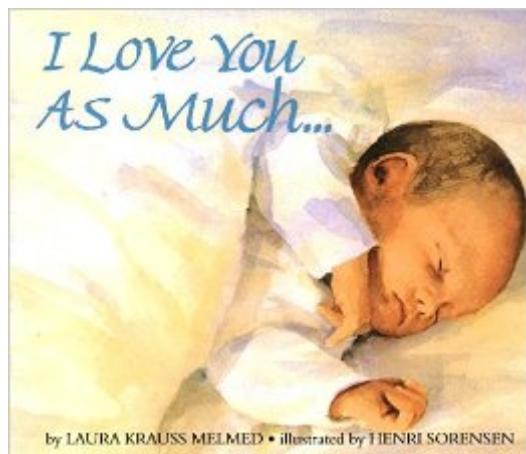


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# I Love You As Much...



## Synopsis

Celebrate Mother's Day every day. This celebration of the bond between mothers and their babies can be shared at naptime or bedtime or whenever it is time to say "I love you." "Written in quatrains that break into couplets across each double page, this lullaby rhyme catalogues various animals and their offspring, describing each mother's testament of love." School Library Journal. "The light-drenched, golden-toned pictures exert a quietly hypnotic effect on both reader and listener, aided by the lullaby's sonorous repetition of each mother animal's love poem to her baby." New York Times

## Book Information

Board book: 22 pages

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Product Dimensions: 6 x 5 inches

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Age Range: 2 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

This book has not received the credit it deserves. I had never heard of it before my mother-in-law bought it for my son. It is an absolute MUST have book for new parents. The soft illustrations are beautiful. My 19 month old son loves this book. He seems to enjoy the rhyming words, and he loves to point at all of the animals. I can't read it to him without feeling that tremendous rush of motherly love. It can quickly make you forget all of the temper tantrums of the day. My husband and I both enjoy sharing this book with our little one.

My 5 month old daughter and I LOVE this book. I started reading this as a bedtime book to her at around 3 months. It is the only book she will lie in my arms still and listen contently. I read it in a low,

whispery voice. At the end we just sit in the nursery rocker and just stare at each other, both smiling. I get teary everytime. It will also be a good "name the animal" book when she gets older.

Reading this book to my children always brings the "warm & fuzzies" to all of us. My boys delight in asking me how/why each of the animal characters love and take care of their babies. The illustrations are such high quality that we always linger before turning the page. My boys seem to get swallowed up by the verse as well as the drawings. While the book could be quickly read, the tone is calm and slow...a perfect bedtime book. Everyone is happy and relaxed once we're through.

This is a wonderful book. I picked it up shortly after the birth of our first child. He is now 2 1/2 and this is easily one of his favorite books as well as mine. The pictures are simple and colorful. The range of animals is great. We call the geese in the book ducks at our house, as the one word is easy to change. It practically a nursery ryme. My son loves to point out and tell me which animal we are looking at. I now always include this book as part of a baby shower gift.

this book was one of the most beautiful gifts I ever received. My daughter is now 2 1/2 years old and I still have a hard time making it to the end of the book without crying! She loves the book as well - the illustrations are just beautiful, and the message is as timeless as a mother's love. I treasure this book, and have ordered several more as gifts to other friends I've made that have battled infertility and finally won.

This large format board book is a re-issue of the same title originally published in 1993. Each page has a double-spread illustration of an animal mother and baby, with the mother telling the baby how much it is loved. The final illustration is of a human mother cuddling her newborn infant, saying "I love you as much as a mother can love." The poem is sentimental, which in terms of the subject is quite alright, and the illustrations are lush and beautiful. Young children will enjoy the animals; their mothers will get teary at the words. This larger board book format will work very well in group sharing, such as toddler storytime, and is likely to be easier and sturdier for small hands to hold than the original paper edition was.

I got this book as a gift from my mother for my daughter when she was 2 months old and have read it over and over since. The words flow beautifully, the pictures are very pleasing to my daughter (as I can tell by how she kicks and smiles when she sees it!), and it always brings a tear to my eye

when I get to the last page. It has been our favorite book to read by far!

I bought this book right after my daughter was born and started reading it to her before bed when she was only six weeks. Now, at four months, she follows each page (the one with the camel is her favorite) as I read it to her. I don't think I've ever read the last page without getting a little teary.

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