

Animal Ark Celebrating Our Wild World In Poetry And Pictures National Geographic Kids

In this inspirational two-color book full of poetry and inspiring lessons about the rules of life, Newbery Medal–winning Kwame Alexander shares his own poetic and uplifting words plus quotes from all-star athletes like Stephen Curry and Venus Williams and other wonderfully influential figures like Sonia Sotomayor and Michelle Obama. What can we imagine for our lives? What if we were the star players, moving and grooving through the game of life? What if we had our own rules of the game to help us get what we want, what we aspire to, what will enrich our lives? Illustrated with photographs by Thai Neave, The Playbook is intended to provide inspiration on the court of life. Each rule contains wisdom from inspiring athletes and role models such as Nelson Mandela, Serena Williams, LeBron James, Carl Lloyd, Steph Curry, and Michelle Obama. Kwame Alexander also shares his own stories of overcoming obstacles and winning games in this motivational and inspirational book for readers of any age and for anyone needing a little bit of encouragement. You gotta know the rules to play the game. Ball is life. Take it to the hoop. Soar.

Do you consider your pets family? Do you enjoy reading about lovable animals? Instagram sensation Steve Greig and New York Times bestselling author Mary Rand Hess share Greig's real-life family of senior dogs, chickens, rabbits, and a pig named Bikini in his first children's book that showcases the importance of family. In *The One and Only Wolfgang*, readers will meet Greig's beloved animal family. Greig looked for the most "unadoptable" animals and gave them a home—his home! Strange and unique, *The One and Only Wolfgang* will remind readers that no matter how old or how odd, everyone has a place where they belong. Families will enjoy the unique, whimsical art from Nadja Sarell combined with comical photographs of the Wolfgang. Perfect for children, ages 4-8 Kids will love reading about the lovable animals featured on Steve Greig's Instagram, @Wolfgang2242 - over 900k followers Children will learn about love, friendship and family

From armadillo to zebra, this enchanting picture book pairs the stunning photography of National Geographic photographer Joel Sartore with playful poems by New York Times best-selling author Debbie Levy to represent the letters of the alphabet and celebrate the diversity of the animal world. This unique alphabet book is a dazzling journey through the animal kingdom. It invites children and their families to linger over Sartore's spectacular portraits of animals both familiar and little known, to look these incredible creatures in the eye and marvel at their shape, form, and expression. Each animal is showcased in an original poem by Levy, whose clever, quirky verse and exuberant wordplay will delight readers young and old. The photos are part of Sartore's mission to photograph all the animal species in human care, with special attention given to rare and endangered species. A beautiful gift book for animal lovers of any age, and a very special read-aloud ABC book for young children. More popular National Geographic gift books for animal lovers include: Photo Ark: Celebrating Our Wild World in Poetry and Pictures by Joel Sartore and Kwame Alexander Hey Baby! A Collection of Pictures, Poems, and Stories from Nature's Nursery National Geographic Book of Animal Poetry National Geographic Book of Nature Poetry

When a jazz-loving rooster sets his sights on winning a barnyard talent show, he realizes he can't do it as a solo act. He's up against the talents of Mules Davis's cool duo and Ella Finchgerald's singing group. Acoustic Rooster calls on friends like pianist Duck Ellington, singer Bee Holiday, and percussionist piggy Pepe Ernesto Cruz. Together, the foursome makes beautiful music as they rock the barnyard. And while they may not win first prize, Acoustic Rooster realizes he has the world's best jazz band and that's all that matters. Colorful artwork from artist Tim Bowers (Memoirs of a Goldfish) ensures this story doesn't miss a beat. A glossary of musical terms and instruments rounds out this perfect introduction to jazz for young readers. Kwame Alexander is a poet, publisher, and an award-winning producer of literary programs. He has written for television, the stage, and authored 13 books. He conducts writing/publishing workshops at schools and conferences throughout the country. Kwame lives in the Washington, D.C. area. Tim Bowers has illustrated more than 25 children's books, garnering such awards as the Chicago Public Library's "Best of the Best" list. His work for *Sleeping Bear* includes *First Dog* and *First Dog's White House Christmas*. Tim lives in Granville, Ohio.

Swing
The One and Only Wolfgang Educator's Guide
200 Poems with Photographs That Float, Zoom, and Bloom!
Bad Kitty Gets a Phone (Graphic Novel)
The One and Only Wolfgang Activity Kit
An Animal Alphabet in Poetry and Pictures

A young, orphaned chimpanzee must start at a new school, where he will learn how to climb and build his confidence. Stunning photographs from award-winning photographer Gerry Ellis are sure to captivate young readers and raise awareness about chimps and the threats they face. Little Larry is an orphaned chimpanzee who doesn't know much about being a chimp. He has to go to his first day at the forest school to learn what chimp life is all about. Nestled in a primate sanctuary in Cameroon, Little Larry and his group of chimp friends go to the school each day to learn how to play, communicate, and climb like they would if they were chimps in the wild. The only trouble is, Little Larry doesn't want to learn how to climb. He's perfectly happy on the ground. Will the sanctuary keepers and other chimpanzees be able to teach Little Larry how to climb so he can graduate from forest school? This sweet story, with its beautiful photographs, explores the challenges of going to school, learning, and gaining confidence in yourself. This is a perfect read-aloud tale for children reluctant to try new things, preparing to enter kindergarten, or starting preschool for the very first time.

A Newbery Medalist and a Caldecott Honoree offers a glorious, lyrical ode to poets who have sparked a sense of wonder. Out of gratitude for the poet's art form, Newbery Award-winning author and poet Kwame Alexander, along with Chris Colderley and Marjory Wentworth, present original poems that pay homage to twenty famed poets who have made the authors' hearts sing and their minds wonder. Stunning mixed-media images by Ekua Holmes, winner of a Caldecott Honor and a John Steptoe New Talent Illustrator Award, complete the celebration and invite the reader to listen, wonder, and perhaps even pick up a pen.

If I can inspire more people to be better human beings, to reach more goals, to treasure their loved ones more, then I will have achieved something real and powerful and positive. And maybe that's why I survived. - Phil Britten *** Phil Britten, a 22-year-old captain of the Kingsley Football Club and an Australian Football League hopeful, was on holiday in Bali with his teammates when terrorists bombed the Sari Club on October 12, 2002. Although he escaped, Phil's injuries were life-threatening, with burns to 60% of his body. Grateful to be alive, Phil began tough physical rehabilitation and, through sheer determination, returned to football just six months later. But, the battle was far from over. Fighting depression and the obstacles of his injuries, Phil entered a dark period. Now, ten years on, he is a professional martial artist, successful business owner, and married with two young sons. Told in his own words in this memoir, with contributions from his mother, his rescuers, and his burns physician, Phil's journey of recovery reveals an extraordinary attitude and a life worth living.

Learn how animal parents love and protect their babies in this beautifully illustrated, rhyming picture book! Perfect for families, classrooms and libraries, Baby on Board includes backmatter with a fun matching game and STEM/STEAM activities. You may know that kangaroos carry their babies in pouches, but did you know that alligators keep their babies safe in their jaws, or that baby anteaters take a ride on their mom's backs? Learn about various animals and their babies with realistic illustrations and fun, rhyming text, a great fit for your preschool or elementary classroom, your mom and baby book collection, STEM book and animal book library for kids 3-5 or 5-7. Tucked in pouches, gripped in teeth, Propped on backs, or underneath, This is what some animals do. How did someone carry you? Backmatter Includes: Explore More for Kids: a matching game for how each animal carries its babies! Explore More for Teachers & Parents: STEM/STEAM activities and curriculum starters, such as vocabulary and pronunciation exercises, counting games, and Venn diagram activities

Celebrated Picture Books and Stories to Read Aloud
 He Said, She Said
 National Geographic Kids Photo Ark Limited Earth Day Edition
 Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets
 The 20th Century Children's Book Treasury
 The Exultant Ark

A howling wolf, a stalking tiger, a playful panda, a dancing bird - pairing the stunning photography of National Geographic photographer Joel Sartore with the delicate poetry of Newbery award-winning author Kwame Alexander, this lush picture book celebrates the beauty, diversity, and fragility of the animal world. Featuring more than 40 unique animal portraits, the pages invite kids to explore each creature's markings, textures, and attributes in stunning detail, while calling on all of us to help protect each and every one. Three picture-packed gatefolds inside showcase even more familiar and exotic species. These images are part of Sartore's lifelong project to photograph every animal in the world, with special attention given to disappearing and endangered species.

A compelling collection of stark and haunting images showcases plants and animals threatened by extinction, including the ocelot, the California condor, the Puerto Rican crested toad and many more. Solo by Kwame Alexander and Mary Rand Hess is a New York Times bestseller! Kirkus Reviews said Solo is, "A contemporary hero's journey, brilliantly told." Through the story of a young Black man searching for answers about his life, Solo empowers, engages, and encourages teenagers to move from heartache to healing, burden to blessings, depression to deliverance, and trials to triumphs. Blade never asked for a life of the rich and famous. In fact, he'd give anything not to be the son of Rutherford Morrison, a washed-up rock star and drug addict with delusions of a comeback. Or to no longer be part of a family known most for lost potential, failure, and tragedy, including the loss of his mother. The one true light is his girlfriend, Chapel, but her parents have forbidden their relationship, assuming Blade will become just like his father. In reality, the only thing Blade and Rutherford have in common is the music that lives inside them. And songwriting is all Blade has left after Rutherford, while drunk, crashes his high school graduation speech and effectively rips Chapel away forever. But when a long-held family secret comes to light, the music disappears. In its place is a letter, one that could bring Blade the freedom and love he's been searching for, or leave him feeling even more adrift. Solo: Is written by New York Times bestselling author and Newbery Medal and Coretta Scott King Book Award-winner Kwame Alexander Showcases Kwame's signature intricacy, intimacy, and poetic style, by exploring what it means to finally go home An #OwnVoices novel that features a BIPOC protagonist on a search for his roots and identity Received great reviews from Publishers Weekly, School Library Journal, Booklist, and Kirkus. If you enjoy Solo, check out Swing by Kwame Alexander and Mary Rand Hess.

"Spectacular ... you can almost smell the surf between the pages." The Times "Five stars - if you take only one picture book away this summer, make it this." The Telegraph From Nicola Davies and Emily Sutton, the multi award-winning team behind *Tiny and Lots*, comes a spellbinding collection of poems about the oceans of the world and their shores. With this book, children can swim alongside dolphins and flying fish, pore over rockpools and sail from pole to pole and back, learning about everything from phosphorescence and plankton to manta rays and puffins - all in the comfort of their bedroom. Emily Sutton's exquisite watercolours capture the breathless excitement of a child's first glimpse of the sea, the majesty of ancient trading ships and the sheer, staggering wonder of the humpback whale. The perfect companion to international bestsellers *A First Book of Nature* and *A First Book of Animals*, this book is sure to enthrall and inspire readers of all ages." Ravishing ... the perfect companion to a seaside holiday" The Sunday Times "Just dive in and enjoy" Sunday Express

Surf's Up
 Animal Ark
 The Story of Bali Bombing Survivor Phil Britten
 Swing Educators Guide
 The Playbook
 Photo Ark ABC

In this gorgeously depicted and timeless story of friendship and perseverance, two snails journey to the ark. When Esther woke she knew something curious was happening—a storm was in the air. Not just any storm but the biggest storm the world had ever seen. In lyrical and rhythmic text, with a common refrain of hurry hurry, Esther makes her way to the ark, encountering other animals along the way. Joys, troubles, and journeys are best shared, and so Esther finds her friend Solomon and together—with the help of a small miracle—they find a way to safety. This heartwarming picture book celebrates the importance of community and helping others, featuring two brave snails who embark on the journey of a lifetime.

Our planet's most beautiful and endangered animals come to life in this visually stunning picture book. The photos, by award-winning National Geographic photographer Joel Sartore, represent a lifelong project to make portraits of the world's endangered animals. They are paired with uplifting poetry and prose from Newbery award-winning author Kwame Alexander -- a talented dream team duo to craft a uniquely wonderful book. This special edition includes a free poster highlighting 50 endangered species to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. A howling wolf, a stalking tiger, a playful panda, a dancing bird -- celebrate the beauty, diversity, and fragility of the animal world in this lush picture book that pairs the stunning photography of National Geographic photographer Joel Sartore with the delicate mix of poetry and prose of Newbery award-winning author Kwame Alexander. Featuring more than 40 unique animal portraits, the pages invite kids to explore each creature's markings, textures, and attributes in stunning detail, while calling on all of us to enjoy and help protect each and every one. Three picture-packed gatefolds inside showcase even more familiar and exotic species. These images are part of Sartore's lifelong project to photograph every captive animal species in the world, with special attention given to saving endangered species.

The people, places, and events of Nebraska are recorded in this collection of images taken during the photographer's ten thousand miles of travel throughout his home state, on an odyssey that takes him from the Wayne Chicken Show to Omaha and everywhere in between. Original. Nature documentaries often depict animal life as a grim struggle for survival, but this visually stunning book opens our eyes to a different, more scientifically up-to-date way of looking at the animal kingdom. In more than one hundred thirty striking images, The Exultant Ark celebrates the full range of animal experience with dramatic portraits of animal pleasure ranging from the charismatic and familiar to the obscure and bizarre. These photographs, windows onto the inner lives of pleasure seekers, show two polar bears engaged in a bout of wrestling, hoary marmots taking time for a friendly chase, Japanese macaques enjoying a soak in a hot spring, a young bull elk sticking out his tongue to catch snowflakes, and many other rewarding moments. Biologist and best-selling author Jonathan Balcombe is our guide, interpreting the images within the scientific context of what is known about animal behavior. In the end, old attitudes fall away as we gain a heightened sense of animal individuality and of the pleasures that make life worth living for all sentient beings.

National Geographic the Photo Ark Limited Earth Day Edition
 From pet rescue to one big happy family
 Where the Crawdads Sing
 Nebraska
 Acoustic Rooster and His Barnyard Band
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Unparalleled in scope and quality and designed for reading aloud and sharing, this splendid anthology brings together some of the most memorable and beloved children's books of our time. Here are classics such as *Madeline* and *Curious George*; contemporary bestsellers such as *Guess How Much I Love You* and *The Stinky Cheese Man*; Caldecott Medal winners such as *Make Way for Ducklings* and *Where the Wild Things Are*; and family favorites such as *Goodnight Moon*, *The Sneetches*, *Winnie-the-Pooh*, and *Alexander & The Terrible, No Good Very Bad Day*, soon to be a motion picture. The selections range from concept books and wordless books to picture books and short read-aloud stories, and represent the complete array of childhood themes and reading needs: ABCs, number and color books, stories about going to bed and going to school; tales about growing up, siblings, parents, and grandparents; animal stories, fantasies; fables; magical stories; stories about everyday life—and more. This beautiful edition includes a recommended list of books published in the time since this anthology's original compilation, including Caldecott Honors Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! and *Olivia*, with descriptive annotations intended to guide parents to these new books and new voices of the 21st century. Also included are an introduction from editor Janet Schulman, capsule biographies of the 62 writers and artists represented in the collection, color-coded running heads indicating age levels, and indexes. As a gift, a keepsake, and a companion in a child's first steps toward a lifelong love of reading, *The 20th Century Children's Book Treasury* belongs in every family's bookcase.

The true story of social media sensation Esther the Wonder Pig and her two dads that inspired the New York Times bestselling memoir for adults is now available in a picture book with adorable illustrations and a message of love. When Steve and Derek adopted a mini pig named Esther, they had no idea that she would turn out to be not-so-mini after all. When her new family saw just how big and wonderful Esther really was, they fell in love—and their lives changed forever. Esther would soon grow too large for her bed, and their small apartment. She got into everything, including her neighbor's tasty garden. So the whole family moved from a small apartment to a big farm, where Esther and her animal friends could fit happily (and get into a little less mischief). Eventually, that farm would become the Happy Esther After animal sanctuary, home to rescued animals of all kinds.

Wisdom from the Harlem Renaissance
 One Amazing Elephant

Under a Big Red Sky
 Undefeated
 National Geographic Book of Nature Poetry

The phenomenally successful *Bad Kitty* series is purr-fect for fans of Dav Pilkey's *Dog Man* and Ben Clanton's *Narwhal and Jelly* series, reluctant readers, comic book fans, and cranky cats. *Bad Kitty* will not be good until her owners cave and get her a cell phone in this next, full color chapter book in Nick Bruel's New York Times bestselling series. Kitty has everything any cat could want--a warm bed, plenty of fresh litter, a machine that dispenses food whenever she wants! But Kitty isn't satisfied. She has her eye on something that will make her the happiest, most grateful cat in town. Something all the other cats have but that her owners refuse to get her! Something she desperately needs! Kitty wants...a cell phone. And she can have one if she does all her chores with zero complaints. But can she handle the responsibility? What do you think? Like lightning/you strike/fast and free/legs zoom/down field/eyes fixed/on the checkered ball/on the goal/ten yards to go/can't nobody stop you/can't nobody cop you... Twelve-year-old Nick is a football-mad boy who absolutely hates books. In this follow-up to the Newbery-winning novel *The Crossover*, football, family, love, and friendship take centre stage as Nick tries to figure out how to navigate his parents' break-up, stand up to bullies, and impress the girl of his dreams. These challenges – which seem even harder than scoring a tie-breaking, game-winning goal – change his life, as well as his best friend's. This energetic novel-in-verse by the poet Kwame Alexander captures all the thrills and setbacks, the action and emotion of a World Cup match.

"One Last Word is the work of a master poet." --Kwame Alexander, Newbery Medal-winning author of *The Crossover* From the New York Times bestselling and Coretta Scott King award-winning author Nikki Grimes comes an emotional, special new collection of poetry inspired by the Harlem Renaissance--paired with full-color, original art from today's most exciting African-American illustrators. Inspired by the writers of the Harlem Renaissance, bestselling author Nikki Grimes uses "The Golden Shovel" poetic method to create wholly original poems based on the works of master poets like Langston Hughes, Georgia Douglas Johnson, Jean Toomer, and others who enriched history during this era. Each poem is paired with one-of-a-kind art from today's most exciting African American illustrators--including Pat Cummings, Brian Pinkney, Sean Qualls, James Ransome, Javaka Steptoe, and many more--to create an emotional and thought-provoking book with timely themes for today's readers. A foreword, an introduction to the history of the Harlem Renaissance, author's note, poet biographies, and index makes this not only a book to cherish, but a wonderful resource and reference as well. A 2017 New York Public Library Best Kids Book of the Year A Kirkus Reviews Best Book of 2017, Middle Grade A School Library Journal Best Book of 2017, Nonfiction

Joel Sartore is a National Geographic photographer and founder of the Photo Ark. This project raises awareness of all animals. Joel wants people to care for, fall in love with, and take action to help save these animals. Easy Pumpkin Carving
 A First Book of Animals
 One Last Word
 One Man's Quest to Document the World's Animals
 Birds of the Photo Ark
 Little Larry Goes to School

This lush book of photography represents National Geographic's Photo Ark, a major cross-platform initiative and lifelong project by photographer Joel Sartore to make portraits of the world's animals-especially those that

are endangered. His powerful message, conveyed with humor, compassion, and art- to know these animals is to save them.Sartore intends to photograph every animal in captivity in the world. He is circling the globe, visiting zoos and wildlife rescue centers to create studio portraits of 12,000 species, with an emphasis on those facing extinction. He has photographed more than 6,000 already and now, thanks to a multi-year partnership with National Geographic, he may reach his goal. This book showcases his animal portraits- from tiny to mammoth, from the Florida grasshopper sparrow to the greater one-horned rhinoceros. Paired with the eloquent prose of veteran wildlife writer Douglas Chadwick, this book presents a thought-provoking argument for saving all the species of our planet.

When words in verse are paired with the awesomeness of nature, something magical happens! Beloved former U.S. Poet Laureate J. Patrick Lewis curates an exuberant poetic celebration of the natural world in this stellar collection of nature poems. From trickling streams to deafening thunderstorms to soaring mountains, discover majestic photography perfectly paired with contemporary (such as Billy Collins), classics (such as Robert Frost), and never-before-published works. From the Hardcover edition.

A poignant middle grade animal story from talented author Linda Oatman High that will appeal to fans of Katherine Applegate’s The One and Only Ivan. In this heartwarming novel, a girl and an elephant face the same devastating loss—and slowly realize that they share the same powerful love. Twelve-year-old Lily Pruitt loves her grandparents, but she doesn’t love the circus—and the circus is their life. She’s perfectly happy to stay with her father, away from her neglectful mother and her grandfather’s beloved elephant, Queenie Grace. Then Grandpa Bill dies, and both Lily and Queenie Grace are devastated. When Lily travels to Florida for the funeral, she keeps her distance from the elephant. But the two are mourning the same man—and form a bond born of loss. And when Queenie Grace faces danger, Lily must come up with a plan to help save her friend.

"This ... celebration of birds from around the world unites ... animal portraits from Joel Sartore's ... National Geographic Photo Ark project with ... text by up-and-coming birder Noah Strycker. It includes hundreds of species, from tiny finches to charismatic eagles; brilliant toucans, intricate birds of paradise, and perennial favorites such as parrots, hummingbirds, and owls also make colorful appearances"--Amazon.com.

Snail's Ark

The Photo Ark

Portraits of America's Endangered Species

Celebrating Our Wild World in Poetry and Pictures

The Day I Met the Nuts

The One and Only Wolfgang

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NorthSouth Books will make a splash with Surf’s Upby Newbery Medal winner Kwame Alexander, illustrated by the talented, mischievous Daniel Miyares.”

Sparks will fly in this hip-hop-hot teen novel that mixes social protest and star-crossed romance, from Newbery Medal and Coretta Scott King Honor-winning author Kwame Alexander! He Said, She Said is perfect for fans of Walter Dean Myers and Rachel Vail alike. He says: Omar "T-Diddy" Smalls has got it made—a full football ride to UMiami, hero-worship status at school, and pick of any girl at West Charleston High. She says: Football, shmootball. Here’s what Claudia Clarke cares about: Harvard, the poor, the disenfranchised, the hungry, the staggering teen pregnancy rate, investigative journalism . . . the list goes on. She does not have a minute to waste on Mr. T-Diddy Smalls and his harem of bimbos. He Said, She Said is a fun and fresh novel from Kwame Alexander that throws these two high school seniors together when they unexpectedly end up leading the biggest social protest this side of the Mississippi—with a lot of help from Facebook and Twitter. The stakes are high, the romance is hot, and when these worlds collide, watch out!

An extensive look at nature in verse. An essential introduction to the animal world with exquisitely modern illustrations.

Song of the Wild

Wild Life!

The True Adventures of Esther the Wonder Pig

Solo Educator’s Guide

A Pictorial Tour of Animal Pleasure

A First Book of the Sea

NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE—The #1 New York Times bestselling worldwide sensation with more than 15 million copies sold, hailed by The New York Times Book Review as “a painfully beautiful first novel that is at once a murder mystery, a coming-of-age narrative and a celebration of nature.” For years, rumors of the “Marsh Girl” have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. Then the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life—until the unthinkable happens. Where the Crawdads Sing is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent secrets that nature keeps.

A young boy attends a birthday party and has an allergic reaction to the nut-filled birthday cake. A doctor treats him with a shot and tells him he must stay away from all nuts. The child is upset since many of his favorite foods contain traces of nuts. However, he and his mother discover plenty of other good foods at the grocery store and, the next day at school, he starts the “no nuts allowed” club at the nut-free cafeteria table.

Celebrated National Geographic photojournalist Sartore continues his Photo Ark quest, photographing species around the world that are escaping extinction thanks to human efforts. The animals featured in these pages are either destined for extinction or already extinct in the wild but still alive today, thanks to dedication of a heroic group committed to their continued survival.

“... Facts, conservation success stories, and profiles of people working hard to find and protect the rarest of . . . species”--Provided by publisher.

Spooktacular Patterns, Tips & Ideas

A Look at Nature’s Odd Ducks, Underfrogs, and Other At-Risk Species

Rare

Baby on Board

Joel Sartore: Saving Endangered Animals

How Animals Carry Their Young

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Carve the perfect Halloween masterpiece! Whether you’re a first-time pumpkin carver or an experienced pro, create the best jack-o-lantern on the block with this handy guide. Impress those trick-or-treaters with clever, easy-to-carve pumpkin ideas. Easy Pumpkin Carving offers tips and tricks for fang-tastic pumpkin carving with techniques that go way beyond traditional methods. Create luminary pumpkins and etched pumpkins, combine multiple pumpkins in creative ways, or embellish pumpkins without even touching a knife. With inspirational color photos and a dozen ready-to-use pumpkin carving patterns, you’re sure to have a spooktacular Halloween with this book.

In this YA novel in verse from bestselling authors Kwame Alexander and Mary Rand Hess (Solo), which Kirkus called “lively, moving, and heartfelt” in a starred review, Noah and Walt just want to leave their geek days behind and find “cool,” but in the process discover a lot about first loves, friendship, and embracing life ... as well as why Black Lives Matter is so important for all. Best friends Noah and Walt are far from popular, but Walt is convinced junior year is their year, and he has a plan that includes wooing the girls of their dreams and becoming amazing athletes. Never mind he and Noah failed to make their baseball team yet again, and Noah ’s crush since third grade, Sam, has him firmly in the friend zone. While Walt focuses on his program of jazz, podcasts, batting cages, and a “Hug Life” mentality, Noah feels stuck in status quo ... until he stumbles on a stash of old love letters. Each one contains words Noah ’s always wanted to say to Sam, and he begins secretly creating artwork using the lines that speak his heart. But when his art becomes public, Noah has a decision to make: continue his life in the dugout and possibly lose the girl forever, or take a swing and finally speak out. At the same time, American flags are being left around town. While some think it ’s a harmless prank and others see it as a form of protest, Noah can ’t shake the feeling something bigger is happening to his community. Especially after he witnesses events that hint divides and prejudices run deeper than he realized. As the personal and social tensions increase around them, Noah and Walt must decide what is really important when it comes to love, friendship, sacrifice, and fate. Swing: is written by New York Times bestselling author and Newbery Medal and Coretta Scott King Award-winner Kwame Alexander Features a diverse array of characters and perspectives tackles the biggest social issues of today, including racial prejudice and Black Lives Matter is perfect reading for the classroom or community-wide discussions is a 2020 YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Young Adult Readers contains original artwork tied to the story If you enjoy Swing, check out Solo by Kwame Alexander and Mary Rand Hess.

52 Rules to Aim, Shoot, and Score in This Game Called Life

Solo