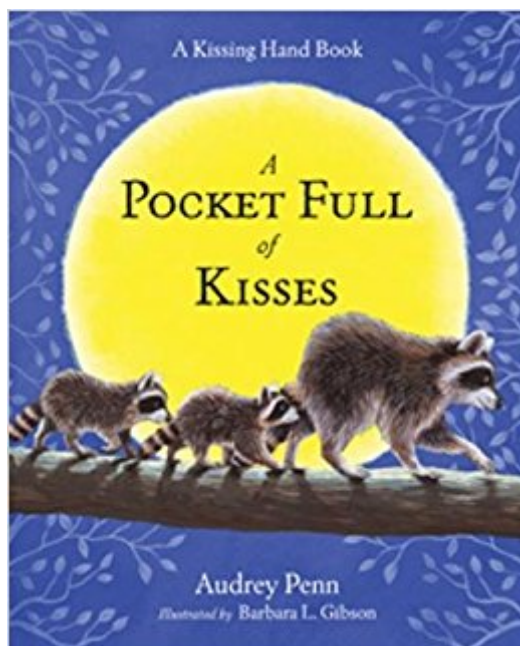


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# A Pocket Full Of Kisses (The Kissing Hand Series)



## Synopsis

In this tender sequel to the New York Times bestseller and children's classic *The Kissing Hand*, Audrey Penn provides parents with another tale of love and reassurance to share with their children. Chester Raccoon has a baby brother and the baby brother is taking over his territory. When Chester sees his mother give his baby brother a Kissing Hand, he is overcome with sadness, but Mrs. Raccoon soothes his fears with her own special brand of wisdom, finding just the right way to let Chester know he is deeply loved. Brought to life by Barbara Leonard Gibson's warm illustrations, this story is perfect for families who are adjusting to all the changes new members can bring.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

PreSchool-Grade 1 - A sequel to Penn's *The Kissing Hand* (CWLA, 1993). A young raccoon pleads with his mother to "return" his baby brother due to typical sibling offenses. When Chester sees her give little Ronny a "Kissing Hand" (a kiss in the middle of his open palm), the waterworks begin. Of course, Mrs. Raccoon reassures her older son of his continuing importance to her, adding a bonus Kissing Hand for being a big brother. The animals' emotions are clearly expressed in the narrative.

Gibson's crisp, realistic paintings are colorful and depict the scenery and activity of the meadow. Although this book is more appealing than the first work, standbys like Ann Herbert Scott's *On Mother's Lap* (Clarion, 1992) or Kady MacDonald Denton's *Would They Love a Lion?* (Larousse, 1998) are still better choices. - Gay Lynn Van Vleck, Henrico County Library, Glen Allen, VA  
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PreS-Gr. 2. *The Kissing Hand* (1995), though too sweet for many tastes, has developed such a following that many libraries cannot fill the demand each year before the start of school. This sequel is also quite sweet, but those who love the original may want to read the new story about Chester Raccoon. Now beyond his kindergarten separation anxiety, Chester has a new problem: dealing with his younger brother, who plays with his toys, pulls his tail, follows him around, and even shares his mother's gift of a "Kissing Hand" (Mom kisses Chester's palm, and Chester can transfer the kiss to his cheek whenever he needs comfort). Chester's mother reassures him that she will never run out of Kissing Hands. In fact, she has a spare for Chester to give his brother when he needs a big brother's care. Teeming with details, Gibson's paintings depict an idyllic woodland populated with friendly beasts, birds, and bugs that seem to pause and take an interest in the raccoons' conversations. The focus of the artwork, as well as the story, is clearly on the loving mother-and-child relationship. Recommended for libraries in which the earlier book has a following.  
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Had this book and used to read it to my grandchildren. My granddaughter loved it so much that she slipped it into my suitcase when my husband and I moved to Italy for three years. I used to read it to her via Skype. Thought it was a perfect gift for a friend's little boy as he was getting a baby brother..

My daughter needed to read this book for class and we could not find it at the book store so we looked here and were able to download it with no issues. My daughter was able to use the book for her assignment and all is well.

Love this series!!!

Have several Chester books to read to my grandchildren. The illustrations are beautiful, with so

much detail and color. The subject matter is delicately handled with tenderness and easy for little ones to understand. Have not found any other author who tackles difficult subjects with so much grace and love.

This is a sweet book. We enjoy reading this series and my 4 year old, who is a new big brother, could relate well to this story. The illustrations are beautiful.

Chester now has a younger brother (although in reality, these babies would have been from the same litter). When his mama gives the brother a kissing hand too, Chester is upset because that was his special link with Mama. She explains that she has enough love to share with both of them (equally) but that because Chester is older, he deserves a big brother something special...another kiss as a spare.

A beautiful sequel to The Kissing Hand. A story to help children understand sharing and to help with sibling rivalry, especially with the arrival of a new baby. The message is clear and beautifully written: There is always enough love to go around. Highly recommended story, perfect for the most special of times - reading together :)

My oldest daughter was an only child for three years until her younger sister was born. She sometimes feels very left out and this book was perfect to help her understand that she is loved just as much and will always hold a special place in our hearts.

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