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Geotours Workbook Yearling

The Sunday Times Bestseller A new, fully updated narrative edition of David Attenborough's seminal biography of our world, *The Living Planet*. Nowhere on our planet is devoid of life. Plants and animals thrive or survive within every extreme of climate and habitat that it offers. Single species, and often whole communities adapt to make the most of ice cap and tundra, forest and plain, desert, ocean and volcano. These adaptations can be truly extraordinary: fish that walk or lay eggs on leaves in mid-air; snakes that fly; flightless birds that graze like deer; and bears that grow hair on the soles of their feet. In *The Living Planet*, David Attenborough's searching eye, unflagging curiosity and infectious enthusiasm explain and illuminate the intricate lives of the these colonies, from the lonely heights of the Himalayas to the wild creatures that have established themselves in the most recent of environments, the city. By the end of this book it is difficult to say which is the more astonishing - the ingenuity with which individual species contrive a living, or the complexity of their interdependence on each other and on the habitations provided by our planet. In this new edition, the author, with the help of zoologist Matthew Cobb, has added all the most up-to-date discoveries of ecology and biology, as well as a full-colour 64-page photography section. He also addresses the urgent issues facing our living planet: climate change, pollution and mass extinction of species.

A Planet for Rent W. W. Norton

Draws on satellite images from NASA to trace the natural history of the planet, describing the forces that have shaped Earth's geography and highlighting noteworthy features, including volcanoes, asteroid craters, river deltas, and glaciers.

Earth Ballantine Books

Looks at the Planet Earth with numerous color illustrations and accompanying text, with separate sections examining the atmosphere, pedosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere, cryosphere, and geosphere.

The Complete Earth Workman Publishing

This new edition will only enhance its success. It has been thoroughly revised to ensure current coverage of all major topics, especially earthquakes (including the disaster in Haiti in 2010), volcanoes, and climate change. The drawn art represents the state of the art and is both pedagogically innovative and a feast for the eyes. The Google Earth exercises provide virtual field trips to the entire world.

The Life and Death of Planet Earth Activity Book

Why Earth's life-friendly climate makes it exceptional—and what that means for the likelihood of finding intelligent extraterrestrial life We have long fantasized about finding life on planets other than our own. Yet even as we become aware of the vast expanses beyond our solar system, it remains clear that Earth is exceptional. The question is: why? In *Lucky Planet*, astrobiologist David Waltham argues that Earth's climate stability is what makes it uniquely able to support life, and it is nothing short of luck that made such conditions possible. The four billion year-stretch of good weather that our planet has experienced is statistically so unlikely that chances are slim that we will ever encounter intelligent extraterrestrial others. Citing the factors

that typically control a planet's average temperature—including the size of its moon, as well as the rate of the Universe's expansion—Waltham challenges the prevailing scientific consensus that Earth-like planets have natural stabilizing mechanisms that allow life to flourish. A lively exploration of the stars above and the ground beneath our feet, *Lucky Planet* seamlessly weaves the story of Earth and the worlds orbiting other stars to give us a new perspective of the surprising role chance plays in our place in the universe.

Planet Earth Is Blue HarperCollins UK

Planet Earth is middle-aged. Science has worked hard to piece together the story of the evolution of our world up to this point, but only recently have we developed the understanding and the tools to describe the entire life cycle of a planet. Ward and Brownlee, a geologist and an astronomer respectively, combine their knowledge of how the critical sustaining systems of our planet evolve through time with their understanding of the life cycles of stars and solar systems, to tell the story of the second half of Earth's life. The process of evolution will essentially reverse itself: life as we know it will subside until only the simplest forms remain. Eventually, they too will disappear. The oceans will evaporate, the atmosphere will degrade, and, as the sun slowly expands, Earth itself will eventually meet a fiery end. -- From publisher description.

Hello, Is This Planet Earth? Knopf Canada

Earth: Portrait of a PlanetW. W. Norton & Company

Earth Little, Brown

In this portrait of Planet Earth—at just about the mid point of its probable lifespan—biologist Stanley A. Rice discusses the evolution of the network of life and the crucial role played by humans in determining the future of our world. Unlike most books on earth history, which present the story of life on our planet in terms of one chronological period after another, Rice discusses Earth's teeming diversity in terms of pivotal evolutionary developments. Among these he stresses the importance of symbiosis, sex, and altruism as key determinants of the Earth's biodiversity. Symbiosis—when single cells began working together—sparked the sudden appearance of complex animals. Much later symbiotic relationships led to flowering plants that depended on animals for pollination and seed dispersal. With the advent of sexual selection, there developed an astonishing world of complex behavior and a dizzying array of life forms. In humans, sexual selection exerted a great influence on the development of our large brains. Altruism—when species learned to work together—resulted in even greater variety and complexity. In early humans, altruism gave rise to ever-widening social circles and the spread of culture. Rice also discusses the role of photosynthesis in establishing and maintaining life on earth; the evidence for ancient natural catastrophes, which caused widespread extinctions; and the importance of religion and the recent use of scientific reasoning in the development and the future of the human species. Rice's eloquent, panoramic perspective is well designed to foster an appreciation for the scope of life on Earth and to encourage wise stewardship of the natural world on which our survival depends. Stanley A. Rice, PhD (Durant, OK) is the author of *Green Planet: How Plants Keep the Earth Alive*, *The Encyclopedia of Evolution*, *The Encyclopedia of Science and Technology*, and (forthcoming) *The Encyclopedia of Biodiversity*. He is a professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at Southeastern Oklahoma State University.

Geotours Workbook William Collins

Answers to approximately 135 of kids' science questions about people, animals, and the natural world, such as why cats purr and why our fingers wrinkle in water.

The Ultimate Book of Planet Earth Quercus Books

"Tender and illuminating. A beautiful debut." --Rebecca Stead, Newbery Medal-winning author of *When You Reach Me* A heartrending and hopeful story about a nonverbal girl and her passion for space exploration, for fans of *See You in the Cosmos*, *Mockingbird*, and *The Thing About Jellyfish*. Twelve-year-old Nova is eagerly awaiting the launch of the space shuttle *Challenger*--it's the first time a teacher is going into space, and kids across America will watch the event on live TV in their classrooms. Nova and her big sister, Bridget, share a love of astronomy and the space program. They planned to watch the launch together. But Bridget has disappeared, and Nova is in a new foster home. While foster families and teachers dismiss Nova as severely autistic and nonverbal, Bridget understands how intelligent and special Nova is, and all that she can't express. As the liftoff draws closer, Nova's new foster family and teachers begin to see her potential, and for the first time, she is making friends without Bridget. But every day, she's counting down to the launch, and to the moment when she'll see Bridget again. Because as Bridget said, "No matter what, I'll be there. I promise."

Our Earth Cram101

This new stand-alone edition of *Geotours Workbook* contains nineteen active-learning tours that take students on virtual field trips to see outstanding examples of geology around the world. *What's So Special about Planet Earth?* OUP Oxford It's 2381, and Basil Miranda, on the verge of graduation, knows exactly what she's doing with the rest of her life and always has: a primo assignment on the best ship in the fleet alongside her best friend in the world. She has meticulously prepared herself, and the final Fleet Exam is tomorrow. But what if none of that is what she really wants? And why hasn't she ever asked herself that before? Lost on Planet Earth is the latest expectation-defying series from Visaggio, the Eisner-nominated writer of *Kim & Kim* and *Eternity Girl*, whose acclaimed comic *Vagrant Queen* was recently adapted for TV by SYFY. Lost on Planet Earth reunites Visaggio with artist Aguirre. The pair previously collaborated on *Kim & Kim* and created the acclaimed series *Morning in America*; they are joined by letterer Zakk Saam and editor Joe Corallo. This is the first release for Visaggio, Aguirre, Saam, and Corallo under the name DEATH RATTLE, a rock band-style moniker for their creative collaborations.

THE PLANET IN A PEBBLE

Cram101

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LIVING PLANET: THE WEB OF LIFE ON EARTH

W. W. Norton

Since 1960, there have been two major theoretical advances in the Earth sciences: the theory of plate tectonics and the advent of Earth systems science. Stephen Marshak's beautifully written and illustrated new text is the first to incorporate both of these discoveries from its inception. *Earth: Portrait of a Planet* covers all the topics of a traditional physical geology course, but also

includes such topics as historical geology, environmental geology, the Earth's resources, the oceans and atmosphere, cosmology, and global change. What results is a fascinating, comprehensive portrait of planet Earth.

Earth Macmillan

Move to another planet? Sounds interesting! In our imaginary spaceship, let's check out the planets in our solar system.

Mercury is closest, but it has no air, and it's either sizzling hot or bitterly cold. The atmosphere on Venus is poisonous; plus, human beings would cook there. Mars might work, but you'd always have to be in a protective shelter. And if you got to the outer planets, you couldn't even land as they are mostly made of gas! Our home planet is looking good. Why is Earth so comfortable for plants, animals, and people? As Robert E. Wells explains, it's because of our just-right position from the sun, marvelous atmosphere, and abundant water. Our planet is very special and perfect for us, and that's why we must do all we can to keep Earth healthy.

Livre du pain et du vin, de leau, de lhuile et du baume Earth: Portrait of a Planet

Fascinating activity book for children to explore the wonders of our planet. The puzzles and activities in this book will take you to the furthest corners of the Earth. You'll spot wildlife in the Amazon Rainforest and find a wonderful array of corals in the Great Barrier Reef to colour in. You'll discover the highest mountains on all the world's continents and identify volcanoes around the Pacific Ocean in the Ring of Fire. And when you come to reunite a herd of elephants on the African savanna, you'll learn why these amazing creatures are rather like gardeners.

Earth: Portrait of a Planet Basic Books

Ten profiles of amazing young environmental activists. Each child is captured in a portrait, their achievements described, and filled out with photos. Ends with tips for kids to make a difference.

Henry Holt and Company (BYR)

The bestselling author of *Deep Economy* shows that we're living on a fundamentally altered planet — and opens our eyes to the kind of change we'll need in order to make our civilization endure. Twenty years ago, with *The End of Nature*, Bill McKibben offered one of the earliest warnings about global warming. Those warnings went mostly unheeded; now, he insists, we need to acknowledge that we've waited too long, and that massive change is not only unavoidable but already under way. Our old familiar globe is suddenly melting, drying, acidifying, flooding, and burning in ways that no human has ever seen. We've created, in very short order, a new planet, still recognizable but fundamentally different. We may as well call it Eearth. That new planet is filled with new binds and traps. A changing world costs large sums to defend — think of the money that went to repair New Orleans, or the trillions of dollars it will take to transform our energy systems. But the endless economic growth that could underwrite such largesse depends on the stable planet we've managed to damage and degrade. We can't rely on old habits any longer. Our hope depends, McKibben argues, on scaling back — on building the kind of societies and economies that can hunker down, concentrate on essentials, and create the type of community (in the neighborhood, but also on the Internet) that will allow us to weather trouble on an unprecedented scale.

Change — fundamental change — is our best hope on a planet suddenly and violently out of balance.

Lucky Planet Dark Horse Comics

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Geotours WKBK 2e PA (STANDALONE) Albert Whitman & Company

"Fascinating . . . memorable . . . revealing . . . perhaps the best of Carl Sagan's books."—The Washington Post Book World (front page review) In *Cosmos*, the late astronomer Carl Sagan cast his gaze over the magnificent mystery of the Universe and made it accessible to millions of people around the world. Now in this stunning sequel, Carl Sagan completes his revolutionary journey through space and time. Future generations will look back on our epoch as the time when the human race finally broke into a radically new frontier—space. In *Pale Blue Dot*, Sagan traces the spellbinding history of our launch into the cosmos and assesses the future that looms before us as we move out into our own solar system and on to distant galaxies beyond. The exploration and eventual settlement of other worlds is neither a fantasy nor luxury, insists Sagan, but rather a necessary condition for the survival of the human race. "Takes readers far beyond *Cosmos* . . . Sagan sees humanity's future in the stars."—Chicago Tribune

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