

babytalk

STRAIGHT TALK FOR NEW MOMS

good gear



carry a tune Get more for less with this palm-sized MP3 player. He'll like that it holds over 300 songs and has 70 hours of battery life. (\$80; sonystyle.com)

stay cool He may never have a six-pack like Usher's, but at least you can get him this neoprene version; it keeps 12-ounce drinks cold on hot days. (\$20; builtny.com)



get jammin' The *Reggae Playground* CD is packed with songs he'll enjoy, including a Jamaican rendition of "Here Comes the Sun." And even members of Bob Marley's band sing some tracks. (\$15; putumayokids.com)



it's a wrap Now your baby's soft blanket comes in an adult size. Let your two peas in a pod snuggle up in this sage-colored Velboa "Daddy Blanket," trimmed in lush taupe velvet. (\$85; cloudb.com)



he shoots, he scores! The PowerShot A610 has high-end features he'll appreciate—5.0 megapixels, optical zoom, movie mode, etc.—for a decent price. (\$300; usa.canon.com)

seafood sensation The Relaxus lobster massager will soothe any stressed dad. Who knows? Maybe you'll get a back rub out of it, too. (\$10; at Planet Blue Essentials, 310/317-8566)



comic relief Does your man need a chuckle? With sections like "Buddha and the Breast," this book will teach him the Zen of fatherhood. (\$10; chroniclebooks.com) ●

