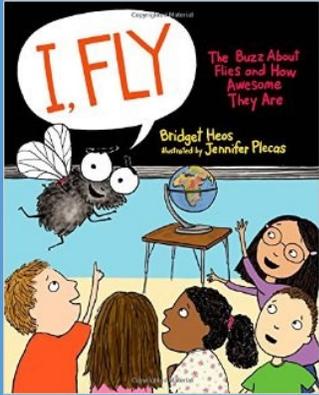


2017 Towner Award Nominee



Author: Bridget Heos
Illustrator: Jennifer Plecas

Publisher: Henry Holt & Company
Copyright Year: 2015
Recommended use: 2nd-4th
Lexile: 1000
Pages: 40 pgs.

Curriculum Connections: Science, insect life, insect comparison, life cycle/metamorphosis.

Best lends itself to the instruction of: The text is supported by simply worded speech bubbles that lends it for use with a range of reading abilities. It is an engaging read aloud and an easy nonfiction book to browse for supporting evidence. Available on Nook, Kindle and eBook in fixed format. Not available as a multi-user e-book.

"Fly is fed up with everyone studying butterflies. After all, flies go through metamorphosis too--and they are so much cooler! They flap their wings 200 times a second, compared to a butterfly's measly five to twelve times. Their babies--maggots--are much cuter than caterpillars. And when they eat solid food, they even throw up on it to turn it into a liquid. Who wouldn't want to study an insect like that? In an unforgettably fun, fact-filled presentation, this lovable (and highly partisan) narrator promotes his species to a sometimes engrossed, sometimes grossed-out, class of kids."

Text Features:

Illustrations, Two levels of text (intermediate and primary), Speech Bubbles, Glossary and Other Fun Words to Know, Select Bibliography

Common Core

Primary:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.1

Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.9

Compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.6

Identify the main purpose of a text, including what the author wants to answer, explain, or describe.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.7

Explain how specific images (e.g., a diagram showing how a machine works) contribute to and clarify a text.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.8

Describe how reasons support specific points the author makes in a text

Intermediate:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.4.1

Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.4.2

Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.4.8

Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.4.2

Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.4.1.c

Pose and respond to specific questions to clarify or follow up on information, and make comments that contribute to the discussion and link to the remarks of others.

