

Remembering My Pet – A Kid's Own Workbook for When a Pet Dies by  
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This is a wonderful text! My positive bias stems from my frustration at the way in which Judaism in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, and many 'modern' rabbis, still refuses to recognise the importance of end of life rituals for those who lose animal companions whom they have loved and cherished.

Remembering My Pet begins to rectify this omission by not only giving permission to a bereaved child to mourn a pet by providing them with the guided means of so doing in a way that teaches them also to come to terms with death, for many children the most frightening phenomenon of all.

There are activities, pages for photographs and personal reminiscences, memorial service ideas and encouragement, after a death, to give charity to an organisation caring for animals.

This is a book that speaks to children of faith, especially Judaism and Christianity, but also of none, and is to be warmly welcomed.

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