



Engaging Fathers Handout: Children's Booklist Focusing on Men and Fathers

Alexie, S. (2016). *Thunder Boy Jr.* New York, NY: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

This book celebrates the special relationship between a father and son and portrays a boy's struggle to make a name for himself in the world.

Balouch, K. (2006). *Mystery bottle.* New York, NY: Hyperion.

This book shares the story of a grandson and grandfather's connection across time and distance.

Bang, M. (2003). *Ten, nine, eight.* New York, NY: Greenwillow Books.

This story highlights bedtime rituals shared by a young girl and her father.

Beaty, D. (2013). *Knock knock: My Dad's dream for me.* New York, NY: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

This book explores the themes of love, separation, hope, and resilience as a young boy tells the story of his father's influence and dream for him.

Hines, A. G. (1986). *Daddy makes the best spaghetti.* New York, NY: Clarion.

This book is written from the perspective of a young boy who shares his perception of his family, including his father who makes the best spaghetti.

Holmberg, B. R. (2008). *A day with Dad.* Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press.

This book tells the narrative of a young boy whose parents are divorced and describes the special time they spend together during his father's visits.

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Richardson, J., & Parnell, P. (2005). *And Tango makes three*. New York, NY: Simon & Schuster.

This story shares how two male penguins create a family with help from a zookeeper.

Rotner, S., & Kelly, S. (2001). *Lots of grandparents*. Brookfield, CT: Millbrook Press.

Colorful photographs throughout this book show diverse grandparents sharing special times with their grandchildren.

Shannon, G. (2015). *One family*. New York, NY: Farrar, Straus, & Giroux.

This book offers varying representations of families and caregivers.

Steptoe, J. (1997). *In daddy's arms I am tall: African Americans celebrating fathers*. New York, NY: Lee and Low Books.

Twelve poems within this book show the significance of relationships between fathers, children, and grandchildren.

Willems, M. (2004). *Knuffle Bunny: A cautionary tale*. New York, NY: Hyperion.

This book tells the story of a young girl and her father's trip to the laundromat with her special stuffed bunny.

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