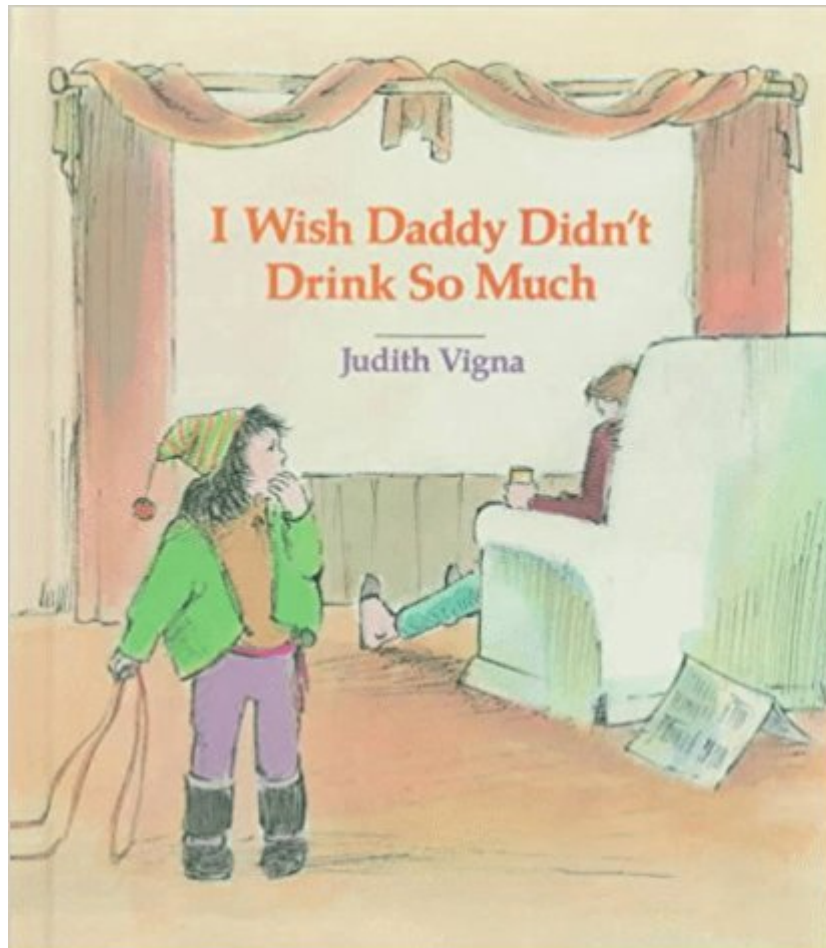




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I Wish Daddy Didn't Drink So Much



Synopsis

After a disappointing Christmas, Lisa learns ways to deal with her father's alcoholism with the help of her mother and an older friend.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

PreSchool-Grade 2 A Christmas fiasco paves the way for young Lisa to share her feelings and frustrations about the duality of her alcoholic father's behavior, its immediate effect on their holiday celebration, and the long-term effects on her family as well. Skillfully interwoven is family friend Mrs. Field, a recovering alcoholic herself, who provides a somewhat happy ending to a relatively disappointing day. Vigna's familiar pastel watercolor washes provide a soft and gentle vehicle for depiction of both action and emotion. Although Kevin Kenny's *Sometimes My Mom Drinks Too Much* (Raintree, 1980) is the closest book in terms of target group, Vigna still reaches a younger audience in her brevity of text and emotional scope. A note to adults that provides insight into the child's feelings and tips for parents in assisting their child's understanding of the situation is appended. Addresses and telephone numbers are listed for Al-Anon and the Children of Alcoholics Foundation. This title is best placed in a parenting collection to facilitate and encourage sharing situations. A realistic portrayal that provides a balanced picture of the sober and alcoholic parent and an early primary age child trying to make sense of it all. Celia A. Huffman, Cuyahoga County Public Library, Ohio

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"Vigna still reaches a younger audience in her brevity of text and emotional scope."School Library Journal"Vigna's line-and-wash illustrations are adept and compassionate."Kirkus Reviews --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This book is an excellent resource for a difficult topic. It presented the family problem of alcoholism in a caring, non-judgemental way. It illustrates how the alcoholic's family, particularly the child, is impacted by his disease, in ways that others may not recognise. It also illustrates the need for outside support for the family. It was not scary and did not lay blame. It fostered a sense of empathy, not only for the family, but for the alcoholic as well. It was a good story, and may serve as a springboard for future discussions. To the author, on behalf of my daughter, thank you.

A girl and her mother deal with the father's drinking during Christmas. The father builds his daughter a beautiful handmade sled, but is then too drunk to keep his promise to go sledding with her. Mother and daughter take their Christmas turkey to the home of an older woman who is a recovering alcoholic. This woman provides them with a safe haven of understanding and acceptance. She acknowledges the hurt, but encourages the child to find ways to be happy even while her father continues to drink. The story could help the child of an alcoholic understand that it is not the child's fault. At the back of the book is information and a phone number for Alanon. Carol E. Watkins, M.D.

Great Childrens book!

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The perfect gift for anyone in your life who likes making babies by day and drinking scotch by night. Got this for my buddies wife and newborn this past Christmas; I think she may hate me now.

I accidentally came across this book while searching for a joke gift for friends. I ended up buying a stack of copies to give to friends as they learn about being pregnant for the first time. The reactions are nothing but high comedy.

Got this for my girlfriend whose dad is an alcoholic...as a joke. It's entertaining, but I imagine it would be therapeutic for someone younger going through issues of an alcoholic father. Story's

about a drunk dad who buys his daughter a sled for Christmas, but gets too drunk to take her sledding. Reading it made me feel awful for buying it as a joke -- the issues inside seem pretty real.

Honestly hilarious and terribly sad at the same time. It was cringe worthy. No offense to anyone who has an alcoholic father, but it is outright hilarious the way that this book is written. THE WORLD'S SADDEST CHILDREN'S BOOK!

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