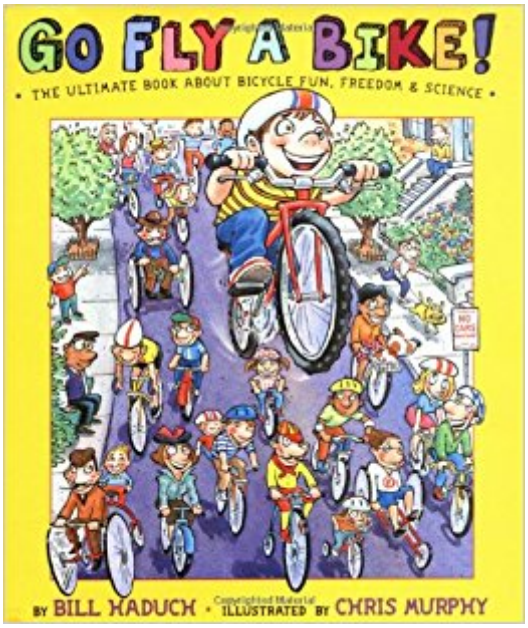
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Gr. 4-8. Here’s a lively blend of history, science, trivia, and practical advice about bike care, repair, and safety. Haduch entertains as well as informs as he covers everything from inventors, aerodynamics, and crazy bike trends to suggestions for the perfect bike hike. Halftone cartoonlike illustrations are scattered throughout, and a funny fact or joke appears in an inset on most pages. The lack of glossy photos will probably disappoint some young bike lovers, but this is a versatile, fact-packed book that can work for both research and recreational reading. It’s also a natural choice for reluctant readers as the short chapters can be read as "stand alones." A bibliography and a list of bike parts are appended. Jennifer LockeCopyright Ã Â© American Library Association. All rights reserved

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