

Flora & Fauna

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ANIMAL ARK: CELEBRATING OUR WILD WORLD IN POETRY AND PICTURES

Kwame Alexander; photography by Joel Sartore. Target ages 4-8. A howling wolf, a stalking tiger, a playful panda, a dancing bird—pairing the stunning photography of National Geographic photographer Joel Sartore with the delicate poetry of Newbery award-winning author Kwame Alexander, this lush picture book celebrates the beauty, diversity, and fragility of the animal world.

BEASTLY BIOMES

Carly Allen-Fletcher. Target ages 7-11.

What kinds of animals live in the different environments Earth supports? This beautifully illustrated book shows how animals, birds, and fish all have a distinctive place to thrive, creating homes in unexpected places.

BEFORE AFTER

Anne-Margot Ramstein and Matthias Arégui. Target ages 4-8. Which came first? No words are necessary in this beautiful, artfully humorous book, in which every turn of the page offers a surprise.

BIO DIVERSITY: EXPLORE THE DIVERSITY OF LIFE ON EARTH WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

Laura Perdew; illustrated by Tom Casteel. Target ages 8-10. Bio Diversity includes hands-on STEM activities and critical thinking exercises to encourage readers to consider the threat to biodiversity and figure out ways to be part of the solution. Fun facts, links to online primary sources and other supplemental material, and more take readers on an exploration of the incredible biodiversity on Earth.

THE EGG

Britta Teckentrup. Target ages 6+.

Beautiful, whimsical, and entertaining, this book of illustrations by Britta Teckentrup shows eggs in all their fragility, complexity, and variety.

HERE WE ARE: NOTES FOR LIVING ON PLANET EARTH

Oliver Jeffers. Target ages 3-7.

In this salutation from Earth, the chronicler gives a tour of the planet and introduces those who call it home.

THE LITTLE GARDENER

Emily Hughes. Target ages 3-7.

There was once a little gardener and his garden meant everything to him. He worked hard, very hard, but he was just too little (or at least he felt he was).

THE MAGIC AND MYSTERY OF TREES

Jen Green; illustrated by Claire McElfatrick. Target ages 7-9.

From the highest branch and leaf down to the complex "wood wide web" of roots, every part of a tree plays an important role in its own growth and the habitat of the whole forest or woodland. Learn about the amazing natural science of trees in this illustrated nature and science book.

NATURE ANATOMY: THE CURIOUS PARTS & PIECES OF THE NATURAL WORLD

Julia Rothman.

Rothman's whimsical illustrations are paired with interactive activities that encourage curiosity and inspire you to look more closely at the world all around you.

THE NIGHT FLOWER

Lara Hawthorne. Target ages 3-7.

As the summer sun sets over the desert, creatures gather for a very special event. The saguaro cactus is about to bloom. Join pollinating fruit bats, howling mice, and other animals on their journey to visit the flower in this beautiful nature-inspired story.

A SEED IS SLEEPY

Dianna Aston; illustrated by Sylvia Long. Target ages 4-10.

Introduces young readers to the characteristics, growth, and movement of a variety of seeds as they become plants.

TINY, PERFECT THINGS

M. H. Clark. Target ages 2-7.

With rhythmic storytelling and detailed and intricate illustrations, this is a book about how childlike curiosity can transform ordinary days into extraordinary adventures.

WE ARE THE GARDENERS

Joanna Gaines, illustrated by Julianna Swaney. Target ages 4-8.

A young family learns to grow a garden, describing how they prepared the soil, watered their plants, dealt with the animals who invaded their garden, and how all their hard work finally paid off as they harvested vegetables and flowers.

THE WONDROUS WORKINGS OF PLANET EARTH

Rachel Ignotofsky. Target ages 10-17.

Through exquisite drawings, maps, and infographics, New York Times best-selling author Rachel Ignotofsky makes earth science accessible and entertaining, explaining how our planet works, from its diverse ecosystems and their inhabitants, to the levels of ecology, the importance of biodiversity, the carbon cycle, weather cycles, and more.

ONLINE RESOURCES

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BRITANNICA LIBRARY FOR KIDS AND YOUNG ADULTS

Explore thousands of topics in science, social studies, language arts, mathematics. This online version of Encyclopedia Britannica features separate home pages for children and young adults to make it easy to find materials at the right reading level. A Spanish-language resource, Britannica Escolar, is also available.

GLOBAL ROAD WARRIOR

A country-by-country resource for learning about culture, customs, history, and language worldwide. Students will find everything from thematic maps to geographic features, national symbols and food—perfect for country reports and students curious about the world!

KIDS' INFOBITS

Through newspaper and magazine articles, videos, images, and graphics, elementary students can learn about everything from animals and outer space to famous artists and favorite athletes.

MISS HUMBLEBEE'S ACADEMY

Miss Humblebee's Academy is a fun, interactive, and award-winning, online kindergarten-readiness learning solution for children ages 3 to 6. With hundreds of lessons in math, science and social studies, language, and literacy, art, and music, the curriculum increases in difficulty as the user progresses through the program.

TEENBOOKCLOUD

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TUMBLEBOOKLIBRARY

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