



The Bee Book

Author: Charlotte Milner
Illustrator: Charlotte Milner
Publisher: DK Publishing
Number of Pages: 48
Lexile: 870

Summary: The Bee Book provides readers with interesting facts and graphics that describe the many aspects of the honeybee's world: the role each honeybee plays in a hive, how they benefit humans, pollination, the dangers they face, how they communicate with each other and much more! Practical, attainable tips are also

I, Fly: The Buzz About Flies and How Awesome They Are

Author: Bridget Heos
Illustrator: Jennifer Plecas
Publisher: Henry Holt and Company
Number of Pages: 48
Lexile: Adult-directed text 560

Summary: Flies play a role as decomposers and composters in our environment. They also play an interesting role in how law enforcement solves crimes. These and other interesting facts about the misunderstood fly are presented in a humorous style that guarantees to engage readers of a variety of ages.

Don't Let Them Disappear: 12 Endangered Species Across the World

Author: Chelsea Clinton
Illustrator: Gianna Marino
Publisher: Philomel Books
Pages: 40
Lexile: 1020

Summary: Twelve endangered species are presented through colorful illustrations that accompany interesting facts about each animal. A helpful key is provided to describe the different classifications in a child-friendly manner that are used by conservationists to "classify the level of the risk of extinction" from endangered to extinct.

Follow that bee! A first book of bees in the city

Author: Cynthia Grady
Author: Scot Ritchie
Illustrator: Scot Ritchie
Publisher: Kids Can Press
Number of Pages: 32
Lexile: No Lexile

Summary: Five friends learn fun facts about bees from their beekeeper neighbor and how to help bees through planting native plants and other tips. Friendly illustrations show details of a city garden and ways the reader can support bees. A helpful glossary offers definitions of terms such as larvae and native species.

If Sharks Disappeared

Author: Lily Williams
Illustrator: Roaring Book Press
Number of Pages: 32
Lexile: Adult-directed text 830

Summary: How would ecosystems in the ocean and on land be impacted if sharks disappeared? Williams addresses this question and more through illustrations and text in a clear, respectful manner towards the "scary" shark.

A Beetle is Shy

Author: Diana Hutts Ashto
Illustrator: Sylvia Long
Publisher: Chronicle Books
Number of Pages: 40
Lexile: 1070 Non-conforming text

Summary: Vibrant, detailed illustrations decorate this text that features a wide variety of beetles, their habits and the role they play in a variety of ecosystems around the world.

Only the Mountains Do Not Move: a Maasai Story of Culture and Conservation

Author: Jan Reynolds
Publisher: Lee and Low Books
Number of Pages: 40
Lexile: 990

Summary: Through the use of photos, Reynolds describes the challenges the Maasai people of Kenya face while trying to preserve their culture and conserve their environment at the same time. Readers can learn how the Maasai face issues experienced in other parts of the world such as overgrazing and wildlife extinction.

The Great Penguin Rescue

Author: Sandra Markle
Illustrator: Millbrook Press
Publisher: Millbrook Press
Number of Pages: 48
Lexile: 1070

Summary: The challenges faced by penguins along the coast of South Africa and Namibia are chronicled in this book along with the efforts of volunteers and scientists that work to save these birds. Markle also presents the life cycle of penguins and more with numerous photographs.

Grizzly Bears

Author: Gail Gibbons
Illustrator: Gail Gibbons
Publisher: Holiday House
Number of Pages: unpagged
Lexile: Adult-directed text 820

Summary: Gibbons presents facts about grizzly bear habits, the role they play in their ecosystem, the grizzly bear life cycle and conservation efforts to protect this species.

Animal Ark: Celebrating our Wild World in Poetry and Pictures

Author: Kwame Alexander

Illustrator: Photographer Joel Sartore

Publisher: National Geographic Society Children's Books

Number of Pages: 48

Lexile:

Summary: Kwame Alexander collaborates with Mary Rand Hess and Deanna Nikaido to use Haiku and other forms of prose to invite readers to engage with photos of a variety of animals. Readers are encouraged to contemplate why and how the creatures featured should be protected.

Tidy

Author: Emily Gravett

Illustrator: Photographer Emily Gravett

Publisher: Simon and Schuster

Number of Pages: 40

Lexile: 590 Adult-directed text

Summary: Humor is used by Emily Gravett to teach readers about the importance of conservation. Readers will figure out that overly "tidy" badger may be performing a disservice to the plants and animals around him he feels should be "perfect." Gravett leads children to understanding the importance of appreciating the beauty of nature as it is.

