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Learn To Communicate With Your Child the Nonverbal Way—Sign Language

Everyday Signs for the Newborn Baby is the easiest way to learn American Sign Language to teach everyday key words to your child.

/24-7PressRelease/ - WEST BLOOMFIELD, MI, June 17, 2008 - An ideal book to be considered for raising a child under the age of 2. *Everyday Signs for the Newborn Baby* has a dual purpose to not only maximize your child's overall development but strengthen the family bonding in what is so important during times of stress and challenge.

Everyday Signs for the Newborn Baby was created for both hearing and non-hearing participants who want to share a story with their child and learn a few key signs. It's an ideal starting point for families to communicate with loved ones who have lost verbal skills due to stroke or brain injuries and beneficial for those who are forced to learn a new way to communicate.

Part of a new series of children's books written by mompreneur Tanya Kuza, *Everyday Signs for the Newborn Baby* offers solutions. Ideal gifts for baby showers, new parents and daycare centers, each sturdy board book presents an entertaining story that children and caregivers love to read, while also enabling them to learn a few key ASL signs along the way. The movement of the signs is shown in a lift-the-flap format that is fun for children to explore while making the signs easy for adults to imitate and use in their everyday routines.

Each *Everyday Signs for the Newborn Baby* image is edited by ASL experts Diana M. Campbell and Nancy Mosher. Campbell, a deaf adult, is an interpreter-guide-intervener for deaf and blind students with the Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, school district, where she has worked since 1991. Her children, hearing twins, learned and used ASL as their first language.

"I was so excited to have the opportunity to be involved in this book and make sure that the signs are accurate," Campbell said. "Tanya's book is a great resource for hearing parents and children, as well as for the deaf community."

Mosher has served as supervisor of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing Program for the Bloomfield Hills school district since 1996. She has taught deaf students from preschool through post-high school, using oral/auditory ASL as a total communication method.

"I've seen the benefits of signing to babies firsthand," said Mosher. "I taught my hearing children sign language when they were infants, and I am now teaching my grandchildren. This book is a delightful way to introduce basic signs and begin learning ASL."

Tanya Kuza, the mother of three sons under the age of 5, was interested in teaching her children ASL when her first son was born in 2002. She has a B.A. in language arts and a social sciences degree and is certified in elementary education from the University of Michigan. She founded DAKITAB INC. in October 2006 to promote early childhood communication and family bonding by teaching basic ASL signs in an entertaining storybook format.

The first book in the series, *Everyday Signs for the Newborn Baby* (ISBN 0-9791059-0-0/978-0-9791059-0-6, 20 pp., \$14.95) features vibrant multicultural illustrations by Polish native Katarzyna Adilman, an early childhood art educator who now resides in Michigan. A framed front cover allows the book to be personalized. *Everyday Signs for the Newborn Baby* is now available.

To arrange for a book signing or interview, or to place orders for the books, contact:

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