

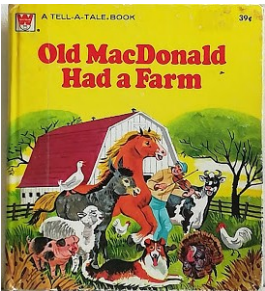
Books to Check Out—Animals

Farm animals & Pets

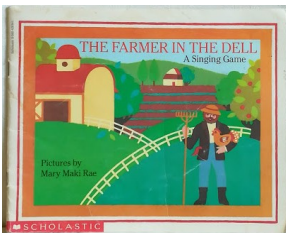
Baby Animals

Animals in general

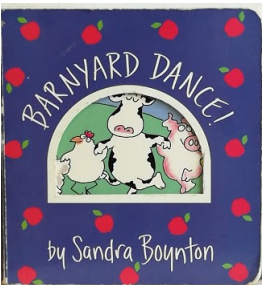
Zoo & Wild animals



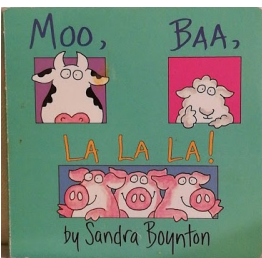
Illustrated Old MacDonald song. Engaging, fairly realistic illustrations. Includes chicks, horses, turkeys, ducks, pigs, cows, dogs of various varieties, donkeys, sheep; recap with humorous illustrations, all appear to be singing.



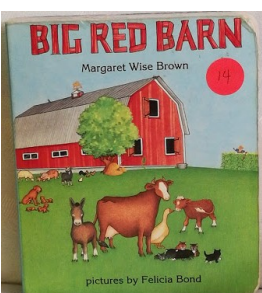
Illustrated lyrics to the song. Engaging, but not as realistic illustrations. Appears to be set in the early 1900s. Interesting historical information at the back.



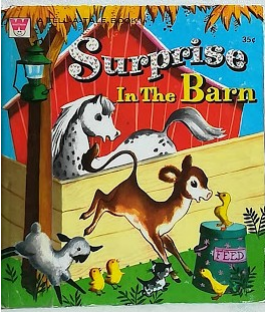
You can almost hear the music as you dramatize this engaging little board book. Reminds one of a square dance.



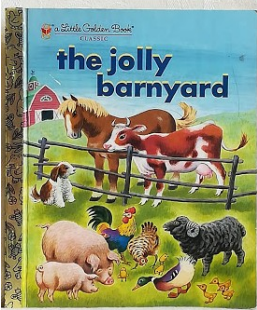
Board Book—farm animal sounds (and rhinoceroses); simple rhyming text.



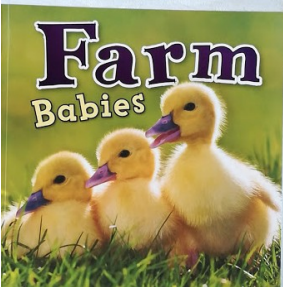
Board Book—exploring the animals that live in a barn. DRA level 14; 1st grade readers, but great as a read aloud for non-readers.



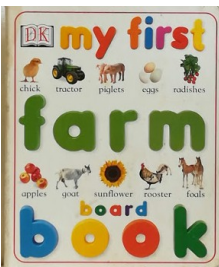
"one morning Farmer Hank woke up cranky as a bear, cross as a pup, and grumpy as a groundhog . . . Nothing ever changes around this place," he says. But when he goes out to do chores, he starts finding all sorts of surprises. By the end of the day he's whistling, dancing, and happy as could be. "Things sure have changed around this place," he tells his wife with a beaming face. Read aloud.



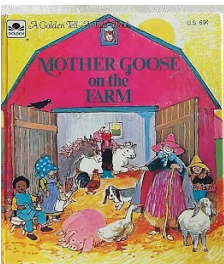
Written in rhyming couplets, one per page, and illustrated with fairly realistic, yet not static drawings. It's farmer Brown's birthday, so he delights in giving all the animals a treat—their favorite food. They then give back, each one's best. And then Farmer Brown gets a treat—birthday cake.



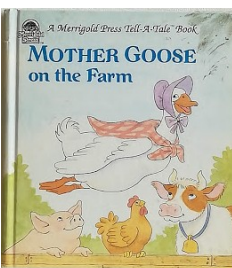
Great photos, each animal gets a paragraph or so of informative text in a large font. Includes pig, cat, sheep, dog, pony, wild rabbit, donkey, llama, chicken, goat, horse, sheep, turkey, sheep-pig, jersey cow, alpaca, guinea fowl, duck, ostrich, pot-bellied pig, texas long-horn cow, and goose.



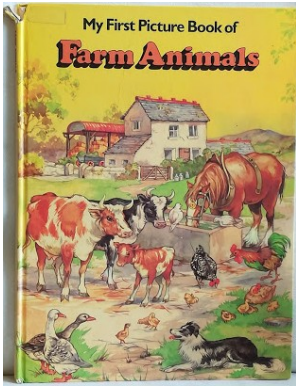
Board Book. Great photos, simply labeled. Includes animals, machines, fruit & vegetables, cereal (grain growing), farm shop products, and counting. DK my first word books series, other titles on back cover.



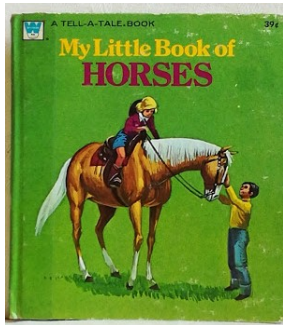
Golden Book's version—Mother Goose rhymes that have to do with a farm.



Marigold Press Tell-A-Tale version—not all the exact same rhymes as above.



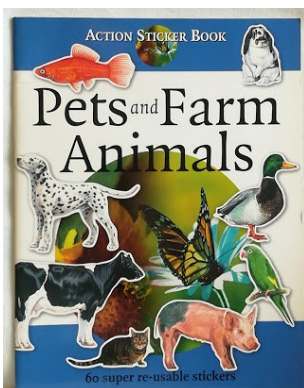
Although published in the US, the illustrator was British, and the farm depicted looks very old world. Large, beautifully illustrated with brief informative text.



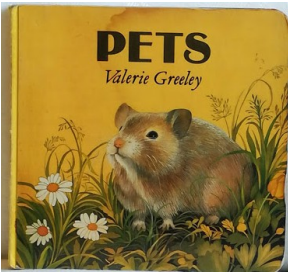
Tells briefly about various breeds and their jobs. Read aloud or use as a springboard for conversation.



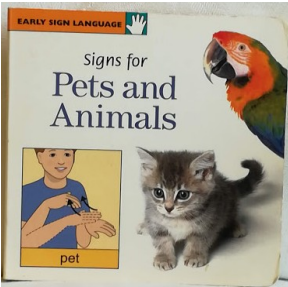
Forever US postage stamps—pets.



Sticker book. The stickers will be of more interest to early learners than the text. Nice illustrations. A variety of animals, as well as varieties of cats and dogs.



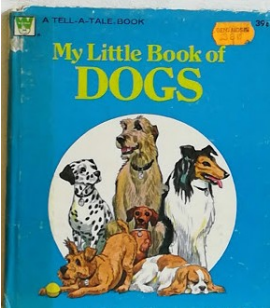
Wordless board book, beautifully and realistically illustrated.



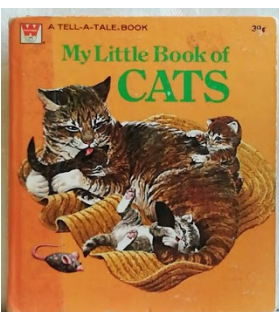
Board Book. Great photos of animals, labeled in English, and simple illustrations of how to sign the words. Nice variety of domestic and wild animals.



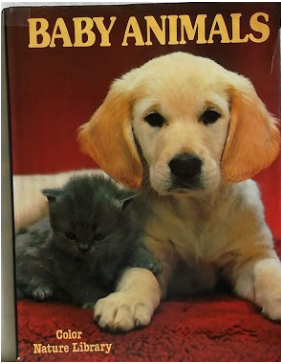
Various breeds of dogs and their characteristics, & jobs. Realistically illustrated with fairly brief text.



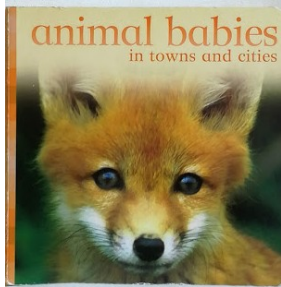
Various breeds of dogs and their characteristics, & jobs. Realistically illustrated with fairly brief text. Includes a vet taking care of a sick dog. Read aloud..



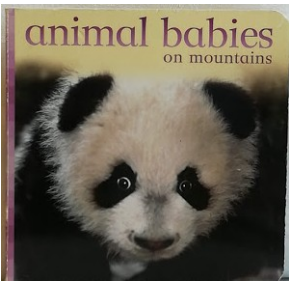
Various breeds of cats and their characteristics. Realistically illustrated with fairly brief text. Condemns rather strongly "cruel, thoughtless" persons who leave cats in alleys. Read aloud.



A great picture/browsing book—nice large photos of animal babies and their moms. Text could be summarized by a reader, or just engage the child in conversation about the pictures.



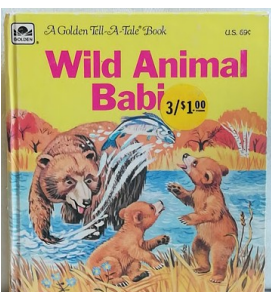
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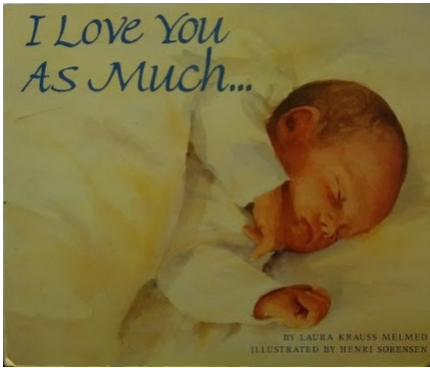
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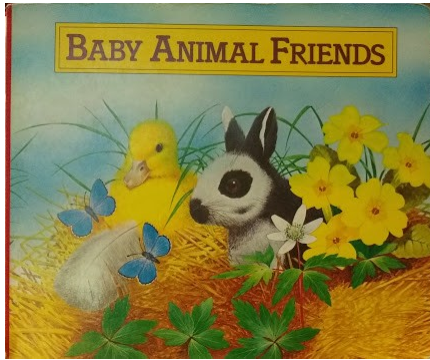
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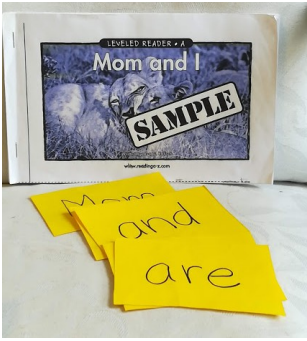
Simple and brief text about the lives and families of baby animals. Pleasant, realistic illustrations.



Large board book. Double page nearly life like illustrations (nice art), 2 sentences per double page, rhyming, repetition; animal babies, love, families.



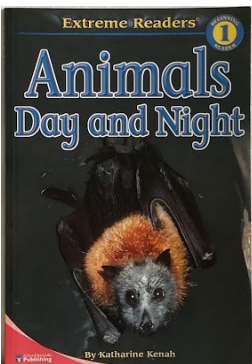
Board book. Vocabulary building brief text in noticeable font. Opportunities to talk about colors. Realistic full page illustrations. Puppy, butterflies, kitten, calf, birds, foal, goat, lamb, bumblebee



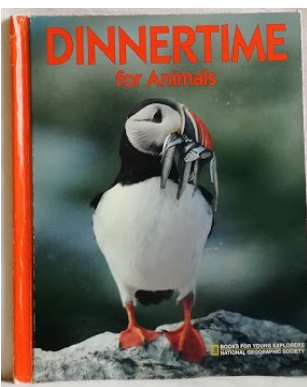
Simple repetitive text, one sentence per page. Word count 40. Reading level A. Nice photos. Shown with simple vocabulary cards for emergent readers. www.readinga-z.com has a great leveled reading program (as well as science and languages).



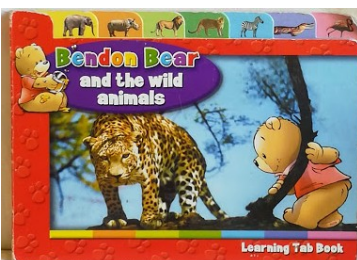
A google-eye book for toddlers, but the simple rhyming text and the conversation can extend the audience of this board book.



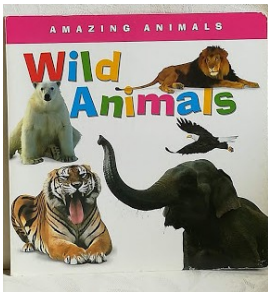
Simple repetitive text tells about nocturnal animals, and what they do in the day and night. Great large photos. Back cover grades it for pre-k to k in interest level, ages 3-6, guided reading level for the emergent reader. Extreme Readers series.



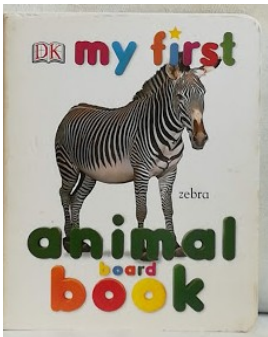
Great large photos, not difficult text in a large font.



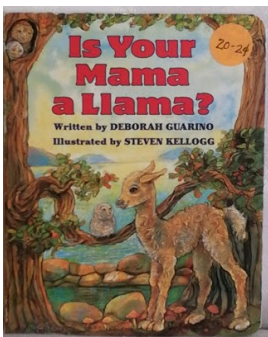
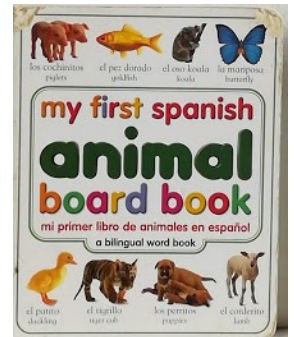
Nice photos, simple brief text; Bendon Bear provides some humor as well as an opportunity to talk about how to treat animals, and likely consequences. Other titles in the series: Bendon Bear and the Forest Animals, Bendon Bear and the Farm Animals, Bendon Bear and the Gentle Animals.



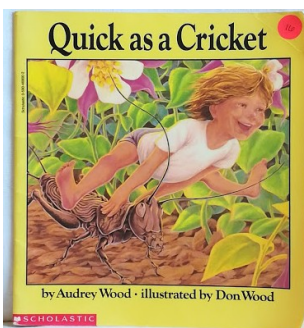
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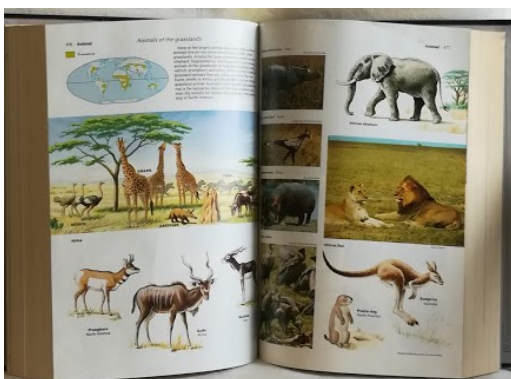
Board Book—nice photos of animals by category. Lots of opportunities to compare and converse, make animal sounds, relate to the child's interests and abilities and body structure, etc. Bilingual edition at right.



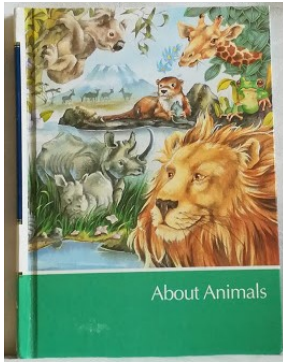
Board Book—characteristics of various animals: bat, swan, cow, seal, kangaroo, llama. DRA reading level 20-24, 2nd grade . . . but a great read aloud for younger children.



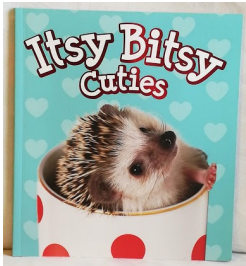
Simple rhyming text relates how a child could at times be like a number of animals (somewhat anthropomorphized). Beautiful large illustrations. DRA level 16, so a second grader could likely read by mid-year. But children much younger will enjoy having it read to them.



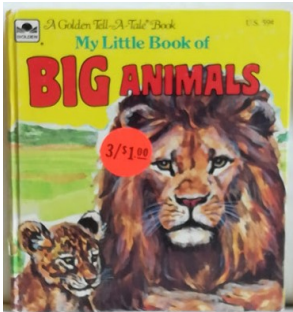
World Book Encyclopedia is full of great pictures, charts, information . . . a great browsing book, and the pictures are worth thousands of words. Over 40 pages in the Article about Animals—includes their habitats, kinds, ways of life, body structures . . . very accessible with pictures and illustrated charts. A treat to look at!



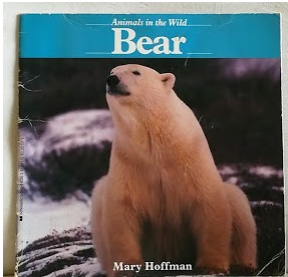
Lots of good photos and illustrations for browsing and conversing. Text would need to be summarized for early learners.



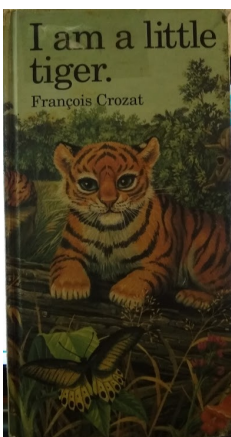
Don't judge this book by its cover—great photos of animals in their natural settings—seahorses to chameleons, and lots of cute mammals as well. Each page mostly photos, with some accessible, informative text. Depending on attention span, it doesn't have to be read all in one sitting. Nice picture/browsing book, too.



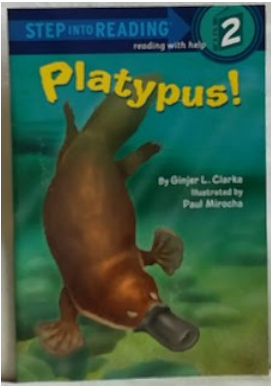
Essentially a trip through the zoo, with a whale of an ending (too big for the zoo). Rhyming quatrains and fairly realistic illustrations, mostly one page per animal. Not terribly informative text, but an easy introduction to a variety of animals.



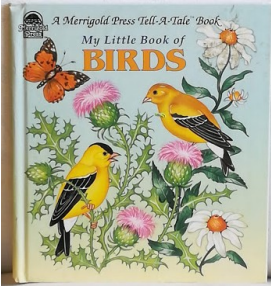
Great photos and informative text about a variety of bears. Depending on attention span, text may be summarized, or just look and and talk about the pictures. Animals in the Wild series.



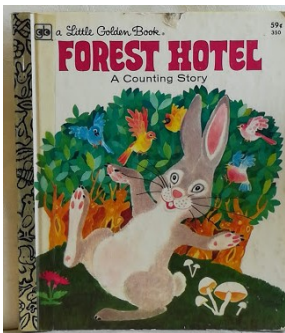
Tall, thick board book. Double page fairly realistic illustrations depict the tiger family, other animals, and the habitat. One to two simple sentences per page. Informative, with just a bit of personification. Plenty of details in the pictures for generating conversation and encouraging thinking skills. Other titles in the series on the back cover.



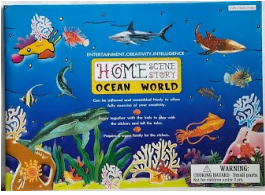
Simple text, gentle, realistic illustrations. Reading with help: pre-school to 1st grade. Information about a different kind of animal.



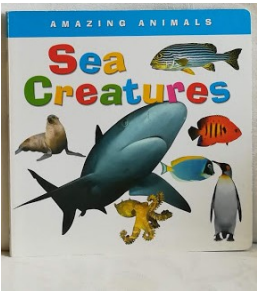
Nice illustrations, informative text. A variety of birds.



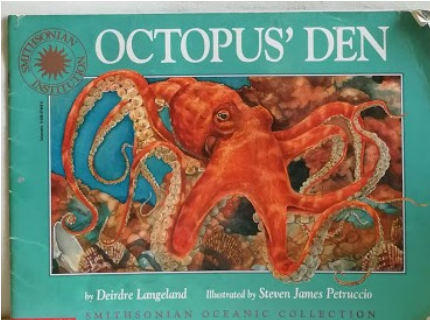
A read-aloud counting book with a more involved story.



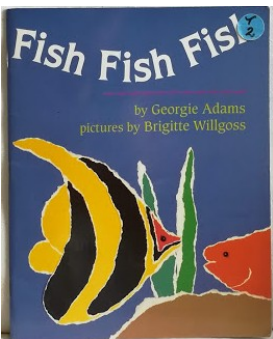
Sticker book with different scenes of the ocean to place them in.



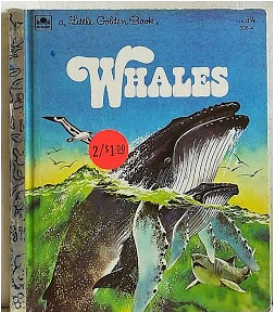
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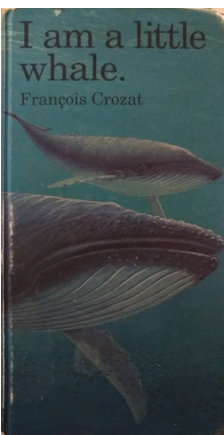
Great illustrations; somewhat involved text for early learners, could be summarized if needed.



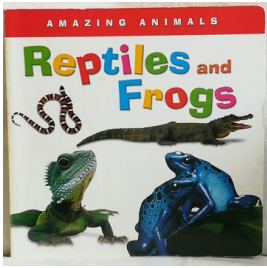
A simple, lyric, partly informative, introduction to fish. Artwork is more artistic than realistic, but suitable for the text. Lots of descriptive words.



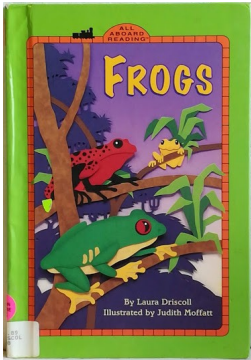
Good illustrations and informative text.



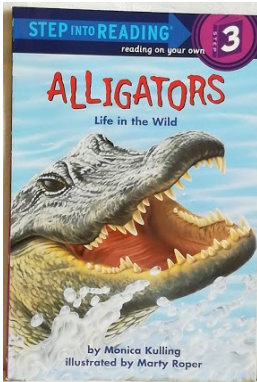
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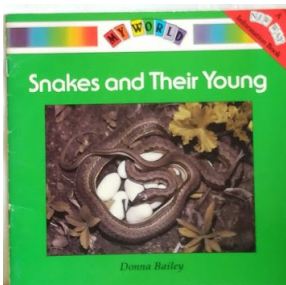
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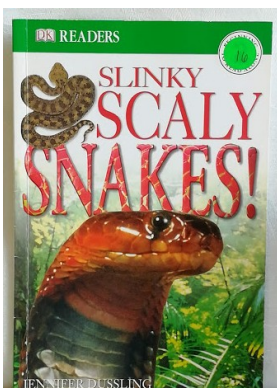
Simple, informative text and artistic yet realistic enough illustrations. Level 1 for preschool to first grade readers, younger listeners.



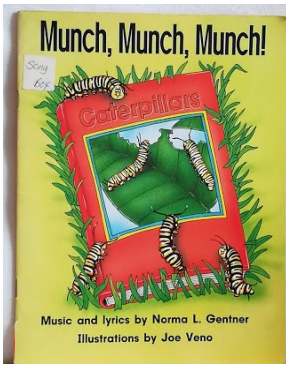
Although written for readers grades 1-3, the action packed illustrations encourage interest and conversation at the very least.



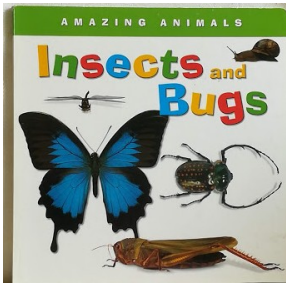
Good photos and illustrations are as informative as the simple text in a large font. My World series about animals.



Interesting and informative photos, encourage discussion. Text is not difficult; written for children beginning to read alone. DK Readers series. DRA level 16; mid 2nd grade.



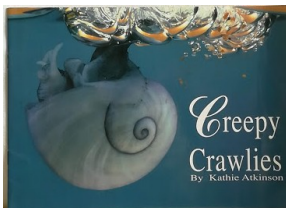
Simple repetitive, rhyming lyrics; musical notation inside back cover. Engaging story and illustrations, life cycle of caterpillars.



Board Book—brief text, nice photos. Conversation stimulator. Amazing Animals series.



Great photos, two words per page in large font. A variety of insects. Further information at the end. Science Emergent Readers series.



Different ways of locomotion for various small creatures—comparing different species. Great photos, half simple sentence per page. Good movement vocabulary.



Illustrated lyrics to the song. Word count 38. Although the illustrations of this particular book are not that great, they have a lot that are good. www.readinga-z.com has a great leveled reading program (as well as a leveled science program, and languages).

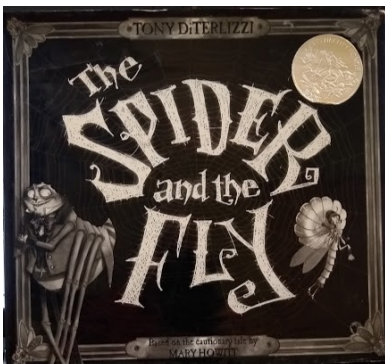


Illustration of the classic poem by Mary Howitt, the illustrator draws "inspiration from one of his loves, the classic Hollywood horror movies of the 1920s and 1930s". All black, a little white and grey. The text may need some explanation for early learners. A Caldecott Honor book.