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A Family For Every Child Matching Assistance



*"We should not be asking who this child belongs to,
but who belongs to this child."*

Dear ,

Bringing your new child or sibling group home is such an exciting time! You may have been waiting months or even years for this day, and it has finally arrived. You have created a Lifebook or Welcome Book for your new "baby", and they have set up their new room just how they want it. You are all slowly adjusting to new routines and rules, and may be discussing some difficult topics. So what do you do if your child mentions that they have no baby photos? If you're anything like this parent, you take some!

This family adopted a sibling pair when they were 10 and 5. One night while eating dinner, her now 13 year old son mentioned that he wished he had some baby photos. What resulted is one of the most touching and amazing adoption stories to date:

[Adoptive mom's 'newborn' photo shoot with 13 year old son goes viral](#)

If your child doesn't have any baby photos, talk to him/her about doing a photo shoot similar to Latrell's. Even though they won't be photos of your child when they were a physical baby, they will always be special to your child because it symbolizes that they are YOUR baby.

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