

The gift of communication between parents and their babies is one of life's true joys. With this exciting new book **Australian Baby Hands**, the process of communicating with your baby could happen sooner than you think!

As the movie *Meet the Fockers* showed, baby sign language is a means for babies to communicate well before they develop speech.

Most people are unaware that sign language is not a universal language and that current books mostly use American or British Sign Language. Australian Baby Hands is the first book to use Australian Sign Language.

Baby sign language studies have shown numerous benefits for babies including higher I.Q., advanced early literacy skills, improved memory and enhanced confidence and self-esteem.

Australian Baby Hands shows you simple steps for communicating with your baby using Australian Sign Language. Once you introduce baby sign language into everyday life, it won't be long before your baby may be signing back to you.

"Two young children and a book that can save us (The Parents) from frustration. We found the philosophy behind the sign language fascinating. All the signs are easy to follow. Thank you for opening our minds to 'sign fun' and allowing our youngest to start to communicate in ways well beyond other children of the same age."

Paul & Liz Hunter
Parents of 4 year old Hayley and 9 month old Sarah

"We are happy to recommend this book to all parents who have an interest in early communication with their baby, and in the stimulation of their baby's mind in a happy, different way."

Deaf Children Australia.

Australian Baby Hands is now available from all major bookstores retailing at \$29.95

Deaf Children Australia Helpline

Can Your Child Hear You?

If you have a child with a hearing loss, or are concerned about your child's hearing, the **Deaf Children Australia Helpline** can provide you with valuable information and support.

The Helpline is a free, confidential and anonymous service for families of deaf and hearing impaired children and young adults. Our Helpline operators can also answer questions from professionals, students and the public on deafness and hearing impairment.

The Helpline provides:

- Access to services provided by Deaf Children Australia
- Information about and contact details for specialised services that families may need
- Information about deafness and hearing impairment for families, professionals, students and the public.

Available Australia-wide, Monday to Friday from 10am to 4pm (EST)

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