

Questions for the Media

1. What inspired you to write Before We Say “Goodnight”?
2. Did your parents tell you stories of their life when you were a boy?
Do you remember one in particular?
3. Why do you think kids like a “real” story rather than the usual bedtime stories that parents read from a book?
4. Why are some people better storytellers than others? Or can anyone become a good storyteller?
5. How do you create memorable characters or story that children will want to hear?
6. What’s the best age for parents to start telling children stories of their life and family?
7. What kinds of stories should parents not tell their children, and why?
8. What are the benefits for a child whose parent takes the time to tell them a story almost every night?
9. What is the connection, if any, between telling stories of your life and family to getting kids excited about books and raising a reader?
10. Do you have a next book in mind? If so what will it be?