

# LIBRARY COLLECTION



The Thérèse Brady Library was established in 2003 to support the Irish Hospice Foundation's information and education functions. It houses a collection of over 4,000 items on death, dying, and palliative and hospice care and has a specialist focus on bereavement resources.

While the library is primarily reserved for staff and students of the Irish Hospice Foundation, public access and a professional membership option are available.

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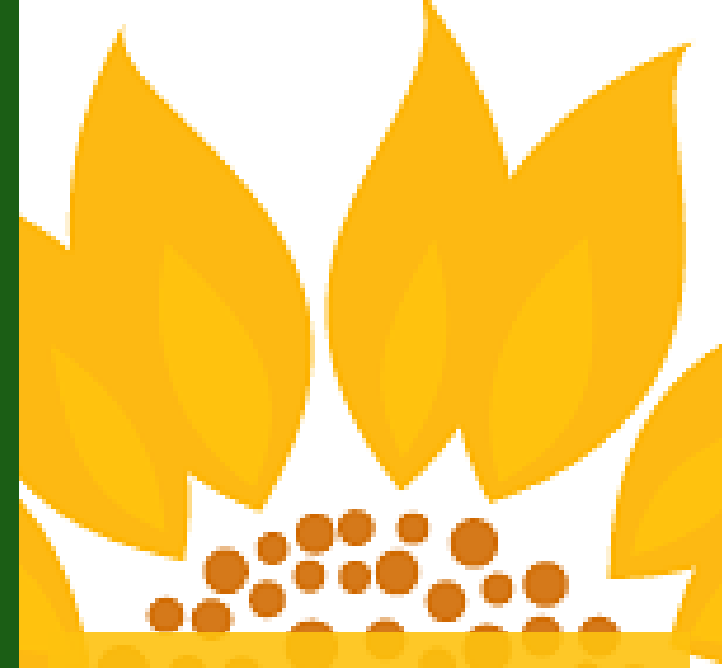
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## Bereavement Resources

**Talking to  
children  
about death**



# EXPLAINING DEATH TO CHILDREN CAN BE DIFFICULT.

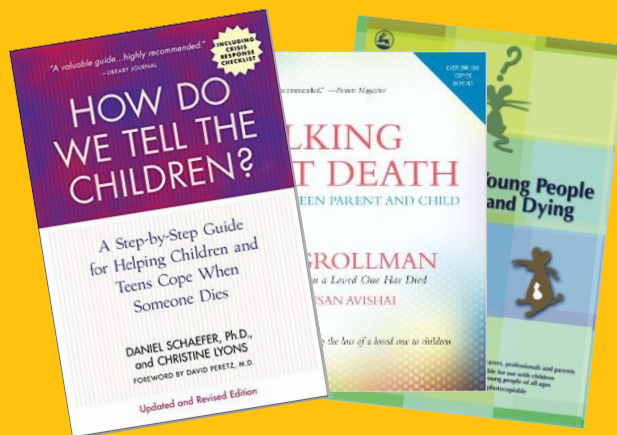
It is important that you give children accurate information, appropriate to their age and level of understanding. If possible, a parent or other trusted adult should give the news to the child.

While you may want to try to protect children from upsetting details of the death, children need honest information.

For more information on talking to children about death, browse the resources listed here.

## RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

### BOOKS



***How do we tell the children?  
A step-by-step guide for helping  
children and teens cope when  
someone dies***  
by Dan Schaefer  
and Christine Lyons (2010)

***Talking about death: A dialogue  
between parent and child***  
by Earl A. Grollman (2011)

***Talking with children and young  
people about death and dying***  
by Mary Turner (2006)

### ONLINE RESOURCES

#### **Winston's Wish**

[www.winstonswish.org.uk/talking-about-death/](http://www.winstonswish.org.uk/talking-about-death/)

Winston's Wish is a leading UK bereavement charity providing support to bereaved families. This site features advice for parents talking to their children about death.

#### **Talking to Children About Death Factsheet**

[www.hospicesj.ca/pdfs/publications/talking\\_to\\_children\\_about\\_death.pdf](http://www.hospicesj.ca/pdfs/publications/talking_to_children_about_death.pdf)

This factsheet is a resource for parents on how to discuss death with children.

**KidsHealth Guide:  
Helping your child deal with death**  
<http://www.cruse.org.uk/>

This guide provides parents with background and resources on children's grief.