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Congratulations! Your monster is growing up
and up,
and UP!

Now it's time to potty train him!

Potty training is not always the easiest task to navigate-especially for growing monsters. Thankfully, with the help of this easy-to-use guide, young ones can be sure not to forget any steps in the process. With hilarious text and playful, energetic illustrations this potty training guide is a must-have for little kids and little monsters everywhere.

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Paul Hankins says

Fun. . . Kelly DiPucchio is plain old fun. If you have enjoyed CLINK or ZOMBIE IN LOVE, go back and take a look at this title from 2009. I am sure that this could be used as a springboard to a conversation with younger readers about potty training, but the illustrations and asides are a hoot. Kelly is a Michigander, and I think she has a bright, bright future in picture books for children.

Kelly says

This is a decent potty training book. It is silly and goes through the steps to train.

Diane says

Fun story to read to kids who are being potty trained ?

Mimi says

This is obviously a potty training book. However, this book pretends that the young child is potty training a monster. Well, the kid thinks that is what is happening. In reality, the parent is potty training the young child, who in this book is called a monster. Did that make sense?

Either way, Jill thinks the illustrations are hilarious.

This was one of the books we got from the library back when we were potty training Jill, and now that we are acclimating Danny to the potty idea, we got it again. Jill likes it a lot more than Danny. I think it is just is too much for his age level. I mean, he likes to "roar" with the monsters, but he doesn't really get it like Jill does now. And, looking back, I don't think Jill really got it back then either.

If you're looking for a book that will make you crack a smile as the parent and make your children giggle (but possibly for different reasons!), then this is a good book.

Kristi says

not a fan, thought it looked cute but not what I was expecting it to be.

Brittany says

My sister asked me to look for some potty books for my nephew and I thought this one was super cute. Was looking for something other than the couple I ALWAYS see.

Rosa Cline says

Funny book to read out loud to your child. Each page tells you what 'not' to do with your 400 to 600 year old monster. My special needs adult son and I giggled and smiled through out this book.

Lisa says

This book is a treat for both parent and child. The idea of getting your monster his own potty chair. (great, big , giant size, of course) cracks me up, as do the warnings throughout the book: "Never, ever leave your monster alone with a roll of toilet paper!" The art is funky, fresh and works well with the text, creating a stand-out book for a sit-down situation.

Tasha says

In a handy step-by-step format, readers find out the dangers and difficulties of potty training a monster. You have to make sure your monster is ready (most should be 7 feet tall). You have to get him a giant potty chair because he is too big for the normal toilet. And the book ends with the joys of monster underwear as an incentive. Parents will immediately see that this book is about children being potty trained, but children may be too caught up in the monster humor to feel any pressure themselves.

The tone here is just right, allowing children to laugh about learning to use the potty. The humor is physical, potty humor that all children will hoot about. The unexpected twists and turns in potty training are showed to monstrous proportions and great effect. Moon's illustrations bring to life a bright-colored menagerie of monsters with silly befitting names. Their google-eyed furriness is much more funny than frightening.

A great example of a potty book that is not saccharine or dull. I've potty trained two monsters myself, so I know that every word here is true! Appropriate for 2-4 year olds. Older children will enjoy the humor and hopefully will not need the potty tips.

Amy says

I'm a little ambivalent as to how to rate How to Potty Train Your Monster. I checked it out for the kids expecting that it would be a book that would make them laugh and guffaw. I thought this would be a comedy. But that's not what reading this book to them was like. The kids were *so serious* while I read this story to them! I half expected to look up and see them taking notes like they were preparing for a college

entrance exam! Not one chuckle, not one giggle, not even one smile, but intense focus in spades! I am pretty sure that they really liked this story, because they did take the book home with them to read at bedtime. But I really didn't realize that I was checking out what seems to be the equivalent of Albert Einstein's Relativity: The Special and the General Theory for them! I guess potty training is a more serious subject than I thought!

Rachel says

I found this book at the library book sale and knew it would be perfect for my son. He is curious about the potty but we haven't started potty training him yet. This is a great way to introduce the idea of potty training to a toddler/preschooler. The book features brightly colorful funny-looking monsters who are getting rid of their diapers and learning (with their parents) how to properly use the potty. It is well-done enough to be funny for parents and their children, which is convenient as you will most likely have to read this multiple times in the future. Recommended for ages 2-4, 5 stars.

Heidi-Marie says

I think SS would smile at the pictures. SD would laugh hysterically at the humor and pictures. Definitely more entertaining than some of the other books. Maybe the silliness would connect better than the "pressure" that could come from the more direct ones?

3/24/18 Read this to SS when we were just sitting around reading a lot of books. After her bath, SD came by and started to go through talking about the book as if she'd already read it. My guess is Hubby read it to SS for naptime and she was there for that?

Julie S. says

After I got tired of reading the kids I babysit Potty Time with Elmo for the 30th time, I got this book from the public library.

The book was cute and had some good humor, but I think that it was a bit over the kids' ages due to its wordiness. In addition, it reads much like a parody of any how-to potty train manual, so it's more of a funny thing for the person reading it to the little kid. I enjoyed it about a four stars worth for this humor, but the kids probably enjoyed it about a two stars worth just because so much went over their heads.

Jessica says

A silly story. Some good vocabulary. Definitely for 5 years or up....don't confuse it as a book good for a potty training child. Overall, okay.

A Allen says

My students are certainly into monsters right now so I really wanted to like this book when I saw it at the library. DiPuccio takes a different approach and I really liked the structure of this story, as well as liking some of the ten steps presented in the story! Step one is to make sure the monster is ready, which I absolutely loved! Step two is to give the monster "his own potty chair" which was okay. Step three was to dress your monster in comfortable clothing, which is such an important piece! But I hated that the book said Brutus looked ridiculous in his pink tutu :(Step four is to make frequent trips to the bathroom. Step 5 is to praise your monster, which is great but please don't throw a party as the book's "tip" suggests! Step 6 is to make sure your monster washes his paws. Step 7 instructs not letting monsters drink too much before bed. Step 8 is simply "be patient" and step 9 is "remember, accidents happen!" I mostly liked the accident page although it is a personal pet peeve when people promise monsters (or children) that they'll make it "next time" since they might not and I think saying "you'll get it!" instead is just as encouraging. HOWEVER, STEP TEN IS TO "REWARD YOUR MONSTER" and my jaw literally dropped because it was a pretty decent book before that. I hate when people use the reward system to get their child to use the toilet. I also hate that this book uses he/him/his pronouns throughout.
