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When Mama comes home from work, dear child, when Mama comes home tonight, she'll cover you with kisses, she'll hug you sweet and tight. It can be hard waiting for Mama to come home, but once she's there it's the best time of the day. This soothing, rhythmic book celebrates the precious rituals a mother and child perform together as they wind down to bedtime. It shows that when you share them with someone you love, even the most simple activities can be playful, relaxing, and intimate.

## When Mama Comes Home Tonight Details

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# From Reader Review When Mama Comes Home Tonight for online ebook

## Eilene says

Check out the author's name!! I almost cried when I found this book, because it was one of those points when I was questioning whether I should be working. It's a really cute story about a working mom. Kind of old-fashioned, but still real. It's actually one of Serena's favorites too, she'll pick it out a lot.

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## Jadai Mcgee says

Spinelli,E.(2002).When Mama Comes Home.New York, New York:Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing  
Subgroup: Single Parent families

Topic: Single Parents, Rhyming

Genre: Realistic Fiction

Synopsis: A young child waits for his mother to arrive home from work. Through soothing rhymes the author describes precious rituals that the mother and child perform as they get ready for bed. Children can see a loving relationship between a child and single parent.

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## Christine says

As a single, working mom, this book was one of my favorites when my child was small, and also one of my child's favorites. This is a seven-stars-out-of-five book... with themes of love, patience, kindness, responsibility, joy, and the special closeness between mother and child. The illustrations are both gentle and gorgeous, and the repetitive text is fun for pre-readers. Love it to this day... and my child is now 16.

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## Christy says

"When Mama comes home from work, dear child, when Mama comes home tonight

she'll cover you with kisses,

she'll hug you sweet and tight."

As evening falls and Mama gets home from work, the special rituals that a mother and child share are gently evoked in soothing rhymes and glorious pastel paintings. For any parent who comes home at night to a waiting child, "When Mama Comes...more

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## Rosemarie says

Best for toddler (from library):

Here's the love/hate with this book. I love the artwork and the actual text. It's lovely, lyrical, and dreamy and I love reading it to my 18m old. (Although it's not her favorite). I hate ... That the mom looks like she comes from the 1800s with her shawl, long dress, and pink satin slip. But really since I don't work outside the home I got jealous of this amazing ritual this fictitious mom has with her child and how everything seems so peaceful as opposed to my chaotic life and how at 5pm frankly I've had enough of my kids.

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### **Beth says**

This is THE BEST children's book I have ever found for working Mothers! My children love this book and so do I. Unfortunately, it can be a bit difficult to find, which is a shame as the poetry and the illustrations are wonderful. This is a must have for the library!

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### **Hannah Groeschen says**

I really liked the rhyming and rhythm of this book. It calms you as you read it, which makes it a great book to read before bed.

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### **midnightfaerie says**

A great book for preschoolers and younger. The illustrations are adorable and the simple language was easily repeatable by my 3 yr olds. No educational value except for reading and instilling the love of books in your child! Highly recommended for the smaller children.

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### **Courtney Hendrix says**

This story is about a Mama who comes home from work every night and takes care of her baby. She feeds him dinner, bathes him, snuggles, makes tea, etc. It's a cute story about a mother caring for her child.

I really like the story because it is such a good representation of a nice little family where the mom is taking care of her child and making sure he knows he is loved. It can also show the children reading it how to love.

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### **Erin says**

When my daughter was 2, she knew this book was her ticket to an extra 5 min of storytime. She'd come toddling to me with it clutched in her chubby hands and I could not resist. The child in the story is pleasantly androgenous, so both girls and boys can identify. In soft, pleasing rhymes with watercolor illustrations to match, it is balm for the working mother's soul.

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**Susan says**

I'm impressed that she also squeezed in some mending!

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**Mary says**

The illustrations in this sweet little book are wonderful. The story is a soothing one that would fit great with anyone snuggling with a child.

In today's world of mother's who have careers, the time spent between a mother and her child when the mother returns home is especially valuable and this book recognizes that.

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**Hannah says**

This is an amazing children's book about working mothers and their children. The poetry and illustrations in the book are fantastic and I would love to be able to have this for my classroom.

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**Bailie says**

This book is a super cute book showing the connection of a child and her mother. This book goes through a child's life when their mother is at work or gone for the day. Then what happens when mama comes home and how the connection between a child and mother grow.

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**Miss Kelly says**

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