

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

Brown, M. Arthur and the 1,001 Dads. Arthur and his friends try to find a substitute to attend the Father's Day picnic with Buster, whose father is not around much since his parents' divorce. j 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

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

Harrington, C. My Two Homes. Lenny, the class reporter and photographer, goes home with a new Student of the Week to learn about her family. Skye lives part of the time with her father and part of the time with her mother and stepdad. Lenny is impressed with the girl's two bedrooms, loving family, and wicked curve ball. Skye refers to all of the adults in her life as her parents and gives them credit for teaching her all she knows about baseball. A simple and approachable glimpse at blended families and divorce. 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

Rowland, J. Always Mom, Forever Dad. In this reassuring picture book, young readers see children who have two households—whether because of divorce, separation, or other circumstances—experiencing life’s ups and downs with both parents — secure in the knowledge that Mom will always be Mom, and Dad is forever Dad. (On order December 2016)

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

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