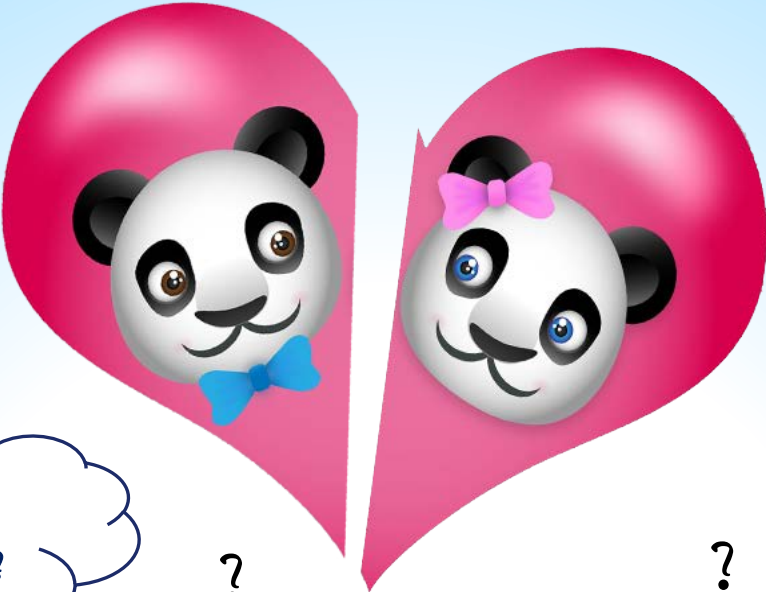


# Mom and Dad are separating...



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## *A word from the Petit Pont team :*

Living a separation is not an easy thing for an adult or for a child. Always keeping in mind its mission which is to maintain a link between the parent and child in a harmonious family-like neutral environment, Petit Pont hopes that this work will provide support to the parent, the professional or the child who is living in a separation context.

Our objectives seek to:

- Simplify the information so that a child can understand what is happening or what will happen after his or her parents separate.
- Help the child understand that what is happening is normal.
- Help alleviate the feeling of guilt in a child who may feel responsible for the situation.
- Show the child that adapting to a separation is possible and not as difficult as one might think.
- Help the professional or the parent to talk about separation to a 3 to 7 year-old child.

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A Mummy and Daddy Panda live in a nice big house.



Mummy Panda has a baby that is sleeping in her tummy.

Daddy and Mummy are anxious to meet it.

The little Panda is born. Mummy and Daddy Panda are very happy that he has arrived.



Little Panda gets bigger. Soon he will go to school.

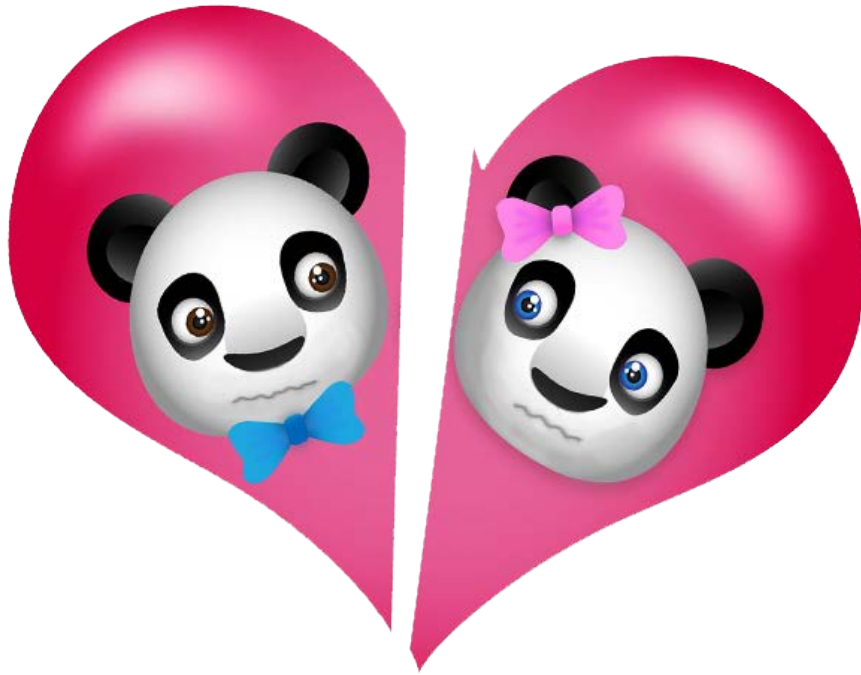


Sometime little Panda sees Mummy and Daddy squabble or sulk.



This isn't the first time that little Panda sees them angry. Little Panda is very unhappy.

One day, Mummy and Daddy Panda tell little Panda that they are going to separate.



They explain that it's because they no longer get along with each other and they are unhappy when they quarrel.

Little Panda asks if they squabble because he didn't tidy up his room or because he doesn't like to eat his vegetables. Mummy and Daddy Panda reply that it is not his fault at all.



They explain to him that they will always continue to love him as much.



Mummy and Daddy Panda don't live together anymore.

Little Panda has 2 houses:

One with Mummy,



And one with Daddy.



Little Panada spends a few days with his Mummy and a few days with his Daddy.



At his Daddy's place, little Panda often plays ball,



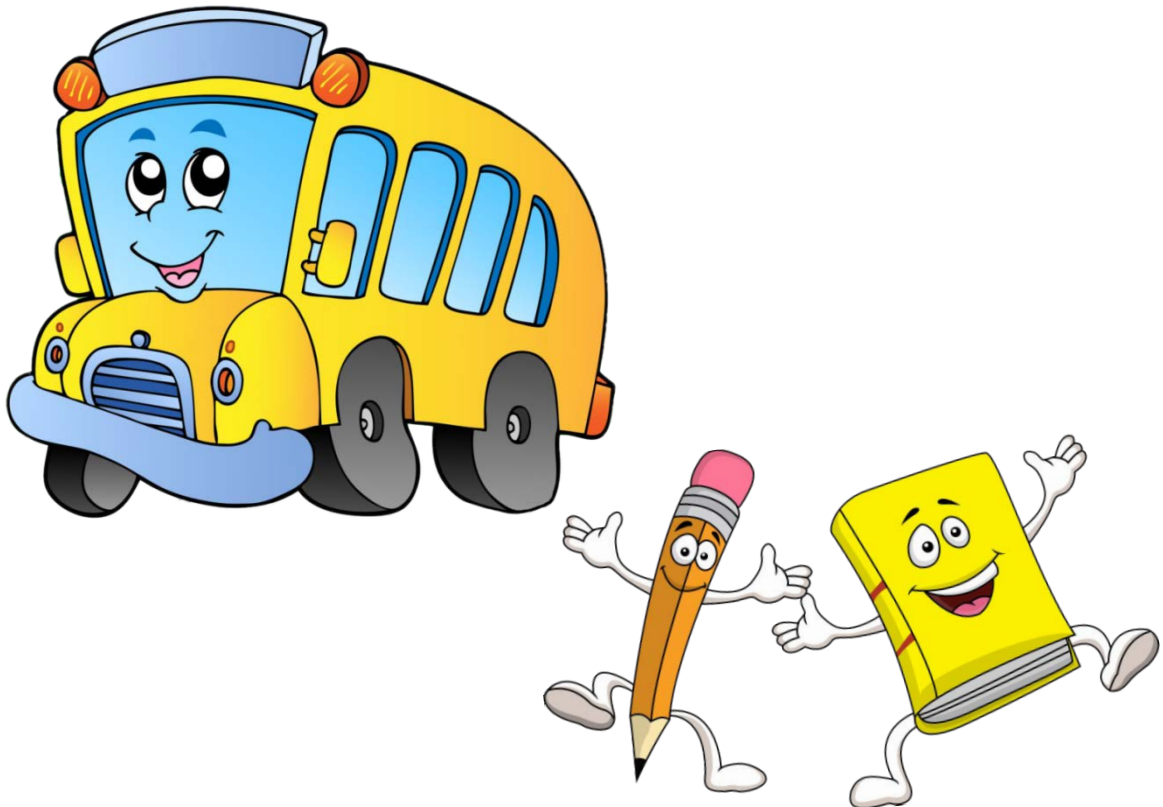
And he often makes good cookies with his Mummy.



Little Panda has grown up!



He goes to school now.



One day, Daddy Panda takes little Panda to the home of his friend Mrs. Koala. She is very nice to him and she has a little Koala that lives with her.



Little Panda and little Koala have become friends and they often play together.



Mummy Panda also has a new friend, Mr. Bear.



He lives at home with little Panda and often helps him with his homework.



Sometimes, parents don't love each other anymore and they separate. Little Panda understands that it isn't his fault.

Little Panda sees that other friends at school are living the same thing as him.



Little Panda doesn't need to worry because Mummy and Daddy Panda are always there when he is unhappy or afraid or needs to be cuddled.



Little Panda has two houses now and a big family.  
Mummy and Daddy love him just as much.



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