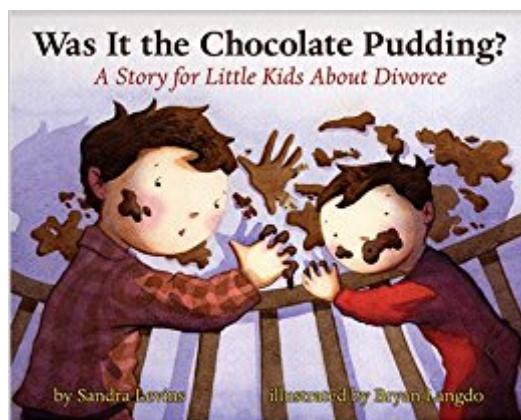


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Was It The Chocolate Pudding?: A Story For Little Kids About Divorce



Synopsis

Tells the story of divorce in a typical family from the point of view of a young narrator. Readers learn about divorce, and receive age-appropriate explanations of what is happening regarding such issues as single-parent homes and joint custody. It includes a Note to Parents by psychologist and author Jane Annunziata, PsyD.

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Customer Reviews

Bryan is the illustrator of over thirty books. His picture book "Tornado Slim and the Magic Cowboy Hat" won a 2012 Spur Award for Storytelling from Western Writers of America. In addition to his work as an illustrator and writer, Bryan works as an editor for an ESL website and app. He also runs errands for his wife's nature-based nursery school. Bryan lives in Hopewell, NJ, with his wife and two children. When not working, he likes to be in the woods. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Excellent story for helping little kids (which mine were) examine their instinctive question: "Was it my fault my parents got divorced?" It uses a minor home disaster caused by two little boys to illustrate what was probably just a "last straw" in their parents' marriage, and it helps them understand that the kids' own perceptions are only a tiny fraction of what happens between two divorcing parents.

My sons were 2 and 5 when I moved out, and it seemed perfect for that age. Probably also good up to age 7-8.

I wish I had read more reviews before I purchased this book. It was disturbing that the mother had limited visibility in this story, rather than the shared custody arrangement the book is meant to portray. I think this could be confusing to young children.

Great book that helps children to understand it is nothing they did that caused the parents to separate. Also provides definition for some adult words, such as 'divorce' (although I substitute the word 'divorce' in the book for 'separate' as there wasn't a marriage).

As a therapist who works with a lot of families dealing with divorce, I have found this book to be one of the best in explaining divorce-related issues to children in simple but helpful language. It deals quite well with issues related to parents arguing, and also with the self-blame children often feel after a divorce.

When my ex and I were going through a divorce I tried looking through many books to help our kids cope. I found almost all of them to be heavily biased towards either the mother or the father, portraying one as dysfunctional or unavailable. Since my kids had both a mother and a father who cared about them, I wanted to avoid causing more emotional damage to them by giving them a book which might make them worry that one or the other of us was going to abandon them or start drinking heavily. This book is designed to help kids understand that divorce is not their fault, that they didn't cause it and can't prevent it. It helps them to understand that the situation is not ideal, but that it will work out. I think it helps them to feel more "normal." And it doesn't portray one side as being substantially better parent than the other. It does have the kids spending more time during the week with the father than the mother. But the time that the kids are with their mother they are happy to be there and doing fun activities, and she offers them important parental advice. I really don't believe that there is a bias one way or the other in this book. Did the kids enjoy it? Now that our kids have pretty well adjusted to the divorce, two years later they still ask to have it read to them from time to time. I highly recommend this book along with Claire Masurel's "Two Homes" for any parents who desire above all to help their children cope with the anxiety of a divorce.

Very nice book for helping children understand why parents divorced. I recommended it for toddlers

and kindergarten age children.

This book was effective in helping children identify their feelings and understand they are not responsible for family changes as the result of a separation and pending divorce.

Love this book and its illustrations. Great for explaining that it is not a child's fault when their parents divorce.

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