An Unconventional Once Upon A Time: A need for a children's book describing the challenges of a deployed spouse

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Abstract
There are many texts that focus on a child's experiences and difficulties when a parent is away in the army or at war. Currently, there are no books that provide the perspective of a parent or spouse's struggles in dealing with their loved one who is away, and taking care of what is left at home. This independent study had a purpose of not only providing another resource for children to cope, but to allow for them to gain perspective of someone else's experience as well. The story written speaks not from a child's perspective, but from one of an adult dealing with having her loved one serving during war time. The fairytale element to the text is meant to act as a child-directed element in order to engage students. The purpose of this text and research is to provide information and awareness for those suffering, and for others to understand the difficulty and be able to provide support for one another as well.

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