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Specifically written to address children's fear of being apart from the ones they love, The Invisible String delivers a particularly compelling message in today's uncertain times that though we may be separated from the ones we care for, whether through anger, or distance or even death, love is the unending connection that binds us all, and, by extension, ultimately binds every person on the planet to everyone else. Parents and children everywhere who are looking for reassurance and reaffirmation of the transcendent power of love, to bind, connect and comfort us through those inevitable times when life challenges us!

## The Invisible String Details

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## **Linda says**

Picture Book about how to pull on the invisible string to always know the person you love is always with you. Helpful when discussing the death of a parent or other loved one, loss of a pet...

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## **The Styling Librarian says**

The Invisible String by Patrice Karst, illustrated by Geoff Stevenson – Published in 2000, part of my social skills/feelings book purchases. This is a delicate, beautiful story about how twins realize there is an invisible string connecting all people who love one another... you can feel it in your heart and always be connected, even from afar. Beautiful. Delicate. Perfect for: dealing with loss, moving, friendship issues, family problems, nighttime fears... Quite the special book.

The Invisible String by Patrice Karst, illustrated by Geoff Stevenson – My wise friend reminded me about this beautiful book. So grateful I borrowed it and reread it. Very very good book to read with children, both at school and home.

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## **Ann Marie Denson says**

Theme: The major theme of this book is the power love embodies to overcome worry and loneliness to bind people together.

Summary: Two twins, Liza and Jeremy long for their mother's comfort during a big, frightening storm. Their mom used this situation to share an invisible string with them so they can feel her presence in their room without her being there. She promised Liza and Jeremy that this invisible string of love connects people together wherever they go, and that they never have to be alone. The string symbolizes the idea that love is not bound by sight or touch, but rather by inter-connectedness, and represents the power of love to bring clarity in uncertain times. The kids eventually go to sleep, amazed by the thought of all their family and friends intertwining in their hearts.

Personal Response: This story warmed my heart because I have always believed relationships bring the most joy in life. Liz and Jeremy exemplify childlike hearts in longing for their mom in an uncomfortable situation, just like adults need support from friends and family throughout stressful times. Regardless of age, everyone craves to be loved. The mother in the book taught her kids one of the most valuable lessons of all!

Recommendation: I would recommend this book for elementary age children, because it teaches the value of relationships in a simple way they can comprehend. Teacher, grandparents, parents, and counselors can read this story with children and guide them to identify who their own invisible string is connected to. Whether a child needs reminding they are loved or healing from separation, this book can serve many purposes.

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### **Randie D. Camp, M.S. says**

The Invisible String is a comforting story about two siblings who learn that everyone has an invisible string that connects them to everyone they love, anywhere, anytime. You are never alone. The people who love you here and those who have passed away are never far because if you tug on this invisible string they can feel it in their hearts.

This is a remarkable message for children who feel lonely, scared, anxious, worried, etc. and this reassuring feeling could help a child cope with a variety of issues from everyday things (like a storm) to serious issues (like death of a friend or parent).

The illustrations are done in soothing watercolors and the simple lines highlight the facial expressions and feelings of the characters.

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### **Amy says**

Cute book about the power of love and connectedness no matter where the other person is.

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### **Angie says**

A wonderful story to let your kids know that you are ALWAYS connected to them, no matter where either of you are.

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### **Kimberly says**

We read this book often. It has helped in explaining how Dad (Jeff) can still be with them even when we can not hug him, see him, be with him. I love the strings that ties us all together.

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### **TLBC says**

I recently read this book to my five year old daughter and cried. It was a sweet heartwarming story. I highly recommend it, especially if your child has recently lost a loved one or dealing with separation anxiety. It is such a wonderful message for kids.

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### **Amber Pound says**

Cute book to show children that being away from family is normal and ok when needed. Would be use for the first week in a Kindergarten class.

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### **Camie says**

Buying copies of this cute children's book for several Grandchildren that have recently or are just about ready to move out of State. The basic context is that of a string, a magic and invisible string , which connects us all to the ones we love. It's the very ticket (a comforting story) for someone who needs to know that no matter how far away they go... Our love goes with them. Applicable for many kinds of loss or fear that a child/ person might have. It does make mention of heaven ( just on one page) which some will be glad for / or may not appreciate. Overall it's a delightful book and recommended for ages 4-8 and sentimental adults. I'm getting one for myself and a sister whose family is moving to China :-( 5 stars

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### **Therese says**

Loneliness and seperation anxiety is the cause of so much of a child's fears, this book tackles it. Good for divorce, good for school, summer camp, and even death of a loved one. You're never really alone; you have your invisible string. My four year old really cottoned to the idea; it's stuck with her and given her comfort.

But (and I feel terrible about this) the illustrations aren't so nice. They're frizzy and staticky, kinda hard to look at. But the book is so sweet you have to overlook it.

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### **Bobbi Jankovich says**

This is a great book about being connected to everyone we love, whether they're far away, just off for the day, or have passed on. It's a children's book, but really wonderful for adults as well.

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### **Abbi says**

As I get ready to deploy again, I find that there are hardly any books that discuss MOMMY leaving. I found this to be a great substitute. We love it! My boys are 2 and 5. The younger one doesn't grasp the concept but the older one loves it!

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### **Mrs. Gabrielle Zastrow's says**

There were twins and it was raining and thundering out. When they woke up, they went down to their mom who explained to them about the invisible string. The invisible string is a magic string you can't see, but everyone in the whole world has one. It can't be cut, never because it is too strong. The string goes to whoever you love and can reach anyone anytime, anywhere. The string is the love you feel for people.

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## **Debbie says**

One of the best books out there to explain separation/loss to young children. The Invisible String keeps us all connected with LOVE. This is a delightful book that works magic to comfort children dealing with divorce, death, hospitalization, adoption, incarceration, parents in the military, or simply going back to school.

"People who love each other are always connected by a very special String, made of love. Even though you can't see it with your eyes, you can feel it deep in your heart, and know that you are always connected to the ones you love."

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