

Picture Books About Families



Youth Services

E/Fiction
Bennett

Dad and Pop: An Ode To Fathers & Stepfathers by Kelly Bennett
A little girl celebrates her two fathers, who are very different except in one very important way.

E/Fiction
Best

What's So Bad About Being An Only Child by Cari Best
Rosemary Emma Angela Lynette Isabel Iris Malone grows tired of being an only child, but eventually finds a way to feel less alone.

E/Fiction
Brisson

Sometimes We Were Brave by Pat Brisson
Jerome's mother is a sailor in the United States Navy, and when she is away at sea he tries to be brave even though he misses her and has some bad days.

E/Fiction
Brown

The Fathers Are Coming Home by Margaret Wise Brown
As nighttime falls all types of fathers—fish, rabbits, snails, pigs, and a boy's father—make their way home to their families.

E/Fiction
Christian

Butterfly Kisses for Grandma and Grandpa by Alayne Christian
A grandchild learns how to stay connected to her remote grandparents through imagination and the sights and sounds she finds in everyday nature.

E/Fiction
Garland

Grandpa's Tractor by Michael Garland
Grandpa Joe brings his grandson, Timmy, back to the site of the family farm. The visit brings back many memories, which Grandpa Joe shares with Timmy. His fondest memory, however, is of his father's red tractor.

E/Fiction
Hoberman

All Kinds of Families by Mary Ann Hoberman
Rhyming text and illustrations explore the ways people, animals, and even objects can form families.

E/Fiction
Howard

The Log Cabin Quilt by Ellen Howard
When Elvirey and her family move to a log cabin in the Michigan woods, something even more important than Granny's quilt pieces makes the new dwelling a home.

E/Fiction
Jenkins

Five Creatures by Emily Jenkins
In words and pictures, a girl describes the three humans and two cats that live in her house, and details some of the traits that they share.

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- E/Fiction
Kornell
Bear With Me by Max Kornell
A boy at first is angry when his parents suddenly welcome a giant bear named Gary into their family, but eventually he and Gary learn to get along.
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Lang
Families, Families, Families! by Suzanne Lang
A host of animals portrays all kinds of non-traditional families.
- E/Fiction
Newton
Don't Let Auntie Mabel Bless the Table by Vanessa Newton
An extended family gathers for Sunday dinner, but the food grows cold as Auntie Mabel's prayer encompasses everything and everyone in sight.
- E/Fiction
O'Connor
Fancy Nancy by Jane O'Connor
A young girl who loves fancy things helps her family to be fancy for one special night.
- E/Fiction
Parr
The Family Book by Todd Parr
This book represents a variety of families, some big and some small, some with only one parent and some with two moms or dads, some quiet and some noisy, but all alike in some ways and special no matter what. *Look for other Todd Parr books about families.*
- E/Fiction
Rosen
A Drive in the Country by Michael J. Rosen
Relates the adventures of a family and their dog on a Sunday drive to the country.
- E/Fiction
Shoulders
Goodnight, Baby Bear by Michael Shoulders
Nightly, the members of a bear family that values books and reading share a personally inscribed book and a cookie with Baby Bear. Together they celebrate milestones and memorable days in his life. Includes recipe for honey oatmeal cookies.
- E/Fiction
Wilder
A Little Prairie House
A family travels to a new home on the prairie, where they build a house and meet a friendly neighbor. Adapted from the Little House books by Laura Ingalls Wilder
- E/Fiction
Willis
Mommy, Do You Love Me? by Jeanne Willis
Universal story about the love between a parent and a child.
- E/Fiction
Zweibel
Our Tree Named Steve by Alan Zweibel
In a letter to his children, a father recounts memories of the role Steve, the tree in their front yard, has played in their lives.
- Easy Reader
Rau
Family Photo by Dana Meachen Rau
A story about a little boy supposedly trying to get his relatives together to take a picture.
- Easy Reader
Rissman
Family by Rebecca Rissman
This book contains vibrant photos of different families spending time together.