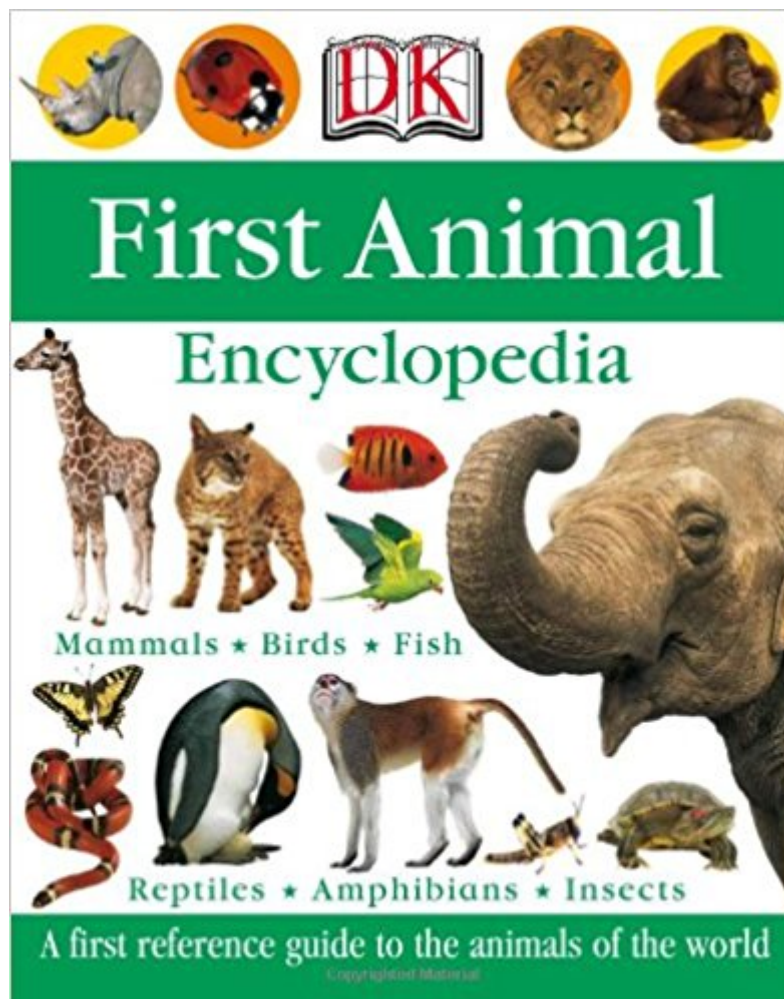




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First Animal Encyclopedia (Dk First Reference)



Synopsis

An inspiring new addition to the First Reference series, the DK First Animal Encyclopedia is loaded with spectacular photographs showing animal habits and habitats. From aardvark to zebra, this book is packed with fascinating facts about animals, giving children a wonderful head start on learning about the animal world.

Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 17 years

Grade Level: 1 - 12

Customer Reviews

Grade 2-5 - Browsers will enjoy these attractive offerings that feature the publisher's signature full-color photos with lengthy captions. Encyclopedia describes the animal world in five sections: mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians, "creepy-crawlies," and fish. The reference section includes animal superlatives such as the largest, the loudest, the fastest, and the tallest mammals or the deadliest snake. Each section begins with a quiz challenging readers to identify several cross-sections of animal bodies pictured in the chapter. Children learn about different species' parenting, daily life, courtship, defense, and eating habits. While fascinating facts abound and intriguing close-ups will delight children, the information is spotty: one entry may cover quirky eating habits, another, a unique defense mechanism. Thus, report writers will need to look elsewhere. Atlas begins with an introduction covering the continents, biomes, and information on how to read

the featured maps. Maps of each area include capitals, towns, mountains, borders, and rivers. In addition, small pictures identify famous landmarks, native animals, national sports, and products. Each area is highlighted on a globe in a corner of the page. "Get going" notes offer simple recipes, crafts, and activities. Vibrant photos of wildlife, landscapes, natural phenomenon, and people are included. Small reproductions of the flags of the world are appended. While there is much to look at in this appealing resource, The National Geographic Beginner's World Atlas (National Geographic, 1999) offers larger, easier-to-read maps. - Barbara Auerbach, New York City Public Schools
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"Clear, vibrant photographs bring it all to life in the pages of this delightful first reference book for kids." — Children's Book Council

Exactly what I was looking for. My four-year-old grandson loves it. Some of the animal books have really "far out there" animals. I just wanted to regular animal book, and he loves this one.

This book has been great for introducing biology to my young boys. They have learned about the major classifications of animals and what differentiates vertebrates from invertebrates, mammals from reptiles etc. The information is very basic but the kids love the pictures and information so much that we've gone through it multiple times. At the bottom of each page is a trivia question. These are fun but there is no image of the animal in question so it falls short for us. There's always the internet but it would be nice if the trivia question was about one of the animals discussed on that page.

Excellent book with gorgeous photos and info. I'll post some pics just to offset the anecdotal photos someone posted of their book being damaged in shipping. Wish folks wouldn't do that. Things get damage somethings. is excellent at replacing them. Nancy Rector Author of "A Painful Truth - The Entrapment of America's Sick" (How Being Ill Got Me Arrested)[...]

Great book

My 7-8 year old loves this. It's obviously not an "encyclopedia" in the sense that it has "everything" in it, but it does what an encyclopedia should for kids at this age: whet a child's curiosity and make her want to read more. This book does it with a perfect mix of pictures and words.

I purchased this product for my granddaughter in another part of the state, However my daughter, her mother, says that she enjoys looking at the pictures immensely. My purpose in getting this gift for my granddaughter was for her to make the association between words and what they represent through pictures. She is only 22 months old and this book fits the bill perfectly. I used DK books all through my daughter's homeschooling years and feel they can't be beat for information, color, and user friendliness. Thus I will be ordering them for my granddaughter as she develops also..

This book is wonderful! My first grader carries it everywhere with her! She likes to enlighten us with her newfound knowledge and she likes to make her younger siblings look at the pictures and listen to her read to them. I'm very glad we bought this!

I bought this as a gift to my 2 year old son and this is one of the best books I have given him. His attention span is really short (I guess most toddlers are) but he is really in tuned with every pages of this book. A must buy for those who loves animals. This is a good introductory on what they will see in the zoo.

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