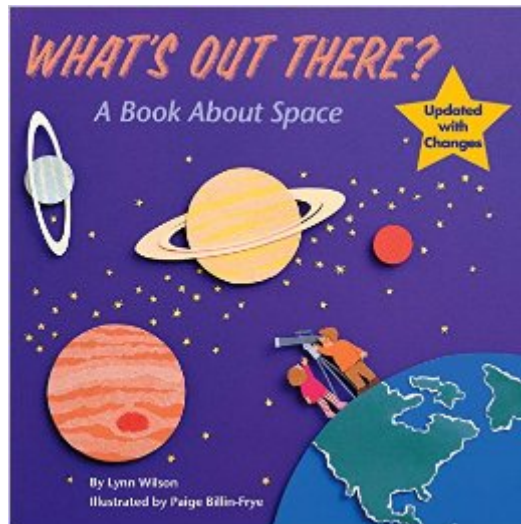


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What's Out There?: A Book About Space (Reading Railroad)



Synopsis

What is the sun made of? What causes night and day? Why does the moon change shape? Colorful collage illustrations and an easy-to-understand text bring planets, stars, comets, and the wondrous things out there in space right down to earth in a simple introduction to the solar system for young armchair astronauts.

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

At first, I read the reviews and thought it would be suitable for a younger toddler (not school aged) and then when it came home, I realized this book might be a little advanced for a younger reader (mine is 3). Little boys especially, may be interested in space but they also have short attention spans and anything more than a sentence or two will not keep young toddlers interested the way a shorter, more kid-friendly book would. My toddler gets tired of the words halfway through and just turns the pages and looks at the pictures. And that is how he "reads" the book. Despite the wordy and somewhat grown-up-level references (there's a page that talks about how constellations were named etc. Irrelevant.) the book seems to be a favorite of my sons right now, particularly because we've introduced him to astronomy. I always loved having space and astronomy material growing up and I can only speak for myself as I was a child and I preferred more pictures and facts in my books. Little children tend to want interesting stories or a challenge (think puzzles or hands-on

approach) to keep them interested. This book did not have a story nor was it a picture book. Nonetheless, it is a good book to teach about space but it will require more involvement in order to teach your child about what really is "out" there. The pictures are kid friendly but they tend to lean more towards a page layout of space with some pictures relevant to the words written. If you are looking for a richer book with many many pictures of planets, black holes, etc then this is not it. It is somewhat boring for a toddler as far as activity level and captivating pictures go. But for the price, it can't be beat. Especially with the knowledge that is given throughout the pages.

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