Attachment				
Title and Author	For Parents	For Children	Age	Description
I Love You, Blue Kangaroo Emma Chicherster Clark	*	~	0-5	Every night Blue Kangaroo falls fast asleep, cuddled in Lily's arms. But as new toy animals start arriving, Blue Kangaroo worries that there just isn't enough room for him anymore. When he goes missing, Lily looks everywhere for him, and it turns out NONE of the other toys mean as much to her as her first and favourite Blue Kangaroo.
Billy Bramble and the Great Big Cook Off Sally Donovan	~	✓	8-12	Poor Billy seems to get everything wrong. However hard he tries, somehow or other things never work out well. And secretly Billy knows why - it's him, there is something wrong with him. Sally Donovan's deeply felt story gives us a glimpse of how hard it is for Billy to keep trying and hoping that things might be different. He seems actively to push away all attempts to help him and the adults struggle to know how to do anything of use. With his tricky dog by his side Billy doesn't know how to be close. Until the Bake Off. The accumulation of the months and years of stubborn care provided by kind adults starts to break through and we see the vulnerable parts of Billy (which have been there all along) begin to emerge. This moving and psychologically sound story encapsulates many key themes expressed by vulnerable children and paints a vivid picture of the seeming impossible dilemmas they may be facing. Compelling for children, this book will also be of great value to adults as through Billy they gain insight into the risks children face when they begin to dare to trust.
Attachment handbook for foster care and adoption	✓			This comprehensive and authoritative book provides an accessible account

Gillian Schofield, Mary Beek.	of attachment concepts. It traces the pathways of secure and insecure patterns from birth to adulthood, exploring the impact of past experiences of abuse, neglect and separation on children's behaviour in foster and adoptive families. It then explains, from an attachment perspective, the dimensions of parenting that are associated with helping children to feel more secure and to fulfil their potential in the family, with peers, at school and in the community. Finally, it tackles the key role which "keeping attachment in mind" can play in a range of areas of family placement practice, including contact.
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