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As autumn leaves fall, two birds Betty and Paul are sitting in a cherry tree. Betty wants a cosy nest, Paul builds it and the pair snuggle throughout the winter. Spring brings the blossoms and a funny feeling in Betty?s tummy. A month later a baby bird has hatched and Betty sings it a song of love. But soon the family seems to have outgrown the nest, the parents are bickering and Paul packs his bags to live in a new nest. All three birds are left feeling sad but then Betty sings another song of love and this time the message is ?WE BOTH LOVE YOU?. As the cherries ripen Baby starts to feel fluttery and takes flight. Now, baby bird can visit both Betty and Paul and spend time in each of their homes.

Tenderly told in rhyme, this tale about parental separation takes a difficult subject and presents it sensitively for a very young audience reassuring children that no matter where they live, both parents love them and it?s their parents not they who are responsible for the split.

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