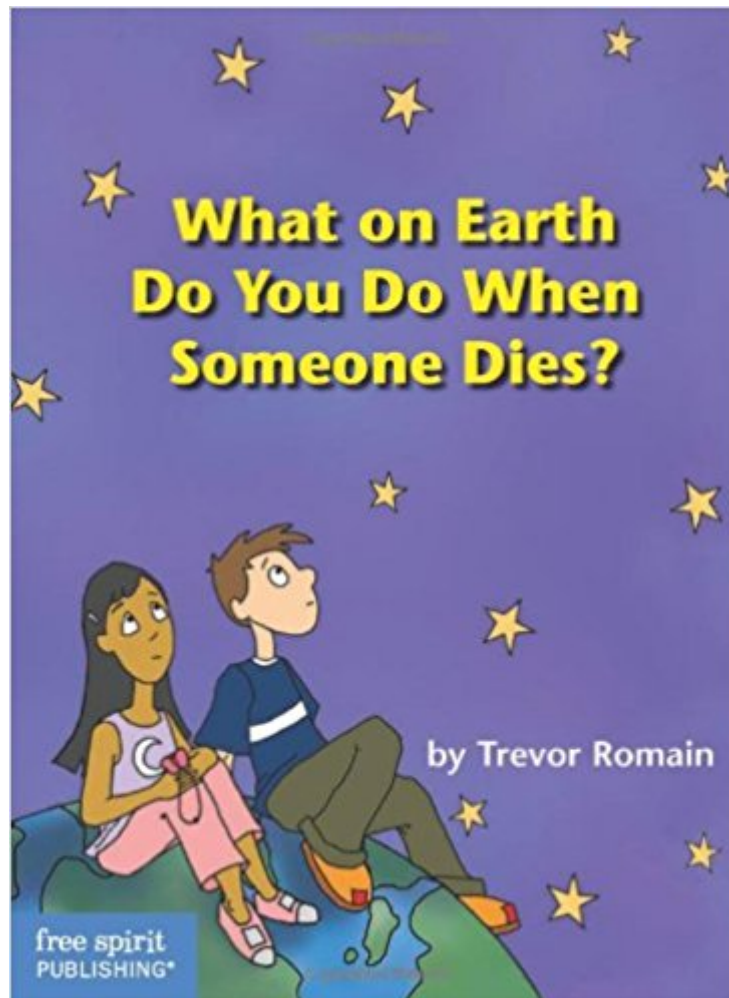




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What On Earth Do You Do When Someone Dies?



Synopsis

When Trevor Romain's father died, Trevor didn't know what to feel, say, or do. Shocked, saddened, and confused, all he could say was . . . wow. As he started understanding what had happened, he began writing about his experiences and feelings. His new book is simple, insightful, and straight from the heart is for any child who has lost a loved one or other special person. Trevor talks directly to kids about what death means and how to cope. He asks the kinds of questions kids have about death •Why? How? What next? Is it my fault? What's a funeral? in basic, straightforward terms. He describes and discusses the overwhelming emotions involved in grieving •sadness, fear, anger, guilt •and offers practical strategies for dealing with them. He also suggests meaningful ways to remember and honor the person who has died. When someone dies, adults are often involved with their own loss and grief and not as available to children as they might otherwise be. This little book, full of concrete advice and expressive illustrations, offers the comfort and reassurance that children need during these difficult times. Written to and for kids, it's also recommended for parents and other relatives, educators, counselors, and youth workers.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

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"Supportive, insightful, inspiring|very highly recommended for school and public

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When Trevor Romain was 12, his teacher told him he wasn't talented enough to do art. By accident, he found out 20 years later that he could draw. Since that lucky day, he has written and illustrated 20 books for children. In addition to writing, illustrating, and speaking at schools, Trevor is a board member of the Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation and can often be found on the cancer ward at Brackenridge Hospital in Austin, Texas, doing his rounds as "Doctor of Mischief."

This book was helpful in trying to explain death to young children. It was difficult trying to discuss the passing of a beloved grandparent. This book helped us step through it with our nieces in a clear but hopeful manner.

I searched through all the books on the website related to helping children face death of a loved one. I read all the reviews, ordered all the books that sounded good. I then read all the books that sounded good and this is my top pick. I gave it to a five year old whose grandmother had died. His father told me that it helped him just as much as his son. I am writing this review, sadly, because I am ordering it again for a teen-age boy whose little brother drowned recently. This book will not turn kids off, it is not corny or sentimental. As a family therapist, I only use the best books available and hope that this recommendation helps someone else.

I am 62, and recently lost my son. His girlfriend has 2 young children and had this book to read to them. She suggested I read it, and I am glad I did. It is simple and to the point and had much info for all ages. I found some comfort in reading this book.

For a young person, you cannot, absolutely cannot, beat this book (and the DVD). The story is clear and insightful. Your kids (grandkids, children of friends or acquaintances...whomever) will immediately identify with the characters (everybody loves Sky!) and the advice on how to express grief is sound. If you know of young kids who are grieving the loss of a parent, grandparent, schoolmate, or even a pet...this is a great purchase to make for him/her.

Wonderful pre-read for helping children with the death of a loved one.

You can't go wrong with work by Trevor Romain. This was ordered for a student who just lost her dad and for the school counselor. It's almost as if Trevor Romain listens to the questions in a child's brain and finds the right words to answer them in an engaging, easy to read way. His topics include stress, homework, bullies, cliques, deployment, divorce, and many others important to parents and teachers as well as the students. I always kept an assortment in my classroom as resources for parents, teachers, and students. *What on Earth Do You Do When Someone Dies?* is especially good, as well, for the friends and classmates of the grieving child. The accompanying dvd presents the book in cartoon format but extends the information with many other resources.

Thanks for the help.

My 9 year-old son recently lost his father and he was not talking to me or any family members about his feelings. This book was very thorough for a young person and it helped him to open dialogue with me and start his grieving process. I highly recommend this book.

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