



## MY POORLY DAD

**Resources you will need:** spoon, bowl, tray; cloth, picture of shut door, small electric candle

**Gestures, signs and actions:** ILL, WORRIED, PRAY (hands together in whatever form) LOVE

**Sounds to make:** oh, no, hooray

**Feelings in the story:** sad, worried, loving, happy

**Make it your own.** If you have a family member or friend in this situation, tell the story about them.

... indicates where the child can most easily join in

**Next chapter:** however you are taking this forward eg. online meetings with family members, what you did together when (dad) had recovered.

**Note:** We have included prayer, but if you are a non-religious family, use whatever practice is comfortable when remembering those in need.



<b>My dad was poorly</b>	<i>Sounds, words and vocalisations</i>	<i>Gestures, signs and body movements</i>	<i>A sound or word recorded on a big Mack</i>	<i>Showing a photo, either on a card or an iphone</i>	<i>Showing an object</i>
My dad (family member or friend) was poorly/ill	o-oh	ILL	ILL		
He had a cough	cough	cough			
He had a temperature – He had to stay in bed by himself He shut the door	bed	Hand on forehead BED		Picture of thermometer Picture of shut door	
Mum said we can't go and see him Because we mustn't get poorly/ill	No	ILL NO		Picture of shut door	
We put his dinner on a tray We left them outside the ....door	door	Assist child to put items on the tray DINNER		Picture of shut door	Tray, bowl spoon



We had to clean the kitchen	clean	Cleaning motion			cloth
We had to clean the bathroom	clean	Cleaning motion			cloth
I helped by cleaning the..... <i>(some small thing the child can do)</i>	clean	Cleaning motion			cloth
We talked to him on the ....phone	phone	PHONE		Picture of phone	phone
We said are you OK?	Ok?	GOOD?	Are you ok?		
Dad was coughing a lot	cough	cough			
We were worried We sat and held hands and prayed for Dad/sent Dad our love/thought about Dad	worried	WORRIED Hand on heart Blow kiss		Shut door Picture of dad	You could use a small candle
Every day we took him his dinner	dinner	DINNER		Picture of shut door	Tray, bowl spoon
Every day we had to clean	clean	Cleaning motion			cloth
Every day we said Are you OK?	Ok?	GOOD?	Are you ok?		
Every day I helped ..... <i>(state what child did)</i>	help	HELP			



Then Dad got better		GOOD			
He came downstairs /out	Oops Uh oh	HAPPY	Sound of footsteps	Picture of open door	
We were so happy!	happy				
And we send our love (and prayers) to everyone else who is poorly/ill ( <i>spend a quiet moment</i> )	love	LOVE pray	LOVE	You could use a small candle	
Then we....( <i>whatever you did to restore a sense of happiness and positivity</i> ) eg. dance, cook, play a game, watch a film,					