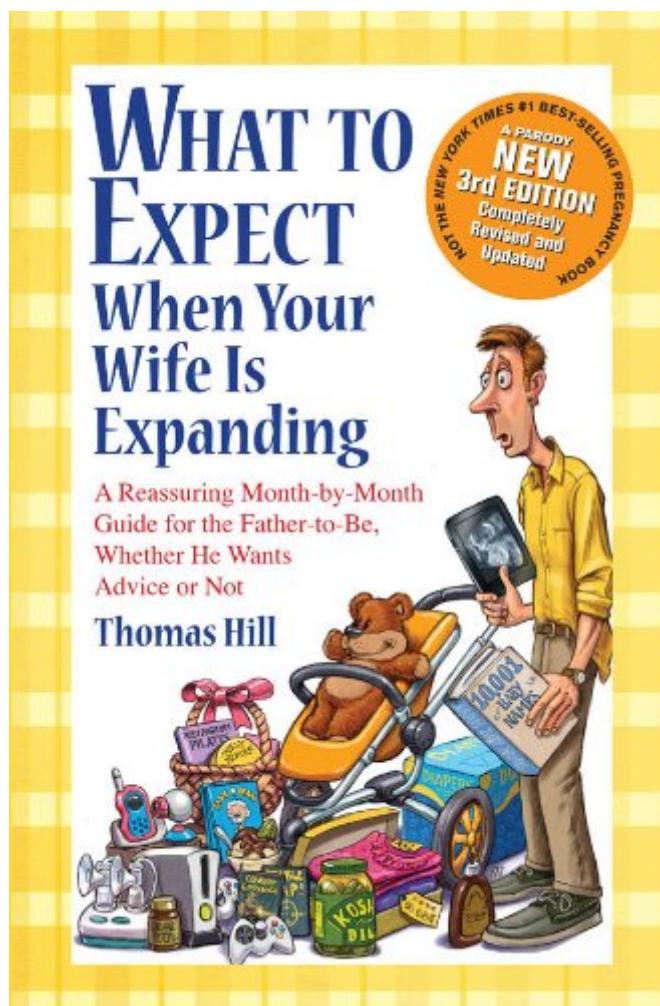


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# What To Expect When Your Wife Is Expanding: A Reassuring Month-by-Month Guide For The Father-to-Be, Whether He Wants Advice Or Not



## **Synopsis**

The third edition of the best, funniest father's guide to having a baby, *What to Expect When Your Wife Is Expanding*, is now thoroughly revised and updated, but it's still packed with information, advice, and attitude distinctively for guys. Originally conceived as a little parody, just something funny and helpful for the expectant man, the book is now a classic gift, passed knowingly from one generation of first-time papas to the next. With this lighthearted, month-by-month instruction manual on the care and nurture of a pregnant wife—“the main role of expectant dads” he'll handle all the important milestones and topics: what not to say during the three phases of labor; what to buy, how many, and when; maintaining work-life balance; maintaining work-life-wife balance. New features in *What to Expect When Your Wife Is Expanding* include: The minefield: the wrong gifts for your pregnant wife Social media pregnancy etiquette: status update! Eight reasons why not to pick out maternity clothesWhat to Expect When Your Wife Is Expanding also features the latest trends! Festive gender-reveal parties. (Really!) Updated baby name guide, including Twitter hash tags. Cloth diapers: The debate is back!

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## Customer Reviews

It took me too long to finish this book ... because my wife kept stealing it since it was a lot more fun than any of her pregnancy books! However, I just finished this easy read, and I couldn't help but recommend this to fathers-to-be. Let's be clear: this isn't an instruction manual or anything to take too seriously. It is a very fun, month-by-month account of pregnancy. For the people who gave it low ratings, maybe you were looking for too much out of it ... this book isn't going to stop your wife's morning sickness and it isn't going to teach you the secret to triple your income before the baby is born. However, it might lighten what can be a time of emotional highs and lows, filled with fear, ecstasy, anxiety and elation, often all at the same time. Seriously, there are plenty of good books out there which give great suggestions for how to handle the upcoming changes in your lives. Check out "The Expectant Father" or books of that ilk ... but to loosen up a little bit and have fun while getting involved in the pregnancy, get this book. Just don't read any of it to your wife until you've finished it, or you won't see it until she's finished reading it herself.

Brilliantly done comic relief for the overstressed expectant father who is a little burned out on pregnancy info. Each month of pregnancy has its own chapter, and each chapter begins with "what she'll be complaining about this month". The book probably doesn't have tons of useful info, and shouldn't be approached that way, but it is very funny and does serve to get you into the right mindset. If you're a newly-pregnant woman, and your partner is resisting the harder reading, start him off with this one. THEN give him the hard stuff...

I gave this book 2 stars because, although it was not for me, I am willing to accept some people may like it. I am excited, scared and very curious about my wife's pregnancy. I have never seen her look prettier and happier. I bought the book thinking it might give me the "inside story" to the secrets and mysteries of the mother of my child. I wanted to know what I could do to make these 9 months the best experience for her. What I got was a --humorous?-- vision of the torture it is for a man to have a pregnant wife. It was no help at all; it was offensive and embarrassing. My wife, however, thought it was funny. She has an amazing sense of humor, I guess. She gave it to our neighbors, who are also expecting their first child, and they loved it. Like they love Dave Barry and The Far Side books. I guess what I'm saying is: if you want to laugh like you would watching Seinfeld, then sure. This is it. If you want to understand your wife better, or find out how to make her life easier during the time she carries and nurtures your child, then look somewhere else.

Bought this for my husband because this is his first baby and I thought it would help him through...he was very put off on how men came across in this book. It was bitter and rude. And he didn't like how non-involved and uncaring it made men seem. He stopped reading it and it went to the garage sale pile. LOL I can see the humor in it more than he can, but it is definitely not a teaching/helpful book. It depicts women as crazy and self-centered. Women may be crazy when pregnant, self-centered?...anything but. We are making a person! Its a lot of work.

If your husband is even the slightest bit jumpy, and worries about all of the bad things related to pregnancy (money, etc.), then by all means, keep this book away from him. After reading the first two or three pages, I noticed my husband become paler and paler. I thought the book was perfectly fine, and kinda funny, but I guess this is proof that this is not the book for every husband.

Unlike most of these attempts at humor and parody, this book is actually very funny. It's a good parody of *What to Expect When You're Expecting*, but you'll also find it funny even if you haven't read that book. My wife laughed a lot when she read it too.

This book is not useful in the least. My husband genuinely wants information to help prepare himself and to help me during this pregnancy, and this book doesn't provide much real information at all. I don't understand why there are so few books out there that don't imply men are neanderthals who only care about watching sports and sitting on the couch all day long. It is a darn shame.

This book had my husband and me laughing hysterically. While it does contain some useful tips and some factual information on the stages of pregnancy, it's more of a mood-lifter. It teaches many funny lessons on what to say, and what NOT to say to your pregnant wife, how to learn to maneuver her through a crowded restaurant (practice with an upright mattress), and the basic food groups of the pregnant woman. This is not a serious book, but it certainly helped us to lighten up an emotionally challenging period of our pregnancy. The previous reviewers who didn't like this book are taking themselves WAY too seriously! I highly recommend it for good laughs together.

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