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If I Could Keep You Little speaks straight to every parent's heart, exploring the powerful feeling of wanting your child to grow up while savoring every moment. A new favorite, this book showcases Marianne's ability to beautifully illustrate the complex emotions we all have:

If I could keep you little,
I'd keep you close to me.
But then I'd miss you growing
into who you're meant to be!

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Terilyn Bufkin says

This book is so sweet and emotional for me. I don't want my little baby girl to grow up and I wish I could keep her little forever! The lesson could be to cherish each moment because time goes by fast.

Carly Gates says

This book was adorable. I want to buy it for my own personal library when I have children of my own. It's a good book for parents to read to show children that even though they want them to be their little baby forever, they are proud of all the big boy/girl things they are doing now.

Danielle Mootz says

This is a great little story especially for parents. We are constantly noting the things children are growing out of but what a cute concept to point out all the things we'd be missing. Very sweet.

Ethan says

I'm confused. Am I supposed to grow up or stay small?

linfanli says

Really nice story

This book is really nice. Every child is an angle. We need to keep the limit time to be with them. When someday the children grow up, they will chase with their own life.

Heather Jo says

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Tina says

This is adorable & kept baby's attention. Message in it, though, reminds us that little ones grow up so

fast...and, we shouldn't want to stop them from growing because we'd miss all the other wonderful things they will do & experience as they grow.

Janie says

Have read this so so so many time to my grandson. He asks for it again.

Ali Book&Seaglasshunter says

My Mama heart in a book-this book perfectly encapsulates my feelings on watching my little ones grow. With so many endearing milestones in the early years of childhood, it can be hard to think of leaving that all behind and watching your children grow older. But there are so many joyous moments that lie ahead, that all would be missed if we could keep them little. This sentimental picture book will touch the hearts of parents and it could be a beloved read aloud. Children may not understand why you tear up at the end-it is certainly a book that will resonate more with parents than children, but could lead to many wonderful conversations about the love between parent and child.

Pam says

Board Book

Perhaps more for parents than children but a lovely message about how much they'll learn and grow as they grow up.

Samantha Sturm says

Beautiful Book

This was a great read at a time in our lives when our oldest is becoming more and more independent.

Ande says

love the pictures of the content of this sweet book. I want to buy it and give it to each of my kids when they graduate HS :)

Stephanie says

**"If I could keep you little, I'd keep you close to me.
But then I'd miss you growing into who you're meant to be!"**

Such a sweet and touching book about how bittersweet it is to see your little ones growing up. As a parent, you want to keep your baby little, but you also want to see them grow and become their own person... that's what this book is all about, that feeling of being torn between the two.

This is one of those books that gets me emotional every single time, especially that line up above there. I usually have to stop and compose myself before reading that last page. This is definitely a favorite and one I'll be adding to Caleb's shelves soon. I think all parents will be able to relate to this one!

"If I could keep you little, I'd tell you stories every night.
But then I'd miss you reading the words you've learned by sight."

Claire Holloway says

This is a bittersweet book about parents' thoughts about wanting to keep their child young forever but then also what they would miss if they did not grow up and stayed little. Although I am not a parent, this book resonated with me as I've watched my much younger siblings grow up; when they were little I couldn't wait for them to grow up so I could do more with them and teach them new things, but, on the other hand, I miss them when they were little.

From a child's perspective, they may be looking forward to growing up and looking at all the things they can do when they are older. This book could be used to develop children's understanding of empathy and other people's feelings, such as being able to see it from a parent's point of view of why they want them 'to stay little'.

Michael says

Maybe a little better for the parents reading to their kids than for the kids themselves!
