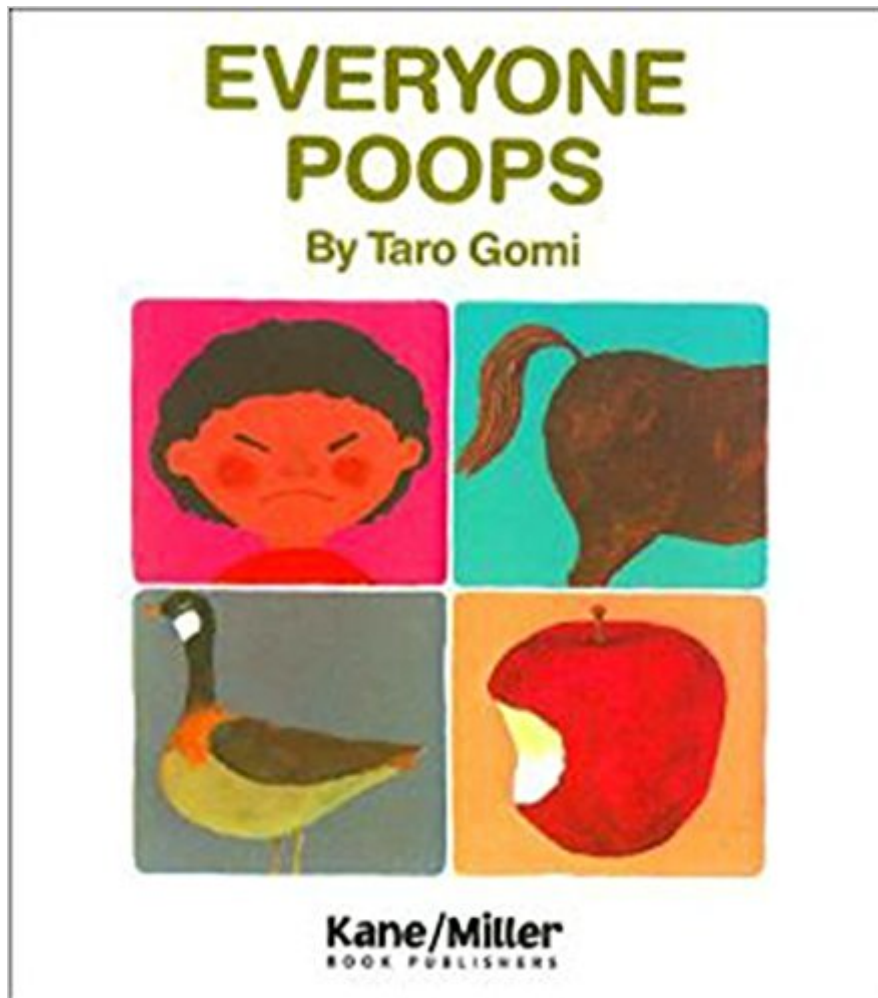




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Everyone Poops (My Body Science Series)



Synopsis

"Everyone Poops by Taro Gomi is part biology textbook, part sociological treatise and all celebration of a very natural process. Both my daughters begged me to read the book over and over again. They marveled at the enormity of the elephant's poop and searched with the skill of a scientist for the tiny specks which represent bug poop. The text is simple and straightforward but not without humor.

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"An elephant makes a big poop. A mouse makes a tiny poop," and so the text goes, describing all sorts of creatures and people who eat and thus defecate. Ages 18mos.-4yrs. Copyright 2001 Cahners Business Information, Inc.

PreSchool-Grade 1-- Well yes, they do, but does anyone really need an entire book on the subject? In this Japanese import, readers are informed on page one that "an elephant makes a big poop, a mouse makes a tiny poop." Later on, they are told that it comes in different shapes, colors, and smells, and that, depending on who is doing it, it is done in different places. The summarizing statement is that "all living things eat, so everyone poops." However, there is never any explanation offered as to why. Overall, the text is merely a series of rather dull pictures of back ends of people

on toilets and animals, with captions identifying them and occasionally posing questions such as "What does a whale's poop look like?" (No answer is provided.) There is even a little joke: "A one hump camel makes a one hump poop. And a two hump camel makes a two hump poop. Just kidding." I wish I were. --Denise L. Moll, Lone Pine Elementary School, West Bloomfield, MI
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PROs: This book has worked wonders for my 2.5 year old toddler. We started reading it to him a day before starting potty training (we put him in big boy underwear on a Saturday morning) and we read it several times a day during the next two to three weeks. He would request it (together with Julie Markes' "Where's the poop?") almost every time he used the potty, especially when he needed to - you guessed it - poop. I strongly believe that the story line and images helped him understand, verbalize and accept the whole process. What I liked in particular:- Simple graphics with bold colors: just the right amount of image and information on each page.- The story line flows logically and there's plenty of room for you to add your own sounds and gestures: be creative and it will amuse your toddler tremendously. You can use it to build up vocabulary. For instance, on the 'All living things eat...', name all the animals (lion, pig) and the things they eat (meat, acorns) and your child will soon repeat them back to you. Try to imagine together what the child on the same page is eating: is it your toddler's favorite foods or (sigh!) some of the foods you would like your toddler to eat.- My son liked to play a 'look and find' game to identify the poop on every page: for some reason, he found the snake page hilarious as he would trace the trajectory of food from the snake's mouth until it comes out as poop; he got better and better at following the snake's curves with his finger, which is great because soon after I started doing tracing exercises with him to prepare him for writing.- The flap on the last page where mommy says "Excuse me! I am making a poop! Please shut the door!". I used the same words when my son would try to follow me to the restroom and he did get the message after a while.(Faux)CONs: Be ready to read this with your toddler TENS of times. But as long as everything makes its way into the potty and you also have fun in the process, it is SO worth it. My son lost interest in this book about one month later, but baby # 2 is on her way and this will be cheerfully used again in a couple of years.

My 3 y.o daughter who refuses to poop on the potty loves this book. She's had many a poop issue over the last year. Constipation, & withholding. She won't even squat to poop. Though this book has not convinced her to poop on the potty she has greatly improved her attitude towards poop. She reads the book almost daily and has memorized the words. I am hopeful that she will continue to

find pooping pleasant & natural with the help of the book. It is factual, simple, cute and not gross at all. Everyone eats therefore everyone poops.

I bought this book as well as a few others to help with his problem of holding in his poop. This is his favorite one of the bunch to read and I am not even exaggerating that two days after getting my books in my son has been pooping fine. He's 2 1/2 and we are just starting potty training but he was holding his poop even with a diaper on. It had been a battle for about two months and I tried everything, laxatives, suppositories, etc. I have to believe that the books is what did it over all the medical stuff!

Our three-year-old son, who is slowly working on potty-training, loves this book. It was an instant hit. I love that it promotes a healthy relationship with one's bodily functions - in a super simple, matter-of-fact way. What goes in, must come out. And everybody does it!

Just received this book for my almost 17 month old twins (boy/girl). I know they're a bit young but my daughter has recently started taking off her diaper at nap time and has flooded her crib twice (thank goodness no poop!!!) Her brother more playfully tries to take his off, but she is expressing interest in starting to train or seeking attention. Either way its a great time to start learning. We got some books and videos and 2 potty chairs (gonna have to replace BOTH potty chairs but those are different reviews) they had very little interest in the other books, but were fascinated with this. My son was especially interested in the page that shows men and boys from adult to baby all pooping. I think he put together in his head a bit more what happens when he poops in his diaper. He loved the whole book but was especially fascinated seeing a human poop. I have to respectfully disagree with the librarian about this not being appropriate or necessary etc. Not sure exactly how she worded it. Its a completely NATURAL bodily function and I think the attitude that it is a dirty little secret (well ok its dirty, lol) is exactly why kids think poop and farts are funny. Its treated by people with that attitude as something naughty. Well I for one (not sure if librarian is a parent) am praying that I am not one of those parents who wake to find their child has removed diaper and smeared the poop all over their crib, walls, selves etc. I want them to fully understand what poop is and where it goes. This requires SEEING POOP. I thank the author for writing this and it gets an A+ in this house!

My daughter loved this book. Very fascinated by all of the different animals pooping. She was

terrified of pooping for a long time, so I bought this book to read with her while she was trying to go, and I think it helped a lot. She's over her fear now, and I think this might have helped.

They have this book at the local pool where they give lessons, starting in infancy. They've added, "Except in the Pool" to the front of the book. I keep hoping this will help my granddaughter with her aversion to using the toilet, and though it is a great discussion piece and fun to share, nothing has worked thus far.

There are a couple of pages that seem randomly out of place in here, like maybe they lost something in the translation? Still a good book, considering the topic. I am not a super conservative person - a body is a body, and it does what it does. No secrets in our house, and no cute names for anything - parts are what they are. My kids love this book, and they requested it a lot when we first got it. It still comes out a year later, though, so that tells me that it's an important topic for them right now.

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