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Editorial Review

Review

"This classic collection will enrich every infant mental health professional's understanding of the legacy of T. Berry Brazelton and his influence on the infant and family field." (*Perspectives*, Spring 2013)

"My concluding thoughts about this book are that Brazelton's genius has infiltrated so many areas influencing parenting, child rearing, neuroscience, etc. The authors of these chapters have honored Brazelton and shown how they and their research have benefitted from his life's work." (Education, Practice, and Research, 2011)

"Recommended. Lower-division undergraduates through faculty/professionals; general readers." (Choice , 1 April 2011)

"Although this book may be of more interest to those teaching at the university level, we thought we'd share it with everyone because of the varied nature of the content and the debt we owe to Dr. Brazelton for his pioneering work on behalf of children." (*The Seca Reporter*, summer 2010)

Review

"As T. Berry Brazelton, his colleagues and many students show in this book, the adaptability of infants and the protectiveness of parents and families shield many poor children from the full impact of severe adversities such as malnutrition, disease and neglect. This book outlines theory and research needed to nurture children and families, including in resource-poor countries."

—**Linda Richter**, Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa

"The chapters represented in this edited volume represent a fitting tribute to "America's Pediatrician." Written by a cadre of distinguished scholars, this book eloquently captures the essence of Dr. Brazelton's many contributions to our understanding of child development."

—**Charles A. Nelson III**, Children's Hospital Boston/Harvard Medical School

"This very impressive collection of papers by outstanding scholars is a fitting tribute to our nation's greatest living pediatrician. Like Brazelton himself has done, these papers move pediatrics from children's illnesses to their behavioral development with an emphasis on the all-important parent/child relationship."

—**Edward Zigler**, Yale University

"Anyone who has heard T. Berry Brazelton speak will know why he has inspired so many researchers and clinicians. This book captures the inspiration of many who have listened and learned, and it will inspire you."

—**Trecia Wouldes**, University of Auckland

"From Barcelona, professionals in early childhood express our deepest thanks to Dr. Brazelton for his work characterized by a comprehensive understanding of the child, especially in the neonatal period."

—**Carme Costas-Moragas**, PhD, Director, NBAS Training Site, Barcelona

"This outstanding volume brings together groundbreaking research and profound clinical knowledge and celebrates the pioneering work of T. Berry Brazelton."

—**Karl Heinz Brisch**, LMU - Klinikum der Universität München

"T. Berry Brazelton has taught parents and pediatricians to perceive and respect the sociable vitality of a newborn baby and how a growing child seeks health and self-confidence in life with affectionate companions. This book, inspired by his life's work, is important for all concerned with the well-being of children, their families, and our society."

—**Colwyn Trevarthen**, University of Edinburgh

"What a perfect tribute to Berry Brazelton—a book that brings together many of the seminal leaders from child development, medicine, and education whom he has nurtured so that they can nurture us with their groundbreaking work!"

—**Ellen Galinsky**, President, Families and Work Institute, Author, *Mind in the Making*

"This book is a treasure. Filled with the discoveries of brilliant scientists it honors Berry Brazelton by mirroring his respectful approach to children and parents and his conviction that by really watching children we can find out what they need."

—**J. Ronald Lally** Ed.D, Co director, Center for Child & Family Studies

"These two prominent authors provide a wealth of great information for parents, professionals and everyone interested in the development of our children."

—**Judith S. Palfrey**, MD, Children's Hospital, Boston

This book is a gem. Not only does it sparkle with the accomplishments of Brazelton, but it contains brilliant crystallized reviews of work by today's leading researchers and clinicians who have been inspired by him. It is a wonderful read as well as a resource that will be treasured.

--**Robert N. Emde, M.D.**, University of Colorado School of Medicine

From the Back Cover

T. Berry Brazelton is one of the world's foremost pediatricians, whose groundbreaking research has transformed the way we understand infants, children, and families. However, Brazelton's legacy has reached well beyond his own domain. Building on the foundations he laid, experts from a wide range of fields including pediatrics, psychology, nursing, occupational therapy, and policy, here share their own pioneering work. The volume provides an overview of child development, outlining advancements in the field from the explosion of infant research in the 1960s to contemporary studies into the molecular basis for behavior. Furthermore, it demonstrates the extraordinary impact that this accumulated research has had on practice, policy, and society at large.

Nurturing Children and Families is a significant contribution to our understanding of children and families in the twenty-first century and will be welcomed by students, researchers, clinicians, and policymakers who wish to further build on Brazelton's work.

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