



TCK Resources – June 2017

Top 5 books about TCKs

Burn Up or Splash Down by Marion Knell

Written in Marion's easy to read style this is a good read for both parents and teenagers on re-entry.
Authentic Media (2007)

Families in ministry, How to thrive not just survive by Andreas and Angela Fresz

Golden Gate Ventures, Germany, 2009

Families in ministry, raise children and develop family like in the midst of juggling responsibilities of ministry, church, and society. This book examines areas such as strong families with vision; time and priorities, and much more. *YWAM Publishing (2009)*

Serving at the Ends of the Earth; Family Life and TCKs by Steve and Gill Bryant

A complete guide to welfare issues from transition to family life, multilingualism to on-line safety and much more with many personal stories included. The educational section considers the many options with their pros and cons, plus long-term planning, special needs and international school comparisons.
WEC International (2017)

Third Culture Kids by David Pollock & Ruth Van Reken

One of the standard books on the subject that so many others refer to
Nicholas Brealy Publishing (Revised Ed 2009 – with 3rd edition due in autumn 2017)

Families on the Move by Marion Knell

A standard book on third culture kids and family issues that contains similar material to the Pollock & Van Reken classic in a shorter form. A good read from a UK perspective as so much TCK literature is American and more straightforward for non-native English speakers. *Monarch (2001)*

Top 5 children's books

I'm like you, You're like me by Cindy Gainer,

A book about understanding and appreciating each other, Through simple words and detailed illustrations children are invited to notice, accept and affirm individual differences and similarities. The book promotes an attitude that being not exactly the same is a good reason to like each other.
Free Spirit Publishing, (2011)

The Mission of Detective Mike Moving Abroad by Simone T Cost Eriksson and Anna Serra,

The way a child perceives international transition and adaptation is different from an adult. This book would be ideal for teachers or parents to use with 7-11 year olds before, during or after an international move.
Summertime Publishing (2010)

Moving planet isn't easy by Catalina del Rio Faes

Flup is a happy young alien living with his family on Xtron when one day he is told the family is moving millions of miles away to a scary place called Earth. How will Flup manage without his best friend? A book for 4-8 year olds.

Just landed Publishers (2012)

The Next Chapter; Re-entry Guide for Primary/Elementary Children by Carole Steedman

A re-entry guide for parents and workbook for younger children. Originally written by Carole Steedman a primary/elementary teacher at Grace International School and now updated, this is the only resource of its kind for children up to 12.

WEC International (2nd Ed 2010) Electronic edition free from mk_tck@yahoo.co.uk

Slurping Soup and other confusions by Maryam Afnan Ahmad and others,



This relates true stories and activities to help TCKs during transition as a collection of 23 real life stories from TCKs. Each story followed by a simple related activity suitable for 3-12 year olds. A great resource!
Summertime Publishing (2013)

Books for and about TCKS

► For children

40 days 40 bites; A family guide to pray for the world by Trudi Parkes,
This book covers over twenty different countries including Algeria, China, and North Korea and includes issues such as poverty, clean water and translation. A family guide to praying for the world.
Christian Focus Publications (2014)

Alexander, Who's Not (Do you hear me? I mean it!) Going to Move by Judith Viorst
Alexander moves across America and discovers strategies to cope
Aladdin Press (1998)

Amber Brown is not a Crayon by Paula Danziger
Focuses on the feeling of children left behind in a move
Puffin (New ed 2006)

Children from Australia to Zimbabwe by Maya Ajmera and Anna Rhesa Versola,
Children from around the world, descriptions of daily life and great photographs
Charlesbridge Publishing (2001)

Children Just Like Me, Dorling Kindersley
An introduction to the lives of children from every continent around the world.
Catherine Saunders and Sam Priddy (2016)

Moving Far Away: A family in transition by Esther Abbott
The story of a fictional missionary family dealing with changes and unpredictable situations in eighties and early nineties Philippines.
Tate Publishing (2014)

Living Far Away: Third Culture Kids in Action by Esther Abbott
Sequel to Moving Far Away
Tate Publishing (2015)

New Life in Nepal (Faithfinders) by Kath Cope
The story of David who is trying to find his place in his church, youth group and even his own family as he struggles to come to terms with his Uncle and Auntie working on the Mission Field in Nepal.
Day One Publications (2016)

Riches in Romania by Rebecca Parkinson
A story about forgiveness and breaking down barriers.
Day One Publications (2013)

Someday Heaven by Larry Libby
An excellent book to help children and families when faced with death.
Zondervan (2001)

This is the Way we go to School by Edith Baer
School is part of life for all children but can look very different. New book with same title by Laine Falk & Amanda Miller
Children's Press (2009)

Up, Up and Away by Brenda Maxfield, (2000)
Explains the TCK concept in children's language and includes activity sheets, encouraging the positive aspect of a mobile life. Available online only from www.state.gov/www/flo/fsyl.html
Foreign Service Youth Foundation – complimentary e-edition from <http://www.fsyf.org/Publications>



► **For older TCKs, parents, member care staff and other supporters**

Belonging Everywhere and Nowhere: Insights into Counselling the Globally Mobile by LJ Bushong
Basic characteristics and counselling skills effective with Third Culture Kids.
Mango Tree Intercultural Services (2013)

Child of the Jungle by Sabine Kuegler
Translated from German, this is the story of one girl's huge leap in culture from mission life in Irian Jaya (now West Papua) to 1980's Switzerland & Germany.
Virago Press (2nd Ed 2012)

Club Expat. A Teenager's Guide to Moving Overseas by Aniket & Akash Shah
A book written by two brothers, one still a teenager at the time of writing, on the joys and challenges of the international lifestyle from the teenage-eye view. Both are Yale graduates who grew up through a financially privileged expat background.
Dog Ear Publishing

Footsteps Around the World: Relocation Tips for Teens by Beverly D Roman
Journal for teens with practical advice. Obtainable from www.branchor.com
BR Anchor Publishing (2001)

Family Accountability in Missions edited by Jonathan Bonk
An excellent resource on Korean missionary kids with case studies and contributions from Koreans and North American writers
OMSC Publications (2013)

The Family in Mission Ed. Leslie Andrews
This is the final report of the 15-year study by the MK-CART/CORE (Missionary Kid Consultation and Research team, Committee on Research and Endowments). The major sections of the book are educational context, adult missionary kids, and the missionary family.
Mission Training International (2004) Mail order from http://www.mti.org/books_family.htm

Growing up Global, edited by Cindy Loong
A collection of personal accounts from Chinese TCKs growing up in many different countries
Shepherd International Church Ltd (2008)

Home Keeps Moving by Heidi Sand-Hart
This is Heidi's personal account of growing up in many cultures and her ongoing cross-cultural experiences as an adult TCK.
McDougal Publishing (2010)

Kids Without Borders: Journals of Chinese Missionary Kids, edited by Helen Loong & Polly Ho
A collection of personal accounts from Chinese TCKs growing up in many different countries
OMF & HKCAM (2001)

Raising Global Nomads; Parenting Abroad in an On-Demand World by Robin Pascoe
The author gives a lot of useful advice from her own experiences of moving around the world with her family. The context is that of the wealthier expat business world with the privileges that money affords, but much of the material is applicable to any third culture family.
Expatriate Press (2006)

Rice, Noodles, Bread or Chapati? by Polly C. Ho
A collection of stories and articles by missionaries' kids from across Asia.
TCK Care Fellowship (2nd Ed 2015)

Third Culture Kids – The Children of Educators in International Schools by Dr Ettie Zilber
A book that specifically concentrates on the experiences and needs of children of staff working in international (including MK) schools; a group for whom she coins the term EdKids.



John Catt Educational Ltd (2009)

Special Subjects

► Multilingualism

The Bilingual Family by Harding-Esch & Riley

One of the definitive books on this issue.

Cambridge University Press (2003)

Growing up with Two Languages by Una Cunningham,

Previous editions are still available & cheaper of this well-known book on this issue that affects so many of our families.

Routledge Publishers (3rd Ed May 2011)

The Multilingual Mind: Issues Discussed by, for, and about People Living With many Languages

by Tracey Tokuhama-Espinosa

Research combined with real life examples of multilingual people

Praeger (2003)

A Parents' and Teachers' guide to bilingualism by Colin Baker

An easy to read question and answer format covering many issues that affect multilingual families, this is written from both a personal and academic perspectives.

Multilingualism Matters (4th Ed 2014)

Raising a Bilingual Child by Barbara Zurer Pearson

The book provides a strong theoretical background to the development of bilingualism from an author who has done research in this area for more than 20 years.

Living Language Publishers (2008)

► Education

The Cause of Christian Education by Richard Edlin

Written by the former Assistant Director of ACSI, this provides some excellent insights into the philosophy and practice of good education from a Christian perspective.

Vision Press (4th Ed 2014)

Confucius Meets Piaget - an educational perspective on ethnic Korean children and their parents,

by Jonathan Borden, Intimidating title, but an easy read!

Only available from Jonathan Borden by mail order from Korea e-mail jborden@gmail.com

(3rd Ed 2005)

Fitted Pieces, edited by Janet Blomberg & David Brooks

A compilation of articles previously published in *Interact* and other magazines that covers most MK educational and welfare issues. Now available on disc, SHARENET@csi.com

Share Education Services (2001)

Raising Resilient MKs - ed. Joyce Bowers

Free download available [here](#).

Hard copies available from WEC Canada who have a stock and would be happy to sell them at cost price plus postage) contact canwi-adm@cogeco.net or phone +1 905 529 0166

Another compilation of articles covering most TCK educational and welfare issues

Understanding American Schools by Georgina Bennett & Anne Copeland,

The answers to newcomers' most frequently asked questions; this is a good guide to help Europeans & Asians understand the mindset of American schools overseas.

Interchange Institute (2nd Ed 2005, 3rd Ed 2007)



► Special needs

(i) ADHD

ADHD, the facts; Selikowitz

Written by a consultant paediatrician who has wide experience of working with children and families affected by ADHD. Theory and practical insights are combined in this book.

Oxford University Press (2003)

LDA Guide: How to teach and Manage Children with ADHD by Fintan O'Regan

Easy to use guide for teachers without special needs experience.

LDA (2002)

(ii) Asperger's Syndrome (more commonly known as part of autistic-spectrum disorders)

Can I tell you about Asperger Syndrome? A Guide for Friends and Family, Jude Welton,

Very easy to read guide from a child's perspective

Jessica Kingsley Publishers (2003)

The Complete Guide to Asperger's Syndrome by Tony Attwood

THE definitive guide to AS and a justified best-seller

Jessica Kingsley Publishers (2007)

LDA Guide; How to Support & Teach Children on the Autism Spectrum by Dave Sherratt,

Easy to use guide for teachers without special needs experience.

LDA (2005)

The Curious Incident of a Boy's Transformation; Helping a Child on the Autistic Spectrum by Debbie Lovell

A deeply personal account of one family's journey. The book combines their stories together with a host of useful ideas and resources at the end of each chapter. An inspiring read.

Condeo Press, (2016)

(iii) Dyslexia & Dyscalculia

LDA Guide; How to Identify and Support Children with Dyslexia by Chris Neanon

Easy to use guide for teachers without special needs experience.

LDA (2002)

LDA Guide: How to Develop Numeracy in Children with Dyslexia by Pauline Clayton

Easy to use guide for teachers without special needs experience.

LDA (2003)

(iv) Dyspraxia

Coping with Dyspraxia. Eckersley J

Jill Eckersley explains the causes of dyspraxia, how to get a diagnosis and how to support children and adults affected by dyspraxia.

Sheldon Press (2004)

Dyspraxia: Developmental Coordination Disorder by Amanda Kirby

An introduction to the topic with some very useful advice on this common condition.

Souvenir Press Ltd (2006)

LDA Guide; How to Understand and Support Children with Dyspraxia by Lois Addy

Easy to use guide for teachers without special needs experience.



LDA (2003)

(v) Speech & Language Problems

Childhood Speech, Language and Listening problems; Patricia McAleer Hamaguchi;
The authors consider the various causes of speech and language problems, where and when to get specialist help and how to support children in the family.
John Wiley & Sons Inc (3rd edition 2010)

LDA Guide; How to Identify and Support Children with Speech and Language Difficulties by Jane Speake,
Easy to use guide for teachers without special needs experience.
LDA (2003)

Supporting Children with Speech and Language Difficulties by David Fulton
David Fulton publishers (2004)

► Parenting

A Feast of Seasons by Margot R Hodson
Customs, recipes, games to celebrate the Bible's festivals with ideas for the whole family
Monarch (2001)

The Incredible years; a trouble shooting guide for parents of children aged 2-8 years by Carolyn Webster –Stratton
The author is an American clinical psychologist who promotes a child's social and emotional competence and ways to help a child be successful in school. Not written specifically for parents of TCKs but still a useful reference book.
Incredible years (Seattle 2005)

Parents of Missionaries by Diane Stortz and Cheryl Savageau
How to Thrive and Stay Connected When Your Children and Grandchildren Serve Cross-Culturally
IVP (2012)

Toddler Taming by Christopher Green
A best-seller on this subject with practical advice and excellent reviews.
Vermillion publishers (Revised Ed 2006)

Your Baby and Child (Birth to Five) by Penelope Leach
A classic child care manual on the early years now fully revised and updated.
Dorling Kindersley (New Ed 2010)

► Transition and Grieving

The Art of Coming Home by Craig Storti
A general book about re-entry, but includes a chapter on children.
Intercultural Press (2001)

The Re-entry Team by Neal Pirolo,
A general book about re-entry, but has over 100 pages dedicated to children's concerns and experiences.
Interserve / Emmaus Road International (2000)

When Children Grieve by John W James and Russell Friedman with Dr Leslie Landon Matthews
This includes a chapter on grief associated with moving home and transition.
Harper Collins Press (2002)

Emotional Resilience and the Expat Child: Practical Storytelling Techniques That Will Strengthen the Global Family by Julia Simens
Provides a step-by-step guide that is designed to increase a child's emotional vocabulary and emotional



intelligence
Summertime (2011)

Electronic Resources

All e-resources available free of charge by contacting Steve and Gill Bryant at mk_tck@yahoo.co.uk

Preparing Children to go Overseas

- **PFO for children; Into All the World... with Children**– an easy to use resource book of ideas, games and activities to use to prepare children going to a new location. Ed Steve Bryant (2011)
- **Off We Go** from OMF Hong Kong (2003) activity book for 4 – 7 year olds getting ready to leave
- **My Adventure in God's World** by Claudia Smith (2007) activity book similar to “Off We Go” but geared for very young children

Websites

www.tckworld.com/useem - Bibliography of 150 TCK books

www.Directmoving.com - Relocating with Kids Section of resources

www.virtualcountries.com - Information and search engines for 16 countries

www.tckworld.com - Dedicated to support and understanding of TCKs

www.ecic.be - Multilingual association devoted to helping those with dyslexia

www.multilingual-matters.com - Multilingual issues

www.globalnomads.association.com - For families on the move

www.boarding-association.org.uk/information - On British boarding schools

www.gabitas.co.uk - Educational consultants

www.national@isis.org.uk - Independent Schools Information Service guide

www.tckinteract.net or www.interaction-intl.com/ - Interact's website

www.acsi.org - Association of Christian Schools International

www.eurotck.net - Website originating out of the Eurotck conferences with papers and reports from the presenters, plus links to Educare magazine and many organisations

www.tcklife.com - A site packed with useful information on almost every subject relevant to the TCK life – produced in Europe, but with cross-references to similar organisations around the world

sharenet@csi.com - Share Education Services provide ongoing educational support to expat Christian families in Europe and the former Soviet Union

www.aacap.org/publications/factsfam - Website of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry – lots of useful papers relating to child development, behavioural problems etc.

www.globalconnections.co.uk/tckforum - British Christian website with resources relating to TCKs from the UK – book lists, papers on tertiary education etc

