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***Life According to Dani* by Rose Lagercrantz illustrated by Eva Eriksson**

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When Dani's father has an accident, Dani has to stay with her friend Ella on an island. The two girls have lots of fun playing and swimming, but one day Dani's father doesn't phone her and she starts to worry.

Dani finds out her father has a girlfriend. At first, Dani doesn't want to share her father, but she gradually comes to realise there is room in her life for someone new.

This is a lovely, gentle story with beautiful, soft illustrations that perfectly complement the text. It is the fourth in a series of books about Dani, but can easily be read as a stand-alone story.

This book is suited to young readers ready to tackle chapter books on their own but would also make a great read-aloud to five year-olds and upwards. It would be particularly appropriate for any child whose parent is beginning a new relationship.

Reviewed by children's librarian, Penny Guy

