

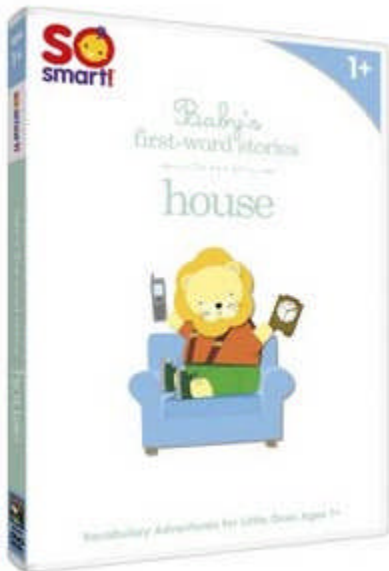
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Baby's First Word Stories DVD by So Smart!



Baby's First Word Stories by **So Smart!** is an interactive experience that encourages parents to view the DVDs with their little ones. Together, they will explore one of the most exciting developmental milestones for young children - learning first words and the rich use of language involving those words. Gently paced, with smooth transitions, simple images and minimal camera effects, each DVD starts with words about objects, then builds sentences and stories around them. The easy-to-follow present tense narrative, combined with the repetition of simple "key" words, ensures that young viewers will be able to grasp basic language at a pace that is just right.

Featuring the animated characters Edward, Iggy, Dee Dee and Larry, the six 30-minute DVDs are "House," "Pets," "Outside," "Get Dressed," "We Go" and "Nighttime." Each Baby's First Word Stories DVD includes a bonus printable Activity Guide with eight pages of games and activities that caregivers and

children can do together. The Activity Guide also includes viewing guidelines to give parents ideas for how they can interact with their child as they watch together.

Aimed at the 1-3 year old crowd, my twin 14 month olds were the perfect test group for this educational baby DVD line. The twins and I have watched the "House" themed DVD a couple times now and they seem genuinely interested.

I found the format to resemble that of an animated flashcard. Each episode seemed to repeat certain "key" words in basic sentences and conversation, making the "word" come to life. Each illustrated character is done in a soft likable nursery style, making them almost seem familiar to you.

I think this will continue to be a hit in our household for quite some time and would definitely suggest this to friends seeking an educational DVD product.