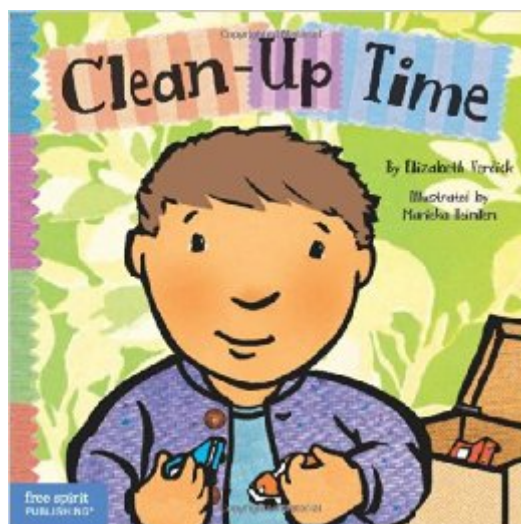


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# Clean-Up Time (Toddler Tools)



## Synopsis

Toddlers will look forward to clean-up time with this simple rhyming book that encourages them to chant along as they tidy up. Young children learn to work together to put items in their place, make a neater space, keep a smile on their face and make room for more fun. Delightful illustrations enhance the text. An award-winning author/illustrator team offers a fresh look at the times and transitions all toddlers face daily, giving young children the tools to handle routines with confidence and cooperation. Part of the Toddler Tools series, Clean-Up Time can be shared before (or during) the desired time or whenever toddlers need encouragement with routines. Includes tips for parents and caregivers.

## Book Information

Age Range: 1 - 3 years

Series: Toddler Tools

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## Customer Reviews

Clean Up Time is a good book to share with toddlers when teaching them how to clean up. The rhyming text is simple enough for toddlers to understand, and the illustrations are nicely done. On each page, the children are smiling. This gives kids a sense that clean-up can be fun. At the end of the book there are some tips for parents and caregivers for helping a little one clean up. I like the emphasis on making it quick and fun. Who likes long boring clean-ups? Certainly not any toddler I know! While toddlers may not want to sit down and read this book at story time, Clean up Time is a

useful tool that can be used to encourage them to clean up. I recommend it for kids ages 2-4.

I'm a preschool teacher, and I use this book to teach kids accountability & responsibility. This book has cute pictures, and it uses fun wording to encourage kids to clean-up. It's not very long, which is good for very young children. The kids like it alright, but it doesn't tend to hold short toddler attention spans as well as Karen Katz books. I would be more inclined to recommend Karen Katz board books as opposed to board books by this author. Other great toddler behavior books for toddlers & young preschoolers are "Teeth are not for biting" & "Hands are not for hitting" by Martine Agassi Ph.D. and Marieka Heinlen. I think that those board books are much better than the "Toddler Tools" series.

I bought a few of the Toddler Tools books when my daughter was about one year. She has the Clean-Up time, Manners Time and Calm Down Time books. They have been amazing tools in teaching her to keep her play room clean, the importance of saying thank you, please, etc. and how she can calm down when upset. The illustrations are very effective as they have vibrant colors and expressive toddlers. My daughter took to these pictures immediately. Even now, after seeing these books for many months, she still brings these to me to read them. I plan to purchase the other books in this series as well. I definitely recommend these books for any toddler.

We purchased all of the Elizabeth Verdick books for use with our children. They are well written, great pictures, and extremely easy for a toddler to understand. So glad that we found these books and have them in our parent toolbox.

My little one needed some cues into cleaning up after toys in school. So I purchased this book for his school. This book is Colorful, Fun and direct in the concepts to reinforce with your child the importance of cleaning up after one's self. Well constructed and sturdy and should last. Not too short or long to keep your little ones attention.

I would have loved a different ending: time to go to sleep, time to eat, etc. That is usually when you want to transition a child from after playing with their toys. My daughter loves the book but my husband and I personally think the end is not good at all. The rest of the story is good.

This book is wonderful and the kids love to listen to me read this book and I ask open ended

questions to get the kids to see how important it is to clean up and how important they are to help in cleaning up.

"Pa", as our two year old granddaughter called my husband at the time, first found Elizabeth Verdick's Clean-Up Time at our local library. They read it together many times, and we renewed it. Later, separated by half our continent, we included Clean-Up Time in the box of individually wrapped books we sent her for Christmas. We're told she squealed "Clean-Up Time!" as soon as she unwrapped it. According to her mother, they had already read it four times before noon. Perhaps the book's appeal to children stems from offering a lovely story that toddlers can relate to. "Cleaning up" is one of the daily opportunities to provide kids an opportunity to participate in an activity that is helpful and rewarding for both the child and the caregiver. Clean-Up Time has managed to capture and enhance this helpful and rewarding experience.

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