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*Neat Dining, Good Reading,
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If the inside of your car doubles as your toddler's dining room, the Bokoo Cover offers great protection for your child's car safety seat. It fits much like a fitted sheet over the seat, with Velcro fittings for the straps and buckle.

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The Bokoo Cover is available online, at www.bokoocovers.com.—*Daphne Reinhart, Baltimore*

Good News for Terrible 2s

The book *What to Expect the Second Year*, by Heidi Murkoff and Sharon Mazel (Workman Publishing Co., 2011), is worthwhile reading, particularly for the first-time parent.



This comprehensive parenting guide is a great go-to for answers to everyday nagging concerns.

I particularly appreciate the section on picky eaters—or, how to deal with a toddler who refuses to open his or her mouth when certain foods make an appearance at meal time. It was comforting to see the recommended serving sizes for toddlers, which helped calm my fear that my 20-month-old daughter wasn't getting enough of any kind of food.

Additional topics discussed in this book include behavioral issues (such as tantrums), discipline, illness, sleep, talking, and traveling with your toddler.

What to Expect the Second Year is available in book stores and online, at www.whattoexpect.com.—*Daphne Reinhart, Baltimore*

Pumping Made Easy

As a breastfeeding mother, I find pumping a boring task. When you need your hands to hold the pump in place, it's a little difficult to do much of anything else except stare into space and listen to the minutes tick by. . .oh, and think about all the things you could be doing instead of pumping.

But when I tried Pump Ease, a hands-free pumping bra, my life as a working mom got a lot easier. The first time I used it, I barely even noticed that I was pumping because I was able to work at my desk with both my hands, make phone calls, and move around with ease.

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