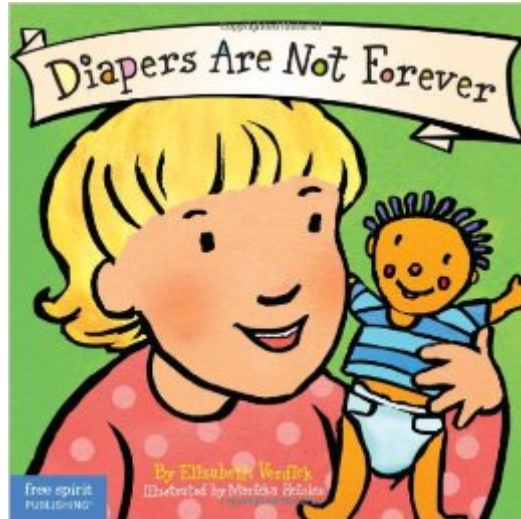


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# Diapers Are Not Forever (Board Book) (Best Behavior Series)



## Synopsis

Learning to use the potty takes patience and practice, and this charming, straightforward book helps pave the way. Young children learn how to use the potty and why it's time to do so, while gaining the courage and confidence to face this important milestone in their lives. When little ones learn to do what the big kids do • (go, wipe, flush, wash their hands), they won't need a diaper anymore • they'll have underwear under there! Includes tips for parents and caregivers from a children's health specialist.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This was a GREAT book, and the first one we used. We actually got several from the library, including the "My Big Boy Potty" book (see my review on that for more info). The combination of "Diapers Are Not Forever" and "My Big Boy Potty" was the best combination for us. While "Diapers" does not spend time on specific anatomy, it addresses the difference between boys and girls (we have a boy). And it also is clear about what they are doing in simple, easy language. "Girls sit down to pee and poop. Then they wipe and flush. Boys do the same, and also can pee standing up" - or something to that effect. Our son could, and often did, recite the whole book verbatim. This is part of a great series of books targeting specific issues with kids, along with great pictures. The end of the book had potty training pointers, which I do remember reading. But I referred to the potty training pointers more often at the back of "My Big Boy Potty." Not quite sure why, except perhaps because

this was the first book we started with, and once our son had memorized it, he moved on to requesting "My Big Boy Potty." The good thing about that combination of 2 books is "Diapers" covers the whole thing in a short, but easy to understand way, at a higher level with a positive tone. Then "My Big Boy Potty" spends more time on the individual steps focusing on an individual boy with whom the child can identify and learn the specific steps for getting to pee and poop.

We have "Hands are not for Hitting" so I picked this up when potty training was about to start. My 2 year old daughter seems to enjoy the characters and understand the concept. The one thing that confuses her is the "boys can also pee standing up" part, which is understandable. Honestly, I didn't get why it was so important to have gender specific potty training books when books like "Potty" by Leslie Patricelli (and adorable book, BTW) don't address it at all and they seem useful. But now that we're in the throes of potty training, I can understand when details can be helpful as the child is learning. I try to skip the "boys can also pee standing up" part to try to prevent her from getting the idea to try to pee standing up. But it doesn't always work. The rest of it is great, and I like that they specifically include washing your hands afterward. I not one for separating by gender, but I get it now why, in this case, it might be helpful. It would be fine for boys since they can do both, or a household with boys and girls to show the differences. But in our case, it only confuses her.

Initially, I thought that this was a bit too simple in its coverage of the topic. I had hoped for a little more explanation of what "forever" means. That wasn't there, HOWEVER it is now my son's go-to book when he's on the potty. So something is resonating with him. I have many other "potty books" and this became a fast favorite over them. So, I may not get it, but he does.

This book is great to read to your child when you are trying to get them familiar with the idea of potty training. We bought this book when we were trying to potty train my son. We had hit a wall, and while it was going well at first, one day he refused to go on the potty. After getting this book and a few others and reading them to him, he started asking to use the potty again. I think this book is a great help in familiarizing your toddler with the potty training process.

I wish I had purchased this long before I actually did. We have other Best Behavior books and we thought this would be a good addition to our collection. It is a great book, but unfortunately its better for those who are just starting their potty training journey. We are near the end of it and bought it because our daughter is getting tired of her other potty books. Its definitely a good one though.

A great book! Helped my son figure out how the whole potty thing works. He loves this book, and wants it read to him every night. One evening, after we took his diaper off, he ran over to the potty and peed out of the blue, and I think it is partly because of this book.

I think I like it more than she does because she doesn't ask for this one to be read as much as the other one that I have (Potty by Leslie Patricelli). I love that it shows both boys and girls as well as different ethnic groups. Potty training has only just begun so I'm not sure how effective it is in aiding the process.

All the books in this series are wonderful "teachers" for children. It is simply told yet the lesson is direct. I love the fact that the illustration show the differences between people (multi cultural, physical disabilities, young and old). My 3 year old grandson loves these books.

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