Tiki always does her best to explain the things that Murphy doesn't understand.
What makes a family? I know about my family, they're inside having their dinner right now. But sometimes I see different kinds of families at the park. I've noticed that they're not all the same. Can I ask you lots of questions?
I can't usually stop you! Go ahead.

Anyone want more peas?

Are all families the same?

I have lots of questions. Do all families have two parents or carers?

No. Some children are looked after by one adult, and others are looked after by more.

Do all families have two children? In my family, we have one brother and one sister.

Not at all. Some families have no children, and others have lots.