

2021 blueberry award winner



X599.775 GARDN.K

HOW TO FIND A FOX

BY KATE GARDNER PHOTOGRAPHS BY OSSI SAARINEN

Breathtaking photography instructs young readers on where and how one might spot a fox in the wild.

Best for ages 4-8.



PICTURE BOOKS



JPICTURE TARIQ.A

FATIMA'S GREAT OUTDOORS

BY AMBREEN TARIQ ILLUSTRATED BY STEVIE LEWIS

An immigrant family embarks on their first camping trip in the Midwest in this joyous picture book by Ambreen Tariq, activist and founder of @BrownPeopleCamping. Best for ages 5-8.



JPICTURE UKHOV.T

GRASSHOPPER

BY TATIANA UKHOVA

An unsentimental, wordless look at nature, in all its beauty and terror. A girl captures a grasshopper to save it, and learns the world around her operates entirely by its own rules. Best for ages 4-8.



JPICTURE PETT.M

I EAT POOP.: A DUNG BEETLE STORY

BY MARK PETT

Doug has a secret, and it's one that he feels he has to hide from his fellow insect classmates. But when he stands up for someone else, he discovers that there is no "normal" in nature. Best for ages 4-7.



JPICTURE MANGA.M

JAYDEN'S IMPOSSIBLE GARDEN

BY MÉLINA MANGAL ILLUSTRATED BY KEN DALEY

Jayden brings joy to his urban community after he creates a garden for everyone to love. Best for ages 4-9.



JPICTURE FRASE.M



BY MARY ANN FRASER ILLUSTRATED BY RILEY SAMELS

Plant a seed of patience in this playful picture book about the life cycle of a giant pumpkin and the rewards of letting it grow. Best for ages 4–7.



JPICTURE ROBER.D

ON THE TRAPLINE

BY DAVID A. ROBERTSON ILLUSTRATED BY JULIE FLETT

An indigenous boy and Moshom, his grandpa, take a trip together to visit a place of great meaning to Moshom. A trapline is where people hunt and live off the land, and it was where Moshom grew up. Best for ages 4–8.

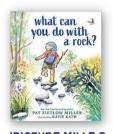


JPICTURE DORLE.M

THE NIGHT WALK

BY MARIE DORLÉANS

An award-winning picture book about a family's midnight adventure. "Mama opened our bedroom door. 'Wake up, you two,' she whispered. 'Let's go, so we get there on time."' Best for ages 3-7.

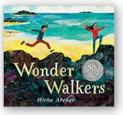


JPICTURE MILLE.P

WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH A ROCK?

BY PAT ZIETLOW MILLER ILLUSTRATED BY KATIE KATH

Rocks are simple, but the things you can do with them are endless. Rocks can build, sparkle, and tell a story. They can be memories. They can even be a little bit magic. This ode to curiosity and creative play is bound to inspire. Best for ages 4–7.



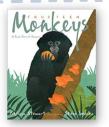
JPICTURE ARCHE.M

WONDER WALKERS

BY MICHA ARCHER

When two curious kids embark on a walk, they let their imaginations soar. Best for ages 3-7.

NONFICTION PICTURE BOOKS



X599.8 STEWA.M



JPICTURE HERZ.H



X576.8 SHREE.E



X595.7 MONE.G



X591.77 POLIQ.R

FOURTEEN MONKEYS: A RAIN FOREST RHYME

BY MELISSA STEWART ILLUSTRATED BY STEVE JENKINS

How can fourteen different kinds of monkeys all live in the same area? Come to the Manú National Park and let the rhyming bouncy text introduce you to its furry little residents and their ecological niches. Best for ages 3–8.

I AM SMOKE

BY HENRY HERZ II LUSTRATED BY MERCÈ LÓPEZ

Just as there's a water cycle, there's also a smoke cycle. Learn how smoke has aided humans for almost as long as humans have known how to make fire. Best for ages 4-8.

OUT OF THE BLUE: HOW ANIMALS EVOLVED FROM PREHISTORIC SEAS

BY ELIZABETH SHREEVE ILLUSTRATED BY FRANN PRESTON-GANNON

Take a trip back in time to the origins of life on Earth and see how sometimes life comes out of the blue sea and then right back in again. Best for ages 3–8.

STRANGE NATURE: THE INSECT PORTRAITS OF LEVON BLISS

BY GREGORY MONE PHOTOGRAPHS BY LEVON BISS
Glowing, pulsating, iridescent "Microsculpture" photography introduces you to insects as you've never seen them before. A book to make bug lovers of us all. Best for ages 8-12.

THE STRANGEST THING IN THE SEA AND OTHER CURIOUS CREATURES OF THE DEEP

WRITTEN BY RACHEL POLIQUIN ILLUSTRATED BY BYRON EGGENSCHWILER

Not everything is quite as it seems in this exploration of 12 bizarre and little-known sea animals. A gatefold revelation for each creature makes this book amazing fun! *Best for ages 7-10.*



X571.786 STEWA.M

SUMMERTIME SLEEPERS: ANIMALS THAT ESTIVATE

WRITTEN BY MELISSA STEWART ILLUSTRATED BY SARAH S. BRANNEN Everyone knows about animals that hibernate in the winter. But it's time to discover those animals that sleep all summer lona! Best for gaes 6-9.

NONFICTION FOR OLDER READERS



X608 CLEND.M

DESIGN LIKE NATURE: BIOMIMICRY FOR A HEALTHY PLANET

BY MEGAN CLENDENAN & KIM RYALL WOOLCOCK

Innovations and inventions inspired by nature! A perfect STEM read for middle grade readers full of wonderful facts and clear explanations of what both humans and the planet need. *Best for ages 9-12*.



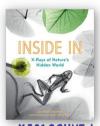
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MIMIC MAKERS:

BIOMIMICRY INVENTORS INSPIRED BY NATURE

BY KRISTEN NORDSTROM ILLUSTRATED BY PAUL BOSTON

Meet ten real-life scientists, engineers, and designers who imitate plants and animals to create amazing new technology. Discover how we copy nature's good ideas to solve real-world problems! *Best for ages 7-10*.



X591 SCHUT.J

INSIDE IN:

X-RAYS OF NATURE'S HIDDEN WORLD

BY JAN PAUL SCHUTTEN PHOTOGRAPHY BY ARIE VAN'T RIET

Take a trip into the rarely seen world of x-rays and learn about all the insects, fish, birds, and mammals that make up our world. See them as you've never seen them before! Best for ages 8-12.



X590 BUNTI.P

THE WORLD'S MOST POINTLESS ANIMALS: OR ARE THEY? BY PHILIP BUNTING

Some smart aleck has written in this book! Take a look at some of the strangest animals in the world and learn facts (and some definite opinions) about each one. Best for ages 5-8.

POETRY



JPICTURE SIDMA.J



X590 LEVY.D

DEAR TREEFROG

BY JOYCE SIDMAN ILLUSTRATED BY DIANA SUDYKA

Slip into the secret spots of your garden and meet a coy creature unafraid to be silent and stealthy. Contains lovely poems and delicious facts about the tiny treefrog. Best for ages 4–7.

PHOTO ARK ABC: AN ANIMAL ALPHABET IN POETRY AND PICTURES

BY DEBBIE LEVY PHOTOGRAPHS BY JOEL SARTORE

The delightful animals of Photo Ark are paired with playful poetry to show off the alphabet in all its abecedarian glory. *Best for ages 3–7*.

FICTION



J ROSEN.M



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ONE SMALL HOP

BY MADELYN ROSENBERG

This humorous adventure story set in a not-so-distant future celebrates the important differences we can make with small, brave acts. Ahab and his friends find a bullfrog in their town—maybe the last Bullfrog in North America! How to save all frogkind? Best for ages 8-12.

PARADISE ON FIRE

BY JEWELL PARKER RHODES

Addy is a heroine any reader might aspire to be, a teenager who learns to trust her own voice and instincts, who realizes that fire can live within someone, too! Best for ages 10 & up.

GRAPHIC NOVELS



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SAVING SORYA: CHANG AND THE SUN BEAR

BY TRANG NGUYEN ILLUSTRATED BY JEET ZDUNG

A young conservationist overcomes the odds to return a sun bear to its natural habitat. Best for ages 8-12.

THE WAY OF THE HIVE: A HONEY BEE'S STORY

BY JAY HOSLER

Nyuki has emerged as a full-grown honey bee but there's so much about the world she wants to know. Filled with amazing bee facts and delightful dialogue, follow the adventures of this inquisitive little bee. Best for ages 8-12.





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X363.73874 JACKS.T

GREEN KIDS COOK: SIMPLE, DELICIOUS RECIPES & TOP TIPS

BY JENNY CHANDLER

Learn how to cook in the most environmentally sound and sustainable way. Includes crafts, clear explanations, and great food! *Best for ages 7 & up*.

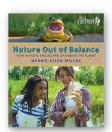
HOW DO WE STOP CLIMATE CHANGE?

WRITTEN BY TOM JACKSON ILLUSTRATED BY DRAGAN KORDIĆ

Climate change can be scary. What are some of the solutions to the problem? A smart look at what's going wrong and how we can fix it. *Best for ages 8–12*.



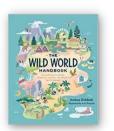
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X333.9516 DEBBI.A

THE LAST STRAW: KIDS VS. PLASTICS

BY SUSAN HOOD ILLUSTRATED BY CHRISTIANE ENGEL

Seventeen poems introduce readers to the activists and science working hard to combat our problems with plastic. From jellyfish snot to a call to arms, you don't want to miss this smart read. *Best for ages 4–8*.

NATURE OUT OF BALANCE: HOW INVASIVE SPECIES ARE CHANGING THE PLANET

BY MERRIE-ELLEN WILCOX

Plants, animals, insects and fish are moving in. Invasive species threaten local ecosystems and the planet's biodiversity, but are they all as bad as we think they are? Best for ages 9-12.

THE RESCUER OF TINY CREATURES

BY CURTIS MANLEY ILLUSTRATED BY LUCY RUTH CUMMINS

Roberta rescues tiny creatures. You know, the ones stranded in the middle of the sidewalk. One person can make a difference, not only through action but also by influencing others. *Best for ages 4–8*.

THE WILD WORLD HANDBOOK HOW ADVENTURERS, SCIENTISTS, ARTISTS AND YOU- CAN PROTECT EARTH'S HABITATS

BY ANDREA DEBBINK ILLUSTRATED BY ASIA ORLANDO

A middle grade guide to environmental stewardship and protecting diverse habitats. *Best for ages 8–14.*



The Blueberry Award, a brand new children's book prize in its inaugural year, is given to the children's book that best engenders a love of nature. The winning title, honor, and changemaker books offer children high-quality materials to "inspire love of nature and action for planet Earth."

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