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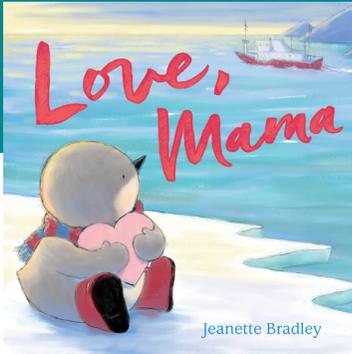
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Book Review

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Rating

Outstanding

Level

Preschool

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32

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Roaring Brook Press

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Everyone misses their mom sometimes, even baby penguins. Love, Mama tells the story of Kipling the penguin and his beloved mother. When Kipling's mama goes away, Kipling wishes with all his might that she could just be home with him. Just when he needs it most, he receives a package of his favorite things from his mama and learns that love can travel and transcend any distance. The love he feels carries him through the rest of the day, and leads him to a beautiful reunion with his mama.

The message of love, even when a parent, guardian, or loved one is far away is one that could benefit children who may experience separation anxiety. The book would be a helpful resource for parents preparing to take a trip, or for teachers to use in their classrooms of young students hesitant to leave behind mom and dad, but the message is universal enough to make this a great bedtime story for any child. The illustrations are charming and include darling depictions of penguins and other arctic animals that young readers would be sure to enjoy. The pictures and dreamy color palette contribute to the comforting feeling of the book. Love, Mama is a touching read that's sure to warm the hearts of parents and children alike.