

# Domestic Violence

Books available at the Columbus Metropolitan Library

## NONFICTION

### **Hear My Roar: A Story of Family Violence** by Gillian Watts

Told in an easy-to-read graphic narrative format, Hear My Roar provides a gentle, non-threatening approach to talking with children about family violence. (Grades 3-5)

### **A Family That Fights** by Sharon Chesler Bernstein

Follows the story of Henry, Claire, and Joe as they struggle to understand their parents fighting. (Grades 3-5)

### **A Terrible Thing Happened** by Margaret M. Holmes

A story to help children who have experienced trauma understand their feelings. (Grades 3-5)

### **The Words Hurt: Helping Children Cope With Verbal Abuse** by Chris Loftis

Readers follow the story of Greg, whose father's problems have caused him to lash out at this son and fail to express the love he truly feels. (Grades 3-5)

### **Healing Days: A Guide for Kids Who Have Experienced Trauma** by Susan Farber Straus

Healing Days is a book designed to be used in therapy for young children and functions as an excellent resource for those who have experienced physical or sexual abuse, or other trauma. (Grades 3-5)

### **Mommy's Black Eye: Children Dealing With Domestic Violence** by William George Bentrin

This book attempts to explain a very complicated issue to young children, who are susceptible to accepting responsibility for their parent's bad behavior. (Grades 3-5)

**When Mommy Got Hurt** by Ilene Lee

A story about a child who has witnessed domestic violence and who then goes with her mother to live at her grandmother's home. (Grades 3-5)

**Something Is Wrong At My House: A Book About Parents Fighting** by Diane Davis

Based on a true story, this 32-page book shows a child seeking, and finally obtaining, help in a domestic violence situation. (Grades 3-5)

**I Saw It Happen: A Child's Workbook About Witnessing Violence** by Wendy Deaton

I Saw It Happen is a creative, child-friendly program designed for use with elementary school children, filled with illustrations and original exercises to foster healing, self-understanding, and optimal growth. (Grades 3-5)

**A Safe Place** by Maxine Trottier

To escape her father's abuse, Emily and her mother come to a shelter where they find a safe place to stay with other women and children in similar circumstances. (Grades 3-5)