

Worlds of Words 2023

Grade K-1 Global Information Books

	Global Books	Level Info	Genre Date	Global Context	Themes/Plot of Global Books
Science	<i>Amazing Gorillas</i> , Sarah Thomson	I Can Read 2 (N)	Info 2006	Africa	Gorillas and their habitats and life. Photos. Also, <i>Amazing Whales</i> and <i>Amazing Tigers</i>
	<i>Animals Work</i> , Ted Lewin	I Like to Read, (C)	Info 2015	Global	The types of work animals do in different global locations.
	<i>Arctic Animals</i> , Jennifer Szymanski	Nat'l Geographic Readers 2	Info 2023	Arctic	Animal species that live in the ice-covered Arctic and how they survive. Photographs
	<i>Baby Whales Drink Milk</i> , Barbara Esbensen	32 pp (M) Science 1	Info 2000	Global	Behaviors of humpback whales, with focus on their characteristics as mammals.
	<i>Before After</i> , Anne-Margot Ramstein	Wordless	Concept 2014	France Tr	Before and after sequences that are clever, humorous, and complex.
	<i>Can You See Me?</i> Ted Lewin	I Like to Read (C)	Info 2015	Costa Rica	The ways that rainforest animals blend into their environments.
	<i>A Dream for Every Season</i> , Haddy N'jie & Lisa Aisato	RL 2.8	Concept 2022	Norway Tr	Highlights the beauty of seasons including the changes and special qualities of each season in Norway. Uses poetic rhymes in a bedtime lullaby.
	<i>In the Rainforest</i> , Kate Duke	32 pp Science 2	Info 2014	South America	Plants and animals in rainforest ecosystem

<i>Listen to Our World</i> , Bill Martin Jr.	32 pp 540 L	Info 2016	Global	Human and animals start the day by greeting their babies. Repetitive text that rhymes
<i>Look!</i> , Ted Lewin	I Like to Read (D)	Info 2014	Global	The actions of animals around the world.
National Geographic Kids & National Geographic Readers	Level 2 (L to O)	Info	Global	Photos and brief text. Titles include <i>Frogs!</i> (L), <i>Snakes</i> (M), <i>Penguins</i> (N), <i>Weird Sea Creatures</i> (N), <i>Pandas</i> (N), <i>Safari</i> (D)
Nic Bishop Animal Series	Scholastic Level 2 (N)	Info	Global	Beginner reader series each on one animal – <i>Lizards</i> , <i>Snakes</i> , <i>Spiders</i> , <i>Butterflies</i>
<i>Red-Eyed Tree Frog</i> , Joy Cowley and Nic Bishop.	490L (I) 32 pp	Info 2006	Central America	Frog in a rainforest spends the night searching for food. Outstanding photos.
Scholastic Discover More Readers	Level 1 and 2	Info	Global	Photos and brief text. Titles include <i>Planets</i> (N), <i>Fantastic Frogs</i> (O)
<i>Slow, Slow Sloths</i> , Bonnie Bader	Penguin Young Readers 2	Info 2016	Latin America	Photos and facts about the life of sloths. Also, <i>Giraffes</i> , Jennifer Dussling
<i>What Am I? Where Am I?</i> Ted Lewin	I Like to Read (C)	Info 2014	Global	Guessing games of names of animals and where they live
<i>To Change a Planet</i> , Christina Soontornvat	32 pp 260 L	Info 2022	Global	Reveals the causes of climate change and suggests possible solutions.
<i>Water Land: Land and Water Forms Around the World</i> , Christy Hale	32 pp	Info 2018	Global	Die-cut pages identify water bodies and corresponding land masses to see how connections between earth and water.

	<i>Welcome Home, Bear</i> , Il Sung Na	32 pp 350 L (H)	FAN 2015	Global	Bear is tired of his home and roams the world, visiting animals in their habitats. An intro to animal habitats.
Social Studies	<i>B My Name is Boy</i> , Dawn Masi	32 pp RL 1.1	Concept 2023	Global	Alphabet book with each letter celebrating the names of boys from different parts of the world. See also <i>G My Name is Girl</i> .
	<i>Back to School: A Global Journey</i> , Maya Ajmera	RL 1.5	Info 2019	Global	What, where and how children experience school in different parts of the world.
	<i>Bread Bread Bread</i> , Ann Morris	28 pp 280L (E/F)	Info 1993	Global	Simple text and photos celebrate bread around the world. See also, <i>Shoes Shoes Shoes, Hats Hats Hats, On the Go, Tools, Families, Houses and Homes</i>
	<i>Chinese Kite Festival</i> , Rich Lo	32 pp	Concept 2021	China	Introduces animal names and their significance in Chinese culture through kites. English and simplified Chinese.
	<i>Chinese New Year Colors</i> , Rich Lo	32 pp	Info 2019	China	Colors to highlight different New Year's traditions. English and simplified Chinese
	<i>Come Out and Play</i> , Maya Ajmera	350 L	Info 2020	Global	Photos of children playing games from over 35 countries. It's a Kid's World series.
	<i>First Experiences Series</i> , Ifeoma Onyefulu	32 pp	Info	Ghana Ethiopia	First experiences of young children. Photos. <i>Devon Goes to Nursery School, Grandma Comes to Stay, Vicky Goes to the Doctor, Omer's Favorite Place, New Shoes for Helen, Ife's First Haircut</i>
	<i>From My Window</i> , Otavio Junior & Vanina Starkoff	32 pp (L)	Info 2020	Brazil	The author's experiences of growing up in a favela in Rio de Janeiro.

<i>I am You: A Book about Ubuntu</i> , Robin Refiloe and Zinelda McDonald	32 pp RL 1.7	Concept 2022	South Africa	Ubuntu is the belief that “I am because you are”—the idea we are all connected. This abstract concept is conveyed through illustrations of situations familiar to young children. Xhosa and Zulu.
<i>I’ll Believe You When...</i> Susan Schubert	32 pp 280 L	Info 2020	Global	Collection of idioms from around the world, in both English and the original language.
<i>Let’s Celebrate</i> , Kate DePalma	32 pp RL 2.4	Info 2019	Global	Introduces festivals from different part of the world and out of many traditions.
<i>Living in Around the World</i> , Chloe Perkins	Ready-to- Read, 2	Info	Global	Each book focuses on people, places, and history narrated by a child. Series includes Brazil, South Korea, China, Egypt, Australia
<i>My Bed: Enchanting Ways to Fall Asleep</i> , Rebecca Bond & Salley Mavor	32 pp (M)	Info 2020	Global	Travel around the world to discover the many ways children love falling asleep.
<i>One Sun and Countless Stars: A Muslim Book of Numbers</i> . Hena Khan & Mehrdokht Amini	32 pp 510 L	Counting 2022	Muslim World	A young boy uses numbers in this counting book to celebrate diverse traditions of the Muslim world-e.g. “One is the morning sun” and “Two are hands for making dua.” Includes a glossary of key terms and focuses on concrete and illustratable terms.
<i>Our World is a Family</i> , Miry Whitehill & Nomar Perez	32 pp	Info 2022	Global	An exploration of migration for young readers that conveys why people need to leave their countries and welcome can be provided in their new locations. Includes multiple languages.
<i>UP! How Families Around the World Carry Their Little Ones</i> . Susan Hughes	32 pp 500L 2.3	Info 2017	Global	Explores the different ways families carry their babies in settings around the world.

	<i>Venetian Lullaby</i> , Judith Roth & Kendra Binney	32 pp RL 2.0	Info 2021	Venice Italy	A father sings a lullaby to a baby as the family floats down the canals of Venice, showing famous sites along the way.
	<i>Whoever You Are</i> , Mem Fox	32 pp 490 L (I)	Info 2006	Global	The similarities that connect children of the world, such as joy, love and pain.
	<i>You and Me Together</i> , Barbara Kerley	32 pp	Info 2010	Global	Photos from around the world about families spending time together.
	<i>Yum! Yuck! People Sounds</i> , Linda Sue Parks	32 pp	Info 2022	Global	A foldout book that describes the sounds people make for feelings in many languages.

Tr = translated from that language and country into English

Under Levels, the letters, e.g. (K), in parentheses are Fountas and Pinnell levels

Note: Many global picturebooks for read-alouds to K-1 children are listed under the 2-3 grade level.

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