

BED BATH & BEYOND INC
Form 4
October 26, 2004

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KAPLAN ROBERT S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS &
CO., 85 BROAD STREET

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10004

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
BED BATH & BEYOND INC
[BBBY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/22/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	Price		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	10/22/2004		P		26,400	A	\$ 39.6
					35,698		I
							See Footnote (1)
Common Stock	10/22/2004		P		10,000	A	\$ 38.94
					45,698		I
							See Footnote (1)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Put Option (right to sell)	\$ 37.5	10/22/2004		P	1,200	(2) 11/20/2004	Common Stock	120,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KAPLAN ROBERT S C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 85 BROAD STREET NEW YORK, NY 10004	X			

Signatures

s/ Edward T. Joel,
Attorney-in-fact 10/26/2004

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) The Reporting Person is a managing director of Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman Sachs"). Goldman Sachs is a direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("GS Group"). The securities reported herein as indirectly purchased were beneficially owned directly by Goldman Sachs. Without admitting any legal obligation, Goldman Sachs or an affiliate will remit appropriate profits, if any, to Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. The securities reported herein as indirectly owned are beneficially owned directly by Goldman Sachs. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein as indirectly owned except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(2) Immediately exercisable.

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