

Books for Children—NON-FICTION (cont'd)

Roman, Mel, et. al. THE DISPOSABLE PARENT: THE CASE FOR JOINT CUSTODY (New York: Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1978. \$7.95)

A plea to the professionals in the field of divorce and to lay people undergoing the process to consider the possibility of joint custody. The authors review findings of the studies on the effects of divorce, concluding that children who do "best" following their parents' divorce are those free to develop full and loving relationships with both parents. The authors maintain that joint custody would decrease the sense of loss and foster parental relationships.

Weiss, Robert S. MARITAL SEPARATION (New York: Basic Books, Inc., 1975. \$12.50; \$4.95 pap.)

A discussion of the common emotional and practical problems involved in a divorce action.

Other Books for Children/Parents:

Ages 3-5

- *It's Not Your Fault, Koko Bear: A Read-Together Book for Parents and Young Children* by Vicki Lansky
- *Mama and Daddy Bear's Divorce* by Cornelia Maude Spelman
- *Was It the Chocolate Pudding: A Story for Little Kids About Divorce* by Sandra Levins
- *Two Homes to Live In* by Barbara S. Hazen
- *Two Homes* by Claire Masurel (up to age 7)
- *My Family is Changing* by Pat Thomas

Ages 6-8

- *But...What About Me! How it Feels to be a Kid in Divorce* by Bonnie Doss
- *At Daddy's on Saturdays* by Linda Walvoord Girard & Judith Friedman
- *Dinosaurs Divorce: A Guide for Changing Families* by Laurene Krasny Brown
- *Let's Talk About It: Divorce* by Fred Rogers

Ages 7-11

- *The Formerly Great Alexander Family* by Susan Shreve
- *It's Not the End of the World* by Judy Blume
- *A Book for Jordan* by Marcia Newfield
- *What in the World to Do When Your Parents Divorce: A Survival Guide for Kids* by Kent Winchester and Roberta Beyer

Ages 12 and up

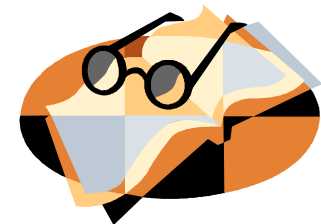
- *When Your Parents Split Up...How to Keep Yourself Together* by Alys Swan-Jackson Price
- *Divorce Happens To the Nicest Kids: A Self Help Book for Kids* by Michael S. Prokop
- *What's Best for You* by Judie Angell
- *To the Green Mountains* by Eleanor Cameron

For Parents:

- *Explaining Divorce to Children* by Earl Grollman
- *Helping Children Cope with Separation and Loss* by Claudia Jewett
- *The Divorced Parent: Success Strategies for Raising Your Children After Separation* by Stephanie Marston
- *Helping Children Cope with Divorce* by Edward Teyber
- *Divorce Poison: Protecting the Parent-Child Bond from a Vindictive Ex* by Richard Warschak

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Books for Children—Fiction

Alexander, Anne. TO LIVE A LIE (New York: Atheneum, 1975. \$8.95)

In order to hide her parents' separation Noel tells everyone in her new school that her mother is dead. For middle adolescents.

Anderson, Mary. I'M NOBODY? WHO ARE YOU? (New York: Atheneum, 1974. \$6.95)

Ellie Grogan, 13, a student at a private school, is befriended by Stephanie who introduces her to a world of fantasy. Ellie soon realizes why Stephanie avoids the real world. For early middle adolescents.

Blume, Judy. IT'S NOT THE END OF THE WORLD (Scarsdale, N.Y.: Bradbury Press, 1972. \$6.95; \$1.50 pap. Bantam 1977).

Karen Newman will not accept the fact that her parents' divorce is final. Plots, tricks, or her brother's running away will not stop the divorce. Karen has a difficult time admitting this. For middle adolescents.

Colman, Hila. AFTER THE WEDDING (New York: William Morrow and Co., 1975. \$6.00)

Katie, 18, and Peter, 20, marry with the determination that they can both remain independent and free from the pressures of society. Katie struggles to be a wife and mother, but their differences drive them apart. For middle to late adolescents.

Ewing, Kathryn. A PRIVATE MATTER (New York: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1975. \$5.95)

Marcy Benson, 10, an only child, lives with her divorced mother. She develops a very close friendship with a retired neighbor but fantasizes that he is her "father." For pre-adolescents or young adolescents.

Neufeld, John. SUNDAY FATHER (New York: New American Library, 1977. \$1.50 pap.)

Tessa placed all her hopes on the chance that some day her parents might get back together. Her father's announcement of his plan to remarry destroyed hope. It is aimed at providing children with the security of knowing that someone understands what they are encountering during their parents' divorce. Pre-adolescents and early adolescents.

Grollman, Earl. TALKING ABOUT DIVORCE: A DIALOGUE BETWEEN PARENT AND CHILD (Boston: Beacon Press, 1975. \$7.50; \$2.95 pap.)

A simply written guidebook for parents and children to allow them to discuss with each other the problems of the divorce action and to enable both the parents and the child to understand their emotions.

Richards, Arlene and Willis, Irene. HOW TO GET IT TOGETHER WHEN YOUR PARENTS ARE COMING APART (New York: David McKay Co., Inc., 1976. \$7.95; \$1.75 pap. Bantam, 1977)

A book written specifically for the adolescent, it gives a sensitive approach to problems that are pertinent to this age group. Middle to late adolescents.

Books for Adults

Fisher, Esther Oshiver. DIVORCE, THE NEW FREEDOM (Harper & Row, 1974)

The author is a marriage counselor who gives practical and sound advice with reference to pre-divorce problems, post-divorce problems, and the legal and emotional strains of divorce.

Galper, Miriam. CO-PARENTING: SHARING YOUR CHILD EQUALLY (Philadelphia: Running Press, 1978. \$8.95; \$4.95 pap.)

Subtitled, "A Source Book for the Separated or Divorced Family," this is a very personal, warm and helpful book for the couple considering co-parenting. Useful reading for the practitioner whose clients are considering joint custody.

Gardner, Richard. THE PARENTS BOOK ABOUT DIVORCE (Garden City, New York: Doubleday, 1977. \$9.95)

Topics covered include pre- and post-divorce problems and the psychological impact of divorce.

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Gardner, Richard. THE BOYS AND GIRLS BOOK ABOUT DIVORCE (New York: Aronson, 1971. \$10.00)

A cleverly illustrated straightforward approach that children can read themselves. It is aimed at providing children with the security of knowing that someone understands what they are encountering during their parents' divorce. Pre-adolescents and early adolescents.

Grollman, Earl A. and Sams, Marjorie L. LIVING THROUGH YOUR DIVORCE (Boston: Beacon Press, 1978. \$8.95)

A book of poems and pictures which can offer insight and comfort to someone traumatized by the divorce process.

Krantzler, Mel. CREATIVE DIVORCE (New York: M. Evans & Co., 1973. \$6.95)

Noble, June and Noble, William. THE CUSTODY TRAP (Hawthorne Books, Inc., 1975)

Particularly valuable for someone who is involved in a custody litigation. The two authors discuss both emotional and legal problems involved.