

Luv My Two Girls

So Smart! Reviews and Giveaway!

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I never heard of [So Smart!](#) until recently. I've seen the reviews from other blogs and I knew I wanted to try them for my daughters. I was so thrilled when I was given a chance to review their their DVDs.

[So Smart!](#) offers DVDs from babies through preschool age. I was given two DVDs to review for both my girls, [Baby's First-Word Stories Pets](#) and [Baby's Beginnings Sight & Sounds](#).



Baby's First-Word Stories Pets DVD is designed for ages 1 and up which is perfect for Olivia (she's 2yrs old). The DVD is 30 minutes long, however, it's divided into 5 different stories (Hello Little Cat, My Pet Fish, Dee Dee's Dog, Where's the Frog?, and Iggy's Pet Friends)

About the DVD

In this DVD, So Smart! friends Edward, Iggy, Dee Dee and Larry will introduce your little one to simple words about pets, then build sentences and stories around them. A deliberately gentle pace, engaging imagery, and soothing music make So Smart! a winner for both children and parents.

I was surprised that Olivia actually sat and enjoyed watching it. The story is very slow pace. I like that sentences used are simple and often repeated. I also like that it encourages participation. At the end of each story it asks what words they remember. I was amazed how Olivia knew and remembered all of them. She even knew all of the character's names after watching the DVD once. The animation is great. It is bright, simple and colorful. She also liked the music. When it ended, she wanted to see it again. I told her it's her sister's turn and she kept on saying "no mommy it's Libby's turn again."



The second DVD I was sent to review was the [Baby's Beginnings Sight & Sounds](#). This DVD is designed for 6 months and up. It is also 30 minutes long and it is divided into four segments, Object that Build, Peek-a-Boo, Stimulating Patterns and Bright Bold Images.

About the DVD

This bright, bold animated DVD introduces simple shapes, moving patterns and familiar objects that encourages babies to laugh, "talk" and interact. Each scene is set to classical music including Bach, Beethoven and other great composers! A deliberately gentle pace, engaging imagery, and soothing music make So Smart! A winner of both children and parents.

Although Emma is only 3 months, she was glued to it. I sat her on her bouncer and she watched the whole thing! It reminds you to let the baby take a break each segments. But since Emma was not complaining, I did not paused it. Usually, she hates being on her bouncer and wants to be carried all the time. I think the music has a lot to do with it. It is very soothing and relaxing. Olivia did not mind watching it either. She loved the colors and moving shapes.

We love these DVDs and would love to own the whole collection! This would be a perfect gift for birthdays or any other occasions. Each DVDs come with bonus interactive storybook or printable activities (PC and MAC compatible) which I have not tried yet. Each DVDs retail for \$15.99. They also offer multi-packs and gift sets to save you money. Aside from DVDs they also have Baby's Classical Music Cd's that are performed by live, world-class symphony orchestras.

