

Book: I Miss You...A First Look at Death

Possible Themes: Death, Grandmother, Questions?

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Recommended Age of Child: 2 to 12

Description of Book: Children's feelings and questions about serious illness and death are looked at in a simple and realistic way.

Quote from Book: "In books and in movies, it is usually bad people who die. But in real life good people die, too."

Note: In the back of the book, there is a page of suggestions on how to use the book. There is also a small glossary and further reading list.

Lesson Plan Ideas: Read book. Discuss some of the questions. See the attached "Defining and Discussing Death." There are excellent discussion starters including having the children define and then discuss loss. There is a simple play for older children to act out for the smaller kids.

Materials: Multiple copies of the play, dress up clothes and props, paper, pencils