Our best stories about families

Many of the best loved children's book explore the family. Here is a list of books to read aloud together.

The Trouble with Mom

by Babette Cole

In this humorous fantasy, a boy has a witch for a mother. See also the other titles of this author. (E COL)

I can't sleep

by Patti Farmer

When Zoey can't sleep, she wakens her whole family. (E FAR)

Just you and me

by Eugenie Fernandes

When Heather and her mother want to spend time together, Auntie Pearl watches the baby. (E FER)

When you were little and I was big

by Priscilla Galloway

In this tale of role reversal, a little girl becomes mummy and tells her daughter about all the nice things she does for her. (E GAL)

My little Brother

by Debi Gliori

Every sisters knows that sometimes little brothers can be pests. (E GLI)

Happy birth day

by Robie H. Harris

Few birth stories have been told as tenderly, or illustrated as movingly as this one, which follows the welcoming of a new baby on her first day. (E HAR)

Celebrating families

by Rosemarie Hausherr

This book presents brief descriptions of many different kind of families, both traditional and nontraditional. (E HAU)

Julius the baby of the world

by Kevin Henkes

Lilly is convinces that the arrival of her new baby brother is the worst thing that has happened in their house, until Cousin Garland comes to visits. (E HEN)

Uncle Farley's false teeth

by Alice Walsh (E WAL)

Daddy makes the best spaghetti

by Anna G. Hines

Not only does Corey's father make best spaghetti, but he also dresses up as Bathman and acts like a barking dog. (E HIN)

Gone fishing

by Earlene Long

A loving story of a boy's fishing trip with his father. (E LON)

Love you forever

by Robert Munsch

The gentle affirmation of the love a parent feels for their child...forever. (E MUN)

101 things to do with a baby

by Jan Ormerod

The whole family decides to amuse the baby. (E ORM)

Family Reunion

by Marilyn Singer

A series of poems describe the people and events at a family reunion. (E SIN)

The lonely only mouse

by Wendy Smith (E SMI)

The Relatives came

by Cynthia Rylant

The relatives came to visit and everyone has a wonderful time. (E RYL)

Who is sleeping in Aunty's bed?

by Kathy Stinson

Visiting Aunty means sleeping in strange beds, for Aunty, Mom and the kids are constantly changing places in the night. (E STI)

Families

by Meredith Tax

Describes different kinds of families. (E TAX)

Alison's house

by Maxine Trottier

Alison loved her little house and her big family, but when the new baby came along, there just wasn't enough room any more. Her parents decided to move. Everyone cheered except Alison. (E TRO)

Family

by Isabell Monk (E MON)

Grace & family

by Mary Hoffman (E HOF)

Rosie's babies

by Martin Waddell (E WAD)

Family Album

by Stéphane Poulin (E POU)

Amelia Bedelia's family album

by Peggy Parish(E PAR)

My family

by Debbie Bailey (E+ Board)

So much

by Trish Cooke(E COO)

Jam

by Margaret Mahy (E MAH)

Two homes

by Claire Masurel (E MAS)

Thanksgiving Treat

by Catherine Stock (E STO)

The bye-bye pie

by Sharon Jennings (E JEN)

Whump

by Gail Chislett (E CHI)

Let's Eat!

By Ana Zamorano (E ZAM)