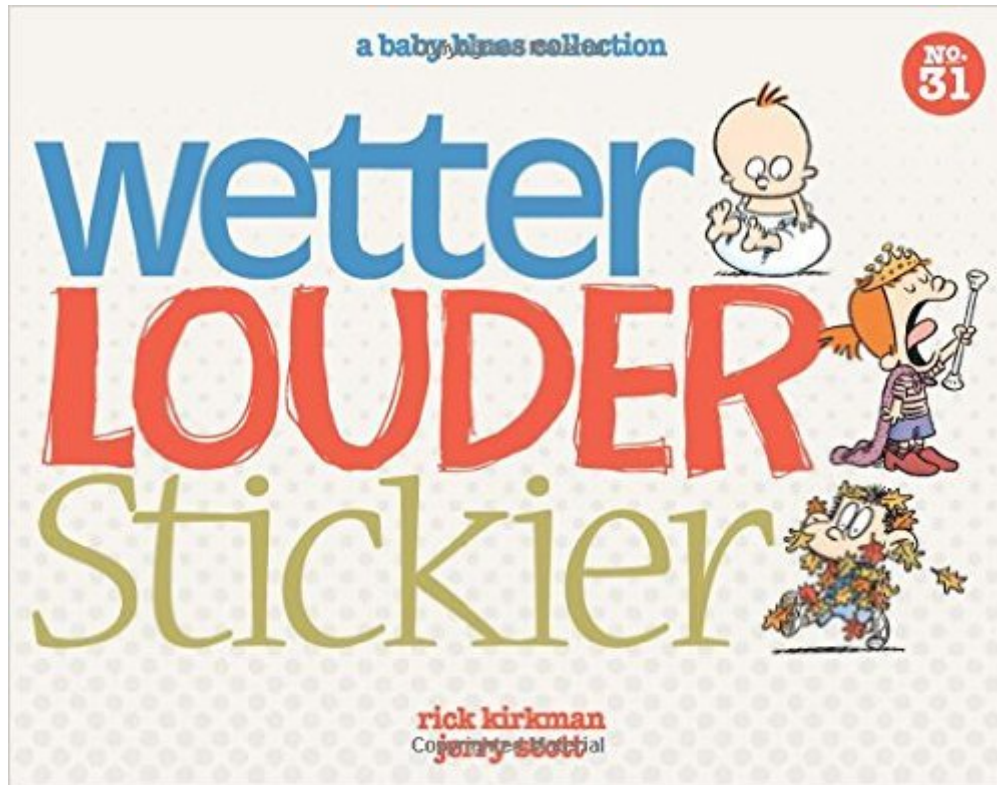


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# Wetter, Louder, Stickier: A Baby Blues Collection



## Synopsis

Join in the chaotic fun with the MacPherson family in this thirty-first Baby Blues cartoon collection! Child-rearing reaches an entirely new level of delightfully messy chaos in Baby Blues: Wetter, Louder, Stickier. Battle-ready and perpetually exhausted, Daryl and Wanda team up to navigate a new front of challenges, like Zoe's enthusiasm over the "Smoochy Boyz" concert, deciphering baby Wren's attempts at language, and determining Hammie's place as a colon in the school play---whether "colon" refers to punctuation or digestion remains undetermined. Armed with "performance-enhancing substances" (a.k.a., chocolate donuts), the perfectly normal MacPherson family will surely bring a barrage of smiles and laughter to familiar fans with their perfectly chaotic lives. Baby Blues has enchanted new parents, grandparents, and kids alike since it first appeared on the comics pages in 1990. As the years passed, the list of newspapers carrying the feature has grown almost as fast as the MacPhersons' kids! Baby Blues now appears in more than 1,200 newspapers worldwide, and the adventures of America's favorite first-time parents have also been chronicled in 31 anthologies and four treasuries. In 1995, the National Cartoonists Society recognized Baby Blues as "Best Comic Strip of the Year."

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## Customer Reviews

Once again they have issued a book that is half again the size of the previous sets. This is large, cumbersome and very hard to hold when reading. I'm sure that the IDIOT that published this book never reads these comments but I hope that the cartoonists do. The last 2 issues of "Baby Blues"

need to be rereleased in the same size as the previous 30 or so editions. The cartoons are still good but book stinks.

Baby Blues is one of the funniest comics strips on the comics page today, and this treasury of strips that were published between 2013 and 2014 is as good as the ones that have come before it. If you're a parent, you'll be sure to identify with Wanda and Darryl as they deal with precocious Zoe (now in an accelerated program at school), adventurous Hammie, and just starting to toddle and talk baby Wren. There are strips here that make me cringe a little because they're all too familiar and others that make me laugh out loud. Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott's comments just add to the pleasure of reading this book, particularly when you find out that some of the craziest things are actually true! Wetter, Louder, Stickier is also Better, Funnier, and Simply a Must-Add to any Baby Blues collection.

baby blues is one of the best strips out there for those with children. watching twins grow up, i am starting to see some of zoe and hammie in them, which is a little scary. also, nice fan bonus: scott and kirkman add notes to many of the strips, making them even more interesting.

I use cartoon books for when I am feeling low. And Baby Blues books are among the funniest and best for turning a mood from low to marvelous. First of all, they are Real. These things really happen in our family, but reading about them lets you remember how funny they are without having to clean up the mess. It is a lot funnier to watch these parents stand by helplessly as chaos and disintegration manage to reduce the best intentions to reality. Some of these cartoons give you that tickle inside that lets you enjoy the irony of the best intentions. Others are masterpieces of the ridiculous that cause you to laugh out loud. I don't think you can lose with any of these books. I wish they would move more to the Kindle Fire. H. Scott

The baby blue books are so funny, Rick Kirkman has a way of writing that is amazingly realistic. Zoe and Hammie are like real kids! I love how it is a continuation of their lives. The cartoons are drawn really well and everything is funny!

Now that my boys are grown and I'm a grandmother, I enjoy these stories even more. I can see so much of our family in the Baby Blues world. My oldest son is a dad and I've handed off my collection to him, with the advice "you are not alone".

WETTER, LOUDER, STICKIER is the 31st "Baby Blues" comic collection. It follows the daily lives of the humorous and relatable MacPhersons family: Darryl the Dad, Wanda the Mom, oldest daughter Zoe, son Hammie, and baby daughter Wren. The strips in WETTER, LOUDER, STICKIER ran in newspapers from Dec. 30, 2012 to Jan. 4, 2014. Some of the strips have notes from the series creators Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott. My favorites are usually the ones that find Hammie completing some crazy stunt. In this collection, I really like the "Peanuts" reference with Darryl and Hammie playing football. I also thought it was pretty cool they made a "Sharknado" reference in one of the strips. There really aren't very many longer storylines in this collection, but I did like the story arc where Wren names her new stuffed animal a curse word. Overall, the collection itself is a good collection of "Baby Blues" strips. With that said, I do have one complaint about this collection. In the first 29 collections, the books were almost square (9" X 8.5"). The previous "Baby Blues" collection, BEDLAM had a different format and was 11" X 8.5". I didn't like the size of that book, but WETTER, LOUDER, STICKIER is that same larger size. I don't like it. There are some strips that end up covering two pages and with those, although the illustrations are bigger than usual, some of the dialogue gets lost in the book binding, making them difficult to read. I hope that in the next collection, the format returns to the traditional size.

"Baby Blues" just keeps getting better and better. Even though my own kids are grown now, I am still enjoying the strip. And now it mirrors my experience with the grand kids. If you have never read this strip, you have missed out on so much humor and laughter. I pity you. Shipping from your partner was very fast. The book arrived in "new" shape, better than off the shelf at the store.

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