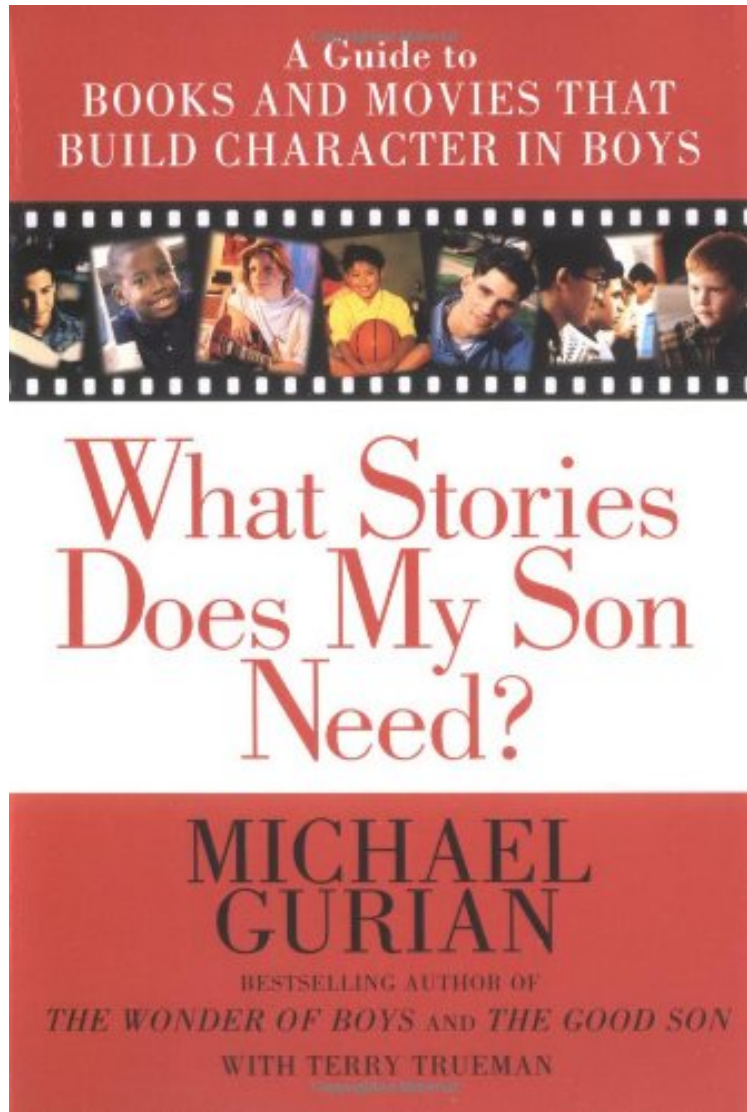


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questions for your children. There are synopses to the films/books as well. I've decided to include one movie and one book on the list in my son's birthday and Christmas lists each year and I look forward to using the book as a reference guide. As a concept, I love the book. I'll be using it frequently as my son grows to dialogue with him about important issues and to help create empathy for others. As with all concepts, though, some individual discretion is required. For example, I don't like the film E.T. because of the way that the family members treat each other. Because of this, I'm probably not going to show my son E.T. In addition, some reviews say that the suggested movie ages aren't appropriate, but they're suggestions. Basically, use your own brain and decide if the film/book listed are good ideas for your individual child. Change ages, change titles, watch a movie you love even if it isn't listed. Don't expect this to be a "how to parent" script, because it isn't that. It's a list of books, movies, and questions -- and a rather good one, in my opinion.

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I wish I'd found this book years ago when my sons were very young--these reviews of movies and books work as the basis for teaching, conversation, and discussion with boys from toddler to young adult. Great resource for parents of boys--get it when they are young, though--the time for sharing flies by all too soon. Highly recommended.

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In an annotated list including movies such as *High Noon* and *Glory*, and books such as *The Giving Tree* and *To Kill a Mockingbird*, therapist and educator Gurian highlights the particular ethical lessons two hundred great stories can impart to boys and young men.

From *Library Journal*
Psychologist and father Gurian is the author of several previous books on parenting sons (*A Fine Young Man* and *The Wonder of Boys*). Here, he focuses on the role stories and movies play in shaping boys' character and in teaching moral lessons. After an introductory chapter about the need for stories and movies, Gurian identifies and summarizes 100 movies and 100 books and suggests questions for parents to ask when discussing these books and movies with their sons. The listings are arranged according to the age at which Gurian believes they are appropriate: preschool, lower elementary, upper elementary, middle school, and high school. The list, of course, is not inclusive, and most of the selections would also suit daughters. Parents and others who work with children can use this as a selection tool and as a model for choosing other titles not included. Recommended for public and college libraries.

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Michael Gurian is a psychologist and bestselling author whose books include *The Wonder of Boys* and *The Good Son*. His work reflects the diverse cultures (European, Asian, Middle Eastern, and American) in which he lived, worked, and studied. He has taught psychology, religion, mythology, and literature at three American universities and at Ankara University in Turkey. He lives with his wife and two children in Spokane, Washington.