

Reading and Writing Science Books?

Paths to Creating Authentic Informational Texts

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Getting Started with Structure: Mentor Texts for Science Writing

Poetry

Joyful Noise, by Sid Fleishman

Song of the Waterboatman and other Pond Poems, by Joyce Sidman

Flicker Flash, by Joan Bransfield Graham

Haiku Hike, by 4th grade students of St. Mary's Catholic School in Mansfield, MA (published by Scholastic)

Science Journaling

Salamander Rain: A Lake and Pond Journal, by Kristin Joy Pratt-Serafini

Saguaro Moon: A Desert Journal, by Kristin Joy Pratt-Serafini

The Robin Makes a Laughing Sound: A Birder's Journal, by Sallie Wolfe

ABC Books

The Skull Alphabet Book, by Jerry Pallotta

Gone Wild: An Endangered Animal Alphabet, by David McLimans

A is for Astronaut: Exploring Space from A to Z, by Traci Todd

Description

Never Smile at a Monkey, by Steve Jenkins

A Seed is Sleepy, by Dianna Hutts Aston

Animal Dads, by Sneed B. Collard III

Other Great Considerations

Ocean Seasons, by Ron Hirschi (cycles in nature)

White is for Blueberry, by George Shannon (different perspectives)

Lifetimes: The Amazing Numbers in Animal Lives, by Lola M. Schaefer (numbers)

Bookmaking Forms

1. Instant Book
2. Wolfsnail on the Move Book (*Wolfsnail*, Campbell, Boyds Mills Press, 2008)
3. Fibonacci Folding Book (*Growing Patterns*, Campbell, Boyds Mills Press, 2010)
4. Fractal Pop-up Book (*Mysterious Patterns*, Campbell, Boyds Mills Press, 2014)



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