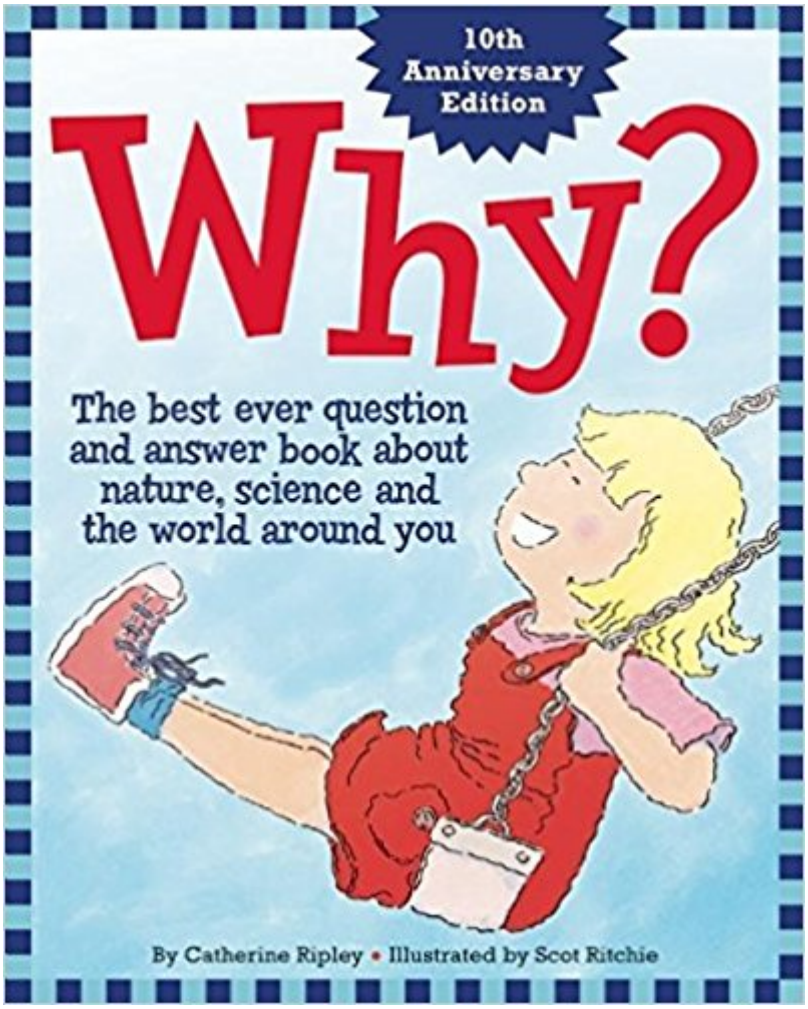
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Synopsis

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 bathtime 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

"Catherine Ripley quenches kids' thirst for knowledge...Bright, cartoonish and often humorous illustrations help demonstrate the answers." (Publishers Weekly)"A useful, interesting, and enjoyable read." (School Library Journal)"A fabulous book for kids who just canÃ¢â ¬â„¢t stop wondering about the world around themÃ¢â ¬Â¦Why? will help nurture a playful, scientific curiosity in early-school-aged children." (TodayÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Parent)"With its subtitle, The Best Ever Question and Answer Book About Nature and the World Around You, this book promises much and delivers

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4 year old loves learning. This book answers those why questions. We have read it several times.

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.

Good book, not very long though

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.

I bought this book for my daughter. She has a 5 month old daughter and I said to her " it’s better to be prepared! She loved the book and told her husband they need to read it together.

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 curiousity, 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.

Just right for those "Why" questions!Such fun!!

Same as the other book, it was a book my Grandson found and wanted it for Christmas please. Both have turned out very interesting to him.

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