

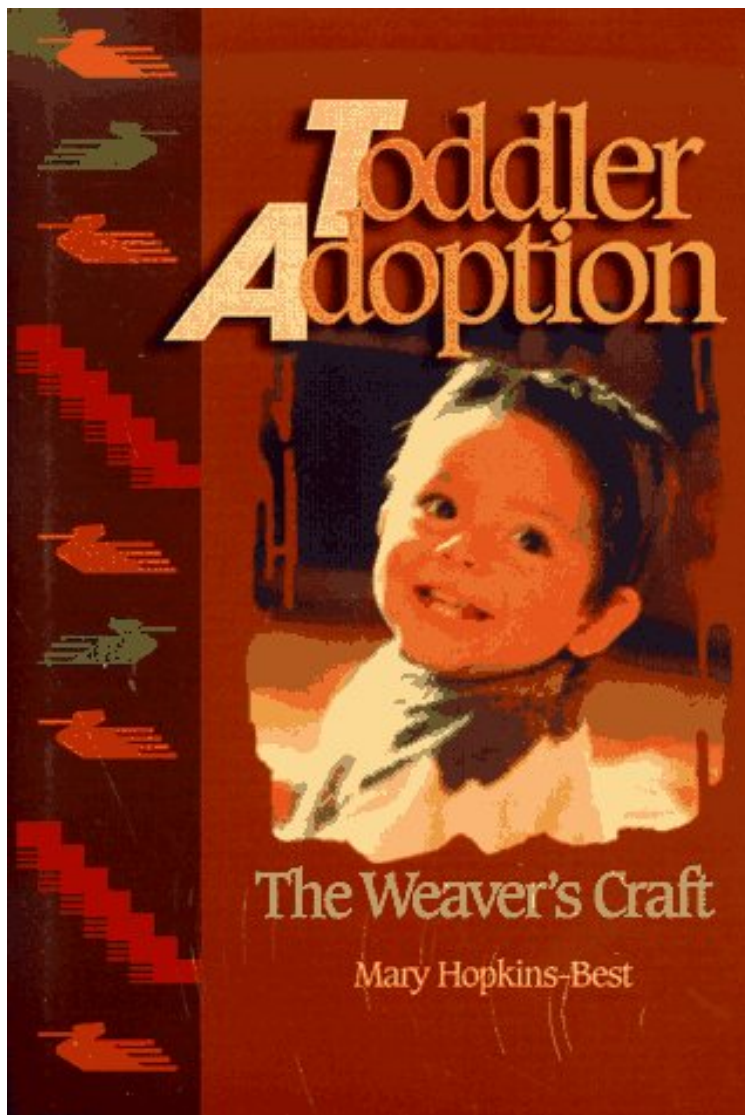
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Mary Hopkins-Best : Toddler Adoption: The Weaver's Craft before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Toddler Adoption: The Weaver's Craft:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Fantastic introduction, but you'll need to read more to fully prepare. By Nicole Renee The Weavers Craft by Mary Hopkins-Best is a great introduction to toddler adoption. If you havent brought your child home or havent read much about adoption, I would suggest reading this book. If youve already brought your child home or do a lot of reading, you can probably skip it. It is practical guide that offers a lot of great recommendations to help a toddler with the transition, attachment, and coming to terms with their past. But, I do think it's just an overview and you'll need to do more reading to fully prepare. 2 of 2 people found the following review

helpful. Great Help!!By AlexisThis is a wonderful book to help with toddler adoption. I read before our toddler joined us and it was a big help, doesn't wait if you have the time beforehand! I highlighted key points that stood out to me, then typed them up in one sentence lines and placed on my bedroom wall to help remind me of my difficult journey's decisions and actions along the way. I'd highly recommend this book to those adopting a toddler. I have over 20 years experience working with children, but sometimes everything I had ever learned had to be thrown out the window, because traditional parenting does not always work! Good luck and big heart hugs to you and your family for taking this journey ;)2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Fabulous book for anyone considering adopting a toddler age childBy Weedsorwishes83This book is full of helpful information and should be read by any family considering the adoption of a toddler age child. We're starting our second adoption and I have read numerous adoptive parenting books over the years. This is one of my favorites that I will reference frequently and recommend to everyone I know. I love that it gives a realistic view of what to expect when adopting a child in this age group and great advice on how to deal with the issues that may come up.

Toddler Adoption looks at the unique joys and challenges of adopting and parenting a toddler. When a child aged is adopted between the ages of 12 to 36 months, they often show signs of cognitive and emotional immaturity, which can cause behavioral and relational issues. This book offers support and practical tools to help parents prepare for and support the toddler's transition between the familiar environment of their biological parent's home or foster home to a new and unfamiliar one, and considers the issues that arise at different developmental stages. It highlights the challenges that parents are likely to encounter, but also gives positive guidance on how to overcome them. Written by a specialist in children's development who is also an adoptive parent herself, this fully revised and updated edition of the go-to-source on adopting toddlers is essential reading for both parents and professionals working with adoptive families.

From Library JournalWhen a child is adopted as a toddler, his needs and those of his adoptive family are different from the needs seen in infant or school-age adoptions. Yet few resources are available to deal with these special issues.

In this work, Hopkins-Best, a child development expert and mother of a child adopted as a toddler, provides a guidebook for those considering toddler adoption or those already struggling with its special challenges. She discusses at length strategies for dealing with issues such as a grieving toddler or attachment disorder. She also explains normal toddler development and possible variances in the adopted toddler. The appendix provides a wonderful list of resources. Perhaps most valuable are the anecdotes of both successes and failures from other toddler adoptive families.

An important addition to all adoption collections. ?KellyJo Houtz Griffin, Auburn, Wash. Copyright 1997 Reed Business Information, Inc. Toddler Adoption is a resource designed to help adopting parents and placing professionals involved in adoptions of children in the unique developmental stage from ages one to three, usually referred to as toddlerhood. Books focusing on parenting an adopted infant, and those written for the special needs adopters of school-aged children contain little of relevance for those adopting a toddler. These children are up on their feet and walking, and have achieved cognitive growth providing a store of remembered life experiences with caregivers and age-peers to whom they have probably become attached, but the language and cognitive skills of toddler-aged children are still too unsophisticated to allow a toddler to make use of the therapies that can help smooth transitions and deal with losses.

Toddler Adoption fills this gap admirably. Toddler Adoption is essential reading for anyone considering the adoption of a boy or girl falling within the one to three year age bracket. -- Midwest Book I found it easy to read and with lots of headings it was simple to go to an area I was interested in. If toddler adoption is something you're thinking about, then this is the right book for you! (Foster Families)Hopkins-Best provides a guidebook for those considering toddler adoption or those already struggling with its special challenges. She discusses at length strategies for dealing with issues such as a grieving toddler or attachment disorder. The appendix provides a wonderful list of resources. Perhaps most valuable are the anecdotes of both successes and failures from other toddler adoptive families. An important

addition to all Adoption collections. (Library Journal)With practical advice, personal insights, and the shared experience of a number of parents who adopted toddlers, this book offers suggestions and strategies that will certainly contribute to the readiness of parents undertaking the challenges of caring for newly arrived toddlers (Adoptive Families)At last someone has put into words those fears and frustrations I experienced as the parent of a newly arrived toddler and has offered practical strategies for dealing with unique issues. If Hopkins-Best's book had been available as we were adopting I would have felt affirmed and empowered instead of isolated and incompetent. This should be a required reading for pre-adoptive families! (From a parent of children adopted in toddlerhood)Thank you for this compelling and readable exploration of an issue that has been lost in the shuffle before now that adopting a child at the toddler stage is not a mere extension of what we know about adopting infants, nor do the tools proven useful for families adopting older children work with toddlers. Both parents and professionals will find this an invaluable tool.

(From an adoption professional)