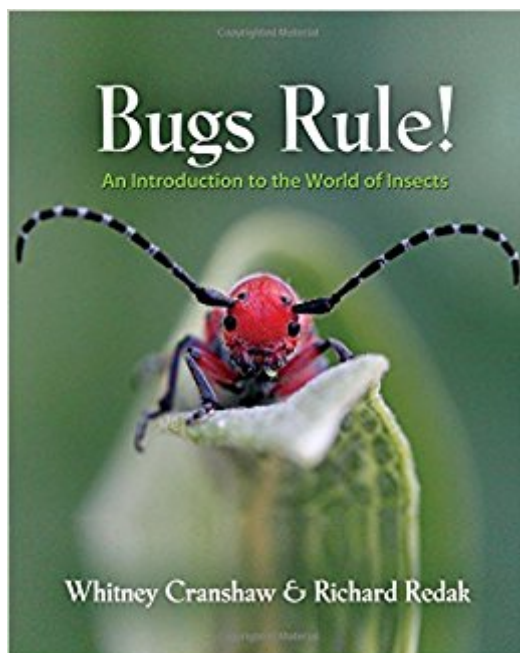


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Bugs Rule!: An Introduction To The World Of Insects



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Bugs Rule! provides a lively introduction to the biology and natural history of insects and their noninsect cousins, such as spiders, scorpions, and centipedes. This richly illustrated textbook features more than 830 color photos, a concise overview of the basics of entomology, and numerous sidebars that highlight and explain key points. Detailed chapters cover each of the major insect groups, describing their physiology, behaviors, feeding habits, reproduction, human interactions, and more. Ideal for nonscience majors and anyone seeking to learn more about insects and their arthropod relatives, Bugs Rule! offers a one-of-a-kind gateway into the world of these amazing creatures. Places a greater emphasis on natural history than standard textbooks on the subject Covers the biology and natural history of all the insect orders Provides a thorough review of the noninsect arthropods, such as spiders, scorpions, centipedes, millipedes, and crustaceans Features more than 830 color photos Highlights the importance of insects and other arthropods, including their impact on human society An online illustration package is available to professors

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One of the New Scientist's™ Best Science Books of 2013 "This is an interesting, well-written introduction to entomology, providing a broad overview of the biology and natural history of insects and related arthropods. Cranshaw and Redak emphasize life histories, select adaptations, ecological importance, and aspects of economic and public health concern. More than 800 full-color photographs and a variety of black-and-white line drawings accompany the text. . . . Having

developed out of a specific need to create an entomology text for nonscience majors, this book is readily accessible to a wide range of readers and will appeal to anyone interested in learning about insects and their kin. . . . Nonscience majors or readers unfamiliar with insect biology will appreciate this discussion of the fascinating diversity of insect life."--Choice "I can't praise this book enough. Bugs Rule! is . . . worth every cent for the wealth of information and fascinating reading that it provides."--Marlene A. Condon, Roanoke Star Online "This book should enable students to identify insects they encounter and it will undoubtedly remove much of the stigma that insects suffer. It cannot help but change students' attitudes that bugs are uninteresting or scary. The volume, supplemented by lectures, will likely become a popular entomology textbook for nonscience majors."--Albert D. Carlson, Quarterly Review of Biology "[T]his is a highly readable and entertaining book on bugs, with lots of superb colour photos and is highly recommended to anyone who wishes to learn more about insect orders they are unfamiliar with."--John Badmin, Journal of the British Entomology and Natural History Society "Written to appeal to non-science students, this book offers a light, informal approach with an easy to read style. It brims with fascinating facts and eye-catching images. It should do exactly what the authors intended, making entomology easily accessible to a wide range of students outside of mainstream science courses."--Peter Smithers, Antennae "Reading it is delightful, and it is likely to ignite further interest for the world of insects."--Marco Ferrante, Bulletin of Insectology

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Looking for a straightforward book on arthropods then this is the one to get. Simple. I purchased this book to help me (the teacher!) teach a high school Entomology class. The level is a bit too much for high school students (unless they have a strong Bio background) however, I imagine it being perfect for an entry level college class. The layout starts with bug basics, and then after a few chapters it

gets into specific orders & families of bugs. My only complaint- as a text book, it is missing any questions that would normally go at the end of a chapter. Its not a show stopper but limits its use as a student text book.

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Wish I had had this book when I was an undergraduate. Might have majored in entomology! Very clear and scientific but still understandable and readable. Fabulous pictures!!

I just received the book and the spine of it is already falling off

An amazing and easy to comprehend book; authors have done a great job putting the whole thing together. Can say that I've learned a lot about insects through reading this!

Entomology several decades ago (when I took it) would have benefited from a book like this one. Major or non-major textbook - or just a fun coffee-table book. Quick - what's YOUR State Insect?

Great book. Very complete and easy to use, even by a non scientist

Bugs Rule is a very special book. It is NOT a textbook for a general entomology course. Instead, it is a book designed for a non-majors course, or for amateurs, or for people simply fans of nature. The book should help people understand the amazing diversity of "bugs." The book is not only about insects. "Bugs", in this case, means insects and other interesting invertebrates that some people might incorrectly call bugs (e.g., spiders, millipedes, etc.). The book has many hundreds of beautiful pictures, and many dozens of stories about the amazing biology of truly interesting animals. I bought several copies of this book to give to parents of elementary- and secondary-school children because this book amazes and explains "bugs" in ways that make us want to learn more, and helps us appreciate the beauty and amazing adaptations of a very diverse variety of animals. It is not a book designed for children, but it is a great book for parents to use to help children learn about bugs, and parents will learn about nature in a way that will create fans of bugs. Buy this book to learn about nature, or buy this book as a Christmas present for those who love nature and want to learn more about insects and other invertebrates. The book was expertly

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