

Narrow Reading Groupings and Suggested Titles

By Topic (the desert)

- *Desert Giant: The World of the Saguaro Cactus*. Barbara Bash. (2002). San Francisco, CA: Sierra Club.
- *Desert Animals*. Deborah Hodge and Pat Stephens. (2008). Toronto: Kids Can Press.
- *Desert Trek: An Eye Opening Journey Through the World's Driest Places*. Marie-Ange Le Rochais and George Newman. (2001). New York: Walker.
- *Dig, Wait, Listen: A Desert Toad's Tale*. April Sayre and Barbara Bash. (2001). New York: Greenwillow.

By Author

- **Seymour Simon**: *Storms; Lightning; Autumn Across America; Winter Across America; Volcanoes; Earthquakes; Wolves*
- **David L. Harrison**: *Volcanoes: Nature's Incredible Fireworks; Rivers: Nature's Wondrous Waterways; Caves: Mysteries Beneath Our Feet; Oceans: The Vast, Mysterious Deep*
- **Cathryn Sill**: *About Arachnids; About Amphibians*
- **Jim Arnosky**: *All About Sharks; All About Owls; All About Alligators; Wolves: A One Whole Day Book*
- **Sandra Markle**: *Outside and Inside Big Cats; Outside and Inside Giant Squid; Growing Up Wild: Wolves; Growing Up Wild: Penguins*
- **Laurence Pringle**: *Whales! Strange and Wonderful; Crows! Strange and Wonderful*
- **Steve Jenkins**: *Hottest, Coldest, Highest, Deepest; Biggest, Strongest, Fastest*
- **Diane Hoyt-Goldsmith**: *Celebrating Ramadan; Celebrating a Quinceañera: A Latina's 15th Birthday Celebration*

By Nonfiction Subgenre

Journal

- *Antarctic Journal: Four Months at the Bottom of the World*. Jennifer Owings Dewey. (2000). New York: HarperCollins.
- *Antarctic Journal: The Hidden Worlds of Antarctica's Animals*. Meredith Hooper. (2001). London: Frances Lincoln.

Question and Answer

- Don't Know Much About . . . Series by Kenneth C. Davis. (including *Don't Know Much About the Pioneers*, *Don't Know Much About History*, *Don't Know Much About Geography*, and more). New York: HarperCollins.

"A to Z" Books

- *Capital: Washington D.C. from A to Z*. Laura Krauss Melmed and Frane Lessac. (2006). New York: Collins.
- *M is for Music*. Kathleen Krull. (2003). New York: Harcourt Children's Books.

Books Focused on a Life Cycle or Process

- *Waiting for Wings*. Lois Ehlert. (2001). New York: Harcourt Children's Books.
- *The Snowflake: A Water Cycle Story*. Neil Waldman. (2003). Brookfield, CT: Millbrook.
- *Pick, Pull, Snap! Where Once a Flower Bloomed*. Lola M. Schaefer and Lindsay Barrett. (2003). New York: HarperCollins.
- *It's a Hummingbird's Life*. Irene Kelly. (2003). New York: Holiday House.
- *Flick a Switch: How Electricity Gets to Your Home*. Barbara Seuling and Nancy Tobin. (2003). Holiday House.

"The Story of..." Books

- *Popcorn!* Elaine Landau and Brian Lies. (2003). Topeka Bindery.
- *How Sweet It Is (and Was): The History of Candy*. Ruth Freeman Swain and John O'Brien. (2003). New York: Holiday House.
- *Ice-Cream Cones for Sale!* Elaine Greenstein. (2003). New York: Arthur A. Levine.
- *Fly High! The Story of Bessie Coleman*. Louise Borden, Mary Kay Kroeger, and Teresa Flavin. (2001). New York: Margaret K. McElderry.

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