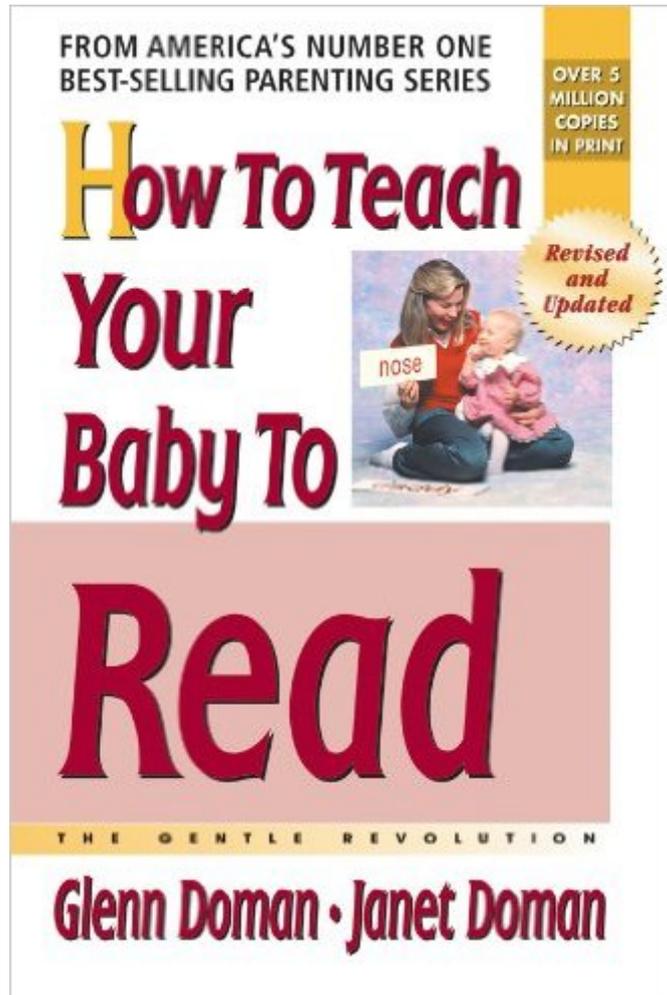


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# How To Teach Your Baby To Read (The Gentle Revolution Series)



## Synopsis

Time and again, the work performed at The Institutes for the Achievement of Human Potential has demonstrated that children from birth to age six are capable of learning better and faster than older children. *How To Teach Your Baby To Read* shows just how easy it is to teach a young child to read, while *How To Teach Your Baby Math* presents the simple steps for teaching mathematics through the development of thinking and reasoning skills. Both books explain how to begin and expand each program, how to make and organize necessary materials, and how to more fully develop your child's reading and math potential. *How to Give Your Baby Encyclopedic Knowledge* shows how simple it is to develop a program that cultivates a young child's awareness and understanding of the arts, science, and nature—to recognize the insects in the garden, to learn about the countries of the world, to discover the beauty of a Van Gogh painting, and much more. *How To Multiply Your Baby's Intelligence* provides a comprehensive program for teaching your young child how to read, to understand mathematics, and to literally multiply his or her overall learning potential in preparation for a lifetime of success.

The Gentle Revolution Series: The Institutes for the Achievement of Human Potential has been successfully serving children and teaching parents for five decades. Its goal has been to significantly improve the intellectual, physical, and social development of all children. The groundbreaking methods and techniques of The Institutes have set the standards in early childhood education. As a result, the books written by Glenn Doman, founder of this organization, have become the all-time best-selling parenting series in the United States and the world.

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## Customer Reviews

I picked up Doman's book ready to scoff. Teach your baby to read! What a parent ego trip! I read the book. And I turned 180 degrees. Everything he said made perfect sense. So I read other books on teaching toddlers to read. Some books were better than others (the worst rewarded children with candy). I liked Doman best because of the joy he expressed and the respect he accorded parents. Teaching my 2-yr old to read was an incredibly beautiful experience for us both! And she did learn: 100 words by age 3, 100 books by age 4, her second language by age 5 (she attended kindergarten in a foreign country). She has always read beautifully--not the halting wordcalling of children who read letter by letter, but with the fluid expression of someone reading for meaning. And she, now 11, is very happy with herself and her abilities. What more could a parent ask? A final note: thuh ing-glish lang-gwij izunt funetik, although it was in Chaucer's time. Parents eager to part with big bucks for "Hooked on Phonics" would do better to read Doman first.

I don't remember ever not knowing how to read. This is because when I was just a year old, my dad bought a copy of this book. After reading it, he wrote words in big red block print on solid, kid-proof pieces of white cardboard. And I \*flew\* with it. I got out of this book what my dad put into it, and then some. I remember how much fun I had. When he came home from work, I'd beg him to pull out the flashcards: "Get the words, daddy!" A couple years later, when my sister was 2 and I was 4, \*I\* taught \*her\* to read. She didn't initially take to it as well as I did, but I made it a game: I'd hide the flash cards around the house and send her off in search of the right words. She loved it! So if at first you don't succeed, you can modify the system to suit your baby. At about the same time, I entered kindergarten. I remember wondering why they made such a big deal about my ability to read. After all, as surprising as it was to them, it was nothing unusual to \*me\*! Flash forward 20 years. Where am I in 1999? I'm a very successful graduate student in Boston. Merit scholarships have taken me right through college. I worked hard to get here, and I know my dad started me on the right foot. Did I benefit from this book? Yes. When I have children, will I teach them by this system? Absolutely. This is the kind of gift keeps on giving. Your child will cherish it for years to come.

Doman's books are a must read, and you should start with this one. After you read it, read the How

to Teach Math (much easier to do the program because you can purchase an inexpensive kit from the author's institute). If you are into it, read Encyclopedic knowledge. I also recommend you to take the author's courses, in Philadelphia, but they are a couple of thousand dollars or more. Do it all before your baby is born. I read this book 10 years before my wife got pregnant and it changed my life... and my daughter's (I hope). It changed how I saw child's development. Now she is 3. But don't get too carried away. Believe me, some parents do get carried away. The ones in Philadelphia seem to belong to a sect. Just enjoy your children and add this program to the fun. Although I spend a large amount of money with the course, I really don't do much of the program. Still, I raise my daughter differently from what I would otherwise have done without having read this book. You will not be the same person after you read it. And it is not about teaching your baby to read. It is about teaching your baby about life. You will have more respect for your child and will not let your baby grow "by accident." Instead, you will be able to actively participate in the learning process and challenge your child to fulfill his or her intellectual potential. If you have a child, or if you don't but you love someone, this is the only book that you must read. Remember, read it before the baby is born. This book (or the others in the collection) are a wonderful present for an expecting mother.

Many years ago, my parents taught me to read using Donan's whole-language method. As a result, I could read at an 8th-grade level before I started 1st grade. Since then, I've had perfect verbal scores on the PSAT, SAT, and GRE exams. I went to a top university and today I'm a highly-paid professional writer and editor. Best of all, I truly love to read -- and that's the gift I most hope to pass along to my own children. BUT ... as many educators will tell you, the whole-language approach is a dead end for lots of kids. Moral of the story: experiment. Don't rule out the whole-language approach OR phonics. See what works best for your child. The most important thing is that you take responsibility for teaching your children to enjoy reading. Don't expect the school system to do it for you.

This book provides the explanation of the Glenn Doman's theory of development of a baby's brain from child, argues about common myths of teaching babies, and provides many case studies of the method. Initially I was skeptical about teaching my 18-month daughter to read, but found out that that Glenn Doman and Janet Doman have discovered the completely different method of teaching babies, not the same that is using in junior schools. Their method suits for a baby from zero months old, i.e. from birth. There are three lessons per day, each lesson last fifteen seconds and give such a joy to the baby that she woke me up in the mornings asking me to teach her to read. When she

hears my steps when I return from my job, she runs to me to teach her to read. The babies CAN and WANT to learn! The babies are eager to learn, they want desperately to learn everything they can, as quickly as possible, but the adults are often fail to provide for the babies the adequate opportunity of learning. Glenn Doman and Janet Doman offer funny and inexpensive way of teaching the baby to read, math, and encyclopedic knowledge by means of special inventory. For reading, it is cards with big red printed words. A few words from my own experience on producing the inventory: don't even imagine of cutting the cards and printing the words by yourself. Just give a list of words to a nearby company, which prints business cards. I also recommend "How to Teach Your Baby to Be Physically Superb" by Glenn Doman in addition to this book.

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