

How to Use the Pigeon Nipple

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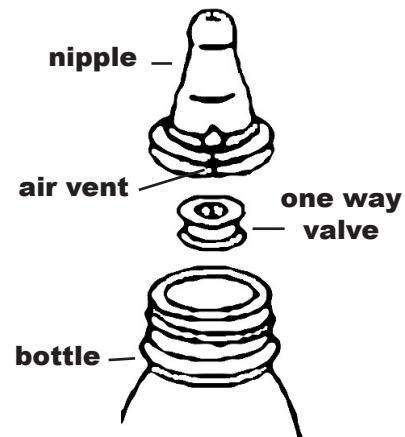
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Some babies have trouble feeding. They may find it easier with a **pigeon nipple**. This nipple has a hard side and a soft side. The baby can press his or her tongue on the soft side to make the formula flow. This helps babies who have trouble sucking. You can squeeze the bottle to help your baby suck. Once the baby learns how to use the nipple, the baby may be able to feed without you squeezing.

How to put the bottle parts together

1. Put formula for one feeding in the bottle.
2. Put the nipple into the nipple ring
3. Put the one way valve into the nipple
Put the flat side toward the tip of the nipple
and the pointed tip down toward the bottle.
4. Screw the nipple and ring on the bottle.



**Parts of the
Pigeon Feeder**

How to Feed

1. Hold the bottle up and squeeze the nipple to get out the air.
2. Keep squeezing the nipple, and tip the feeder upside down.
3. Let go of the nipple. The formula will fill the nipple.
4. Point the air vent under the baby's nose.

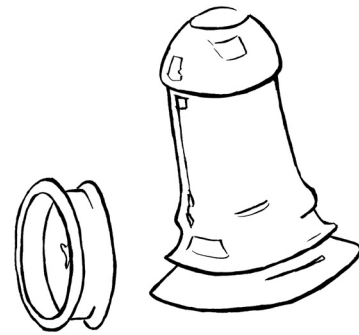
The soft side of the nipple is on the baby's tongue.

The hard side of the nipple is on the roof of the mouth.

5. If the baby needs help feeding, squeeze the bottle a little as the baby sucks.

How to clean the parts

1. After each time you use the bottle, take the feeder apart.
2. Wash all parts in warm soapy water.
3. Boil all parts for 5 minutes. If you boil them longer, they will wear out faster.
4. Place on a paper towel to dry.



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If you want to know more, read the instructions that came with the bottle.

Where to buy a Pigeon Nipple

Children's Medical Ventures
<http://chmv.respironics.com>
275 Longwater Drive
Norwell, MA 02061
888-766-8443
info@childmed.com

Now that you've read this

- Tell your nurse, doctor, or therapist why your baby needs a Pigeon Nipple. (Check when done.)
- Show your nurse, doctor, or therapist how you fill the bottle. (Check when done.)
- Show your nurse, doctor, or therapist how you feed your baby with the Pigeon Nipple. (Check when done.)

- Tell your nurse, doctor, or therapist how you would clean the bottle parts.
(Check when done.)



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questions about the subject? Yes No

If yes, what?

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Yes

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Please return your review of this handout to your nurse or doctor or send it to the address below.

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