

Selected Bibliography: Animals and Nature

Bevin O'Brien, Stillwater Area Public Schools

Fiction Picture Books to Inspire Wonder:

David Bouchard, *If you're not from the prairie...*

Margaret Wise Brown, *The Important Book*

Henry Cole, *Jack's Garden*

Anne Mazer, *The Salamander Room*

Joanne Ryder, *The Snail's Spell*

Non-Fiction Picture Books:

Jim Arnosky, *All About Manatees*

Dianna Hutts Aston, *An Egg is Quiet*

_____, *A Seed is Sleepy*

Nic Bishop, *Frogs*

_____, *Marsupials*

_____, *Spiders*

Sarah C. Campbell, *Wolfsnail: A Backyard Predator*

Helen Cowcher, *Antarctica*

Joy Cowley, *Chameleon, Chameleon*

_____, *Red-Eyed Tree Frog*

Nicola Davies, *Just the Right Size*

_____, *One Tiny Turtle*

Jennifer Owens Dewey, *Antarctica Journal*

Nick Dawson, *Tracks of a Panda*

Jean Craighead George, *How to Talk to Your Dog*

Gail Gibbons, *The Honey Makers*

Ann Earle, *Zippering, Zapping, Zooming Bats*

Brenda Z. Guiberson, *Ice Bears*

Martin Jenkins, *Chameleons Are Cool!*

_____, *The Emperor's Egg*

Steve Jenkins, *Actual Size*

_____, *Almost Gone: The World's Rarest Animals*

_____, *Biggest, Strongest, Fastest*

_____, *Living Color*

Steve Jenkins & Robin Page, *Move!*

Sandra Markle, *Army Ants*

_____, *A Mother's Journey*

Sy Montgomery, *The Man-Eating Tigers of Sundarbans*

_____, *The Tarantula Scientist*
_____, *Quest for the Tree Kangaroo: An Expedition to the Cloud Forest of New Guinea*
Laurence Pringle, *An Extraordinary Life: The Story of Monarch Butterfly*
Joanne Ryder, *Little Panda*
Cynthia Rylant, *The Journey: Stories of Migration*
_____, *The Whales*
April Pulley Sayer, *Army Ant Parade*
Dick King-Smith, *All Pigs are Beautiful*
Jane Yolen, *Welcome to the Green House*
_____, *Welcome to the River of Grass*

Poetry:

Paul Fleishman, *Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices*
Douglas Florian, *beast feast*
_____, *insectlopedia*
_____, *lizards, frogs, and polliwogs*
_____, *mammalabilia*
_____, *zoo's who*
Kristine O'Connell George, *Hummingbird's Nest*
Juanita Havill, *I Heard it From Alice Zucchini: Poems from the Garden*
Myra Cohen Livingston, *Animal, Vegetable, Mineral: Poems About Small Things*
James Marsh, *Bizarre Birds and Beasts: Animal Verses*
Jack Prelutsky, *If Not for the Cat*
Michael Rosen, ed., *itsy-bitsy Beasties*
Alice Schertle, *A Lucky Thing*
Joyce Sidman, *Song of the Water Boatman & Other Pond Poems*

Professional Reference:

Lynne R. Dorfman & Rose Capelli, *Nonfiction Mentor Texts: Teaching Informational Writing Through Children's Literature, K-8*
Georgia Heard & Jennifer McDonough, *A Place for Wonder: Reading and Writing Non-Fiction in the Primary Grades*
Joann Portalupi & Ralph Fletcher, *Nonfiction Craft Lessons: Teaching Information Writing K-8*
Katie Wood Ray, *Study Driven: A Framework for Planning Units of Study in the Writing Workshop*

Non-Fiction Mentor Authors:

Authors whose work is of dependably high quality, with several teachable traits of non-fiction

Jim Arnosky
Melvin & Gilda Berger
Nic Bishop
Joy Cowley
Nicola Davies
Gail Gibbons
Martin Jenkins
Steve Jenkins & Robin Page
Sandra Markle
Sy Montgomery
Joanne Ryder
Seymour Simon

Good Non-Fiction in Series & Magazines

Series:

Jim Arnosky's *All About...*
Seymour Simon's *SeeMore Readers*
DK Readers/DK Eyewitness
First Discovery (Scholastic)
Let's Read and Find Out
Scholastic Question and Answer Series
The Wild World of Animals (Bridgestone)
Face to Face with... (National Geographic)
Sandra Markle, *Outside & Inside...*
Donald M. Silver, *One Small Square...*

Magazines:

National Geographic Kids
National Geographic Explorer
My Big Back Yard
Zootles
Zoobooks
Time for Kids
Discovery Kids
Ranger Rick
Ask
Muse