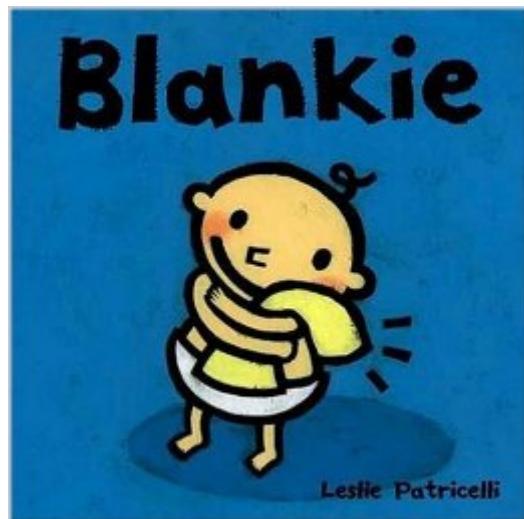


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# Blankie (Leslie Patricelli Board Books)



## Synopsis

A comically expressive tot pays tribute to the all-important Blankie in a bright, playful board book sure to have instant toddler appeal. Anyone who's spent time with a toddler knows that few crises compare with the (even temporary) loss of a favorite blankie. Here, in her humorous, bold graphic style, Leslie Patricelli plays up this scenario, surely near and dear to every toddler's heart. BLANKIE is an affectionate ode to that special object that comforts many a child through the dramas of each day.

## Book Information

Series: Leslie Patricelli board books

Board book: 24 pages

Publisher: Candlewick (April 12, 2005)

Language: English

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Product Dimensions: 7 x 0.5 x 7.1 inches

Shipping Weight: 9.9 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 starsÂ  See all reviewsÂ  (70 customer reviews)

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Age Range: 1 - 3 years

Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

My son LOVES his blankie, so it seemed natural to purchase this book for him. I do love most of the book, however there are a few things I can't get over. "I'm afraid of the dark" - now why would I want to suggest my son should be afraid of the dark? "I don't like bedtime" (with a picture of a baby crying as the mom carries baby up the stairs) again, not an idea I want to repeatedly read to my son. I wanted to love it, and could change the words, but the picture of the baby crying while going upstairs to bed isn't something I can change. Super disappointed. This seems to be a theme with this brand of books - like the potty book. While these books are cute I wish there wasn't negativity in them.

My son is a blankie kid and loves books, so I thought this would be perfect. As artists, we loved the illustration style, but there are ideas in the book that we don't want to promote - being afraid of the dark, having to go home when we forget blankie, etc. We're putting it in the donation pile.

As a board book, the pictures are necessarily a bit small, but Patricelli keeps them as simple as her brief narrative. The book nicely introduces toddlers (and younger) to a variety of settings, including "my school," "the store," "even to the doctor." These are just some of the places where Blankie accompanies the " style="display: inline"> Yes No

The simple illustrations, the colored backgrounds, the adorable little baby--these are all great reasons to buy this book, especially if your little one is already on their way to becoming attached to his/her blankie. My son happens to adore his, and he truly does take it everywhere with him. There is some controversy over the part where he takes the blankie to his time-outs (and the image shows him crying). I think one of the odd things about this book is that, while the main character is clearly a baby, there are several references that are more appropriate for an older character--I'm thinking both of the time-out scene and also the taking the blankie to school scene. Honestly, the time-out thing does not particularly concern me--I don't think it is meant to portray an infant/toddler too young to understand a time-out, and at the very least it makes for something interesting to talk about with an older child. What actually kept me from giving the book 5 stars is toward the end. Kids emulate characters they like, and the lines "I don't like bedtime...." and "Blankie isn't afraid of the dark, but I am" seem very suggestive to me, and are in locations that are difficult to skip. My son loves to go to bed and is NOT afraid of the dark, and I hate for him to get the idea he should be! Still....The best part of these books, in my mind, is that they have just a handful of words on each page, but unlike other books of this length, there are sufficient pages that there is a distinct progression in the "story", and it's long enough that he doesn't always insist on reading it 20 times in a row; but not so long that he can't finish it in one sitting. My son is quite picky about books, and he loves all the Leslie Patricelli books, so we buy them, read them (over and over and over!), and accept that, unless we write the book ourselves, there will always be topics we don't love in the books our kids read.

This is my one year old's favorite book. She laughs out loud every time she sees "Super Blankie". The artwork is simple and sweet, while the story captures the true pleasures of a security object. It is a daily read (multiple times) and is always accompanied by her "blankie".

I am 29 years old and I still sleep with my blankie. This book is great -- it captures all the emotions I remember from growing up with a blankie that never left my side. If your baby has a blanky or if you used to (or you still do), read this book. It's priceless!

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