

BOOK REVIEWS

I Miss You, Stinky Face

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The delightful author of *I Love You, Stinky Face* has written another wonderful book. The imaginative little child strikes again with a new batch of "what-ifs" for his mother. While his mother is away, her son states to her "Mama, do you miss me so much that you're coming right home to me, no matter what?" Un-thrilled with her static response, her son takes her on a soaring journey of dragons, balloons, pirate ships, rocket ships, and whales while challenging her on ways that might keep her from him. Her obvious message remains constant throughout the book: *Nothing could ever keep this mother from her son.*

This book is an excellent therapeutic tool for children dealing with divorce and the aftermath of parents living in separate homes. It is a wonderful addition to any parent and/or counselor's library to ensure to each child that no matter what, their parent will always return to them. I have had several parents read it to children on the last day of their visit in order to reassure their child that they will always be there for them.