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FRANCES and GINGER PARK

Korean American

Authors

Born: Frances: April 3, 1955 (Cambridge Massachusetts)

Ginger: 1962 (Washington, DC)

Frances and Ginger grew up in a neighborhood that had little exposure to Korean culture outside their home. Frances wrote short stories in her spare time while Ginger wrote her thoughts and dreams in a diary. With the passing of their father, they learned about their parents' struggles and their Korean heritage which they used as inspiration. Among their well-known works are *The Royal Bee* (2000) and *My Freedom Trip* (2013) winner of the ILA (International Literacy Association) Children's Book Award. The two sisters love chocolate and are the co-owners and founders of a confectionery store called Chocolate Chocolate.