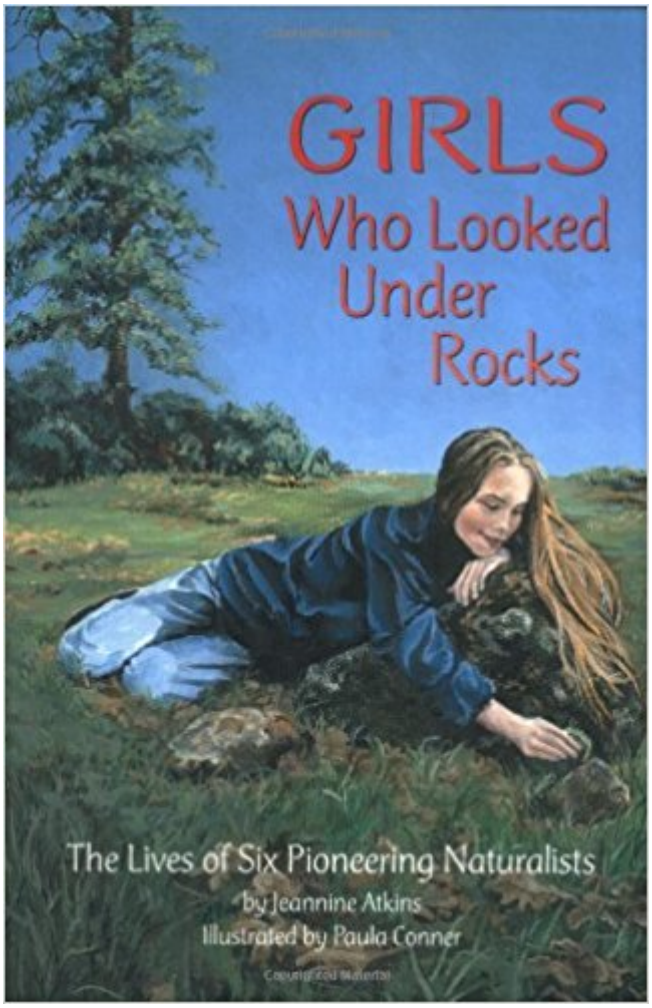
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Girls Who Looked Under Rocks: The Lives Of Six Pioneering Naturalists



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Synopsis

If there is a pre-teen or adolescent in your life, especially a girl, take a look at this empowering, inspiring chapter book. It portrays the youths and careers of six remarkable women whose curiosity about nature fueled a passion to steadfastly overcome obstacles to careers in traditionally men-only occupations. The six--Maria Merian (b.1647), Anna Comstock (b.1854), Frances Hamerstrom (b.1907), Rachel Carson (b.1907), Miriam Rothschild (b.1908), and Jane Goodall (b.1934)--all became renowned scientists, artists and writers. A wonderful resource for young researchers and biographers, these stories can be a starting point for issues of gender, science, and the environment.

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Customer Reviews

"Outstanding Science Trade Books for Children for 2001" -- selection by the Children's Book Council & National Science Teacher's Association. . . a book that I would read to my little girl. . . inspirational and empowering for young girls - A MUST READ. -- Mary Drew - American Association for University Women Newsletter. . . a book that I would want to read to my little girl. . . inspirational and empowering... - A MUST READ. --Mary Drew - American Association for University Women Newsletter

Jeannine Atkins was a girl who looked under rocks. Particular trees and stones outside her house were familiar as her bedroom and made good spots to wonder. When she grew up, writing became her way to keep exploring and dreaming. She particularly likes combing libraries for stories about amazing girls and women. In addition to this book, they have inspired her picture books, which include Aani and the Tree Huggers and Mary Anning and the Sea Dragon. She lives with her husband and their daughter in Massachusetts.

The 1st copy we bought of this book was at a national park for our science and nature loving 6 year old daughter. She loved being read the stories of women and girls who enjoyed catching critters, studying all sorts of creatures, and having amazing adventures across the world. It’s not a book with an obvious or heavy handed agenda in the writing. It’s just a collection of stories about trailblazing women over the past few hundred years who loved science and lead interesting lives. I say that as there is no reason why a young boy wouldn’t enjoy these stories as well. A mom and her kids catching mice in a movie theater to feed their pet raptors? C’mon, who doesn’t love that?!We’ve since purchased this as a gift for other kids and it has been enjoyed by them as well.

I was looking for a book to read aloud with my girls, age 5 and 13. This book is great for both of their ages. My oldest has a very strong interest in Science and I think it is so important that she has female role models. This book is a great introduction to these pioneering scientists. It is fun to learn about the lives of these women, and so inspiring to understand their contributions.

As a child/adolescent psychiatrist, I believe that nurturing passions in girls (and boys) from a young age toward environmental concerns, loving and honoring the natural world will help them visualize the positive changes they can make within their own lifetimes. Imagination, nature walks, "unplugging" from electronics and screens, are all healthy ways to navigate around the disconnected reality of technology (iPad, cell phones, videogames, handheld games, etc.). This book is a wonderful example of passionate, powerful yet gentle, thoughtful, and patient women who taught us so much about our world - it can be a great way to help kids see what they can do (outside of developing video games and alternative realities).

This is a excellent book for the young naturalist. My 10 year old granddaughter has been fascinated by bugs and other critters since she was a toddler. My husband would walk her around our property and turn over rocks so she could see the worlds that exist underneath and she loved it. Today she

is still looking under rocks and studying the life going on there. To find a book that shows her how these women made their life's work studying these same things was wonderful. I am so happy to be able to let her see the many opportunities that exist for someone with her love and fascination with critters and bugs that some people are never aware of. I hope to be able to find more books for her to promote her interest as she gets older.I always try to read a book before giving it to one of my grandchildren and this one is great. We can always learn something new.If you have one of those children who show curiosity for the unseen world under our feet they will love this book.

This book is great! My 10-year old daughter enjoyed it very much.

We purchased this for our granddaughter for her Chrsitmas/9th birthday gift. We had recently been discussing Jane Gooddell, so it was very timely and she certainly enjoyed it.

For granddaughter's 6th grade graduation. Awesome fun, motivational book for girls who love the outdoors.

A great book to inspire young girls to be their very best! Science is a girl's avenue to achieving her maximum potential in life.

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