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The Beetle Alphabet Book





Synopsis

Beetles from A to Z are crawling all over this book. From the Dung Beetle to the Kalahari Beetle, these critters live all over the world. Jerry Pallotta's twentieth alphabet book is brimming with facts and his signature humor.

Book Information

Lexile Measure: 0630 (What's this?) Paperback: 32 pages Publisher: Charlesbridge (February 1, 2004) Language: English ISBN-10: 1570915520 ISBN-13: 978-1570915529 Product Dimensions: 11 x 0.1 x 9 inches Shipping Weight: 3.2 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 stars 14 customer reviews Best Sellers Rank: #53,634 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #99 in Books > Children's Books > Education & Reference > Science Studies > Zoology #128 in Books > Children's Books > Animals > Bugs & Spiders #940 in Books > Children's Books > Science, Nature & How It Works Age Range: 4 - 8 years Grade Level: 1 - 3

Customer Reviews

Grade 1-4-A fascinating look at beetles from A to Z, offering readers a wide array of intriguing facts with a bit of humor tossed in. Children are encouraged to recognize the differences between beetles and non-beetles. ("I am a spider, not a beetle.-Spiders have eight legs, not six.") The author's enthusiasm for his subject and his fresh, quick-moving style of writing add to the appeal. Biedrzycki's realistic illustrations are bold, colorful, and painstakingly detailed. The artwork is absolutely luminous, giving a beauty to these insects. It will draw readers in, but the text will keep them turning pages. This combination of glorious illustrations and interesting information makes for a fine addition to any science collection.Corrina Austin, Locke's Public School, St. Thomas, Ontario, CanadaCopyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

PreS-Gr. 2. Pallotta's Beetle Alphabet Book is an example of what artist Paul Zelinsky has referred

to as "the alphabet as an excuse." In these books, aimed at children who are probably well versed in their letters, the A-to-Z format works mostly as an organizing principle for facts. Each page in Beetle presents a different insect whose name begins with the featured letter. A few sentences, written in sometimes chirpy language, give information about each bug pictured, which appears in a large, striking computer-generated illustration that highlights every pincer and shell spot. With eye-catching visuals, an engaging theme, and basic information, the book will appeal to a wide age range: preschoolers learning their letters with the help of an older reader as well as elementary-age children ready to dive into the science on their own. Gillian EngbergCopyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Very nice book with great pictures and entertaining to my kids. Nice variety of the promoted subject.

A couple disappointments with this book.First, all of the pictures are animated... no real photographs.Secondly, very little actual facts are given about the beetles. I would've loved to know cool details about each one but a lot of it is "silly" nonsense.

This is a delightful book showing the incredible diversity of beetles. Interesting to people of all ages.

This delightful book was recommended by Mike Quinn, Entomologist with Texas Parks and Wildlife, in his fb notes. I ordered it immediately. It arrived within a few days. It couldn't please me more--and will delight the five-year old who rushes to my back yard to see what bugs Grandma has found in her garden. Each page of the book pictures a beautifully illustrated beetle representing the given alphabet letter. Very age-appropriate for young children. Or anyone, of any age, who is enamored of the fantastic world of beetles.

Amazing book! Delivery was spot on! Thank you

Students used the book to produce a report on insects for summer school. They found interesting details to make their reports outstanding.

My son loves this book. It is one we read over and over. Adults will enjoy searching each page for the title of the Beatles song hidden in the wonderful illustrations.

Bought this for my boyfriend's 5-year-old son and he absolutely loves it. He wants it read to him every night.

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