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Ultimate Bugopedia: The Most Complete Bug Reference Ever (National Geographic Kids)



Synopsis

Welcome to the hidden world of the most popular bugs on Earth. Opening the beautiful and accessible pages of this book is like turning over a series of stones under which you'll find a fascinating array of the world's coolest creepy-crawlies. This fully photographic book profiles bugs, beetles, wasps, bees, ants, caterpillars, butterflies, dragonflies, spiders, flies, crickets and grasshoppers, and centipedes and millipedes. These profiles are accompanied by Did You Know? facts and fast facts including scientific name, size, diet, and habitat. Front matter includes a How to Use spread and thematic spreads covering topics from prehistoric insects to bugs around the world. In short, this book includes everything a young fact-hound needs to discover the weird, wacky, diverse, and fascinating world of bugs.

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Age Range: 7 - 10 years

Grade Level: 2 - 5

Customer Reviews

This dense yet fascinating book provides information on just about any bug one can imagine (with individual profiles on 83 different species). Budding entomologists will learn about bug life cycles, scientific classifications, communication methods, feeding habits, and much more. The book is broken down into several clearly labeled sections, and a "How to Use This Book"

chapter, along with the detailed table of contents, helps readers navigate through the information. Blocks of texts are used on each page but are not overwhelming, and the language is clear and engaging. Eye-popping color photographs, diagrams, text boxes with supplemental material, and a running fact stream across the bottom of every page also help students learn as much as they possibly can about these creepy-crawlies. Features such as "Talk with an Entomologist" and "How You Can Help" provide other perspectives and allow children to recognize their own role in the life of bugs and our ecosystem. Through the extensive index, researchers can look up topics easily, but the book also lends itself to browsing or just flipping through for fun. A highly recommended work.

—Rita Meade, Brooklyn Public Library, NY

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"This is fantastically creepy fun for nonfiction lovers

The Ultimate Bugopedia is a bug lover's dream.

NC Teacher Stuff blog

"This outstanding book is a must for all library collections and will delight bug-obsessed readers everywhere!

Booklist

I'm a homeschooling mom of 4 so we read a tons of books! This was one of my children's favorites. We were continually checking it out from the library. So I bought it for them this Christmas. The pictures are great and facts very interesting. Even non-readers can enjoy it. There are many NG books that aren't that great but this one is. I also discovered the Ultimate Reptile-opedia yesterday and Bodypedia while at the book store. They too seem to have some meat on the bones.

My science-minded niece (age 10) loves insects. Bought this for her birthday and she carries it with her everywhere, sometimes sending me texts of interesting articles she's been reading. It's a beautifully photographed and well written book. Anything that captures a child's imagination this way gets five stars from me.

This book has great pics. But the text is not as engaging as other bug books I have gotten for my boys. It has more focus on characteristics of insects in general, or as family groups, rather than of specific species. Also, I can see how a 10 year old might like the level of information, but I think 7 is definitely pushing it given the vocabulary difficulty and length of most passages.

Hoyt this book for my seven year old niece. The moment she opened it she was excited. This book

is perfect for an kid who loves insects. The pages are full of colorful pictures and information on tons of bugs. There are so many bugs in this book. So many pages! Great buy

I bought this book to donate to a child's book fair. All the adults who came in contact with this book took turns marveling at it. To be honest, the kid in me wanted to keep it. I recommend this book. It has fun pictures and informative text.

My 6-yr old daughter is really curious about creatures in general, but especially about bugs and she loves this book. The pictures are bright and eye-catching and the writing inspires lots of questions.

Awesome book with amazing close up photographs. My 3 year old is obsessed with bugs. He thoroughly enjoys looking nice through this book which has so much information and so many bugs. And very big beautiful close up photographs.

Interesting bugs. Son has loved it for over a year and will continue to enjoy it as he can read the info (for now he just likes the pics)

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