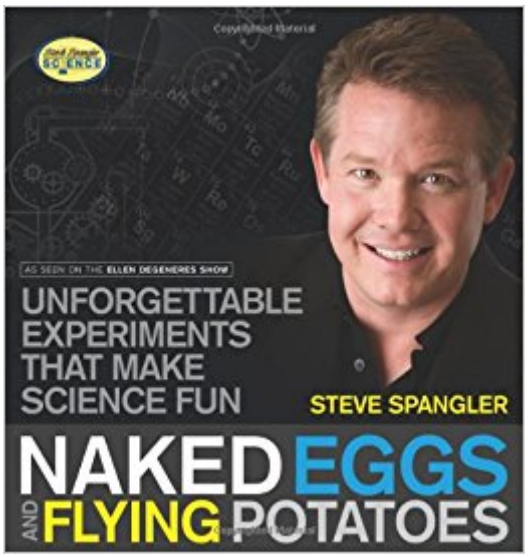
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Naked Eggs And Flying Potatoes: Unforgettable Experiments That Make Science Fun (Steve Spangler Science)



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Synopsis

From the creator of the mentos soda geyser--the viral video sensation--comes a collection of outrageously entertaining science experiments and cool tricks guaranteed to get ooohs and ahhhs! Author, celebrity teacher and science guy Steve Spangler teaches you how to transform the ordinary into the amazing as you make everyday items ooze, bubble, fizz, and pop! Make people wonder . . . How did you do that? From flying toilet paper to trash can smoke rings, erupting soda to exploding sandwich bags, the experiments in Naked Eggs and Flying Potatoes will spark your imagination and totally impress your friends. Learn how to astound kids and kids-at-heart with easy and inexpensive experiments like: Bubbling Lava Bottle The Incredible Can Crusher Nails for Breakfast The Folding Egg Quicksand Goo Screaming Balloon Burning Money This is not your ordinary book of science experiments. Naked Eggs and Flying Potatoes is a geek-chic look at Spangler's latest collection of tricks and try-it-at-home activities that reveal the secrets of science in unexpected ways. Over 200 color photographs accompany the step-by-step instructions, and simple explanations uncover the how-to and why for each activity. Make potatoes fly, bowling balls float, and soda explode on command. But don't try these experiments at home . . . try them at a friend's home!

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Gr 4-9Ã¢â ¬â œMessy, daredevil, tongue-in-cheek, and definitely boy-friendly, this collection of

science explorations will energize a boring afternoon or a routine science lesson. Grouped loosely under the headings Ã¢â ¬Å“The Power of Air,Ã¢â ¬Â• Ã¢â ¬Å“Kitchen Chemistry,Ã¢â ¬Â• Ã¢â ¬Å“Dry Ice,Ã¢â ¬Â• Ã¢â ¬Å“Gooey Wonders,Ã¢â ¬Â• and Ã¢â ¬Å“Don't Try This at Home...Try It at a Friend's Home!Ã¢â ¬Â• the experiments emphasize the fun before the facts and are arranged under the headings Ã¢â ¬Å“Let's Try It,Ã¢â ¬Â• Ã¢â ¬Å“Take It Further,Ã¢â ¬Â• Ã¢â ¬Å“What's Going on Here?Ã¢â ¬Â• and Ã¢â ¬Å“Real-World Applications.Ã¢â ¬Â• Adult help will be necessary to guide elementary-aged children through the wordy instructions and the use of dry ice, power tools, and stoves. Sharp, full-color photos appear throughout, but they're not always informative. Adults dominate the images with an emphasis on the author's appearances on The Ellen Degeneres Show. Safety warnings are included at the front of the book, within experiments such as Ã¢â ¬Å“Soup SouffléÃ¢â ¬Â• or Ã¢â ¬Å“Naked Eggs,Ã¢â ¬Â• and in the introduction to the Ã¢â ¬Å“Dry IceÃ¢â ¬Â• section.Ã¢â ¬â œCarol S. Surges, McKinley Elementary School, Wauwatosa, WI. (c) Copyright 2010. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

Former elementary-school teacher Spangler has made a small empire out of finding the hands-on fun in science, with regular appearances on The Ellen DeGeneres Show and his own extensive website, on which he markets educational toys and products. The creator of the Mentos Diet Coke geyser experiment that became a YouTube video sensation, Spangler uses cheap, everyday materials to invent entertaining, highly kid-appealing activities, many of which are collected in this volume. Heavily illustrated with color photos and described in funny, casual prose, the experiments will easily engage a young audience, and each is followed by a succinct explanation of the science concepts at play, from the potato launcher, which encourages kids to shoot spud pellets at close range as they learn about pressure and volume, to bouncing and folding eggs and soda-bottle lava lamps, which demonstrate chemical reactions and density. Serious safety cautions appear throughout the irreverent chapters, while Ã¢â ¬Å“Take It FurtherÃ¢â ¬Â• sections encourage fired-up lab partners to continue the activities. A boon for parents and teachers alike, this should find a large, enthusiastic audience. Grades 3-6. --Gillian Engberg

This is my first year teaching 5th grade science, and this book is my best-kept secret. Not only are the experiments great fun, they're also inexpensive (our school has a very, very tight budget) andÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â •with a few exceptions that are clearly markedÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â •quite safe. What's best about Steve Spangler's chapters are his "What's Going On Here?" sections, in which

he details, in simple and easily graspable language, the processes occurring. These are terrific introductions to complex science concepts the students are sure to encounter throughout their schoolingÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â •the Bernoulli Principle, Newton’s Laws, thermodynamics, atmospheric pressure, and so on. Teachers can easily use this book and its fantastic sequel (Fire Bubbles & Exploding Toothpaste) to augment an existing program, but there’s enough material here that you could basically build a curriculum around it.Parents too will thrill to this book’s contents. Not only will these demonstrations engender in your children wonder and fascination, but you’ll come off looking like a superhero. Highly, highly recommended.

The book presents the demonstration and the science in a very effective way. I was impressed by the thoroughness and thoughtful approach. However, it should be noted that these demonstrations are the same ones found in countless other "get kids interested" science demo books. For older farts, this is old hat if great quality.

I bought this book as a reference for my son’s science project. I have to say this book is beautiful....odd as it sounds. The experiments have a lot of background information about how the experiment came about and stories about the author performing it on television. The pictures as beautiful as I said.... really well done.

This was purchased for my 9 year old granddaughter that loves science projects. The book is very easy to follow directions and explains the concepts very well. Supplies you need are often things you already have on hand. She has only had time to do a few of the projects, but she is very pleased with the book.

These books are great fun for kids and adults. I thoroughly enjoyed it and then passed it on to someone else who also loved it. Very fun read with lots of pictures.

10 year old nephew and his mom liked the book. He was curious. She’s worried about carpet stains. Just about what I expected.

Really cool science projects, but beware that some are messy and/or inappropriate for the "under 12" crowd to be doing indoors or unsupervised.

This is such a fun book of science wonder!! It gives some fun exciting experiments that anyone can enjoy. My daughter is a big science nerd, and she loves to do these experiments with her friends. I love seeing her more away from screens and involved with more hands on learning that really excites her! She is almost 13, and still loves to learn all she can about science! I highly recommend this easy to follow, fun experiment book of science!

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