

# **Terrible Thing Happened Margaret Holmes**

This wonderful picture book for children and adults alike introduces the powerful practice of mindfulness in a fun and exciting way. With the delightful Monkey and his serene friend Happy Panda guiding readers to a calmer and more attentive mind, this whimsical yet warm presentation will delight all readers. As our story begins, Monkey is not so mindful - his Monkey Mind constantly jumping from one thing to another - but he encounters a mysterious and playful friend in Happy Panda. Panda helps Monkey recognize the simple joy of doing what you're doing while you're doing it.

The Heart of Mi Familia follows a young girl who is of a multicultural descent as she visits her abeula and her grandma.

When devastating news rattles a young girl's community, her normally attentive parents and neighbors are suddenly exhausted and distracted. At school, her teacher tells the class to look for the helpers—the good people working to make things better in big and small ways. She wants more than anything to help in a BIG way, but maybe she can start with one small act of kindness instead . . . and then another, and another. Small things can compound, after all, to make a world of difference. The Breaking News by Sarah Lynne Reul touches on themes of community, resilience, and optimism with an authenticity that will resonate with readers young and old.

Examines in simple text and illustrations a variety of situations that cause varying degrees of emotional or physical trauma and how to deal with each.

Truly bad things happen in life. And while we cannot shelter children from every hurt and harm, we can reassure them that

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they, like the little elves in these pages, will always be loved and cared for. We can teach children the skills needed for coping with life's biggest challenges and changes. And we can restore children's trust that life, after all, is good.

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Ollie talks about the feelings that he has been having since the death of his mother. Includes information for caregivers. With his mother's help, RJ learns that his problems happen because he doesn't listen or pay attention to directions from her, his school principal, teachers, or even his friends. Author Julia Cook's book shows RJ as well as all K-6 readers the steps to the fundamental social skills of listening and following instructions. When RJ learns to use these skills the right way, he has the best day of his life! This book is the first in the BEST ME I Can Be! series to teach children social skills that can make home life happier and school more successful. The book includes tips for parents and educators on how to effectively teach listening and following instructions skills to kids.

El enojo esta' BIEN La Violencia NO written by Julie Federico and illustrated by Glori Alexander, is a thoughtful, much-needed addition to pre-school teachers' and social workers' libraries. With vibrant, TV-cartoon-like illustrations and simple, direct text appropriate for even the youngest children, this picture book explores the complexity and vitality of anger, and when it is appropriately expressed and when it is not. True emotional intelligence is something recognized and respected but rarely taught and discussed, even among adults. The goal of this worthy project is to engage children in a safe,

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non-threatening exploration of complicated, often-frightening feelings. Federico lets kids know that anger is normal, though managing its expression can be complicated. Clear language and child-friendly art invite a direct, straightforward examination of when anger is appropriate and how to safely express it through art, physical activity, tears. What's not OK is hitting, biting, throwing and hurting. The book gently and clearly reminds its vulnerable audience that adults can find the journey just as tricky as children do. If an adult hurts a child or someone they love, Federico instructs her young readers that telling a trusted adult is a safe and right action for them to take. Needless to say, this is complex emotional territory, and Federico's tone is perfect: even, loving, simple, clear. Educators and caregivers may well find this a helpful tool in eliciting important conversations, and the book includes contact information for The National Domestic Violence Hotline and other respected sources of support. [www.juliefederico.com](http://www.juliefederico.com)

An interactive book to help children and families express their feelings, ask questions, and explore their memories about a loved one who has passed away.

After his father dies, Sam tells how he feels and what he can do so he doesn't hurt so much. Healing Days is a book designed to be used in therapy for young children and functions as an

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excellent resource for those who have experienced physical or sexual abuse, or other trauma. Readers will follow four children as they learn ways to cope with their own trauma. Sensitive, empowering, and beautifully illustrated, the book models therapeutic coping responses and provides children with tools they may use to deal with their own trauma. A Dear Reader introduction is included for the child reader. Also available is an online Note to Parents and Caregivers.

Introduces the people and procedures involved in foster care, and the feelings, reactions, and concerns of new foster children. Includes an afterword for caregivers.

'Human beans is not really believing in giants, is they? Human beans is not thinking we exist.' On a dark, silvery moonlit night, Sophie is snatched from her bed by a giant. Luckily it is the Big Friendly Giant, the BFG, who only eats snozzcumbers and glugs frobscottle. But there are other giants in Giant Country. Fifty foot brutes who gallop far and wide every night to find human beans to eat. Can Sophie and her friend the BFG stop them?

A tale of acceptance from the bestselling author of *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*. Barnaby Brocket is an ordinary eight-year-old boy in most ways, but he was born different in one important way: he floats. Unlike everyone else, Barnaby does not obey the law of gravity. His parents, who have a fear of being

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noticed, want desperately for Barnaby to be normal, but he can't help who he is. And when the unthinkable happens, Barnaby finds himself on a journey that takes him all over the world. Drifting from Brazil to New York, from Canada to Ireland, and even to space, the floating boy meets all sorts of different people--and discovers who he really is along the way. This whimsical novel will delight middle-graders, while readers of all ages will find themselves questioning what it means to be "normal."

A new edition of the classic picturebook about coping with fears.

When his mother dies, a little boy is angry at his loss but does everything he can to hold onto the memory of her scent, her voice, and the special things she did for him, even as he tries to help his father and grandmother cope.

Little Rabbit and Big Rabbit are together after a difficult separation, but Little Rabbit is not yet ready to cuddle up and receive Big Rabbit's love. Little Rabbit needs Big Rabbit to understand what it felt like when they were apart. This story was designed to help parents and children who have experienced difficult separations.

Third-grader Braden loves to be the center of attention.

His comic genius, as he sees it, causes his friends to look at him in awe. But some poor decisions, like ill-timed jokes, forces the adults in Braden's life to teach him about impulse control.

This quirky tale teaches young readers the difference

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between nice teasing and mean teasing. Laughing at someone (mean teasing) has a hurtful bite, but laughing with someone (nice teasing) is alright when it's not done out of spite.

'Brilliantly researched and sympathetically told, 44 DAYS is more than just a fitting tribute to brave but overlooked heroes. It's also a top read.' DAILY TELEGRAPH In March and April 1942, RAAF 75 Squadron bravely defended Port Moresby for 44 days when Australia truly stood alone against the Japanese. This group of raw young recruits scrambled ceaselessly in their Kittyhawk fighters to an extraordinary and heroic battle, the story of which has been left largely untold. The recruits had almost nothing going for them against the Japanese war machine, except for one extraordinary leader named John Jackson, a balding, tubby Queenslander - at 35 possibly the oldest fighter pilot in the world - who said little, led from the front, and who had absolutely no sense of physical fear. Time and time again this brave group were hurled into battle, against all odds and logic, and succeeded in mauling a far superior enemy - whilst also fighting against the air force hierarchy. After relentless attack, the squadron was almost wiped out by the time relief came, having succeeded in their mission - but also paying a terrible price. Michael Veitch, actor, presenter and critically acclaimed author, brings to life the incredible exploits and tragic sacrifices of this courageous squadron of Australian heroes.

A youngster relates the terrible problems that occurred after her mother went to work and how the family solved them.

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Kirkus Reviews Best Picture Book of 2019 There's someone in the living room. It's Dad. It is Angryman. Boj's father can be very angry and violent. Boj calls this side of his father's personality "Angryman." When Angryman comes no one is safe. Until something powerful happens... Gro Dahle's astute text and Svein Nyhus's bold, evocative art capture the full range of emotions that descend upon a small family as they grapple with "Angryman." With an important message to children who experience the same things as Boj: You are not alone. It's not your fault. You must tell someone you trust. It doesn't have to be this way!

Readers learn about psychotherapy and the value of play as treatment for behavior problems in small children.

It doesn't matter if RJ hears compliments or constructive feedback, he is never sure how to respond. With guidance from his family, RJ learns why feedback, even when it's difficult to accept, is information he can use to become a better person.

A little squirrel announces that he was once very, very, scared and finds out that he is not alone. Lots of little animals went through scary experiences, but they react in different ways. Turtle hides and gets a tummy ache, monkey clings, dog barks, and elephant doesn't like to talk about it. They need help, and they get help from grown-ups who help them feel safe and learn ways to cope with difficult feelings. This story was written to help children and grown-ups understand how stress can affect children and ways to help them.

"When someone you love goes to jail, you might feel

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lost, scared, and even mad. What do you do? No matter who your loved one is, this story can help you through the tough times."--from cover, p. [4]

Sam saw something awful and scary! Ms. Carol, a special therapist, will show Sam how to feel better. Children can help Sam feel better too by using drawings, play, and storytelling activities. They will be able to identify and manage their own feelings and difficulties in their lives following a traumatic event, crisis, or grief.

Therapists' Acclaim for "Sam Feels Better Now" "This beautiful little picture book is the ideal guide for a series of therapy sessions that will focus the child's attention on positives and help to deal with the traumatic memories"

-- Bob Rich, PhD., AnxietyAndDepression-help.com

""Sam Feels Better Now"" provides the child and therapist a safe metaphor for exploring trauma issues.

The story teaches children that coming to therapy can be a good thing." --JoAnna White, Ed.D., Professor and Chair Department of Counseling and Psychological Services, Georgia State Univ. Visit the author online:

[www.JillOsborne.com](http://www.JillOsborne.com) Book #2 in the Growing with Love Series From Loving Healing Press

[www.LovingHealing.com](http://www.LovingHealing.com) "Redefining what's possible for healing mind and spirit since 2003."

At her grandmother's beach cottage, Annie reveals her father's sexual abuse of her to a dove who helps her heal and learn to trust again. Lists guidelines for adults to help sexually abused children.

A young boy describes the frequent fights his parents have, explains how they make him feel scared and confused, and tells what he does to make himself feel



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better.

HOPE is our children's window for a better tomorrow. In terms of resilience and well-being, hope is a critically important predictor of success. This creative story from the best-selling author of *My Mouth is a Volcano!*, and *Bubble Gum Brain*, reminds children that dark clouds can be temporary and asking for help is always okay. We all have times when we need to borrow a little hope from someone else. When your clouds get too dark, and too heavy to push away, Reach out and ask, "Can I borrow some light?" "I'm having a really bad day." It's always okay to admit to yourself, "I just can't do it today."

Everyone needs somebody sometimes, to help them find their way. Sometimes the dark clouds overhead seem too heavy and you feel like giving up. Little candle knows all about this. Bad grades, blasted on social media, worried about making the team, and wondering who her real friends are "š€š" so many hard things to deal with! All she can see is darkness. But her story begins to change when someone notices she needs a boost of hope. As little candle is reminded she has purpose and her own unique gifts, and that she isn't the only one with dark clouds, her dim light begins to shine brighter. This hopeful story emphasizes for children (and adults) the many different ways to ask for help, and their ability to be a hope builder for others, too.

When a big feeling comes along...you can handle it! Sometimes, emotions like anger or jealousy or excitement can seem too big to keep inside. *Me and My Feelings* is here to tell you: It's okay to have big feelings. And the good news is, you can calm down those strong

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emotions--so you won't feel like you're going to explode! This book shows you how to stay in control--by breathing deeply, saying positive things to yourself, talking about your feelings, and more. You'll learn to deal with all kind of feelings, including the hard ones like sadness, anxiety, or even fear. Inside *Me and My Feelings*, you'll find: Everyone has emotions--When you understand your own emotions and feelings, you can also be understanding of other people's--like your family and friends. Ideas that help--This book is packed with ways to help you handle your feelings. Try out the exercises to see which tips and tricks work best for you! Quizzes and activities--Get to know yourself with quizzes like "Do My Emotions Rule Me?," along with other fun exercises and activities especially for kids ages 7-10. With *Me and My Feelings*, the next time your big feelings get too big--you'll know just what to do!

After Sherman sees something terrible happen, he becomes anxious and then angry, so a counselor helps him talk about these emotions.

**BEST SELLER!** *Trauma: Teaching Kids all about Trauma* is a wonderful book to help children. How trauma affects our thoughts, feelings and behavior are discussed to help children recognize and express how they might have, or might be, affected by stressful events in their lives. Ways of coping with trauma are suggested as well as the message that kids are survivors and can overcome things that might have been traumatic in their lives. The book includes vivid illustrations, keywords, simple explanations, open-ended questions as well as a fun "Can you spot it?" game throughout the book to keep children engaged and refocus if they become distracted or anxious due to the topic being

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discussed. Review questions, a word search as well as useful on-line resources are also provided. REVIEWS: "A wonderful book to read and share with your kids. It is very informative, yet simple, easily allowing you to introduce the concept of trauma to your children. You will love the colorful and bright illustrations which will keep even the youngest children interested. An excellent resource for everyone." Lymaris Barger, Mother of Maya (9) and Owen (5) "Robert Edelman has written a sensitive and thoughtful book about a difficult but prevalent condition. Illustrations are beautifully detailed and will be appreciated by all. A Guide to Teaching Kids about Trauma can be used in both educational and therapeutic settings and is appropriate for young and middle age children. Parents will also find this book engaging and very useful with helping their children cope with traumatic events." Dr. Linda Abeles, Clinical Psychologist "This easy to read book highlights many of the challenging aspects of trauma, with illustrations and activities to engage a young person. Mr. Edelman has created a straightforward book to not only talk about trauma, but take steps to cope with the aftermath that traumatic events can cause. It is designed for children and those working with children (parents/caregivers, foster parents, schools, religious organizations, counselors, treatment programs and other professionals)." Joshua Leblang, Ed.S, LMHC - Senior Lecturer at the University of Washington's School of Medicine

Illustrations and simple, rhyming text provide young children with tools for dealing with feelings of sadness, such as talking about what is wrong, crying, or doing something creative. Allison Edwards, author of the best-selling book *Why Smart Kids Worry*, gives a glimpse into the ways worry whispers to young minds, and offers a powerful tool all children can use to silence those fears. "Worry's songs tie my tummy up in knots, and the things he says make my heart beat very fast.

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Sometimes he speaks in a whisper, and other times his voice gets so loud I can't hear anything else." Worry and anxiety are currently the top mental health issues among children and teens. Children have a number of worries throughout childhood that will come and go. The problem is not with the worries themselves, but that children believe the worries to be true. With a relatable story and beautiful artwork, *Worry Says What?* will help children (and adults) flip their thinking when anxious thoughts begin and turn them into powerful reminders of all they are capable of accomplishing.

After Sherman sees something terrible happen, he becomes anxious and then angry, but when a counselor helps him talk about these emotions he feels better.

RJ is struggling in math class and many of his assignments are missing or incomplet. With help he discovers how to stay organized so he doesn't have to do things over and over again.

Written and illustrated by a girl who was sexually molested by a family member, this book reaches out to other children by carrying Jessie's message "It's o.k. to tell; help can come when you tell." Written and illustrated by a young girl who was sexually molested by a family member, this book reaches out to other children in a way that no adult can, Jessie's words carry the message, "It's o.k. to tell; help can come when you tell." This book is an excellent tool for therapists, counselors, child protection workers, teachers, and parents dealing with children affected by sexual abuse. Jessie's story adds a sense of hope for what should be, and the knowledge that the child protection system can work for children. Simple, direct, and from the heart, Jessie gives children the permission and the courage to deal with sexual abuse. "Please Tell! is a beautifully simple book with a profoundly important message for children who have been sexually abused: the abuse wasn't their fault. Written and illustrated by Jessie, herself a

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pre-teen survivor of sexual abuse, it tells kids just what to do to get the help they need." Kristin A. Kunzman, abuse therapist and author of *The Healing Way: Adult Recovery from Childhood Sexual Abuse*

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