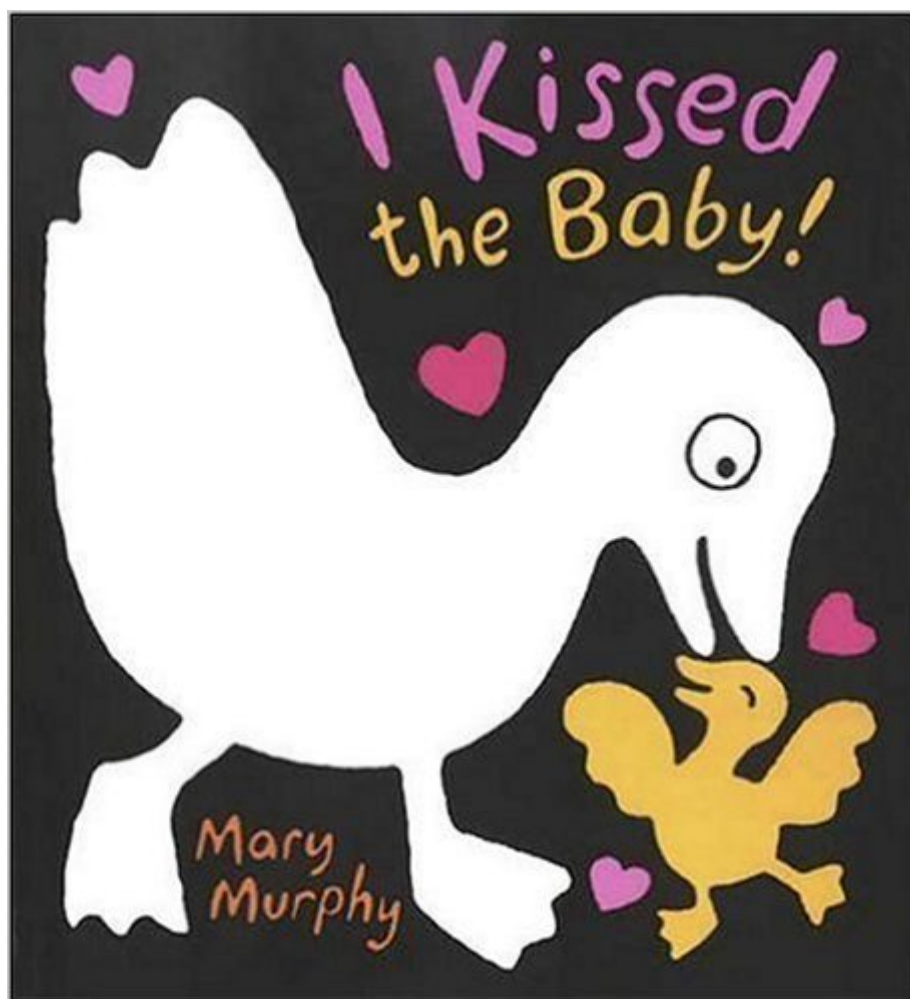


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# I Kissed The Baby!



## Synopsis

Finally -- the perfect first book for baby is available in board!"I saw the baby! Did you see the baby?" "Yes! I saw the baby, the teeny weeny thing."It's so exciting! News of the baby is buzzing from animal to animal, with each one -- fish, bird, squirrel, insect, frog -- boasting of seeing, feeding, singing to, tickling, and kissing the tiny little thing. With bold, graphic black-and-white illustrations, Mary Murphy's simple, singsong story captures the giddy commotion that only a baby can bring."An animal cast so elated that they seem on the verge of jumping into readers' laps. . . . The high-contrast pictures and exclamatory text are guaranteed eye and ear magnets for the littlest ones." -- PUBLISHERS WEEKLY (starred review)

## Book Information

Board book: 24 pages

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Product Dimensions: 6.1 x 0.5 x 6.8 inches

Shipping Weight: 5.6 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (142 customer reviews)

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Age Range: 2 - 3 years

Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

My six-month old daughter is CRAZY about this book! I borrowed it from the library because it was on the recommended book list for infants and toddlers and she could not get enough. Its big, bold black and white pictures really got her attention, and when that little yellow baby finally is shown at the end, she gets so excited....always touches him, always bounces around giggling, blowing raspberries, and wriggling with delight. I ended up buying her the hardcover version of this book, but she loves to grab at the little ducky, so I'm on now to purchase the board book so she can grab to her heart's content! I read her a lot of books, and this one is far and away her favorite. The repetition and parallel structure of the book is perfect for getting and keeping baby's attention.

My 4 month old granddaughter already has a favorite book and it is called I Kissed The Baby. She really responds to this book and looks right at the illustrations. Her little arms and legs really get going and she gets very excited. She is four months old and I read her this book everytime I see her (as well as others), but this is the one she seems to love. Now she tries to reach for the pages and wants to touch. It is a wonderful book and will be my gift for any baby shower I go to in the future. Congratulations to Mary Murphy.

There are books out there that are meant to be told to large audiences of wide-mouthed children. And there are books to be told to small groups of addled youngsters. But most interesting sometimes are the books written with the intent of being read to one child and one child alone. Such a book is "I Kissed the Baby". The ultimate in interactive toddlerhood, the story is best when told to a rhyming bouncy beat, with the child on your lap laughing all the while. It's a simple book with easy words, bright colors, and large illustrations. Perfect, in fact, for getting the youngest of youngsters interested in books. Animals comment on their interactions with a baby. The first, a fish, exclaims proudly, "I saw the baby! Did you see the baby?". He's answered with a rhyming yes and then we see a different pair of animals. As you go you hear that some creatures have fed the baby, sung to the baby, tickled the baby, and finally (best of all) kissed the baby. A mother duck is the one who gets that particular honor, and there's a great two page spread of her leaning down to give the baby duck a great big, "Ppffwah!" of a smacker. Simple stuff. But the joy of the book is that even as characters discuss what they've done for the baby, the person reading the book to their child can do those exact same things. Especially the kiss. There's such a build up to the moment that parents would be seriously amiss if they didn't kiss their babies in much the same manner. Be sure you read this book to children who are young enough not to mind being referred to as "babies", by the way. Older children are certain to shy away from this book in the hopes of more mature reading. But "I Kissed the Baby" is as cute as a bug's ear and contains some lovely cadences. A treasure for all who discover it.

Our 8 week old LOVES this book and laughs when we read it to him. It's a great story for interacting with your baby, too.

I was hoping for a little bit more out of this book than I received. There are better high contrast books out there with better pictures and "verbage" if you know what I mean. I agree with another

reviewer who mentioned that she just felt like it was missing the whole rhyming thing. I liked the whole "I kissed the baby. Did you kiss the baby?", but had they added somewhat of a rhyming story line, the book could have been a home-run. I guess I just expect baby books to "flow" a little better than this one did. My little girl listened to the story and looked at the pictures, but it didn't hold her attention like her other high contrast books. If the whole flowing, rhyming thing, isn't an issue for you, then this is the right book for you.

This is the first book my 3 month old twin boys responded to. The eye-catching black and white illustrations had them staring and smiling and even cooing! The text is simple and makes it easy to interact with your child (I kissed the baby, I tickled the baby, etc.). Highly recommended for your infant or toddler!

I wanted to like this book, especially given all the positive reviews... but at first I really did not like it but after reading it five times the book elevated to just ok. The rhyming and rhythm is disruptive / does not flow for me... unless i practice really hard to speed over a few words here and there. I think the artwork could still have been black and white but drawn better (my other b&w books are Hello! Animals, Hello! Bugs, and Baby Animals Spots & Stripes - I liked the art in all of them ranging from simple to complex). I would have also chosen an easier font for babies to get used to letters/words. I will read it to my son, but if he doesn't like it, I am not saving this one.

My 1 year old has loved this book from the first time we looked at it when he was only 3 or 4 months old. He loves books, but this is definitely his favorite. He smiles each time he pulls it out of his book basket and howls with delight when the baby duck appears at the end. I'm so glad my mom gave it to us as a gift because I know I can always get a smile by pulling it out.

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