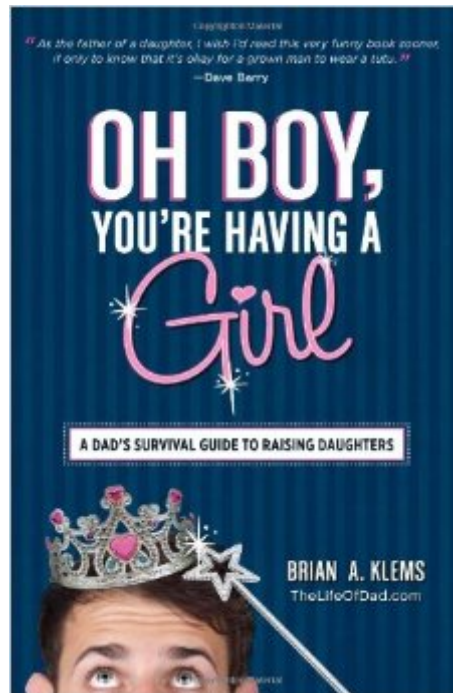


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# Oh Boy, You're Having A Girl: A Dad's Survival Guide To Raising Daughters



## Synopsis

Rules for Raising Little Girls" As the father of a daughter, I wish I'd read this very funny book sooner, if only to know that it's OK for a grown man to wear a tutu." - Dave Barry "Required reading for any parent who doesn't know pants from leggings." - Dan Zevin, author of Dan Gets a Minivan: Life at the Intersection of Dude and Dad It's easy to imagine how you'd raise a boy--all the golf outings, lawnmower lessons, and Little League championships you'd attend--but playing dad to a little princess may take some education. In Oh Boy, You're Having a Girl, Brian, a father of three girls, shares his tactics for surviving this new and glittery world. From baby dolls and bedtime rituals to potty training and dance recitals, he leads you through all the trials and tribulations you'll face as you're raising your daughter. He'll also show you how to navigate your way through tough situations, like making sure that she doesn't start dating until she's fifty. Complete with commandments for restroom trips and properly participating in a tea party, Oh Boy, You're Having a Girl will brace you for all those hours playing house--and psych you up for the awesomeness of raising a daughter who has you lovingly wrapped around her little finger. "Somehow, Brian Klems has taken one of the most traumatic situations known to a father--having a daughter--and made it into something so completely hilarious you'll laugh until you've got oxygen deprivation!" - W. Bruce Cameron, author of 8 Simple Rules for Dating My Teenage Daughter

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## Customer Reviews

The timing of this book was perfect. I'm going to be the father of a new baby girl in approximately six

weeks and am as excited as can be. I read Klem's book from cover to cover. It's not so much a serious guide on "how to raise girls" as it is a humor book by a very funny writer describing what it's like to raise girls. I laughed a lot. If you're wondering how you're going to do it, how you're going to deal with all the pink, and tea parties, and dolls, etc, this is a book that somehow empathizes with you and reassures you that it's all going to turn out great, even if you don't know what you're doing. And the author is a fan of the Cincinnati Reds as well, so you know he's smart (or at the very least, devoted).

I don't have any issues with what the author says about raising girls. The issue I have is the way men are portrayed as fathers. Stereotypes are funny to an extent, but this book is excessive in how it stereotypes men as perpetual adolescents (reminiscent of Kimmel's 'Guyland'). If you're a white middle-class married man in the suburbs, perhaps more of these stereotypes are true. But beyond this demographic, these stereotypes detract from an otherwise funny and heartwarming book on fathering daughters.

This book is an easy read, filled with humor and warmth. I read it in one sitting as it was so enjoyable. As a mother of two girls it was great to get a dad's perspective on living in a "pink" house that requires matching outfits! Well done Mr. Klems - anxious to read what's next!!!

Brian Klems' new book is a funny must-read for any dad or mom with a daughter. Several times while reading this book, I found myself laughing out loud. My wife read the book before me and had a similar experience. Klems takes you through all of the challenges a new father with a daughter faces. There's the sudden surprise in the delivery room when you realize that little baby doesn't have a penis. You have a girl!!! Then there are the joys of diaper changing and accepting the color pink that now covers your house and your daughter. As your little girl gets older, instead of G.I. Joe, Transformers and baseball, she discovers Dora, Disney princesses and ballet. What's a dad to do? Klems feels your pain and offers some wonderful humorous tips and insight. In the end, (if you haven't already) you realize what a joy and blessing a daughter is. -Paul McKibben, Cincinnati journalist and proud father of a daughter

I'm having my first daughter in a few months, so I've been reading some books. This had a lot of good reviews, seemed fun, so I took a chance. There's really nothing of value here. The author is incredibly hacky and very repetitive (OK, we get it. You love baseball, Sportscenter, meat, and hate

the Cubs. We know. You've told us every single chapter.) There's a very weird chapter (#12) about threatening a child with breaking his bones because his daughter has a crush, things like that. It has a very "Duuuuuhhhh, every guy is a dopey dad from every single commercial duuhhh" vibe to it. Women are smarter than men and his wife hates sex with him. We get it. The amount of times he 'brags' about having an HDTV in 2013 is also kinda weird. Doesn't everyone by now pretty much? He also mentions suicide multiple times just because his daughter might like ballet. C'mon already. I say pass on it. You won't get a nugget of wisdom at the end of each chapter like I thought. I'm giving it 2 stars instead of 1 because I'm sure some people will get some use out of it, but honestly it's not very good. I usually don't write negative reviews, but the amount of times I found myself rolling my eyes each chapter (basically every time he mentions 'bacon' over and over again) prompted me to do it.

Brian Klems has the best sense of humor. This book is absolutely hilarious but so true. The way Brian weaves his humor throughout this book is perfect. I bought one for myself, one for my mom, and one for my brother-in-law! I definitely recommend this funny book.

I got this for my fiance before we had our daughter. It was very cute and turned a lot of serious things into light hearted humor which works out well when trying to explain to a man how to clean a little girl properly, embrace princess and pink. Just cute! The only complaint my man had was that there were a bit too many baseball references; but if you like baseball then more to you! I read it, he read it, we both laughed and it was cute.

I purchased this book because someone recommended it. I wasn't sure what to think, but when I started reading it, I could not put it down. I recommend this book for everyone.

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