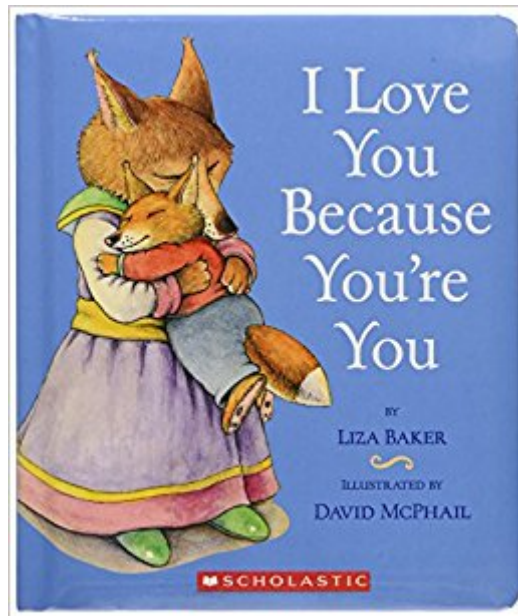




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# I Love You Because You're You



## Synopsis

Now available in a padded, paper-over-board book, *I LOVE YOU BECAUSE YOU'RE YOU* celebrates a parent's unconditional love for a child, as illustrated by award-winning artist David McPhail. This book has quickly become a family favorite--and this new format with padded covers and cardstock pages will become an enduring classic of the genre. As a poem about a mama fox's unconditional love for her cub, this story describes the many moods of all children--from happy to frightened, bashful to silly, and more--and reassures them of parents' abiding affection and approval. Truly remarkable watercolor illustrations from David McPhail, sensitively wrought and never saccharine, are the perfect complement to Liza Baker's rhythmic, rhyming text.

## Book Information

Age Range: 3 - 5 years

Lexile Measure: 220 (What's this?)

Board book: 24 pages

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## Customer Reviews

A mother fox's affection for her little one is played out in greeting-card sentiments and McPhail's (*If You Were My Bunny*) winning artwork. Reassuring quatrains ("I love you when you're sad/ and need a kiss and hug./ I love you when you're playful/ and rolling on the rug") convey her unconditional love. McPhail's cozy watercolor illustrations offer tangible examples of the child's many moods, as when the "bashful" youngster hides behind the mother's knee as guests arrive, or gazes up at her when presenting her with a valentine ("I love you when you're proud,/ your head held in the air"). In this warm and fuzzy hug of a book, a parent's love knows no bounds. Ages 3-6. Copyright 2001

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reS-K-Suitable for a slightly older audience than Susan Heyboer O'Keefe's Love Me, Love You (Boyds Mills, 2001), this title also invites comparison with Sam McBratney's Guess How Much I Love You (Candlewick, 1995). Baker's text catalogs a child's many moods while promising that none of them will change the way the mother feels about her offspring. Appealing, full-color illustrations of an anthropomorphic mother fox and her kit are done in McPhail's trademark style. The focus in each picture is squarely on the pair. The cozy cottage setting, vaguely old-fashioned dress, and low-tech playthings and pursuits (a ball and a toy airplane for the child; sharing cookies, picking flowers, and knitting for the mom) emphasize the timelessness of Baker's reassuring message. Written as a series of rhyming couplets, one per picture, the text occasionally has a singsong quality. However, it succeeds admirably at evoking the unconditional love of parent for child. And that's probably all young listeners will really care about. Make room on your shelves for one more sweet story in this genre. Lisa Dennis, The Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, PA Copyright 2001 Cahners Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Audio CD edition.

super cute book

This is a beautiful book for mom & baby. So touching.

Read this book to my twins every night since they were a few months old

My daughter received the paper version as a baby shower present from her great grandparents. I've read it to her daily for the past year...it's in total shambles now. I'm so glad I found it in paperboard! She loves this book so much and so do I. (Julie B)

We really like this book. Good quality and great message!

Cute story with sweet illustrations. My little fox lover loved the book!

A sweet book. It probably means more to me than to my sons, but a very tender message about parental love.

My grandchildren are acquiring a love of books because of books like this one. It is sweet and engaging and reinforces my feelings for them every time their mother reads it to them. Very satisfied with seller's speed of delivery and condition of the book.

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