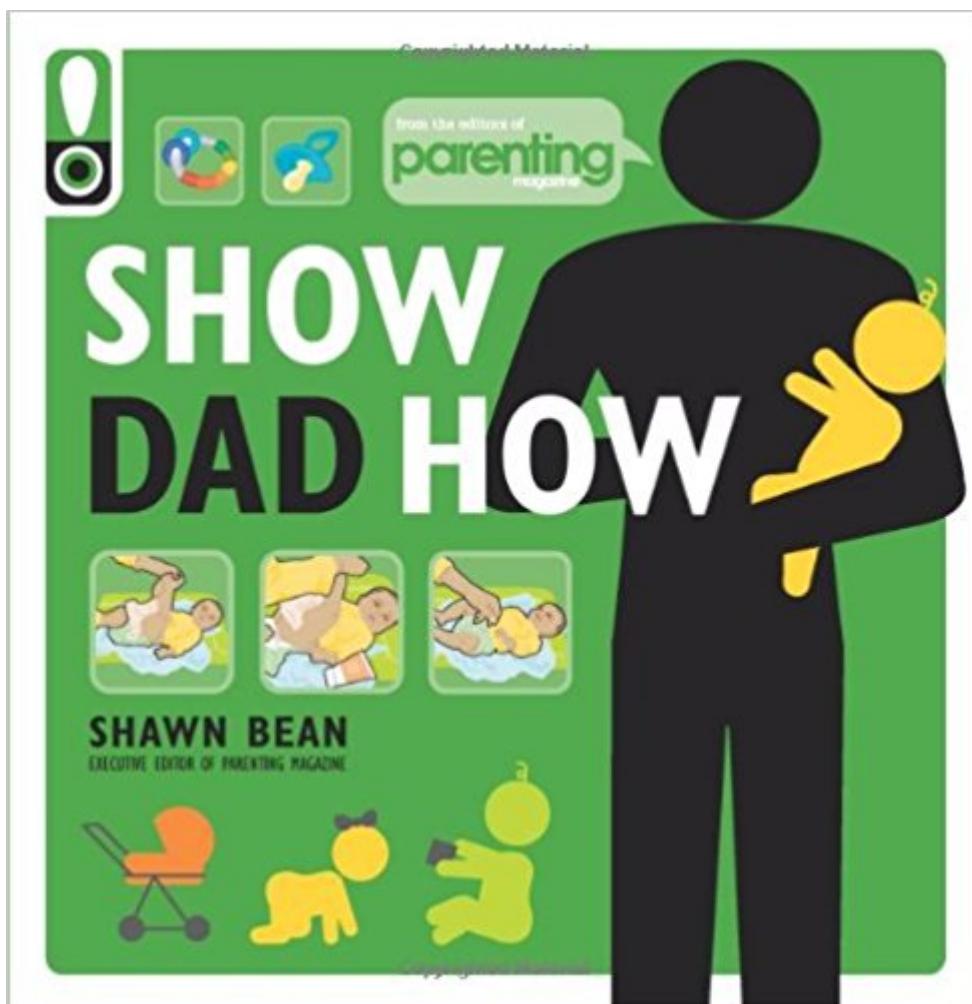


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# Show Dad How (Parenting Magazine): The Brand-New Dad's Guide To Baby's First Year



## **Synopsis**

Help any new or expecting father become the coolest, smartest, and most prepared dad around with Show Dad How, a fully illustrated, step-by-step guide to everything a dad needs to know from conception through baby's first year. For dads who are excited to be involved with their new baby, but might not quite know where to start, Show Dad How is an ideal resource. From practical to playful, 156 awesome things every new father needs to know--one step at a time. In a series of nearly wordless, highly informative, often hilariously illustrated, step-by-step activities, dads-to-be learn how to do dozens of useful (and fascinating and important and sometimes surprisingly fun) tasks, including: - Preparing to impregnate - Recognizing the signs of pregnancy - Childproofing a home - Delivering a baby in the subway - Handling diaper disasters - Making bath time fun - Inventing a fairy tale - Mixing formula the right way - Making baby laugh . . . and much, much more. Presented in the bold visual style of the award-winning Show Me How series, drawing on the best of information technology and graphic-novel communication, this is a innovative reference book that can and will be enjoyed as a work of art and as a quirky, thoughtful gift. Packed with useful hands-on tutorials, Show Dad How is a real-life resource that can turn dad into an expert in any situation, from the bedroom to the kitchen to the playground.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Shawn Bean is executive editor of Parenting and Babytalk magazines, each with a circulation of over two million. That's right: a guy editing magazines about babies. He is a pro football

fanatic who also knows the best brand of binkies. He can hook up a DVD player and swaddle a newborn. Dad to Jackson, 6, and Tanner, 4, Bean has not only tackled serious topics like detecting autism in babies and toddlers, but he also pens "Pop Culture," a monthly humor column about dad's place in modern society. Thanks to his fertility and parenting know-how, Bean has appeared on the Today show, ABC News, and CNN. He lives in Melbourne, Florida, where family time often means fielding questions about body parts, ninjas, monsters, and lava.

The main attraction of this book is that it is amusing. It has some real information in it about swaddling, changing diapers, baby poop, etc. but mostly it is the entertainment value that makes people like it. I doubt my husband will be running to it when he wants some real information about our baby, since we have legit references like The Baby Book, but we have leafed through it at dinner time and had a few laughs at least. I think he appreciated it as a Christmas gift, but we will probably pass on to the next friend who becomes a first-time dad. I'll mention too that my husband is in the medical field so is probably more apt to read certain things than your average guy. For a guy who probably will never crack a book and is perhaps overwhelmed by the idea of having a baby, I think this would be a great buy.

I bought this book for my husband when we started trying to get pregnant and he loves it. Some have complained that it is "dumbed down" or insulting or playing to the stereotypical sitcom clueless dad. However I would say those people need to lighten up and get a sense of humor. Yes, it does have comic book-like pictures and even pokes fun and makes jokes (like tips for how to deliver a baby during the zombie apocalypse). But there is a lot of good information too. My husband is a smart man (above average IQ) and he did not feel like he was being "talked down to" but rather that the information was being presented in an entertaining way. The pictures also make it very easy to find information for quick reference. Of course he could have read a typical parenting/pregnancy book and gotten the exact same information, but this book is actually fun to read! I would recommend it to any soon-to-be dad.

First Impressions out of Box: Oh this is going to be good..The Good: Funny, down the earth approach at parenting. If you are a fan of comics, this is for you.The Bad: The wifey keeps taking it from me to reachWorth the Money / Would I buy this item again?: Yes

I bought this for my husband when I was pregnant because it seemed like a cute, tongue-in-cheek

book and I thought it would be funny to get him a silly book when I had a ton of huge, serious pregnancy books. When it came, though, I was surprised to find that it contains actual useful information in an easy-to-digest format. My husband isn't a big reader, and this book presents information that is immediately obvious at a glance, with lots of handy tips and tricks. It is clever and funny, as I expected, and it's obviously not full of a ton of serious subject matter, but as a first-time dad with minimal baby experience, my husband did learn a few things reading it. He hasn't referred to it again, and I doubt he will, but I didn't think it would be useful for anything but a smile so I'm pleased.

I love how this book is humorous AND informative. There are a lot of things that it teaches Dad how to do and make! It ranges from babies needs to bonding with baby. A lot of parent books are boring, black and white, and thick. This book is colorful, funny, and to the point. It also has pictures and diagrams! I loved this book so much, I bought the mom version!

I bought this along with some other rather hefty maternity/parenting books for myself. My husband was mock-offended that I bought myself thick books and he got a picture book. We were both pleasantly surprised at how this book makes being a dad look cool and doable. There are some great tips and I enjoy it myself. It's not really for kids, though, as it does show some sexual positions that promote fertilization and some of the silly cartoon images might be disturbing if taken out of context (by children or over-sensitive adults). This book makes a great gift for a first time Dad!

I got this for my Fiance for father's day to help him with preparing for our baby who was born in November. This book has a light hearted feel to it and is presented in a comic-book fashion. It's actually really great, because it helps Dads prepare for what their life will be like and also gives ideas on how to bond with their baby. A lot of fathers have difficulty really bonding with their little one, but we found the advice and games suggested in this book really helped with that.

I bought this as a funny gift for my husband to read. He's not much of a "reader" and I wanted him to just get a taste of what he should be doing and what he should be preparing for. It ended up being a great book to read together and get a laugh but there were one or two pages in there that even I found useful. It offers short and sweet advice for daddys-to-be. Nothing in depth but I guess if you have questions or something strikes your interest, you can always go research it. The pictures make it cute and easier to maintain interest. This is a great intro book for your dad-to-be but I don't think it

should be his only source of information. :)

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