

Books About Divorce

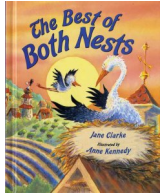
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Stories and informational books to help children understand divorce.

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Picture Books

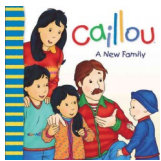


The Best of Both Nests

Jane Clarke

(Juvenile Picture Books -- Ej Cl)

Stanley the stork is upset when his parents divorce and his father goes to live in a separate nest.



Caillou. A New Family

(Juvenile Picture Books -- Ej Cai)

When Caillou asks his cousins why their mother does not live with their father, he learns about divorce, what it is like to have two homes, and the feelings that his cousins experience.

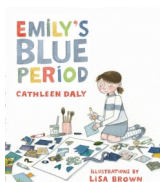


Do You Sing Twinkle? : A Story About Remarriage and New Family

Sandra Levins

(Juvenile Picture Books -- Ej Lev)

A boy's parents help him adjust to his new stepfamily when his mother remarries after a divorce. Includes note to parents.



Emily's Blue Period

Cathleen Daly

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Dal)

After her parents get divorced, Emily finds comfort in making and learning about art.

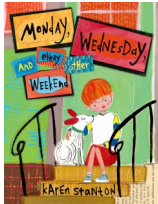


Living with Mom and Living with Dad

Melanie Walsh

(Juvenile Picture Books -- Ej Wal)

A little girl describes what her life is like now that her parents no longer live together.

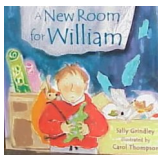


Monday, Wednesday, and Every Other Weekend

Karen Stanton

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Sta)

Although Henry enjoys the time he spends at his mother's apartment and his father's house, his dog Pomegranate gets confused about which place is home.

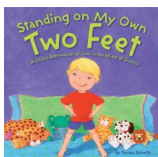


A New Room for William

Sally Grindley

(Juvenile Picture Books -- Ej Gr)

When William and his mother move, he is unhappy about having a new room, but he changes his mind after he gets dinosaur wallpaper and makes a new friend.



Standing on My Own Two Feet; A Child's Affirmation of Love in the Midst of Divorce

Tamara Schmitz

(Juvenile Picture Books -- Ej Sch)

Addison's parents are divorced and he lives in one house with his mom and another with his dad, but one thing he knows above all is that both his parents love him and they always will.



Two Homes

Claire Masurel

(Juvenile Picture Books -- Ej Mas)

A young boy named Alex enjoys the homes of both of his parents who live apart but love Alex very much.

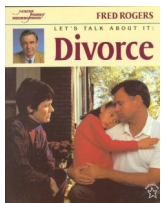
Nonfiction

Dinosaurs Divorce

Laurene Krasny Brown

(Juvenile Nonfiction -- J 306.89 Br)

Text and illustrations of dinosaur characters introduce aspects of divorce such as its causes and effects, living with a single parent, spending holidays in two separate households, and adjusting to a stepparent.



Divorce

Fred Rogers

(Juvenile Nonfiction Picture Books - Ej 306.89 Ro)

Discusses healthy ways to deal with what children might be feeling about divorce. Though the photos are dated, the compassion and wisdom of Mister Rogers are timeless.



Divorce is the Worst

Anastasia Higginbotham

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 306.89 Hig)

Series: Ordinary Terrible Things

"Kids are told, "it's for the best"-and one day, it may be. But right now, divorce is the worst. With honesty and humor, Anastasia Higginbotham conveys the challenge of staying whole when your entire world, and the people in it, split apart.



Divorce and Separation

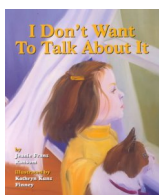
Patricia Murphy

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 306.89 Mur)

Series: Tough Topics

Introduces divorce and separation, discussing what happens to the children, the emotions that

are often experienced by those whose parents have gotten divorced or separated, getting help, and accepting change.

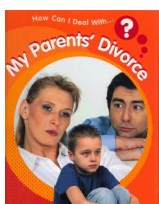


I Don't Want To Talk About It

Jeanie Franz Ransom

(Juvenile Nonfiction -- J 306.89 Ra)

After reluctantly talking with her parents about their upcoming divorce, a young girl discovers that there will be some big changes but that their love for her will remain the same. Includes an afterword for parents on helping children through such a change.

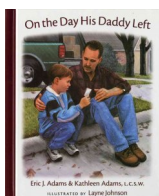


My Parents' Divorce

Sally Hewitt

(Juvenile Nonfiction -- J 306.89 Co)

Discusses why divorce happens, how to cope with it, and how to deal with difficult feelings as well as friends whose parents are divorced.



On the Day His Daddy Left

Eric J. Adams, Kathleen Adams

(Juvenile Nonfiction -- J 306.89 Ad)

On the day his father moves out of the house, Danny's teacher, friends, and family reassure him that his parents' divorce is not his fault.

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