

For Penny, my daughter, who teaches me new
ways to say I love you every day—F.L.

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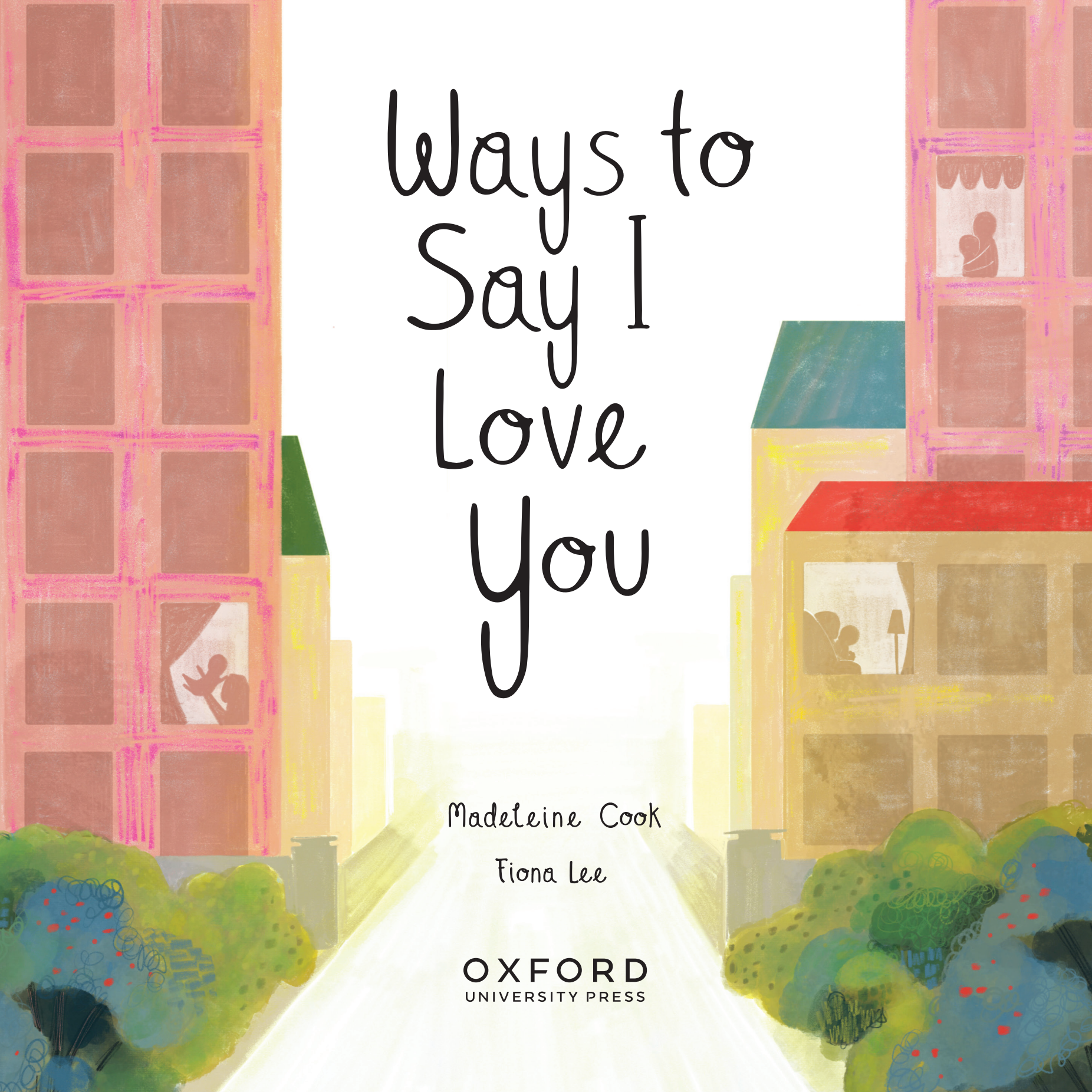
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The background is a stylized illustration of a city street. On the left is a tall, pinkish-red building with a grid of windows. One window shows a silhouette of a person holding a child. To the right is a shorter, yellow building with a red roof. One window shows a silhouette of a person sitting at a desk with a lamp. In the foreground, there are green and blue bushes with red dots. The street is a light yellow path leading into the distance.

Ways to Say I Love You

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How do I say I love you?
I tell you in many ways.

Holding you close
when you are new.
Rocking you gently
and stroking your hand.





Wrapping you up as snug as a bug.
Telling you names of the things that we see.





A loving cuddle when you cry.



Wiping away your tears.



Feeding you when you are hungry.
Tickling the toes on your foot.

A bath . . .



a cuddle . . .



and a book.

A cosy room and a kiss goodnight.





As you grow and your world grows too,
how will I say I love you?

By helping you every single day . . .
being there when you need me the most.

