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Bear Child

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Bear Child is a beautifully illustrated story about how a child's difficult feelings can grow as big as bears. A story about feeling wrong and alone, and about daring to look what hurts you in the eye.

Through her evocative illustrations, Ane Bjørn gives form to everything that children (and adults) sometimes find challenging to express with words: dreams, fears, sorrow, anger and imagination.



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Genre: Realism

Themes: Anger, Family, Suffering,

Emotions

Available material: English sample upon request

Territories Handled

World except: Danish

SYNOPSIS

Gro has a bear inside. A big bear with sharp claws and a rumbling roar that can shake the whole world. The bear comes when Gro is teased at school or when her parents argue. It comes when Gro is sad. Or when Gro doesn't want to be Gro because Gro has a stomach ache. The bear doesn't have a tummy ache. The bear is not upset. The bear just roars and runs off into the forest. But one day it meets another animal in its forest ...

REVIEWS

"It's good to have books that tell children that it's okay to roar if the grown-ups behave badly" – (Politiken (Danish daily newspaper)

"The bear in the book is a great opportunity to show children what anger and frustration can look like and what it takes to get rid of it again. [...] Difficult feelings should not be silenced, because then they grow and you might become a roaring bear forever. Bear Child is a good book to read aloud, and there are so many important things to talk about." - (Litteratursiden)