

## Death and Dying

### Annie and the Old One

029362 VH  
PIMJ 15 min 1976 Phoenix/BFA  
*Children's Literature Series* - Presents an adaptation of the book by Miska Miles about a Navajo girl who unravels a day's weaving on a rug whose completion she believes will mean the death of her grandmother.

Death; Child Care; Children and Death; Guidance and Counseling; Navaho Indians

### The Arkansaw Bear

070113 PS  
IMJS 1980 Anchorage Press Inc  
By Aurand Harris. A child and bear deal with the serious topic of a death in the family. Contains: 7 copies. Sample copy for preview. Royalty required.

One Act Play; Death; Play, Cast - 1-10 Characters; Drama; Play, Cast - Mixed

### The Bad Beginning

591798 AB  
IMJS 197 min 1999 Listening Library

Unabridged. Not for fans of happy endings! After the sudden death of their parents, the three Baudelaire children must depend on each other and their wits when it turns out that the distant relative who is appointed their guardian is determined to steal their fortune. Author: Lemony Snicket. Contains: 2 audio cassettes, Classroom activity booklet.

Snicket, Lemony; Children's Literature; Adolescence - Fiction; Death - Fiction

### Badger's Parting Gifts

590428 VH  
PI 30 min CA 2001 GPN  
Educational Media

*Reading Rainbow Series* - LeVar Burton shares memories of his grandmother and a dancer from the Alvin Ailey Dance Company shares how the founder's spirit is still present. In the featured book, Badger's friends comfort themselves following his death by remembering special times. Teacher's guide.

Grief; Children's Literature; Varley, Susan; Death - Fiction

### Balltown Primary Character Education Series

*For descriptions see individual titles:*  
Sammy Soccerball/Christopher Cricketball - Accepting Change [592420]

### Before I Die

596664 CB  
JS 430 min 2007 Random House Inc.

Unabridged. Terminally ill, 16-year-old Tessa makes and carries out a list of 10 things to do before she dies. She tastes new experiences to make her feel alive as her body succumbs to leukemia. Reading Level 5, Interest Level 9-12. Author: Jenny Downham, read by Charlotte Parry. Contains: 6 Compact Discs.

Death - Fiction; Downham, Jenny; Family Life - Fiction

### Blackwater

590026 MB  
MJ 146 p. 1999

30 Books. When a boy and girl are drowned in the Blackwater River, 15-year-old Brodie must decide whether to confess that he may have caused the accident. Author: Eve Bunting. Reading Level 3.6, Interest Level 5-9

Death - Fiction; Bunting, Eve; Children's Literature

### Blackwater

034299 AB  
MJ 180 min 1999 Recorded Books  
Unabridged. When a boy and girl are drowned in the Blackwater River, 15-year-old Brodie must decide whether to confess that he may have caused the accident. Author: Eve Bunting. Narrated by Jeff Woodman. Contains: 2 Audio cassettes; 1 Book (Large print). Reading Level 3, Interest Level 5-8

Children's Literature; Death - Fiction; Bunting, Eve

### Brian's Song

029314 VH  
IMJSA 73 min CA 1971 RCA/Columbia

Closed-captioned. A drama about the deep friendship between Gale Sayers, black halfback for the Chicago Bears, and his white teammate, Brian Piccolo, who died of cancer in 1970. Billy Dee Williams and James Caan star in this moving story.

Cancer; Athletes; Football

### Bridge to Terabithia

597354 CB  
IMJS 240 min 2005 Sebco Books  
Unabridged. Story of Jess Aarons and Leslie Burke. They form an unlikely friendship and create the imaginary land of Terabithia. There they rule as king and queen, until a terrible tragedy occurs that helps Jess understand just how much he has learned from Leslie. Includes an interview with Katherine and David Paterson. Author: Katherine Paterson. Performed by Robert Sean Leonard. Contains: 4 Compact Discs and 1 Book (Large Print). PG rated. Reading Level 4.6, Interest Level 4-7

Newbery Medal Books; Paterson, Katherine; Friendship - Fiction; Death - Fiction

### Bridge to Terabithia

023360 VH  
IMJ 58 min CA 1991 Public Media Video

*Wonderworks Series* - Closed-captioned. The life of ten-year-old Jess Aarons changes when he becomes friends with Leslie. Together they create Terabithia, a secret kingdom in the woods where their imaginations rule them and set their limits. Joy turns to tragedy when Leslie meets her untimely death. From Aarons' sorrow he learns the meaning of friendship. Starring: Annette O'Toole, Julian Coutts, and Julie Beaulieu.

Paterson, Katherine; Death - Fiction; Friendship - Fiction; Newbery Medal Books

### Bridge to Terabithia

040134 MB  
MJ 128 p. 1977

30 Books; (2 Filmstrips, 2 Audio Cassettes - copy 1 only); 1 Alternative Assessment Guide; ; 1 Perma-Bound teacher's guide; and 1 Novel Unit. Jesse Aarons loses a foot race but gains a new friend and an invitation into Terabithia, a hide-away in the woods. Author: Katherine Paterson. Illustrator: Donna Diamond. Reading Level 4.6, Interest Level 4-7

Death - Fiction; Friendship - Fiction; Newbery Medal Books; Paterson, Katherine

### Bridge to Terabithia (Enhanced Classroom Edition)

596612 DV  
IM 96 min CA 2007 Disney Educational Productions  
Closed-captioned (French, Spanish, English). Based on the award winning novel, Jess and Leslie escape to the woods and create the imaginary kingdom of Terabithia. Their adventures change their lives forever. Starring: Josh Hutcherson, Annasophia Robb, Robert Patrick, and Zoey Deschanel. Contains: 1 Disc and Teacher's guide folder.

Newbery Medal Books; Paterson, Katherine; Death - Fiction; Friendship - Fiction

### Children's Literature Series

*For descriptions see individual titles:*  
Annie and the Old One [029362]

### Death of a Friend

023867 VH  
PI 15 min 1985 New Dimension Media

A puppet presentation that helps children talk about the sadness, anger, and confusion they feel when a friend dies or is terminally ill. Teacher's guide.

Grief; Emotions; Loss (Psychology); Death; Guidance and Counseling

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### **Divorce: A Survivor's Guide for Kids**

593975 VH  
MJS 15 min CA 2002 Cambridge Educational  
Closed-captioned. Teens, psychologists, and divorced parents talk about difficulties young people face when their parents decide to separate. Outlines the six emotional stages a young person typically experiences after divorce has changed a family. Teacher's guide.

Loss (Psychology); Family Life; Divorce

### **Each Little Bird That Sings**

595741 CB  
PIM 311 min 2005 Listening Library  
Unabridged. Comfort Snowberger is well acquainted with death since her family owns the local funeral parlor. However, she is unprepared for events surrounding a family member's funeral and learns what it takes to handle life's surprises. Author: Deborah Wiles. Read by Kim Mai Guest. Contains: 5 Compact Discs.

Wiles, Deborah; Family Life - Fiction; Death - Fiction

### **The End**

596669 CB  
IMJ 360 min 2006 Recorded Books  
*A Series of Unfortunate Events Series - Unabridged. Volume 13.* Lost at sea, the Baudelaire orphans, along with the evil Count Olaf, wash up on the shore of an island populated by an oddly placed group of inhabitants, and they try to decide if they are truly safe. Reading Level 7.3, Interest Level 4-7. Author: Lemony Snicket, performed by Tim Curry. Contains: 5 Compact Discs.

Fear; Death - Fiction; Brothers and Sisters; Snicket, Lemony

### **The Fall of Freddie the Leaf**

023572 VH  
PIMJS 17 min 1986 Bernard Willets Productions  
An allegory of Freddie, a handsome leaf, who celebrates life's journey from birth in spring to death in winter. Stimulates discussion about life and the mysteries of death. From the book by Leo Buscaglia.

Death; Life Cycle; Death - Fiction; Seasons - Fiction

### **Flip-Flop Girl**

034056 AB  
IMJ 255 min 1994 Recorded Books  
Unabridged. A nine-year-old girl comes to terms with death and shattered dreams after her father's illness. Author: Katherine Paterson. Contains: 3 Audio cassettes.

Grief; Death - Fiction; Paterson, Katherine; Family Life - Fiction

### **Grieving**

590107 VH  
I 30 min 2001 Nickelodeon  
*Nick News: Special Edition Series -* This program examines the different ways young people experience and respond to loss, and how they may learn to grow from such experiences.

Grief; Loss (Psychology); Children and Death; Death

### **I Heard the Owl Call My Name**

593690 AB  
MJS 210 min 1973 Recorded Books  
Unabridged. A young minister who has two years to live learns about the meaning of life when he is sent to an Indian parish in British Columbia. Author: Margaret Craven. Narrated by Frank Muller. Contains: 3 Audio cassettes.

Indians of North America - Fiction; Craven, Margaret; Death - Fiction

### **Ida B and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and (Possibly) Save the World**

594579 AB  
MJS 194 min 2004 Books On Tape  
Unabridged. In Wisconsin, fourth grader Ida B spends happy hours being home schooled and playing in her family's orchard until her mother begins treatment for breast cancer and her parents must sell part of the orchard and send her to public school. Author: Katherine Hannigan. Read by: Lili Taylor. Contains: 2 Audio cassettes.

Hannigan, Katherine; Family Life - Fiction; Adolescence - Fiction; Cancer

### **Impact**

023204 VH  
MJS 16 min 1993 Middlebury Union High School  
Created by high school students in Vermont, this program is their statement to anyone who drives recklessly or rides with someone who does. Emotional scenes feature real people involved with serious car crashes talking to victims of the accident as if they were still alive. Teacher's guide.

Safety Education; Substance Abuse; Death; Accidents; Driver Education

### **Inside Your Feelings: Children Dealing with Loss and Grief**

591379 VH  
PI 20 min 1996 KidSafety of America  
Explores the impact of separation and grief and provides children with a range of ways to deal with and express their feelings.

Loss (Psychology); Grief; Death

### **Kira Kira**

595155 CB  
IMJS 270 min 2004 Random House Inc.  
Unabridged. Chronicles the close friendship between two Japanese American sisters growing up in rural Georgia in the late 1950s, and the despair when one sister becomes terminally ill. Author: Cynthia Kadohata. Read by Elaina Erika Davis. Contains: 4 Compact Discs; 1 Hard cover book (Large Print).

Japanese Americans; Kadohata, Cynthia; Grief; Newbery Medal Books; Family Life - Fiction

### **Kira Kira**

1150 BK  
IMJ 244 p. 2004 Perma-Bound  
Chronicles the close friendship between two Japanese American sisters growing up in rural Georgia in the late 1950s, and the despair when one sister becomes terminally ill. Author: Cynthia Kadohata. Reading Level 4.7, Interest Level 5-9. Teacher's guide available, please book (#1151).

Kadohata, Cynthia; Japanese Americans; Newbery Medal Books; Family Life - Fiction; Grief

### **The Last Lecture: Randy Pausch**

597654 DV  
MJS 30 min CA 2008 Disney Educational Productions  
Closed-captioned. Classroom edition. Carnegie Mellon professor Randy Pausch was asked to deliver his "Last Lecture", a series designed to examine the final lessons a speaker would impart when facing their mortality. Terminally ill, it was not hypothetical for Pausch, who delivered "Really Achieving Your Childhood Dreams". Contains: 1 Disc and Teacher's guide folder.

Conduct of Life; Death; Values; Pausch, Randy

### **Learning About Cancer: Tommy's Story**

594394 VH  
IMJ 20 min 2003 Human Relations Media  
Program is designed to foster understanding and tolerance for young cancer patients returning to school. Tommy and an animated friend teach about the physical and psychological effects of cancer and its treatment. Teacher's guide.

Cancer; School Children; Diseases

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### **A Life Saved: Story of a Suicide Intervention**

594605 VH  
MJS 11 min CA 2003 Noodlehead Network

Closed-captioned. Documents a suicide intervention that occurred just days after completion of a suicide prevention curriculum (companion title "Suicide: A Guide to Prevention") in a Middle School. Teacher's guide.

Suicide

### **Missing May**

034109 AB  
IMJS 118 min 1995 Recorded Books

Unabridged. When twelve-year-old Summer loses a beloved aunt, she searches for some sign that the old woman was still watching over her. Author: Cynthia Rylant. Contains: 2 Audio cassettes.

Friendship - Fiction; Grief; Family Life - Fiction; Death - Fiction; Rylant, Cynthia; Newbery Medal Books

### **A Moment in Time**

070077 PS  
MJS 1986

A family, troubled by their parent's divorce, wait in a hospital to find out if their brother will survive an automobile accident. Was it really an accident or a suicide attempt? Contains: 2 copies. Sample copy for preview. Royalty required.

Play, Cast - Male; Drama; One Act Play; Suicide; Play, Cast - 1-10 Characters

### **Nick News: Special Edition Series**

*For descriptions see individual titles: Grieving [590107]*

### **Non-Sexual Breast/Testicular Self-Exam Model**

591131 KT  
S 2001 Health Edco

Designed to minimize embarrassment in mixed groups. Features simulated breast tissue and a simulated scrotum molded in generic shapes. Models contain lumps that can be felt using the correct techniques. Contains: 1 3-D display, powder, stand, and 2 booklets.

Cancer

### **Olive's Ocean**

594950 CB  
IMJ 201 min 2004 Random House Inc.

Unabridged. During a summer visit to her grandmother's cottage by the sea, twelve-year-old Martha gains perspective on the death of a classmate, family relationships, and her plans to become a writer. Author: Kevin Henkes. Read by Blair Brown. Contains: 3 Compact Discs. Reading Level 4.7, Interest Level 5-9

Grandmothers - Fiction; Family Life - Fiction; Grief; Henkes, Kevin

### **Paws, Claws, Feathers, and Fins**

024920 VH  
PI 30 min 1993 Kidvidz

Explores the fun and responsibilities of caring for pets and in dealing with the loss of a pet.

Grief; Pets; Animals

### **Preventing Skin Cancer**

591166 VH  
MJS 22 min 2001 Health Edco

Negative effects of skin exposure to ultraviolet rays are explained including a list of skin cancers and techniques to prevent skin diseases.

Cancer; Skin

### **Reading Rainbow Series**

*For descriptions see individual titles: Badger's Parting Gifts [590428]*

### **The Reptile Room**

595821 MB  
IMJ 190 p. 1999 Perma-Bound

*A Series of Unfortunate Events Series - 30 Books.* The unfortunate Baudelaire children continue their run of bad luck enduring a car accident, a terrible odor, a deadly serpent, a long knife, and more! Book 2 of the series. Author: Lemony Snicket. Reading Level 6.3, Interest Level 4-7.

Brothers and Sisters; Death - Fiction; Snicket, Lemony

### **The Reptile Room**

595742 CB  
IMJS 191 min 1999 Listening Library

*A Series of Unfortunate Events Series - Unabridged.* The unfortunate Baudelaire children continue their run of bad luck enduring a car accident, a terrible odor, a deadly serpent, a long knife, and more! Book 2 of the series. Author: Lemony Snicket. Read by Tim Curry. Contains: 3 Compact Discs.

Death - Fiction; Snicket, Lemony; Brothers and Sisters

### **Runaway**

023385 VH  
IMJ 59 min CA 1991 Public Media Video

*Wonderworks Series - Closed-captioned.* A Boy lives for 121 days in the subway tunnels of New York City because he blames himself for the accidental death of his friend.

Multicultural Studies; Death - Fiction; Runaways - Fiction

### **Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes**

593523 AB  
PI 60 min 1977 Recorded Books

Unabridged. Hospitalized in Hiroshima with leukemia, the dreaded atomic bomb disease, eleven-year-old Sadako races against time to fold one thousand paper cranes, hoping that her wish for health will come true. Author: Eleanor Coerr. Narrated by Christina Moore. Contains: 1 Audio cassette.

Japan; Death; Coerr, Eleanor; Atomic Bomb; Art

### **Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes**

040269 MB  
PI 80 p. 1977

30 Books; 1 Audio Cassette and Guide; 1 Teacher's Guide; 1 Alternative Assessment Guide; 1 Literature Teacher Resource; and 1 Novel Unit. Sadako was a 2-year-old when the atomic bomb hit her hometown of Hiroshima. When she was 11, she developed leukemia, the "atomic bomb disease". Her closest friend encourages her to fold paper cranes in keeping with the Japanese tradition of wellness and peace. Author: Eleanor Coerr. Paintings: Ronald Himler. Reading Level 4.1, Interest Level 2-5

Japan; Coerr, Eleanor; Art; Death; Atomic Bomb

### **Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes**

022623 VH, DV  
PI 30 min 1990 Informed

Democracy Closed-captioned (DVD only). Sadako Sasaki was a 2-year-old when the atomic bomb hit her hometown of Hiroshima. When she was 11, she developed leukemia, the "atomic bomb disease". Her closest friend encourages her to fold paper cranes in keeping with the Japanese tradition of wellness and peace. Based on the book by Eleanor Coerr. DVD Narrated in English by Liv Ullmann and in French by Annie Girardot. It contains: 1 Disc and both contain teacher's guide.

Japan; Atomic Bomb; Art; Death; Coerr, Eleanor

### **Sammy Soccerball/Christopher Cricketball - Accepting Change**

592420 VH  
P 10 min 2001 Lucerne Media

*Balltown Primary Character Education Series - Series features balls of all types in short vignettes designed to teach life skills and values.* Sammy Soccerball learns to accept his new look after an accident. Christopher Cricketball overcomes his grief after the death of a friend. Teacher's guide jacket.

Self Acceptance; Children and Death; Character Education; Change (Psychology)

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### A Series of Unfortunate Events

595985 DV  
IMJ 107 min CA 2004 Library Video Company

*A Series of Unfortunate Events Series* - Closed-captioned. Unabridged. The Baudelaire children, three ingenious orphans, endure a run of bad luck as they try to protect themselves and their fortune from their guardian, the evil Count Olaf. Rated PG. Stars Jim Carey. Contains: 1 Disc.

Brothers and Sisters; Death - Fiction; Snicket, Lemony

### A Series of Unfortunate Events Series

*For descriptions see individual titles:*

The End [596669]

The Reptile Room [595821]

The Reptile Room [595742]

A Series of Unfortunate Events [595985]

A Series of Unfortunate Events: The Bad Beginning [595022]

### A Series of Unfortunate Events: The Bad Beginning

595022 MB  
IMJ 162 p. 1999 Perma-Bound  
*A Series of Unfortunate Events Series* - 30 Books; 1 Novel Unit. After the sudden death of their parents, the three Baudelaire children must depend on their wits and each other to protect themselves and their fortunes from their new guardian. Author: Lemony Snicket. Reading Level 6.4, Interest Level 4-7

Snicket, Lemony; Adolescence - Fiction; Death - Fiction; Brothers and Sisters

### Skin Cancer

024972 VH  
MJSA 30 min 1996 Time Life Medical

Everett Koop has assembled over 20 of the nation's leading medical experts in skin cancer for this program.

Cancer; Health Education; Nursing; Diseases; Skin

### Skin Models

596183 KT  
IMJS 2005 Health Edco  
Learn about skin anatomy and the importance of sun safety. Contains: 1 Skin cancer model; 1 Multi-language booklet; 1 Cross-section of 2 sided model with healthy skin on one side and burned skin on the reverse with description card; and 3 UV Indicator cards.

Skin; Cancer; Anatomy, Human; Burns and Scalds

### Sometimes You Have to Say

#### Good-bye

594053 VH  
P 12 min 2003 Sunburst Communications

Molly misses her friend who moved away, Tony's cat died, Brett's grandfather passed away. Children learn what loss means, recognize their feelings, identify people they can turn to for support, and learn healthy ways to say good-bye. Teacher's guide.

Death; Grief; Loss (Psychology)

### Suicide: A Guide to Prevention (Second Edition)

025824 VH  
MJS 13 min 2004 Kid-Powered Video

Teens who contemplate suicide almost always reveal their intentions to at least one other person. In a kid-friendly way, this video takes the guesswork out of intervening. Teacher's guide.

Health Education; Suicide

### Tear Soup: A Recipe for Healing After Loss

596817 KT  
PIMJS 2006 Childswork-Childsplay  
1 Book: TEAR SOUP - A RECIPE FOR HEALING AFTER LOSS/by Pat Schwiebert and Chuck DeKlyen, illustrated by Taylor Bills - Grandy has suffered a big loss in her life, so she is cooking up her own unique batch of "tear soup". We get a glimpse of her life as she blends different ingredients into her own grief process to help fill the void created by her loss. Read by McDonald-Lewis. Contains 1 Disc (Tear Soup - 17:00), 2 In-Disc case guides (Tear Soup: A Recipe for Healing After Loss video viewers guide and grief tips; Tear Soup Cooking Tips).

Grief; Loss (Psychology)

### Teens Dealing with Death

593966 VH  
MJS 28 min 2003 Cambridge Educational

Teens and experts visit a weekend program for teens dealing with grief over someone they've lost. Offers guidance to help them through the experience and suggestions on where they can go for support and help in their communities. Teacher's guide.

Loss (Psychology); Death; Grief

### Tuesdays With Morrie

1042 BK  
JS 192 p. 1997 Perma-Bound  
Journalist Mitch Albom chronicles the last days with his dying mentor, sociologist Morrie Schwartz who courageously studied his own degeneration from Lou Gehrig's disease. Author: Mitch Albom. Reading Level 5.5, Interest Level 9+. Teacher's guides available, please book (#1043).

Teacher-Student Relationships; Death; Conduct of Life; Albom, Mitch

### Tuesdays with Morrie

593777 DV  
MJS 89 min CA 1999 Library Video Company

Closed-captioned. A journalist learns that his old professor is battling Lou Gehrig's disease. A visit leads to a weekly meeting sharing lessons of the heart. Stars: Jack Lemmon and Hank Azaria. Contains: 1 Disc.

Values; Death; Conduct of Life; Teacher-Student Relationships; Albom, Mitch

### Walk Two Moons

034135 AB, CB  
IMJS 360 min 1997 Listening Library

Unabridged. After her mother leaves home suddenly, 13-year-old Sal and her grandparents take a car trip retracing her mother's route. Sal also recounts the story of her friend Phoebe whose mother also left. Author: Sharon Creech. Narrated by: Kate Harper. AB (Contains: 4 Audio cassettes) and CB (Contains: 5 Compact Discs); 1 Book (Large print).

Creech, Sharon; Death - Fiction; Newbery Medal Books; Family Life - Fiction

### When Kids Say Goodbye

026409 VH  
PI 30 min 1995 Moose School Productions

Dr. Peter Alsop, funeral director Paul Janisse, and three children discuss the children's concerns when there has been a death in the family. Deals with death as a part of life.

Death

### When Someone Dies: Bereavement and Loss

593965 VH  
MJS 31 min CA 2003 Human Relations Media

Closed-captioned. Teaches teens that death and bereavement are a natural and inevitable part of life. Explores the mourning process while noting that it is unique for all people. Gives suggestions for coping. Teacher's Resource Book with Student Activities and Fact Sheets.

Death; Loss (Psychology); Grief

### Wintergirls (Library Edition)

598228 AD  
JS 420 min 2009 Follett Library Resources

Unabridged. Eighteen-year-old Lia comes to terms with her best friend's death from anorexia as she struggles with the same disease. Author: Laurie Halse Anderson. Read by Jeannie Stith. Contains: 1 MP3-CD. Listen on your computer or transfer temporarily to an iPod or other compatible device.

Grief; Anorexia Nervosa; Anderson, Laurie Halse; Mp3

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### Wonderworks Series

*For descriptions see individual titles:*

Bridge to Terabithia [023360]

Runaway [023385]

### The Young Man and the Sea

594957 AB

IMJ 228 min 2004 Random House Inc.

Unabridged. After his mother's death, twelve-year-old Skiff decides he must earn money so he undertakes a dangerous trip alone off the coast of Maine to catch a huge bluefin tuna. A poignant story with a nod to Hemingway. Author: Rodman Philbrick. Read by Kirby Heyborne. Contains: 3 Audio Cassettes. Reading Level 4.5, Interest Level 4-9

Philbrick, Rodman; Grief; Fishes - Fiction; Fathers and Sons

### Your Turn - It's Never Too Late: Coping with Depression

593532 VH, OF

MJS 30 min 2004 Court Television Network

Host Carol Randolph engages teens from Columbus, Ohio, in a discussion about depression, stress, and suicide.

Depression, Mental; Suicide; Mental Health; Stress