

Additional Resources on Autism Spectrum Disorder and A Boy Called Bat

We hope that you and your family are enjoying the One School, One Book selection this year. The wonderful story of *A Boy Called Bat* introduces our protagonist Bixby Alexander Tam (better known as "Bat"). As we progress through the chapters, we learn that Bat is an animal lover, a little brother, a third grader, and that he is also autistic.

At this midway point in the book, we would like to share some resources that you may find helpful if you or your child/children wish to learn more about the book, the author, and/or autism. We hope that you can join us in celebrating all forms of neurodiversity. Continued happy reading!

Book Insights and Resources

1. Author Elana K. Arnold [Interview](#)
Parents write to tell me that the BAT books have built bridges between their autistic and neurotypical children; kids themselves write to say they see themselves in Bat, sometimes recognizing a neuroatypical kinship, but other times seeing other reflections of themselves: a love of animals; the frustration of being the younger sibling; a shared affinity for specific foods, and more.
2. HarperCollins/Walden Books [Educators Resource](#)

Video's on Autism

1. [PBS Kids and Autism Awareness](#)
2. [Autism Explained for Kids](#)
3. [Sesame Workshop on Autism](#)