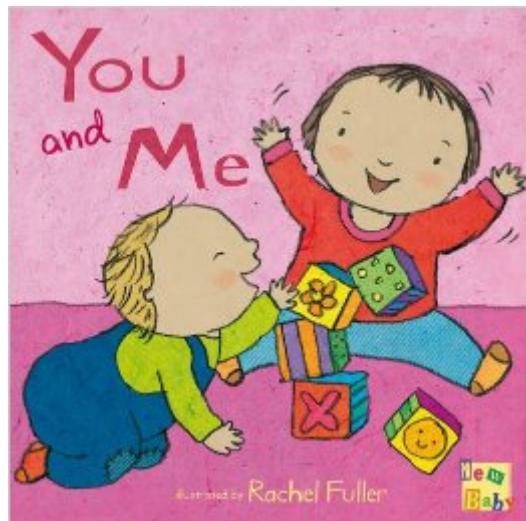


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# You And Me (New Baby)



## **Synopsis**

A new baby needs looking after all the time! It's the perfect opportunity for older siblings to enjoy how much more grown-up and independent they are. A new addition to any family is exciting, but the experience can also be worrying and confusing for siblings. Coping with the new situations and emotions that arise can be very challenging. This series of four board books deals with the anticipation of waiting for the new baby, the excitement of the arrival itself, and the beginnings of the special relationship that develops between siblings. The simple conversational text and lively illustrations are carefully designed to encourage further dialogue between reader and child.

## **Book Information**

Series: New Baby

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Average Customer Review: 3.9 out of 5 starsÂ  See all reviewsÂ (38 customer reviews)

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Age Range: 1 - 3 years

Grade Level: Preschool and up

## **Customer Reviews**

I have all 4 books from this series. And I agree with the reviewer Sunderi that this book is a little negative, hence requiring a little parental 'tweaking' in the way I present it to my toddler. For instance, on page 2, the elder sibling has 'angry eyebrows' as baby tugs on her hair. Here, it's written: "Ouch! Don't do that! Why is Baby laughing?" When juxtaposed this way, it's suggested that babies take pleasure in inflicting hurt. And instead of there being some kind of suggestion that babies instinctively clutch their fists tightly, the next page flips to a completely different scene. In another book I own, 'Betsy's Baby Brother' by Gunilla Wolde, baby brother grabs a handful of Betsy's hair and tugs very hard too, but there is resolution when 'Mommy explains that babies love to grab at everything with their tiny little fingers'. There's no need for pity for the elder sibling or

admonition of the baby, just a quick explanation before moving on. To support the earlier review that this book was a touch negative, here are more examples. On page 2: elder sibling frowns when baby tugs at hair. On page 4, elder sibling plugs ears with fingers (worried eyebrows, frustrated frown): 'Oh no, the baby's shouting!' On page 5, elder sibling sits, beady-eyed, with back to her friend and the baby with resentful frown and folded arms: 'Baby likes my friend more. What about me?' On page 6, baby crawls to pick up a doll; elder sibling and friend say: 'Oh no! We don't want you to move that.' On page 7, baby spits out green mush: 'What's the matter? Don't you like this?' I'm not against negative portrayals - they are accurate portrayals of infant behaviour - just the lack of explanation or redirection necessary at a toddler sibling's level.

My 26-month-old son LOVES this book. Our new baby is still a few months away, so I can't vouch for how well this will help my son adjust. But I can vouch for what a great book it is! It's one of my son's all-time favorites. It has made him very, very interested in babies, which is a wonderful place to be right now. There are indeed both positive and negative moments with baby, but mostly positive. The "negative" vignettes are actually what made my son interested in babies generally -- a baby pulling hair, moving a toy car, making noise. My son is fascinated by this. He finds it funny and intriguing, and it seems to make him feel like babies are worth getting to know. These moments are more than balanced out by really sweet, positive moments that my son loves to talk about as well -- entertaining a baby with a "silly dance," two siblings in the tub, cuddling up with a book. And there are also some lovely moments where the author shows time with just the parents and older child, which my son loves to talk about as well. To me, this book seems as close as I'll be able to get to having a really honest talk with my son about the new baby: There will be some tough moments, but it's all completely worth it, and we'll love our first child just as much as ever. As others have noted, both kids in the book could be of any gender. The pictures are bright and engaging, with lots of familiar objects to talk about. Each page has a large picture, with a brief quote underneath from the toddler narrator. These are jumping points for us to talk about the pictures, situations, and how everyone is feeling.

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