

Introducing children to picture books about death in the Primary School

In a generation, which has seen an explosion in the development of the picture book and a great diversity of themes addressed in these books, it is no wonder that a variety of books are now available which address the theme of loss. Because of the interplay of verbal and visual stimuli these materials can offer a powerful opening to discussion on challenging topics.

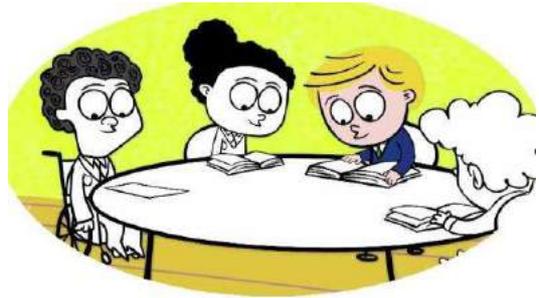
When a child is bereaved, adults including teachers, sometimes go looking for a book to explain things to a child. However, this might not be the right time either for the bereaved child or his/her classmates to talk. It can be confronting. It can increase self-consciousness for the child. It can be very difficult to find the book that fits.

It can be helpful to think instead about where loss is already part of the curriculum and to avoid shying away from it as part of the overall learning of the child. In PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education) for example, when exploring feelings we can use a picture book to initiate a discussion about the effects of loss on a character. Younger children might read *Gentle Willow* [Mills 2004] and talk about the sadness of the animals when the Willow Tree dies and how they planned to remember her. Older classes might discuss *Her Mother's Face* [Doyle 2008] and talk about the struggle families experience as they grieve in different ways. In this way children explore the topic in a distance way and develop empathy and sensitivity, while no child is under pressure to share personal stories if they do not wish to.

In science children study life cycles so death is part of the conversation. A book such as *The Lonely Tree* [Halliday 2006] offers young children a chance to look at the life and death of an oak tree and allows them to integrate both cognitively and emotionally.

History is another subject where death can be part of the discussion and we have an opportunity to explore the impact of historical events on individual lives and communities. The book *Sadako* [Coerr 1997] for example tells the story of a child in Hiroshima who develops cancer in the aftermath of the atom bomb. It is a story of loss but also of friendship and community and ultimately a story of hope. The book can offer an integration of English, History, PSHE and Visual Art.

Exploring loss in the classroom is best done when nobody is recently bereaved but in recognition that death is part of life. Then when children have a language for loss and an understanding of its effects they will manage relationships with their peers with more sensitivity when a death occurs.



The ICBN book list on this website is a resource for adults but we offer it with a word of caution. We ask you to become familiar with some of these books and to think carefully and critically about when you might use them with a class or an individual child.

When families experience grief, it can be challenging to know how to talk to children about death. Books can help to open up discussion about death and finding the right books to support your child during bereavement can help to answer questions that can be challenging or difficult. The ICBN has compiled a list of children's books which may help both you and your child to better understand bereavement.

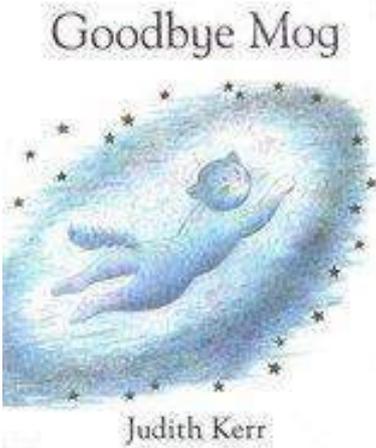
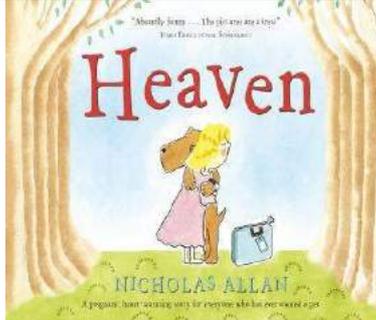
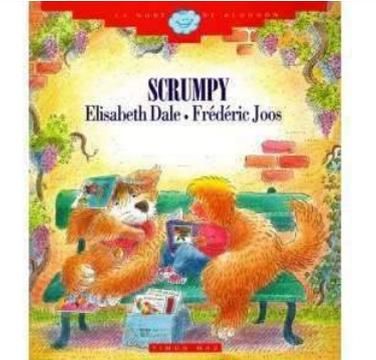
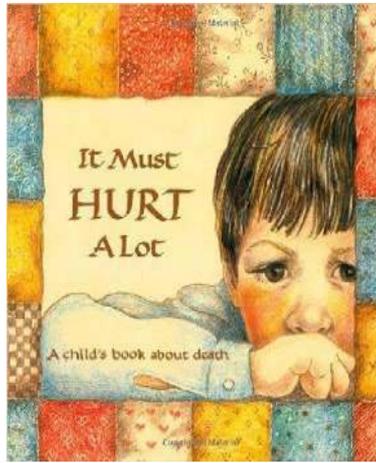
The booklist here is a resource for those who know or are working with bereaved children, but we offer it with a **word of caution**. We ask you to become familiar with some of these books and to think carefully and critically about when you might use them with a class, an individual child or a parent. The below table is a useful guide when considering whether to use a book in your classroom or to recommend it to a family.

<i>Terminology</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
Best for classroom use in conjunction with a curricular area	This book should be used in conjunction with the specified curricular area. Not all books might be suitable for your class. Always read the book before considering using it. Remember that you know your class best, and therefore, you are best placed to decide on whether a book is appropriate for your pupils.
Best for one-to-one reading with support	This book should be used with caution as the content is sensitive. We suggest that these books are recommended to parents or guardians or perhaps used (with permission from parents or guardians) in school with support.
Suitable for adults	Some picture books are suitable for adults and can provide comfort. We have identified what picture books on this list are suitable for adults.

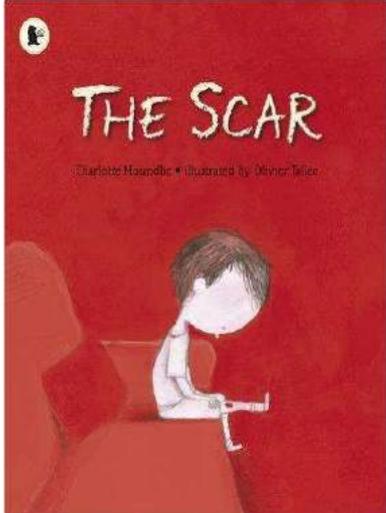
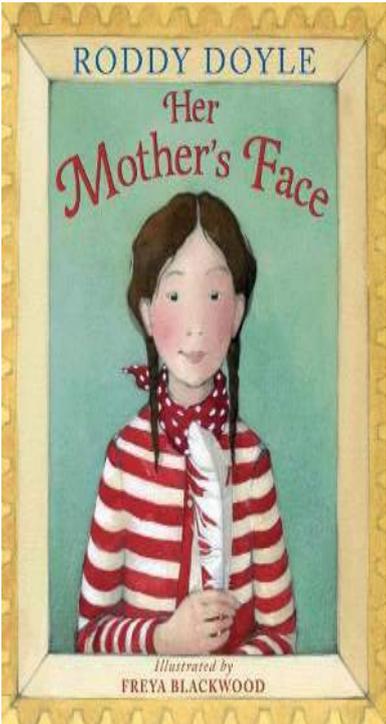
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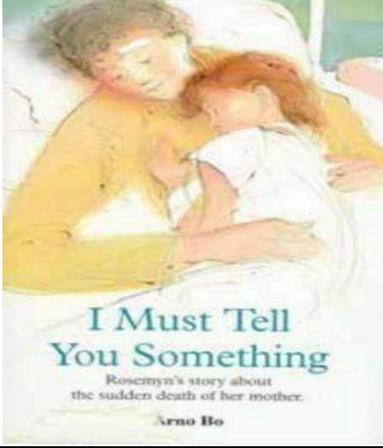
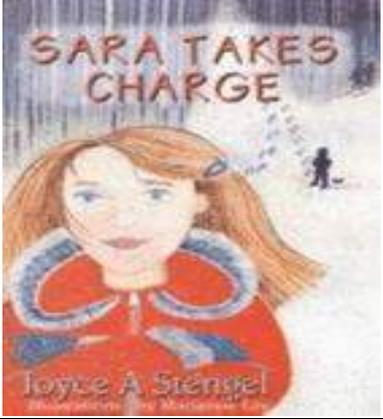
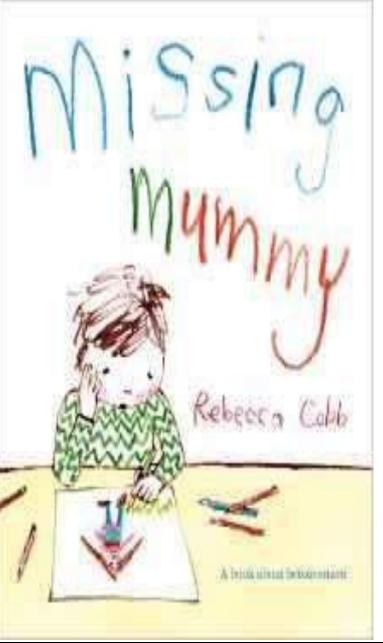
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Death of a Pet

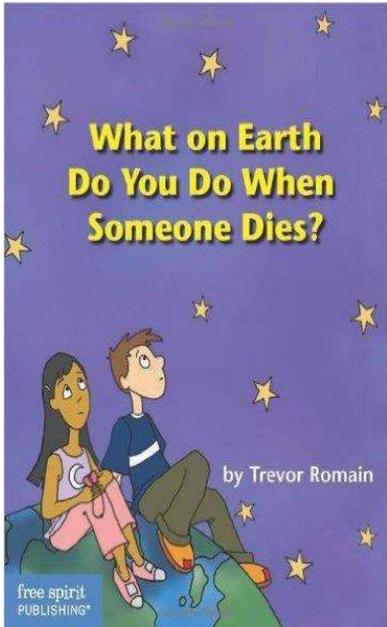
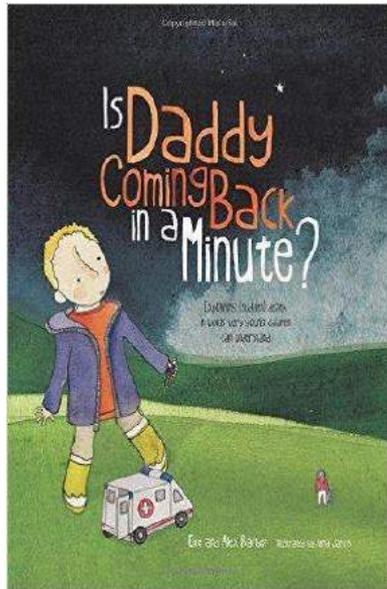
 <p style="text-align: center;">Goodbye Mog Judith Kerr</p>	<p>Goodbye Mog by Judith Kerr Mog was tired. She was dead tired...Mog thought, 'I want to sleep forever.' And so she did. But a little bit of her stayed awake to see what would happen next. Mog keeps watch over the upset Thomas family, who miss her terribly, and she wonders how they will ever manage without her.</p> <p>Publisher: Harper Collins Children's Books Year: 2003</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Heaven NICHOLAS ALLAN</p>	<p>Heaven by Nicholas Allan A little girl has a conversation about heaven with her dog.</p> <p>Publisher: Red Fox Year: 2014</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with Religion</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">SCRUMPY Elisabeth Dale • Frédéric Joos</p>	<p>Scrumpy by Elizabeth Dale When Ben's dog dies, he thinks he will never be happy or want another pet again. As time passes, he remembers the happy times they shared and can move on with his life.</p> <p>Publisher: Andersen Press Ltd Year: 1996</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">It Must HURT A Lot A child's book about death</p>	<p>It Must Hurt A Lot by Dr. Doris Sanford All children experience loss. It is a part of growing up. When Joshua's puppy is killed by a car accident he learns that some surprises come wrapped in the "package" of loss. We encourage adults to talk about these gifts with children. Sensitive, caring adults are made not born.</p> <p>Publisher: Multnomah Year: 2014</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>

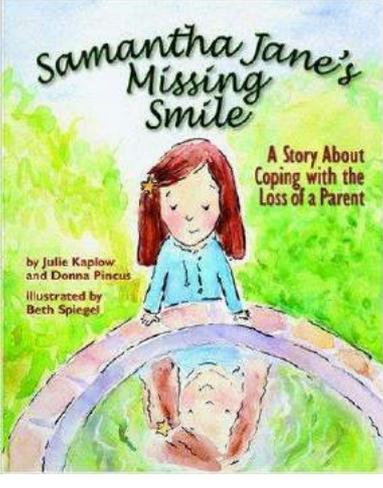
Death of a Mother

	<p>The Scar by Charlotte Moundlic</p> <p>When the boy in this story wakes up to find that his mother has died, he is overwhelmed with sadness, anger and fear that he will forget her. With tenderness, touches of humour and unflinching emotional truth, Charlotte Moundlic captures the loneliness of grief through the eyes of a child.</p> <p>Publisher: Candlewick Press Year: 2011</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>Her Mother's Face by Roddy Doyle</p> <p>Award winners Roddy Doyle and Freya Blackwood team up to create a heartwarming story of loss, love, and what it means to be a family. When Siobhan was just three years old, her mother died, leaving Siobhan and her father alone in their house in Dublin. They never talk about her, and now, at ten years old, Siobhan no longer remembers her mother's face. With time, she and her father and her own daughter are able to remember Siobhan's mother with joy and laughter instead of tears.</p> <p>Publisher: Scholastic Year: 2012</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>

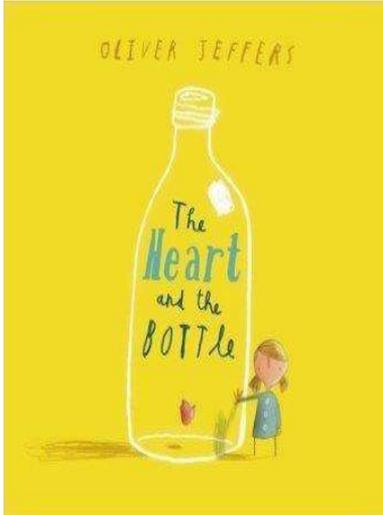
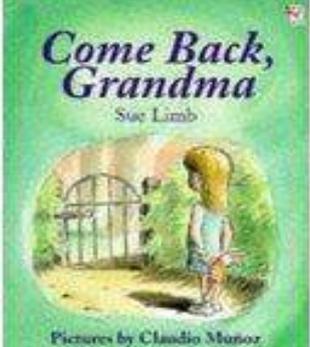
	<p>I Must Tell You Something by Arno Bo Nine year old Rosemary tells the moving story of her family's stay in hospital after a car accident in which they are all badly injured. Her mother dies and they have to come to terms with her death.</p> <p>Publisher: Bloomsbury Publishing PLC Year:1996</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>Sara Takes Charge by Joyce A. Stengel</p> <p>When Sara and Davey's mother dies, their father buries himself in his work leaving twelve year old Sara to worry about everything.</p> <p>Publisher: Poolbeg Press Ltd Year: 1998</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>Missing Mummy by Rebecca Cobb</p> <p>This book deals with the loss of a parent from a child's point of view. Perfectly pitched text and evocative artwork explore the many emotions a bereaved child may experience, from anger to guilt and from sadness to bewilderment. And importantly, the book also focuses on the positive - the recognition that the child is still part of a family, and that his memories of his mother are to be treasured.</p> <p>Publisher: Macmillan Children's Books Year: 2012</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>

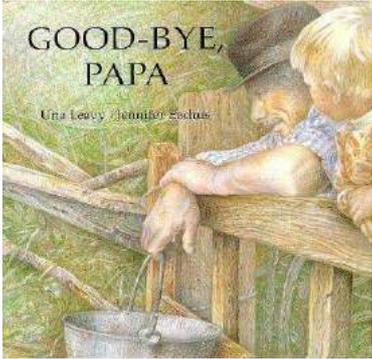
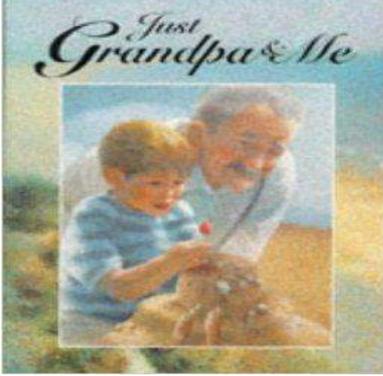
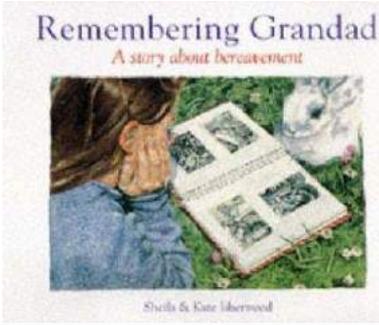
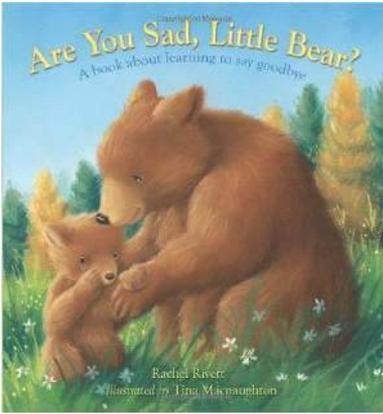
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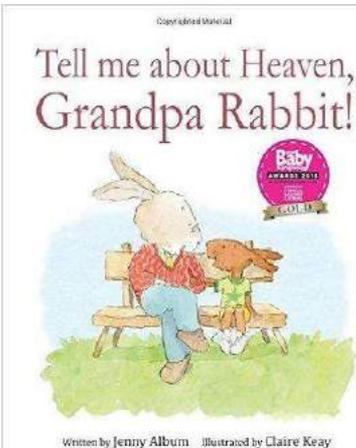
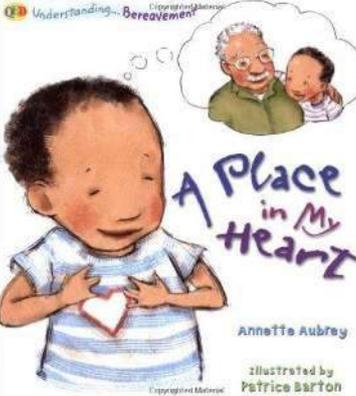
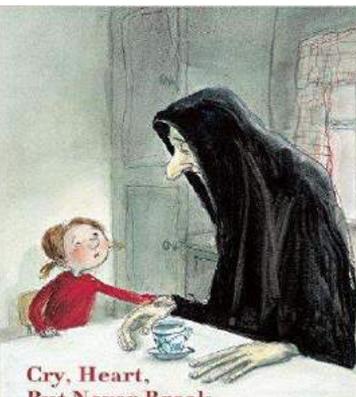
	<p>What on Earth Do You Do When Someone Dies? by Trevor Romain</p> <p>Trevor Romain knows, because it happened to him when his father died. This book can help you through a painful time. Trevor answers questions you might wonder about--"Why do people have to die?" "Is the death my fault?" "What happens to the person's body?" "How can I say good-bye?"--in simple, honest words.</p> <p>Publisher: Free Spirit Publishing Inc. Year: 2003</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>Is Daddy Coming Back in a Minute? by Elke Barber</p> <p>When we were on a <i>No Girls Allowed!</i> holiday, my daddy's heart stopped beating and I had to find help all by myself. He was very badly broken. Not even the ambulance people could help him...</p> <p>This honest, sensitive and beautifully illustrated picture book is designed to help explain the concept of death to children.</p> <p>Publisher: Jessica Kingsley Publishers Year: 2016</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>

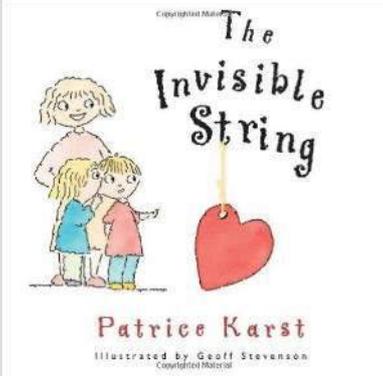
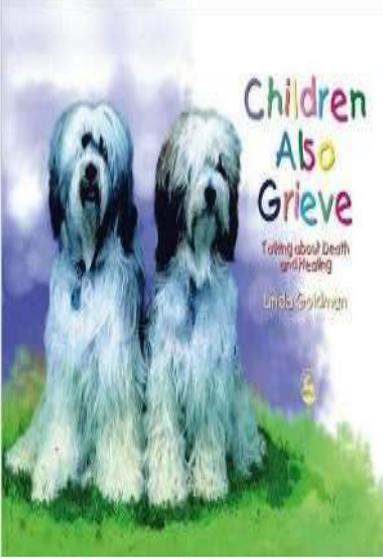
 <p><i>Samantha Jane's Missing Smile</i> A Story About Coping with the Loss of a Parent by Julie Kaplow and Donna Pincus Illustrated by Beth Spiegel</p>	<p>Samantha Jane's Missing Smile by Julie Kaplow Since Samantha Jane's dad died, she has been sad and quiet, keeping to herself. One day, her neighbor Mrs. Cooper gently asks her about her missing smile, and Sammy Jane begins to open up about her grief, her worries, and her confusion.</p> <p>Publisher: Magination Press Year: 2007</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
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Death of a Grandparent

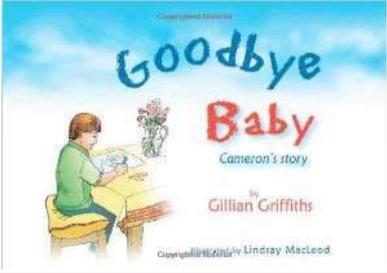
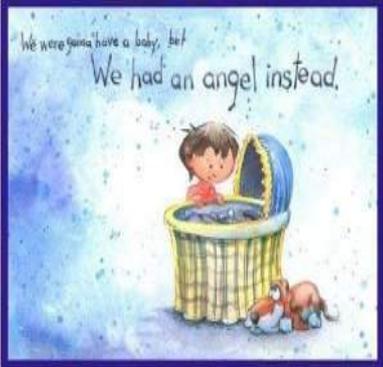
 <p>OLIVER JEFFERS <i>The Heart and the BOTTLE</i></p>	<p>The Heart and the Bottle by Oliver Jeffers Award-winning picture book star Oliver Jeffers explores themes of love and loss in this life-affirming and uplifting tale. Once there was a girl whose life was filled with wonder at the world around her...Then one day her father died and that made the girl take her heart and put it in a safe place. However, after that it seemed that the world was emptier than before. But would she know how to get her heart back?</p> <p>Publisher: Harper Collins Children's Books Year: 2010</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE with senior classes</p>
 <p><i>Come Back, Grandma</i> Sue Limb Pictures by Claudio Muñoz</p>	<p>Come Back, Grandma by Sue Limb Bessie loves her Grandmother very much. When she dies, Bessie never stops missing her until she grows up and has a daughter who is just like Grandma.</p> <p>Publisher: Red Fox Year: 1995</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>

	<p>Goodbye Pappa by Una Leavy Shane and Peter love staying at their grandfather's. After they return home, he dies suddenly and they return for the funeral. Their mother suggests that they should remember all the happy times they shared. A picture book for sharing.</p> <p>Publisher: Orchard Books Year:1999</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>Just Grandpa and Me by Sally Grindley A story about a little boy's happy day out with his Grandpa as they remember Grandma. A comforting book for sharing with a child who has recently lost a grandparent.</p> <p>Publisher: Dorling Kindersley Publishers Ltd Year: 1998</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>Remembering Grandad By Sheila & Kate Isherwood A little girl remembers all the happy and special times she has had with her Grandad before he died.</p> <p>Publisher: Oxford University Press Year: 1999</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>Are You Sad, Little Bear? by Rachel Rivett Grandmother Bear has gone forever, and Little Bear is feeling sad. His mother wisely suggests that perhaps asking his woodland companions what saying goodbye means to them will help him understand his loss. This charmingly illustrated picture book will help young children in times of bereavement,</p> <p>Publisher: Lion Children's Books Year: 2013</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE</p>

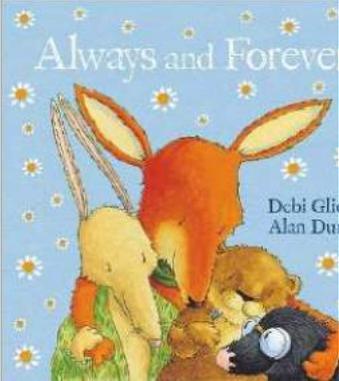
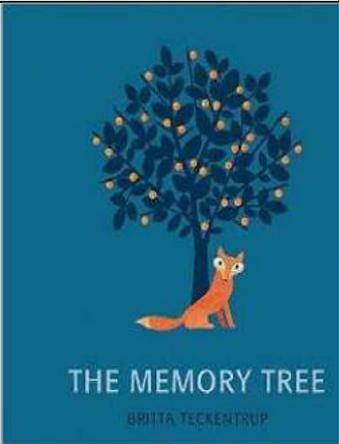
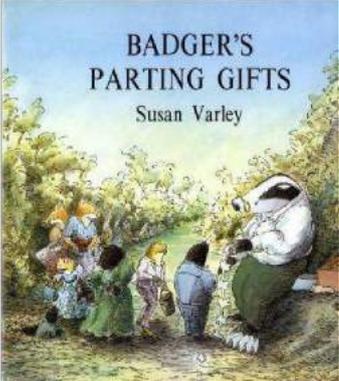
 <p>Tell me about Heaven, Grandpa Rabbit!</p> <p>Written by Jenny Alburn Illustrated by Claire Keay</p>	<p>Tell Me About Heaven, Grandpa Rabbit! By Jenny Alburn</p> <p>This gentle and uplifting story is designed to help young children come to terms with losing someone special. At the beginning of the story, Grandpa Rabbit had given Bradley a gift. At the end of the story, this gift reappears, and serves as a moving reminder to Bradley that, whilst the grandpa he loves has left, in some way, he will always be with him.</p> <p>Publisher: Little Boo Publishing Year: 2014</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with Religion</p>
 <p>A Place in My Heart</p> <p>Annette Aubrey Illustrated by Patrice Barton</p>	<p>A Place in my Heart by Annette Aubrey</p> <p>Andrew's grandad has died, and Andrew is feeling very sad and confused. Explore with your child the difficult issue of bereavement as Andrew talks about his feelings with his mum and dad.</p> <p>Publisher: QED Publishing Year: 2008</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
 <p>Cry, Heart, But Never Break</p> <p>Glenn Ringtved Illustrated by Charlotte Pardi</p>	<p>Cry Heart but Never Break by Glenn Ringtved, Charlotte Pardi, and Robert Moulthrop</p> <p>Aware their grandmother is gravely ill, four siblings make a pact to keep death from taking her away. But Death does arrive all the same, as it must. He comes gently, naturally. And he comes with enough time to share a story with the children that helps them to realize the value of loss to life and the importance of being able to say goodbye.</p> <p>Publisher: Enchanted Lion Books Year: 2016</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support. Also recommended for adults.</p>

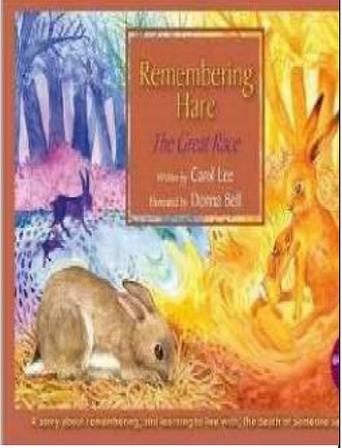
	<p>The Invisible String by Geoff Stevenson</p> <p>A story that teaches of the tie that really binds. Mums (and Dads) feel the tug whenever kids give it; and kids feel the tug that comes right back: the Invisible String reaches from heart to heart. Here is a warm and delightful lesson teaching young and old that we aren't ever really alone.</p> <p>Publisher: De Vorss & Co Year: 2001</p>	<p>Best for one-toone reading with support</p>
	<p>Children Also Grieve: Talking about Death and Healing By Linda Goldman</p> <p>This is an imaginative resource that offers support and reassurance to children coming to terms with the loss of a close friend or relative. The first part of the book is designed to be read and worked through by children. The story tells of the experiences of Henry, the dog of a family whose grandfather has died. At various stages of the story, Goldman provides readers with the opportunity to share their own reactions to loss through words and pictures, using specific prompt questions that encourage the exploration of different facets of grief.</p> <p>Publisher: Jessica Kingsley Publishers Year: 2006</p>	<p>Best for one-toone reading with support</p>

Death of a Sibling

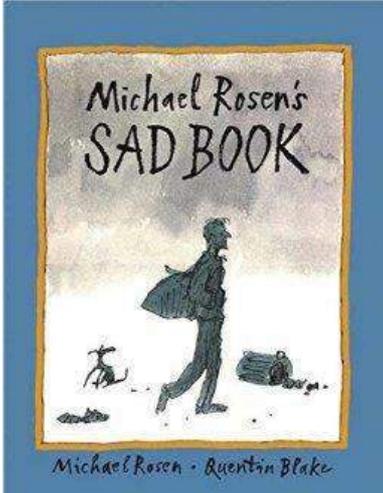
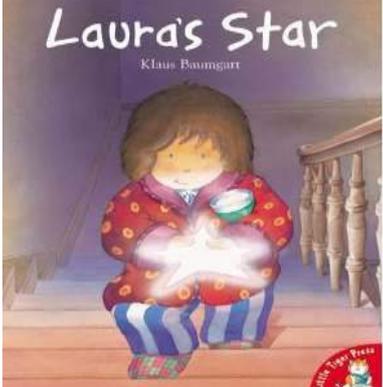
 <p style="text-align: center;">I miss my sister</p>	<p>I miss my Sister by Sarah Courtauld</p> <p>The beautiful and expressive colour illustrations help to guide the child through the different emotions they may encounter following the death of a sibling, as well as the different categories of grief over a period of time.</p> <p>Publisher: Child Bereavement Charity Year: 2009</p>	<p>Best for one-toone reading with support</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Goodbye Baby Cameron's story by Gillian Griffiths</p>	<p>Goodbye Baby: Cameron's Story by Gillian Griffiths This book provides comfort, understanding and reassurance for young children who have been affected by miscarriage in the family.</p> <p>Publisher: St Andrew Press Year: 2010</p>	<p>Best for one-toone reading with support</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">We were gonna have a baby, but We had an angel instead.</p>	<p>We Were Gonna Have a Baby, But We Had an Angel Instead by Pat Schwiebert</p> <p>Addresses the issues that children may face over the loss of an unborn child and also gives parents practical and sensitive advice to help their children cope with the death.</p> <p>Publisher: Grief Watch Year: 2007</p>	<p>Best for one-toone reading with support</p>

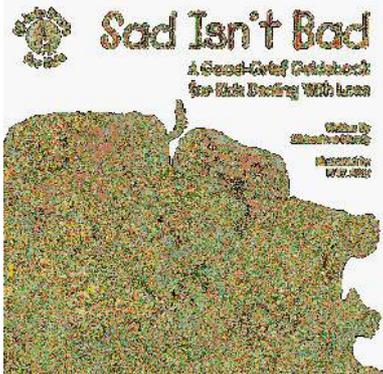
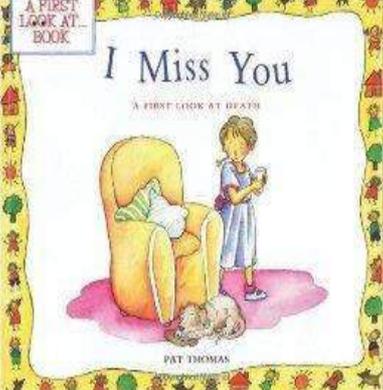
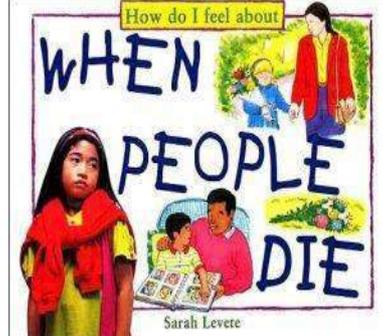
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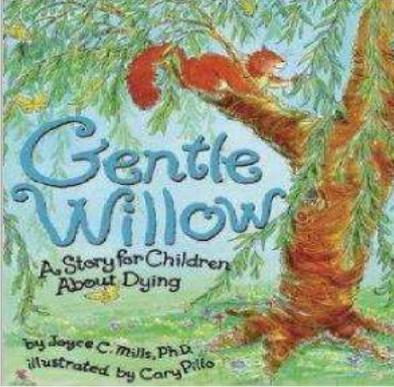
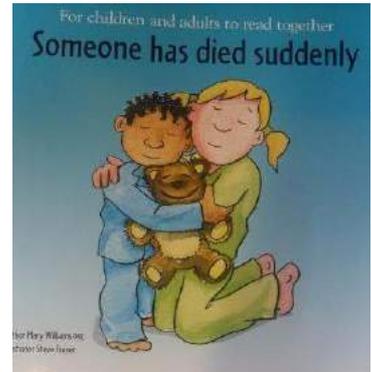
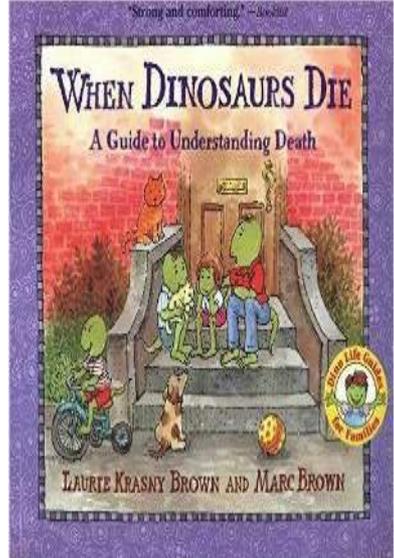
 <p style="text-align: center;">Always and Forever</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Debi Gliori Alan Durant</p>	<p>Always and Forever by Alan Durant</p> <p>When Fox dies the rest of his family are absolutely distraught. How will Mole, Otter and Hare go on without their beloved friend? But, months later, Squirrel reminds them all of how funny Fox used to be, and they realise that Fox is still there in their hearts and memories.</p> <p>Publisher: Picture Corgi Year: 2013</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">THE MEMORY TREE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BRITTA TECKENTRUP</p>	<p>The Memory Tree by Britta Teckentrup</p> <p>Fox has lived a long and happy life in the forest. One day, he lies down in his favourite clearing, takes a deep breath, and falls asleep forever. Before long, Fox's friends begin to gather in the clearing. One by one, they tell stories of the special moments that they shared with Fox. This gentle and comforting tale celebrates life and the memories that are left behind when a loved one dies.</p> <p>Publisher: Orchard Books Year: 2014</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">BADGER'S PARTING GIFTS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Susan Varley</p>	<p>Badgers Parting Gifts by Susan Varley</p> <p>The tale of a dependable, reliable and helpful badger who realises that his old age will soon lead to death. His friends learn to come to terms with his death in an enchanting tale. With full colour illustrations throughout.</p> <p>Publisher: Andersen Press Year: 2013</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE</p>

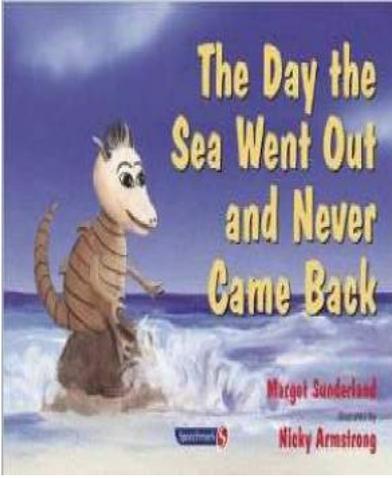
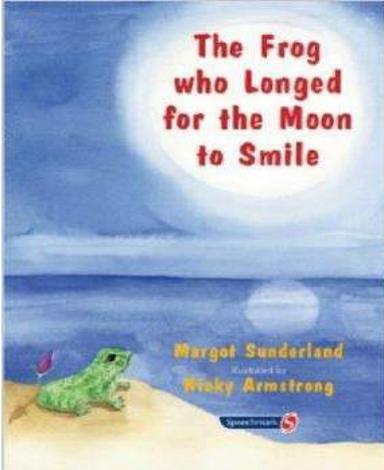
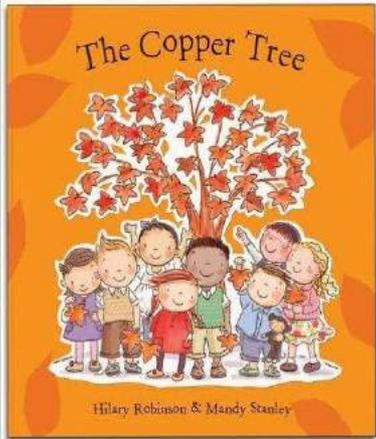
	<p>Remembering Hare: The Great Race by Carol Lee</p> <p>This lovely book is about treasuring memories, creating a legacy and celebrating the life of the person who has died. Inspired by the author's own experience of supporting her young children following the death of their father, Remembering Hare delivers a hopeful, supportive message for children and adults alike.</p> <p>Publisher: Southgate Publishers Year: 2014</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE</p>
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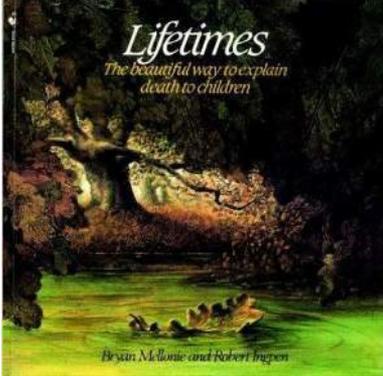
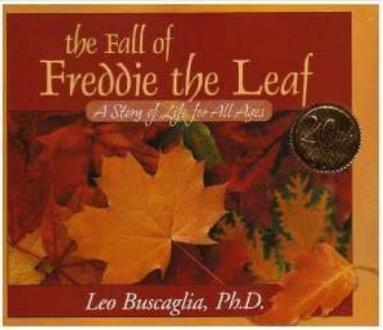
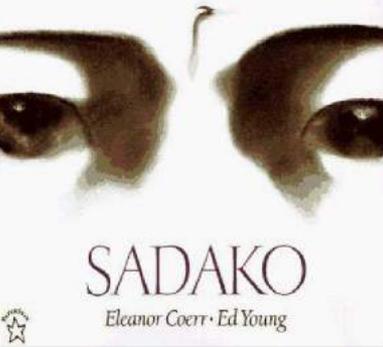
Discussing Death with Children

	<p>Sad Book by Michael Rosen</p> <p>In this book the author writes about his sadness, how it affects him, and some of the things he does to cope with it—like telling himself that everyone has sad stuff (not just him) and trying every day to do something he can be proud of. This is a very personal story that speaks to everyone, from children to parents to grandparents, teachers to grief counselors. Whether or not you have known what it's like to feel deeply sad, the truth of this book will surely touch you.</p> <p>Publisher: Walker Year: 2011</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support. Also recommended for adults.</p>
	<p>Laura's Star by Klaus Baumgart</p> <p>Laura is often lonely but one night she sees a falling star and runs downstairs to find it lying damaged, on the pavement outside. Laura takes it to her room, mends it, and lays it tenderly on her pillow. She tells the star all her secrets but when she wakes in the morning, the star is gone.</p> <p>Publisher: Little Tiger Press Year: 2000</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE</p>

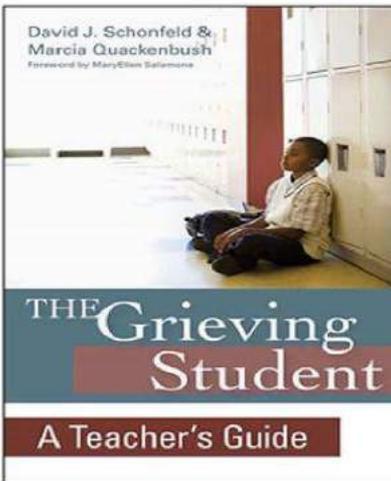
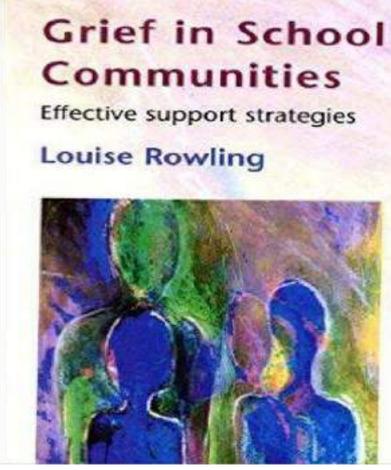
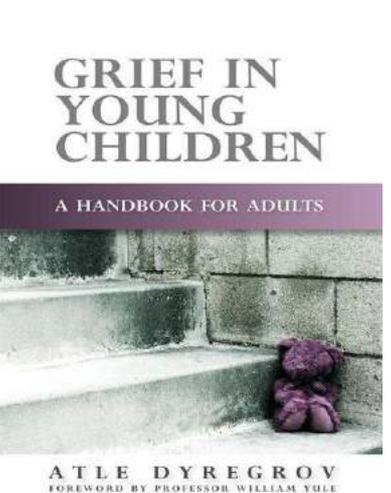
	<p>Sad Isn't Bad by Michaelene Mundy</p> <p>Here is the book that Elf-help fans everywhere were asking for ... a book to help children grieve in healthy ways. This friendly and loving guide is loaded with positive, lifeaffirming help to coping with loss as a child.</p> <p>Publisher: Abbey Press Year: 2004</p>	<p>Best for one-toone reading with support</p>
	<p>I Miss You by Pat Thomas</p> <p>This book is part of a series designed to help younger children cope with difficult personal, social and emotional issues, this text deals with how to come to terms with the loss of a loved one. The text is presented in a format designed to encourage interaction between children and adults.</p> <p>Publisher: Wayland Year: 2009</p>	<p>Best for one-toone reading with support</p>
	<p>The Lonely Tree by Nicholas Halliday</p> <p>This book may be useful to help a child how death is an inevitable part of ageing, and life continues after the sadness of bereavement. It also may be a good starting point to talk about how to cope with loneliness or isolation.</p> <p>Publisher: HallidayBooks Year: 2006</p>	<p>Best for one-toone reading with support</p>
	<p>When People Die by Sarah Levene</p> <p>A book for sharing with a child which explains what death is, why people die, what happens afterwards and how to cope with grief.</p> <p>Publisher: Franklin Watts Ltd Year: 2001</p>	<p>Best for one-toone reading with support</p>

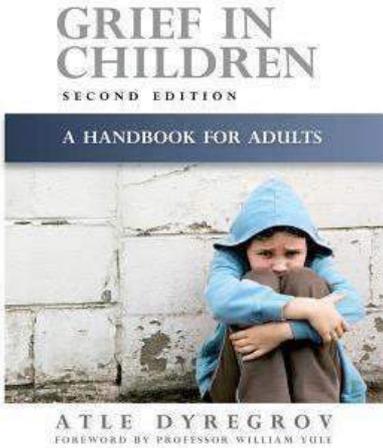
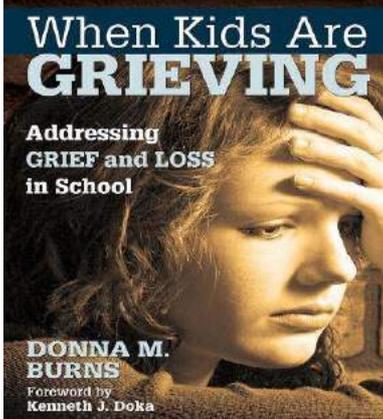
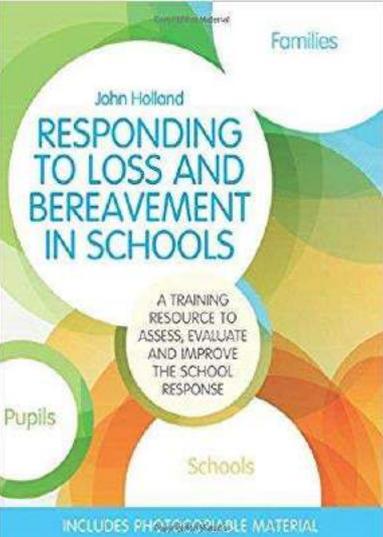
	<p>Gentle Willow by Joyce C Mills Written for children who may not survive their illness or for the children who know them, this tale helps address feelings of disbelief, anger, and sadness, along with love and compassion. Amanda and Little Tree discover that their friend Gentle Willow isn't feeling very well.</p> <p>Publisher: Magination Press Year: 2003</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with SPHE</p>
	<p>Someone has died suddenly by Mary Williams This is a support booklet for professionals and carers. Children and adults can read this together.</p> <p>Publisher: Brake Year: 2009</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>When Dinosaurs Die by Laurie Krasny Brown No one can really understand death but to children, the passing away of a loved one can be especially perplexing and troublesome. This is true whether the loss is a classmate, friend, family member or pet. Here to offer advice and reassurance from some very wise dinosaurs. This succinct and thorough guide helps dispel the mystery and negative connotations associated with death, providing answers to some of the most-often asked questions and also explores the feelings we may have regarding the death of a loved one and the ways to remember someone after he or she has died.</p> <p>Publisher: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers Year: 1998</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>

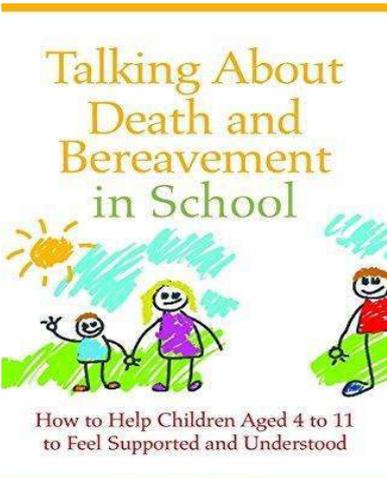
	<p>The Day the Sea Went out and Never Came Back by Margot Sunderland</p> <p>Eric is a sand dragon who loves the sea very much. Each day, he watches it going out and coming back. His sea is beautiful indeed to him. But one day, the sea goes out and does not come back. Eric waits and waits, but it does not come back. Soon, he realises that his memories of his precious sea are like a special kind of treasure in his mind, a treasure he will never lose.</p> <p>Publisher: Speechmark Publishing Ltd Year: 2003</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>The Frog Who Longed for the Moon to Smile by Margot Sunderland</p> <p>This is a story for children who yearn for someone they love. Frog is very much in love with the moon because she once smiled at him. So now he spends all his time dreaming about her. He waits and waits for her to smile at him again. One day a wise and friendly crow helps frog to see how he is wasting his life away. All the time he has been facing the place of very little, he's had his back to the place of plenty.</p> <p>Publisher: Speechmark Publishing Ltd Year: 2001</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>The Copper Tree: Helping a Child Cope with Death and Loss By Hilary Robinson</p> <p>When Olivia's teacher, Miss Evans, dies the children at her school are encouraged to think of everything that reminds them of her. Written with great care, touching sensitivity and humour The Copper Tree is about love and legacy and will help children understand that while sadness is an inevitable part of grief, death is not the end for what we leave behind can be everlasting.</p> <p>Publisher: Strauss House Productions Year: 2012</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>

	<p>Lifetimes by Bryan Mellonie A pet . . . a friend . . . or a relative dies, and it must be explained to a child. This sensitive book is a useful tool in explaining to children that death is a part of life and that, eventually, all living things reach the end of their own special lifetimes.</p> <p>Publisher: Non Basic Stock Line Year: 1998</p>	<p>Best for one-to-one reading with support</p>
	<p>The Fall of Freddie the Leaf: A Story of Life for All Ages by Leo Buscaglia This story is a warm, wonderfully wise and strikingly simple story about a leaf names Freddie. How Freddie and his companion leaves change with the passing seasons, finally falling to the ground with winter's snow, is an inspiring allegory illustrating the delicate balance between life and death.</p> <p>Publisher: Slack Inc Year: 2006</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with Science</p>
	<p>Sadako by Eleanor Coerr Hospitalized with the dreaded atom bomb disease, leukemia, Sadako races against time to fold one thousand paper cranes. Legend says this will make a sick person healthy.</p> <p>Publisher: Puffin Year: 1997</p>	<p>Best for classroom use in conjunction with History with senior classes</p>

Further Reading for Teachers

	<p>The Grieving Student by David Schonfeld & Marcia Quakenbush</p> <p>Throughout the book, powerful vignettes and examples give teachers a vivid inside look at what their students may be feeling and how an educator's words and actions can make a difference. And because teachers may struggle with their own emotions as they help their students, the book shows them how to manage a wide range of feelings, from discomfort with discussing death to personal identification with the child's loss.</p> <p>Publisher: Paul H Brookes Publishing Co. Year: 2010</p>
	<p>Grief in School Communities: Effective Support Strategies by Louise Rowling</p> <p>This book is an essential guide for all members of a school community and other professionals who need to know how to be supportive in times of crisis - including social workers, psychologists and bereavement specialists. The book is firmly based on theory, research and practice. Within this comprehensive approach attention is given to the needs and experiences of personnel - teachers, students, school leaders, parents; as well as school policies and programs and links with outside services.</p> <p>Publisher: Open University Press Year: 2003</p>
	<p>Grief in Young Children: A Handbook for Adults by Atle Dyregrov</p> <p>This book is essential reading for parents, carers, counsellors and teachers, and is complemented by the companion volume Grief in Children: A Handbook for Adults, Second Edition, which caters for school-age children, also written by Atle Dyregrov and published by Jessica Kingsley Publishers.</p> <p>Publisher: Jessica Kingsley Publishers Year: 2008</p>

	<p>Grief in Children by Atle Dyregrov</p> <p>Whether a child experiences the death of a parent, sibling, other relation or friend, or of a classmate or teacher, it is important for those caring for bereaved children to know how to respond appropriately to the child's needs. This book deals with a range of common physical and psychological responses and describes the methods of approaching grief in children that have been shown to work best. The author provides guidance on how loss and bereavement should be handled at school, explains when it is appropriate to involve expert professional help and discusses the value of bereavement groups for children and support for caregivers.</p> <p>Publisher: Jessica Kingsley Publishers Ltd Year: 2008</p>
	<p>When kids are grieving: Addressing grief and loss in schools by Donna M. Burns</p> <p>This primer on loss and grief helps educators and counsellors understand and respond to the extraordinary challenges that children and adolescents may face when dealing with loss and grief. The book explains how children and adolescents are affected by various forms of loss.</p> <p>Publisher: Skyhorse Publishing Year: 2014 (Reprint)</p>
	<p>Responding to Loss and Bereavement in Schools by John Holland</p> <p>This practical resource provides everything you need to enable your school to provide the best possible support for pupils and staff who have suffered a loss or bereavement. The book includes a school 'audit' to allow full assessment and evaluation of your school's current bereavement provision, and a full set of photocopiable training exercises for in-school staff bereavement training. It considers the important and unique role the school can play in supporting bereaved pupils and staff, and provides valuable guidance on how to create a school bereavement policy.</p> <p>Publisher: Jessica Kingsley Publishers Year: 2016</p>

 <p>Talking About Death and Bereavement in School</p> <p>How to Help Children Aged 4 to 11 to Feel Supported and Understood</p> <p>Anne Chadwick</p>	<p>Talking About Death and Bereavement in School: How to Help Children Aged 4 to 11 to Feel Supported and Understood by Ann Chadwick</p> <p>Children experiencing bereavement are often confused, unprepared, and in need of help and support from those around them. It is important that school teachers and staff know how to respond to bereavement and how they can best help the child. This short, easy to read book offers simple but important advice and guidance for school teachers and staff on what to do when a child is grieving. It also stresses the importance of teaching the facts of death to children and includes ideas on how to incorporate this into lessons.</p> <p>Publisher: Jessica Kingsley Publishers Year: 2011</p>
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