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Marin has been shuttled around from foster home to foster home, continually wishing that her mother would come back. When the lovely Dr. Lucy wants to adopt Marin, Marin turns away, still dreaming of a time when she can live with her mom again. As the day for adoption comes closer, Marin puts her plan to find her mother into action. When hope turns into despair, it's only a San Francisco earthquake that can pull Lucy and Marin together again.

Told through the perspective of Marin, Lucy, Gilda the social worker, and a wise guardian owl, this is the seamless story of a daughter looking for belonging, love and acceptance from her mother. Melanie Crowder does a great job interspersing facts and details throughout the book in a way that is not a fire hose of information, but well blended. Prepare to have your heart warmed as readers watch Dr. Lucy transform into a mother, the one that Marin needs. It appears that Lucy was once in a romantic relationship with another woman in the past, but that fact doesn’t change anything about the story. The words on the page are also in a bigger print than most books which adds to the book’s readability.