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**Soothe Separation Anxiety with *A Jar Full of Kisses***

story by Heather Bennett | pictures by Amanda Taylor Spiers

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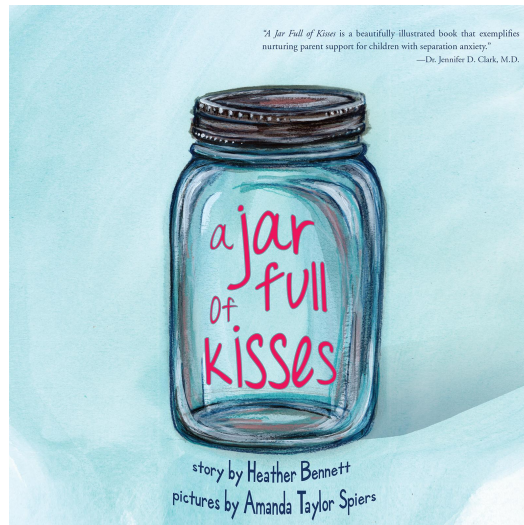
*"A Jar Full of Kisses is a beautifully illustrated book that exemplifies nurturing parent support for children with separation anxiety."*

*—Dr. Jennifer D. Clark, MD*

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[Belle Isle Books](#), an imprint of [BrandyLane Publishers, Inc.](#) of Richmond, Virginia, is proud to announce the upcoming release of the heartwarming children's picture book, *A Jar Full of Kisses*, written by Heather Bennett and illustrated by Amanda Taylor Spiers.

Prickles is the happiest little hedgehog—except when she has to say goodbye! She loves her mom and dad more than anything, and whenever they're away, she worries about them so much that she can't stop crying. So one day, Prickles' mother gives her a special gift: a jar full of kisses, to always remind Prickles of how much her parents love her. Stick with Prickles to learn how to make goodbyes so much easier!



**About the Author:** Heather Bennett, a Michigan native, moved to Virginia at age twenty. As a mother of three, her love of storytelling has only grown over the years. For Heather, there's nothing more rewarding than bringing about the laughter and joy of loved ones. When she's not writing a new story idea in her notebook, you can find Heather playing with her children, enjoying time with friends, or drinking yet another cup of coffee. Being a mom is what Heather is most proud of.

**About the Illustrator:** Amanda Taylor Spiers is originally from Roanoke, Virginia. At the young age of seven, she knew she wanted to be an artist. Amanda earned bachelor's degrees in studio art and English literature from Virginia Tech, and a master's degree in art education from Radford University, fulfilling her lifelong dream. In addition to painting and illustrating, Amanda has taught art for many years in schools and privately to all ages. She now lives in Midlothian, Virginia, with her husband and their two children.

For more information about the author and illustrator, please visit [their website](#).

**Interviews available upon request.**

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