



Two Voices, One Story

By Elaine Rizzo and Amy Masters

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Mother and daughter each share their side of their adoption story, charting the difficult journey from a China orphanage to a loving family home in the UK in this moving memoir.

When Amy Masters was found in 1998, no one knew anything about her. From the identity of her parents to the actual date of her birth, she was a mystery. All that was known was that she had been discovered outside of the gates of the Tong Ling Welfare Centre where doctors estimated she was about six weeks old. After spending over a year at the centre, Amy was adopted by a family from the UK who had navigated their own enduring months-long process through the complex foreign adoption system in order to find her. In **Two Voices, One Story** by Elaine Rizzo and Amy Masters, mother and daughter are both given the chance to tell the serendipitous story of how they became a family.

Beginning before Amy was even born, **Two Voices, One Story** details how her English parents, Elaine and Lee, came to adopt her, exploring infertility and their own struggle to start a family before deciding to adopt, immersing themselves into the overseas adoption process before the couple embark on their journey to bring their daughter home with them. The story continues with Amy's own narrative, including the few details she actually knows — and some speculation on her part to fill in the gaps — about how she came to be living in an institute in mainland China as a very young baby, charting her childhood in England and her adolescence in Wales, culminating just before her eighteenth birthday.

Amy and Elaine give their own unique take on the emotional adoption rollercoaster; their honesty and determination to be a family is moving, thought-provoking and ultimately uplifting, **Two Voices, One Story** reveals the deepest thoughts and feelings of a parent who travelled the world to find her child, a daughter who has made a life for herself in a new country and culture, and the modern family they have created together will inspire readers this Mother's Day.

About the authors: Elaine Rizzo (Elaine Masters) works in finance as a licensed insolvency practitioner for ClearDebt a company based in Manchester. Her daughter Amy Masters is now eighteen and at college. She enjoys art and design and her ambition is to become a photographer when she graduates. Both now live near Cardigan in West Wales. **Two Voices, One Story** by Elaine Rizzo and Amy Masters (published by Clink Street Publishing 21st March, 2017 RRP £TBC paperback, RRP £TBC ebook) is available to buy online from retailers including amazon.co.uk and can be ordered from all good bookstores.

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