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# Bye-Bye Time (Toddler Tools)



## Synopsis

Being dropped off at childcare or cared for by a baby-sitter means saying good-bye to Mom or Dad—and for many toddlers, bye-bye is a big deal. This gentle book helps ease the transition with simple rituals: hugs and kisses, a big wave, a deep breath, and the confidence to seek comfort with the new caregiver or other children. Toddlers learn that good-bye isn't forever, it's just for a while. An award-winning author/illustrator team offers a fresh look at the times and transitions all toddlers face daily, giving young children the tools to handle routines with confidence and cooperation. Part of the Toddler Tools series, *Bye-Bye Time* can be shared before (or during) the desired "time" or whenever toddlers need encouragement with routines. Includes tips for parents and caregivers.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

"There is no such thing as a quick fix. However, if you're beleaguered by the baby battles, these books could serve as a life preserver." *The Post & Courier* "Bye-Bye Time addresses the separation anxiety that children may feel when a caregiver leaves them temporarily. It discusses feelings they may have, coping mechanisms, and the helpfulness of creating a ritual...The pictures are upbeat and expressive." *School Library Journal*

"This is a book that I am going to recommend to all of my new parents, and to those whose

children are still having difficulty with good-byes. [Andi's Kids Books Blog](#) "I highly recommend these books for your home library if you have a little one." [Mommin' It Up](#) "Toddlers will manage to calm down fairly quickly upon coming across these gentle books that help them deal with various transitions in their young lives." [SAHManswers.com \(Stay At Home Moms\)](#) "Elizabeth Verdick gives caregivers practical, positive tools for building and maintaining the positive care environment that toddlers need." [Dr. Dan Gartrell, Ed.D.](#), professor of Early Childhood Education, director of Child Development Training Program, Bemidji State University [iParenting Outstanding Products Award Winner](#), [Creative Child Preferred Choice Award](#)

Toddlers learn that good-bye isn't forever, it's only for a while.

My 2.5 year-old daughter had separation issues when we dropped her off at preschool, which prompted me to buy this book. The author does a fantastic job of playing down the drama of saying bye-bye by showing parents a routine: 1. Hugs 2. Kisses 3. Parent says "See you later, alligator!" 4. Child says "After while, crocodile!" After a couple of days of reading it at bedtime, we were able to establish our own "Bye-Bye Time" routine, and she \*magically\* stopped crying. The illustrations wonderfully support the story and my daughter still enjoys reading the book from time to time.

We purchased all of the Elizabeth Verdick books for use with our children. They are well written, great pictures, and extremely easy for a toddler to understand. So glad that we found these books and have them in our parent toolbox.

This whole series of books are fantastic. We are foster parents and they are the same ones that our toddlers' therapist uses with them. I love that we can have a set to reinforce what she's teaching them in the way they are familiar with!

After being in a small at-home daycare from 3 months old, my 3 year old had a really hard time with preschool drop-offs. I was surprised since she's so confident and independent, but had to recognize that a big and unfamiliar space with lots of new faces was really overwhelming! Her first week was tough on both of us. I ordered this book after a few days - when drop offs weren't getting any better - and it ended up making a significant difference. We read it at home over a weekend and then brought it into her classroom as a special present for other kiddos that might be feeling scared or

upset. We read it a few more times together in the mornings when I dropped her off and she could barely even remember to say goodbye to me by the end of week two. Off she went with her friends, knowing that I would be back soon.

It's short enough to keep your little one's attention, and it covers all the major feelings of going to a new school/daycare without dragging it out and making it sad. We bought this to help ease our 2 1/2 year old into a new daycare. It worked great for opening up a discussion about how he feels, and we used this book to really reinforce that Mommy or Daddy always comes back! Other books we bought seemed to drag out the misery and sadness parts (one of them made my child cry just reading it!) but this one was perfect.

absolutely love these series, my son has learned a ton from these, and quite frankly so do we (parents) ... love the tips for caregivers and parents in the back :)

I Didn't like the book. I thought it would be more scenarios where a child gets to say bye-bye.

This really helped get our 2 year old adjusted to pre-school goodbyes.

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