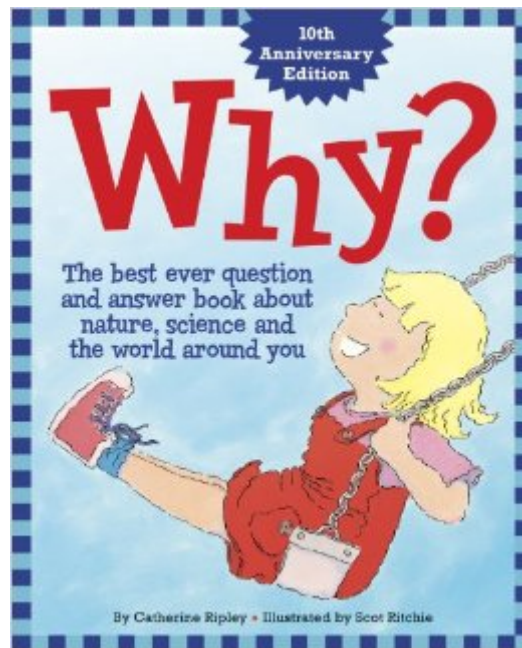


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# Why?: The Best Ever Question And Answer Book About Nature, Science And The World Around You



## Synopsis

Everyday childhood activities, such as an excursion to the park, splashing in the bathtub, or fixing a snack in the kitchen, can excite many questions in young children. Why is the sky blue? Why does my stomach g-r-r-owl? Why do cows moo? Curious kids want to know, and no adult has all the answers. The tenth anniversary edition of *Why?* provides child-friendly explanations for nearly 100 of these everyday mysteries for a whole new generation of children. *Why?* takes young readers inside the kitchen and out to the park, from the farm to the supermarket, and from bedtime to bedtime. Bright, playful illustrations by Scot Ritchie are the perfect complement, setting the scenes for the common questions that children ask.

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## Customer Reviews

Children are inquisitive and if you're a parent, you're probably bombarded with questions daily like...-Why do I have to brush my teeth?-Why are some eggs brown and some white?-Why do onions make you cry?-Why is the sky blue?Chances are you're usually explaining away, but if you need to come up for air or maybe just don't know why worms come out when it's wet (no shame in that), it's time to pick up a copy of *WHY: THE BEST EVER QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK ABOUT NATURE, SCIENCE, AND THE WORLD AROUND YOU* by Catherine Ripley. My kids and I can't get enough of this book. There are so many fun questions and they're broken up into sections:

Bathtime, Supermarket, Nighttime, Outdoor, Kitchen, and Farm Animal. And what makes this book resonate with young readers is the fact that the questions were submitted by real children. The 10th Anniversary Edition not only offers all of the fun facts you're looking for, but it offers fun illustrations that will have your young readers picking this one up time and time again.

A fascinating little book about "ordinary things" we often take for granted. The scientific explanations are easy to understand and entertaining to read or read to someone. I think I learned as much from it as did the little ones in my family.

Now in a special tenth anniversary edition, *Why?* is a children's question-and-answer book about nature, science, and how the world really works. From "How does all this food get here?" explaining the basics of supermarket distribution, to "What makes that toy glow in the dark?" ("Glow in the dark toys include electrons that get excited by light."), to "Why are peaches fuzzy?" ("Peach fuzz stops a sickness called brown rot from touching the peach skin and rotting the fruit"), *Why?* lives up to its title. Cheery, simple color illustrations fill this wonderfully informative and entertaining book, enthusiastically recommended to parents and children's library collections alike, in order to kindle a passion for learning in inquisitive young minds.

I gave this book to my grandson as a Christmas gift because he is constantly asking, "Why?" The book description says it is for readers 4-8 and my grandson is only 3, but given his high level of curiosity, I thought he would enjoy it--and he does. He likes the fact that many of the things he has wondered about are addressed in the book, and he really likes the illustrations. The text, however, is at times too technical for him and even for his 6 1/2 year old sister. For example, the explanation about the funny noise that occurs when bathwater drains away refers to "an empty space, called a vacuum . . ." and compares the bathtub drain to a drinking straw. Neither of the kids could grasp the concept. I think the book is well-written and valuable, and I would buy others in this series, but parents (and grandparents) should be aware that they may have to supplement the text with further discussion, explanation, and research.

My six year old grandson loves this book and asks his Dad to read the answers to his questions every day. He is so curious about the world and this seems to satisfy some of his curiosity. It is written in a very understandable way for both the child and the adults who read to the child. I'm not sure if it is good for all ages, but it's worth a try since most children have so many questions about

things and life in general. It was a great purchase.

Bought it from my nephew, kid really like to read. Thought this would be a good book to aid his curious mind. While I can't get a straight answer out of him it sounds like from his mother that he does like it as she has seen him read it a lot.

I purchased this book for my 10-year-old because I had the same book purchased for me when I was a child. The book is fun and informative. It was a little more colorful and interesting than I remember it. My daughter loves it and shares it with my five-year-old.

Funny story. I greedily absorbed the ideas from this book while sitting on a bench in a grocery store, when a child and his mother passed me by. The little guy pointed to a television screen above our heads and asked why it was there. She then explained what a security camera is and how it's used by the staff and I chuckled to myself thinking the universe had just given this book a positive review. My way of doing it is as follows. It covers many different topics with completely random yet relevant questions about the outdoors, animals, nature, the human body and science. There are cute illustrations that support the answers and I'll humbly admit that I learned a lot. Highly Recommended. It's thoroughly adorable, and hey, useful too.

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