

Carol Antoinette Peacock

Biography

Dr. Carol Antoinette Peacock is a practicing psychologist and author. She earned a BA at Cornell University, a Masters of Social Work from Columbia University, and a Ph.D. in Psychology at Boston College.

Her first book, *Hand Me Down Dreams* (Schocken, 1981), was praised in the New York Times Book Review and was optioned for CBS film rights. The book is an account of four troubled adolescent girls who are able to separate from their mothers.

Sugar Was My Best Food: Diabetes and Me (Whitman, 1998), the story of how a boy copes with diabetes, was featured on "Good Morning America," National Public Radio's "All Things Considered," People Magazine, The New York Times, and The Boston Globe. It earned a Parent's Choice Approved Commendation and was listed in Bank Street College's "Best of Children's Books 1999" and the American Association of the Advancement of Science's "Best Science Books for Children."

Mommy Far, Mommy Near: An Adoption Story (Whitman, 2000) was named a 2001 Notable Social Trade Book for Young People. *Mommy Far* is the story of how the author's adopted daughter confronts having two mothers.

Pilgrim Cat (Whitman 2004) is a historical fiction picture book about a cat that sailed on the Mayflower. The book was spotlighted on The Discovery Channel's "Animal Planet" series in January 2011. *Death and Dying* (Scholastic Library Press, 2004), part of a mental health series for readers aged 10-13, offers coping strategies for grief and loss. Carol's latest book, *Red Thread Sisters* (2012), is a middle grade novel set in a Chinese orphanage and follows two friends, one who is adopted and the other who waits.

In addition to her books, Carol Peacock has written articles about using her pet to treat children fearful of therapy. Her work has been cited in The New York Times, Time Magazine, and The Boston Globe.

Carol Peacock currently practices at Mt. Auburn Counseling Associates where she specializes in work with children and families and uses her black Lab, Pepper, as her co-therapist.