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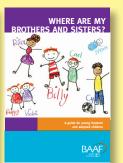
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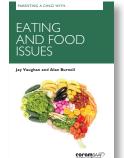
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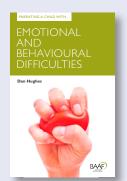
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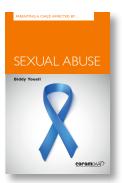
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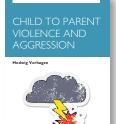
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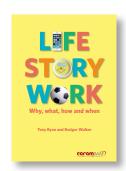
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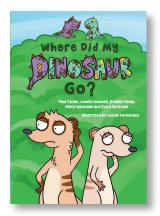
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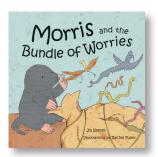
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Spark learns to fly

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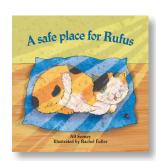
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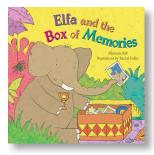


A safe place for Rufus

Rufus the cat lives with a family who look after him. He feels happy and safe, especially when lying on his favourite cushion. But he didn't always feel this way. Thinking about his past makes him angry and sad and Rufus struggles to escape from his memories and find a safe place where he can relax and be himself. This book for children, aged 4–8 years old, explores the importance of feeling safe.

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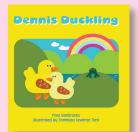
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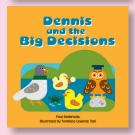


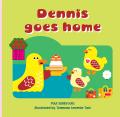
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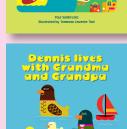
Using the device of a birthday picnic, this vividly illustrated book introduces children to a range of family structures including: two- and one-parent families; kinship, adoptive and foster families; gay and lesbian families; and step-families. It also shows a diverse range of adults and children.

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Dennis the little duckling is sad because he and his sister have to leave their mum and dad as they can no longer look after them. This mini-series (for ages 2-5) explores different aspects of the care experience – going into care, decision-making about children in care, returning home, and kinship care – and can be used flexibly depending on where a child is living.

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