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Your Chickens: A Kid's Guide To Raising And Showing





Synopsis

Full of expert advice and plenty of encouragement for the youngest poultry farmers, this introductory guide is designed to show children ages 9 and up how to safely and successfully raise their own chickens. With age-appropriate language and clear diagrams, Gail Damerow provides everything kids need to know to choose, purchase, house, and show their own chickens. Whether theyâ ™re interested in raising chickens for pleasure or to make money, this easy-to-use guide will help children achieve their chicken-raising goals.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Raising healthy chickens is a new experience for most kids today. Buying a few eggs to hatch or getting a couple of cute chicks at Easter is easy, but what happens when they start to get bigger! We know they eat and poop a lot but how do we help them survive to the point where they can actually lay an egg? What do you feed them? Where do you keep them? Can a chicken really make a good pet? You'll find answers to all these and many more questions in this wonderfully written and easy to understand book about raising chickens. Gail Damerow must have raised more than just a few birds because she demonstrates a solid understanding of the common and not-so-common issues facing the rural or urban chicken farmer

My very first chickens are 2 months old now, and I've referred back to this book countless times, for help with making brooder boxes, when to remove the heat lamp, buying feeders/waterers, making our coop, treating diarrhea, when to switch feeds, how to tell a cockerel from a pullet (!), to find out if panting in 90-degree weather is normal (it is), etc., etc. It may be written for kids, but it is not condescending. I appreciate the practical and have-fun approach. I just read about the different chicken sounds, and learned that the cool sound my hens make when they're happy is called "singing." Get the book!

This book is easy to read. I thought it was helpful even for the adult beginner. A great book for a child/parent project, 4-H or school raising chicks. 4 stars because I had to explain many of the words used to my child.

Loved this book. Good for children or adult beginners. Lots of good information for all. Purchased for my granddaughter who is in 4H and will be raising her first flock of chicks this spring. My daughter said my granddaughter read it straight through then read it again.

Your Chickens is an excellent guide for youngsters getting started on such a project. The author's use of "You" draws the reader into the action and involves him/her in the process. The language and sentence structure are at a level that's easily understood, without talking down the child. And the text provides much background information without being overwhelming. The illustrations are invaluable showing at a glance each concept that's written. A young person contemplating raising chickens comes away with the feeling the he/she is definitely up to the challenge. I highly recommend this book.

We got this for my son because we are getting chickens for the first time this spring. We all have a lot to learn and he loves reading it to us. He is 7 but reads on a 4th grade level. There are so words he does not know and we help him with those. We only plan to get eggs from the chickens, not show them. But it has information from picking your chicks to housing to caring for them. This is a really great informational book.

Living on a small farm, my eight-year old grandson, provides care to the chickens. He is planning to expand his flock. His understanding of types of layeers,breeds of chickens, and proper care has been developed with the help of Your chickkens. It is written to chhildren in such a way that they

understand and value this wonderful chore. I recommend this book for all young kids, those living on farms and for those who can benefit from a peek into farm life.

The book is kid friendly, but not dumbed down. After I bought this book used on , I found 10 pages mis-printed and blank. When I asked Storey Publishing for possible photocopies of the pages, they sent me a brand-new book. I will look for Storey books more often from now on. They've always been generous to the 4-H community, and produced good work, but now I know they also stand behind their work!

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