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Leo and the Lions is a beautiful and deeply touching story inspired by the real-life experiences of three single mothers raising autistic children. What makes the book particularly special is the way those experiences are brought to life through the story of a lion and a kangaroo family.

Kerin Bellack-Adams has created a gentle, accessible and heartfelt story that shines a light on autism, motherhood, love and the challenges that families can face. Beneath the animal characters is a very real story of courage, perseverance and unconditional love.

I found the concept both imaginative and moving. Using the lion and kangaroo family allows difficult subjects to be explored in a way that is warm and engaging, while still conveying the emotional realities behind the story.

A wonderful book that encourages understanding, compassion and acceptance. Most importantly, it reminds us that every child has their own strengths, their own way of experiencing the world and their own story to tell.

A very deserving five stars. ★ ★ ★ ★ ★