

## Towner Award Nominee Books 2015

<u>Meat Eating Plants: Toothless Wonders</u> By Ellen Lawrence	Bearport Publishing, New York, 2013	Curriculum Connections: Plants, biomes, habitats, ecosystems, nature's delicate balance.
		Features: Great photographs, bold print, captions, inset maps, experiments, limited glossary of science terms, online resources and simple text, very accessible. Bibliographical references and index.

Description: Provides an introduction to carnivorous plants, ones that "catch" their food, rather than get it from the soil. Bold photography is very engaging for young readers.

Following are suggested resources for text-sets targeting the possible curriculum connections above.

### Books:

Author	Title/Publisher	Grade Levels	Comments	ISBN/Publication Date
Fowler, Allan	<u>Plants that eat animals</u> Children's Press	K-3	Describes a number of carnivorous plants with pictures and simple language. index included. Rookie Reader Series	978-1-41311-952-7 c2001
Owen, Ruth	<u>How do meat-eating plants catch their food?</u> PowerKids Press	4-6	Includes bibliographical references and index. Meat eaters -- Food for energy -- Nutrients for growth and health. Coming 2015	978-1-47777-153-2 c2015
Batten, Mary	<u>Hungry plants</u> Random House	K-4	This book offers readers a bug's-eye view into the strange and fascinating world of carnivorous plants. Clear, engaging text and art.	978-0-375-82533-0 c2000

### Websites and Online Magazines:

Name of Site	Address	Grade Levels	Comments	Publisher/Creator
Wayne's Word	<a href="http://waynesword.palomar.edu/carnivor.htm">http://waynesword.palomar.edu/carnivor.htm</a>	4-6	An Online Textbook of Natural History, this website provides excellent information, diagrams and photographs.	Wayne P. Armstrong Palomar College Aboretum
National Geographic.com	<a href="http://ngm.nationalgeographic.com/2010/03/carnivorous-plants/zimmer-text">http://ngm.nationalgeographic.com/2010/03/carnivorous-plants/zimmer-text</a>	4-6	Extensive article about carnivorous plants and their evolution. Text is fairly	Carl Zimmer

			complex and lends itself to close reading.	
Carnivorous Plant Nursery.com	<a href="http://www.carnivorousplantnursery.com/sales/teaching.htm#Anchor-Venus-35326">http://www.carnivorousplantnursery.com/sales/teaching.htm#Anchor-Venus-35326</a>	Vary	This is a source for obtaining teaching materials about carnivorous plants, including coloring pages and activities for a variety of grade levels.	This is a commercial site.
Mixminder	<a href="http://mixminder.com/five-reasons-to-keep-carnivorous-plants-in-the-classroom/">http://mixminder.com/five-reasons-to-keep-carnivorous-plants-in-the-classroom/</a>	Vary	At this site you will find an article about growing carnivorous plants in the classroom—the teaching opportunities and how to. Check it out!	Article: "Five Reasons to Grow Carnivorous Plants in the Classroom" by Brian Crawford
EVERYTHING EATEN ALIVE! A look in the mouth of North American Carnivorous Pitcher Plants	<a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XuOgeB3E9xQ">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XuOgeB3E9xQ</a>	1-6	This YouTube video is just under 4 minutes and shows a variety of insects trapped in carnivorous plants. Very engaging.	Brad's Greenhouse
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