

DIVORCE

Brown, L. Dinosaurs Divorce. 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. j 301.4284 Brown

Coffelt, N. Fred Stays With Me. A small girl's bond with her beloved pet helps her handle the disruption of her parents' divorce. She has to sleep in two different beds in two different homes, but wherever she goes, her dog, Fred, stays with her. j PAR PIC Coffelt

Danziger, P. I. Amber Brown. Because her divorced parents share joint custody of her, nine-year-old Amber suffers from lack of self-esteem and feels that she is a piece of jointly-owned property. j Danziger, P.

Girard, L. At Daddy's on Saturdays. Although her parents' divorce causes her to feel anger, concern, and sadness, Katie discovers that she can keep a loving relationship with her father even though he lives apart from her. j PAR PIC Girard

Holmberg, B. A Day With Dad. Tim waits with excitement for a train to bring his father, who lives in another town, then spends an entire day with him, doing all of their favorite things, until it is time for Dad to catch the train home. j PAR PIC Holmberg

Holyoke, N. Help!: A Girl's Guide To Divorce And Stepfamilies. Answers letters from girls dealing with various aspects of divorce, remarriage, and stepfamilies. Includes tips, quizzes, and advice. j 306.89 Holyoke

Klein, A. Max Stays Overnight. Most of the time, Max's friend DeShawn lives far away with his father, but this weekend he is staying with his mother and has invited Max to join him for a sleepover. jE Klein

Long, N. Making Divorce Easier On Your Child. This book is filled with practical, sensitive, and highly effective ways to help children cope and adjust to this major change in their lives, and provides parents the tools they need to minimize the negative effects of divorce on their children. j PAR 306.89 Long

McGinnis, L. If Daddy Only Knew Me. Curious about the father who left them years ago, five-year-old Kate and her older sister Glory make an expedition across town to view him at his new home where he has a new family. j PAR PIC McGinnis

Moss, M. Amelia's Family Ties. Ten-year-old Amelia records her thoughts and feelings about flying solo to Chicago to meet the father she has not seen since her parents divorced when she was an infant. j Moss, M.

Rogers, F. Divorce. Mister Rogers's talent for calmly explaining scary emotional upheaval to young children shines in this latest volume. He offers caring support and validation for readers working through their parents' divorce, and supplies concrete examples of ways kids can deal with the stress. Books that offer such honest reassurance are rare. j 306.89 R725

Schindel, J. Dear Daddy. Jesse's parents are divorced and live on opposite sides of the country. While the boy has a secure and loving home with his mom, he misses his dad and writes to him. It is many weeks before he receives a reply. His father sends him a mailing tube with a large, rolled-up letter explaining that he had been away but would like Jesse to come visit him during summer vacation. j PAR PIC Schindel

Simon, N. I Wish I Had My Father. Father's Day is tough for a boy whose father left him years ago and never communicates with him. j PAR PIC Simon

Stinson, K. Mom and Dad Don't Live Together Any More. For the young girl of the story, splitting time between parents has its ups and downs. She likes the elevators and garbage chutes of mom's city apartment, but the horses near dad's country home are great, too. Not knowing where she'll be for holidays is hard. Even so, she is comforted knowing that each parent still provides the same love and caring --just not together anymore. j PAR PIC Stinson

Thomas, P. My Family's Changing: A First Look At Family Break Up. This unusual picture book for younger children explores the issue of divorce. The fears, worries, and questions that boys and girls face when their family goes through this difficult period of breaking up are explained in terms children will readily understand. Full-color illustrations. j 306.89 Thomas

Weninger, B. Good-bye, Daddy! A little boy's teddy bear helps him come to terms with his parents' divorce by telling him a story about a little bear in similar circumstances.
j PAR PIC Weninger

Winthrop, E. As the Crow Flies. A second-grader describes how he feels when his father comes all the way from Delaware to Arizona to spend a week with him. j PAR PIC Winthrop

Wyeth, S. Always my Dad. Although she does not get to see her father very often, a girl enjoys the time she and her brothers spend with him one summer while they are visiting their grandparents' farm. j PAR PIC Wyeth