

BOOK REVIEW

RECENTLY I CAME UPON A SERIES OF BOOKS WRITTEN FOR **SPECIFIC** AREAS OF CONCERN. THE BOOKS ARE APPROPRIATE FOR YOU OR YOUR CLIENT'S PARENT TO SHARE WITH THE CHILD. AS WE ARE WELL AWARE, SOMETIMES A CHILD NEEDS INFORMATION IN ORDER TO BEGIN, PROCESS AND/OR COMPLETE HIS/HER PROBLEM SOLVING. THIS SERIES IS PUBLISHED BY THE ROSEN PUBLISHING GROUP, INC. POWER KIDS PRESS, NEW YORK.

I PARTICULARLY APPRECIATE **"THE LET'S TALK LIBRARY"** SERIES. EACH BOOK IN THE SERIES IS QUITE MATTER-OF-FACT IN PROVIDING INFORMATION. FOR EXAMPLE, "LET'S TALK ABOUT WHEN YOUR PARENT IS IN JAIL" COVERS WHAT A JAIL IS, LOOKS LIKE, CHANGES IN THE FAMILY, THE CHILD'S FEELINGS, ETC. PHOTOGRAPHS RATHER THAN DRAWINGS OR ILLUSTRATIONS PROVIDE THE VISUALS FOR THE CHILD.

A FEW OTHER EXAMPLES OF THE TITLES IN THIS SERIES ARE "LET'S TALK ABOUT.....GOING TO A FUNERAL", ALCOHOL ABUSE",LIVING IN A BLENDED FAMILY,FOSTER HOMES,.....BEING SHY,.....YOUR PARENT'S DIVORCE,WHEN SOMEONE YOU LOVE IS IN A NURSING HOME,WHEN YOUR MOM OR DAD IS UNHAPPY, FEELING SAD, STAYING IN A SHELTER,WHEN A PARENT DIES.

THESE ARE ONLY A HANDFUL OF THE TITLES AVAILABLE. THE BOOKS ARE WRITTEN BY SEPARATE AUTHORS FOR UPPER ELEMENTARY AGE CHILDREN TO BE ABLE TO READ ON THEIR OWN CHOOSE BUT BASIC ENOUGH TO BE SHARED ALOUD WITH A YOUNGER CHILD.

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