



## POTTY TOTS®

### POTTY TRAINING TRIVIA DID YOU KNOW?

#### Stunning Statistics

- An AOL report in Feb. of 2008 proclaimed that Potty Training is the top searched parenting issue, followed by bedwetting and sibling rivalry.
- “The Children’s Hospital Guide to Your Child’s Health and Development” states that 40% of three-year olds still use diapers.
- Most children achieve bowel control and daytime urine control by three to four years of age, however, it may take months or years before they achieve the same success at night. Most girls and more than 75% of boys won’t be able to stay dry at night until after five years of age, reports the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

#### Showing Signs

- Signs that your child may be ready for potty training include the following:
  - Staying dry at least two hours at a time during the day or after naps.
  - Bowel movements become regular and predictable.
  - Child seems uncomfortable with soiled diapers and wants to be changed.
  - Child asks to wear regular underwear.
  - Child asks to use the toilet or potty-chair.
- Most children are ready to tackle the challenge of potty use somewhere between the age of two and three, however, boys are generally at the later end of the range.
- Some experts estimate that the potty training process can take up to three months of daily encouragement from parents.
- The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) claims that the right time to start toilet training depends on your child’s physical and psychological development. Also, children younger than 12 months have no control over bladder or bowel movements and little control six months later. However, children often start to show signs between 18 and 24 months but may not be ready until 30 months or older.

#### Fascinating Facts

- The first toilet ever seen on TV in the USA was on Leave it To Beaver.
- Green Bay Wisconsin produces the most toilet paper in the world.
- 40,000 Americans are injured by toilets every year!

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