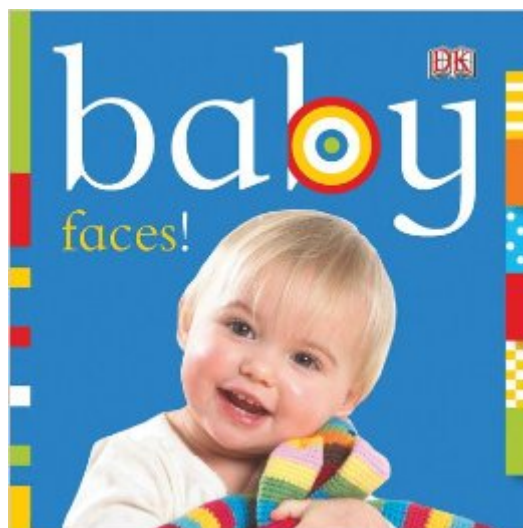


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# Baby: Faces! (Baby Chunky Board Books)



## Synopsis

In *Baby: Faces!*, readers will find babies under the flaps, with faces showing all kinds of different expressions – happy, sad, silly, sleepy, and more. Perfect for reading aloud and encouraging early word recognition, these chunky board books are just right for babies who love to explore shape and texture.

## Book Information

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Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

I bought this book for my son when he was 12 months old and at 20 months old he still returns to it and enjoys it. In fact, he enjoys it so much that I've mended it with so much clear packaging tape that it could probably withstand a nuclear blast. I might have to order another copy. From an adult's perspective, looking at the book you might find the pictures silly, but maybe your kid will like them as mine does. As for concerns by some as to whether the book teaches a better range of facial expressions... Well, isn't that where the parent steps-in and interacts with the child and teaches him or her about a broad range of emotions and expressions? We can't leave it all to books and television. What it does do is teach my child about books and that there are things to be enjoyed about them, as well as learned from them. Here's a run-down of the book and its content. The overall size of the book is ideal for small hands to handle and the pictures are essentially pictures of a toddler, head and shoulders. The ethnic appearances of the children (if ethnic relevance is a concern for you) are mostly Caucasian (brown hair and blond), and if you include the photos on the covers of the book as well as inside there are a few that appear to be Asian, and a few that appear

to be of African or of Indian descent. The topics covered are: happy, sad, puzzled, surprised, peek-a-boo (preceded by a picture of a baby happily semi-hiding under a basket), angry, worried, crying, laughing, hungry, kissing (shows one child kissing the cheek of another), dirty, clean, tired, and "fast asleep". It would be nice if the book was a little more sturdy, but it's no different from any other board book in that area. After all, the publisher probably wants us to buy more books. Right?

(Note: this review was dictated by my 15 month old son). "Baby Faces" is really one of those literary works that improves upon multiple close readings. It opens in what seems to be a bit of a clichéd drawing room sort of novel, with "happy baby" and "sad baby". But then it throws you for a real loop with "puzzled baby" and "surprised baby" and you know this book is something different. The middle portion gets quite dark and troubled, with "angry baby", "worried baby", and "crying baby", but you find emotional catharsis with "laughing baby". Then there's a steamy interlude that rises through "hungry baby" and peaks with "kissing babies". The "man against himself" plot enters with "dirty baby" and culminates with "clean baby". And of course, the denouement of "tired baby" and "fast asleep" wraps up in a delightful and unexpected way. There just so much going on, I could read it again and again and again and again and again and find something new every time.

This is a great simple book for babies and I know from experience that it is durable and stands the test of time. I got this book for my daughter when she was a baby, now 4 1/2 and my son who is 9 months old. This was the 1st thing I purchased when I knew I was pregnant the second time. I knew he'd enjoy it as much as my daughter did. They both love it. My 9 month old son searches this book out on his book shelf and happy screams when he finds it. Then opens the book and kisses all the babies. A must buy for any family and a great price.

My 14 month old likes this book just fine. Definitely not her favorite book. She likes to look at babies in general, so probably any of these books would have the same effect. To me, the faces the babies are making kind of don't match up well to the word or feeling underneath. The angry baby doesn't look angry to me, the puzzled baby doesn't at all look puzzled to me. Oh, and the dirty baby isn't dirty enough. You want to see a dirty baby face? I bet most parents have a better picture than that one! The book called "Baby Faces" by Playskool is better. The pictures are cuter, bigger, and there are more examples of each emotion.

This was my son's first book along with White on Black. Both were big hits with him while he was

younger. He enjoyed looking at the faces and having me name the different expressions. He would be smiling as we were looking at the different pictures in the book and at 18 mos still enjoys looking at it. Babies are attracted to human faces and this book is perfect for that. It is pictures of little babies one is sad, surprised, happy, tired, etc. This is a perfect first book and I would recommend it to anyone with a little baby.

DK made sure this book is full of babies of different cultures and genders...so good job there. But I thought some of the pictures were odd or didn't "fit". There is a peek a boo picture and it says, "Where is baby?" and he's right there holding a basket over his head in plain view. Then on the facing page it says, "Peek a Boo!" with the basket lifted a smidge higher... I wish the basket were covering his face in the first picture. It doesn't make sense. And then there is a picture of two babies kissing but all you can see is the back of one of the babies heads....just weird to me... I probably wouldn't have purchased this had I seen it in the store.

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