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# La madre de Jack

Jack's Mum

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Jack's Mum is a children's picture book for children aged six years and upwards. It is based on a traditional oral tale which exists in several different versions. The story aims to explain to children how death is a part of life. Jack's mum is very ill, nearer to life than death. Jack is crying on the beach when he meets Death, who is looking for his mother. Jack manages to trick Death, challenging him to squeeze himself into a bottle which he quickly closes. From that point neither people, nor animals nor plants die. The situation becomes chaotic and Jack's own mother convinces him to free Death from the bottle. Life and death are two sides of the same coin and one makes no sense without the other. In the end Death takes Jack's mother, but in a gentle way.

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