

# EARTH SCIENCE PICTURE BOOKS



## **Sand, Soil, and Rocks**

### **Curious George Goes to the Beach**

based on the character of Curious George®, created by Margret and H.A. Rey. Houghton Mifflin, 1999

Curious George spends the day at the beach. He digs in the sand and feeds the seagulls. When the tide carries George's picnic basket out to sea, George paddles out on the lifeguard's float to rescue it.

### **Diary of a Worm**

by Doreen Cronin  
Joanna Cotler, 2003

Written in diary form, this book gives readers an insider's view on life as a young earthworm.

### **Rocks in His Head**

by Carol Otis Hurst  
Greenwillow, 2001

From the time he was a boy, the author's father liked to collect rocks. He had "rocks in his pockets, and rocks in his head." A great book for kids who like to collect rocks—or anything else!

### **This House Is Made of Mud/Esta casa está hecha de lodo**

by Ken Buchanan  
Luna Rising, 2004

A much-loved adobe home in the Sonoran desert is described by the child who lives there. (in English and Spanish)



## **Water**

### **Come On, Rain!**

by Karen Hesse.  
Scholastic Press, 1999

A parched, heat-scorching city neighborhood waits for the relief of cooling rain. Tessie and her friends begin a jubilant dance as the rain pelts down on them—and soon their moms join in.

### **A Cool Drink of Water**

by Barbara Kerley  
National Geographic Society, 2002

All over the world, in Ireland, India, Peru, and Botswana, people drink water. Includes photos and simple captions that explore the commonalities and differences.

### **I Get Wet**

by Vicki Cobb. HarperCollins, 2002  
This book is filled with easy, fun ideas for learning about water. Choose the ones you like best and try them out together!

### **The Piggy in the Puddle**

by Charlotte Pomerantz  
Aladdin, 1989

Little piggy's in the middle of a muddy little puddle, and she's loving it! The catchy rhymes and great pictures make this book a favorite.



## Wind and Sun

### **Curious George Flies a Kite**

by Margret and H.A. Rey  
Houghton Mifflin, 1977  
Curious George's day is filled with adventure. He plays with some bunnies, tries fishing in the lake, and flies through the air on a kite.

### **Guess Whose Shadow?**

by Stephen R. Swinburne  
Boyd Mills Press, 1999  
Shadows come in all shapes and sizes. This book invites the reader to guess the objects that make the mysterious shadow shapes.

### **I Face the Wind**

by Vicki Cobb  
Harper Collins, 2003  
Help your child learn about the properties of air and wind through simple science play and clear, age-appropriate explanations.

### **The Wind Blew**

by Pat Hutchins  
Aladdin, 1993  
One day, the wind blew so hard, it blew everything away: Mr. White's umbrella, Priscilla's balloon, the twins' scarves... Book includes rhyming text and engaging pictures.



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## Taking Care of the Earth

### **Our Big Home: An Earth Poem**

by Linda Glaser  
The Millbrook Press, 2000  
Written in verse, this book celebrates the water, dirt, and air we share with each other, and with the plants and animals.



### **Recycle Every Day!**

by Nancy Elizabeth Wallace  
Marshall Cavendish, 2006  
Minna and her family think of lots of creative ways to recycle, from composting to sharing used books.

### **Where Does the Garbage Go?**

by Paul Showers  
HarperCollins, 1994  
What do we do with all the trash? Learn about landfills, recycling plants, and some things we can do to help solve the problem.

### **Whole World**

by Fred Penner  
Barefoot Books, 2007  
This sing-along book celebrates the world that is ours to protect. A CD is included.



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