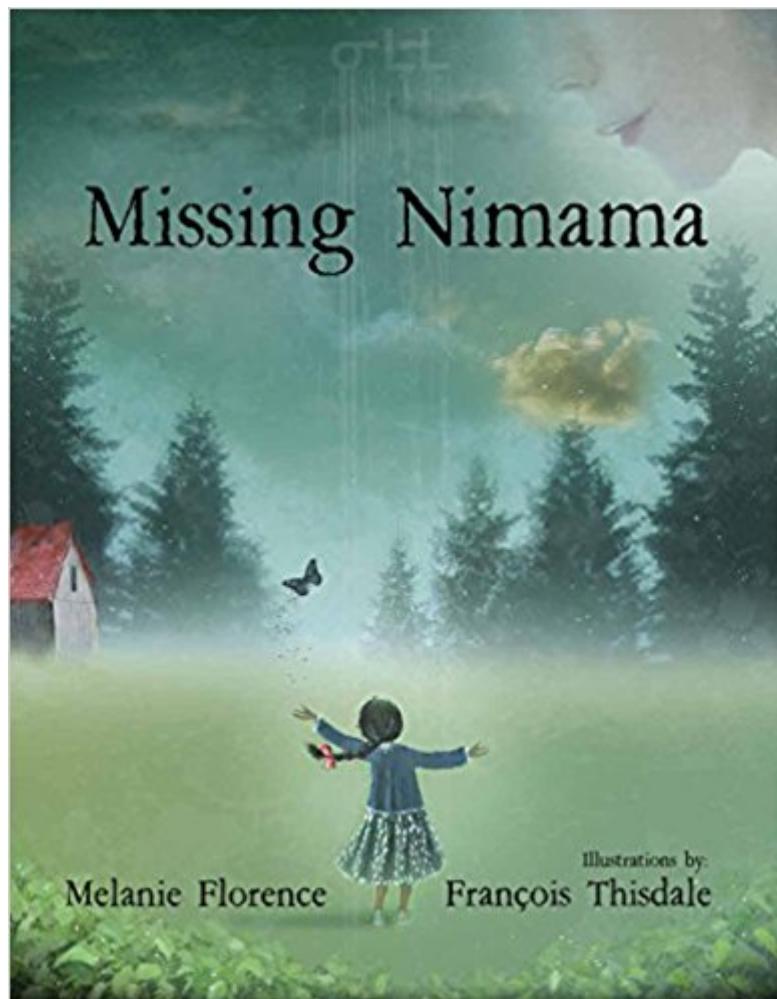


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# Missing Nimama



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## Synopsis

A young mother, one of the many missing indigenous women, watches over her small daughter as she grows up without her nimama, experiencing important milestones - her first day of school, first dance, first date, wedding, first child - from afar. A free verse story of love, loss, and acceptance told in alternating voices. Missing Nimama shows the human side of a tragic set of circumstances. An afterword by the author provides a simple, age-appropriate context for young readers. Includes a glossary of Cree terms.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 7 - 10 years

Grade Level: 2 - 5

## Customer Reviews

"A touching story related from the point of view of a missing indigenous woman as she watches her daughter grow up without her." - Quill and Quire

Winner of the 2016 TD Canadian Children's Literature Award Selected as an OLA Best Bets 2015 Honour Book 2017 Golden Oak Award finalist

This book has been written with heart. *Missing Nimama* by Melanie Florence is a sensitive and beautiful story about a young indigenous girl whose mother went missing. Although her child cannot see her, the mother is always present in spirit, watching as her

nimÃfÆ'Ã Â¢mÃfÆ'Ã Â¢ (Cree for mother) brings up her daughter in her place. The story is told from the voice of the child, often in conversation with her nÃfÆ'Ã Â¢hkom (grandmother), and then her motherÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â„¢s viewpoint ÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â¢ back and forth. That style of writing creates a tenderness and wistfulness that is both touching and enlightening. The illustrations created by award-winning illustrator FranÃfÆ'Ã Â¢ois Thisdale are soft and realistic, adding dimension and texture to the story. I think I first learned of this picture book, Missing NimÃfÆ'Ã Â¢mÃfÆ'Ã Â¢, when I heard the author being interviewed on CBC radio. It came up at another time, too, and I knew I had to read it. It gripped me. The topic it addresses is a horrible and shameful one ÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â¢ the disappearance of many indigenous women in Canada, and also in the US. It is alarming the large number ÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â¢ hundreds ÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â¢ of missing, and believed to be murdered, aboriginal girls and women in North America. Far too many are unsolved cases that should never have happened and many could have been prevented, or not ended as tragically had there been timely attention given. After reading all of that you may wonder, how is this a childrenÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â„¢s book? The author, Melanie Florence, has masterfully written a sweet story that is very suitable for children. She introduces the reader to a few of the traditions of a Cree family, and inserts some Cree words, making it interesting on more than one level. The childÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â„¢s grandmother speaks of her own daughter as being ÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã Â“one of the lost womenÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã Â•, and helps the little girl remember her nimÃfÆ'Ã Â¢mÃfÆ'Ã Â¢ fondly throughout her growing-up years. The ending brings it to a satisfactory conclusion, and yet, it does not end. ItÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â„¢s quite sad when the reality of it hits you, and yet itÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â„¢s so compassionately told that you want every child to be given the chance to understand. Missing NimÃfÆ'Ã Â¢mÃfÆ'Ã Â¢, written by Melanie Florence and illustrated by FranÃfÆ'Ã Â¢ois Thisdale, won the 2016 TD Canadian ChildrenÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â„¢s Literature Award, was selected for an honorable mention as an OLA Best Bets 2016 Honour Book, and is a 2017 Forest of Reading Golden Oak Award finalist. ItÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â„¢s a very deserving book.

Missing Nimama written by Melanie Florence, illustrated by Francois Thisdale This picture book, told in free verse, is based on the true story of the many missing indigenous women of Canada and the United States. Told in alternating voices, the absent mother follows her daughter as she grows, enters school, becomes a woman and a mother herself. FlorenceÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â„¢s lyrical text and ThisdaleÃfÃ¢Ã â¬Ã â„¢s dreamy images portray the emotional journey of children coping with the loss of a parent. Truly a poignant, honest and important story for all. An afterword provides an

age-appropriate context and a glossary of Cree terms.

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