

## Smart-opedia Junior (Ages 4-8, 6-10)

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Book description: How hot does it get on the Sun? What really went on aboard pirate ships? What was life like for children a hundred years ago? Hot on the heels of the best-selling Smart-opedia for ages 8 to 12, comes Smart-opedia Junior. This cool book is designed to provide hours of entertainment and education. Children simply open it up and start reading about any topic that interests them.

The knowledge provided not only satisfies children's curiosity but also sparks their imagination and creativity. Seven detailed chapters are divided into more than 70 entertaining and thought-provoking subjects. Ideas and concepts are arranged in clear themes, carefully introduced from small to big and from the inside out. Readers learn first about their own bodies, then their families, moving on to the community, the world, and finally the universe. Featuring colorful illustrations, Smart-opedia Junior: The Amazing Book About Everything makes learning an absorbing adventure and an exceptional treat for the eyes.

Reading level: Ages 4-8

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Looking Closely Inside The Garden (Ages 4-8)

Book description: Look closely. Look very closely. Is it...a stained-glass window? A jigsaw puzzle? Give up? Just turn the page and, lo and behold, it's a monarch butterfly. See what looks like a pair of chopsticks revealed as a mormon cricket, a sponge as a strawberry, and many more surprises when you look closely into the garden. The Looking Closely series takes children on a journey of discovery through four environments - the forest, the shore, the desert and the garden. Frank Serafini's camera lens enlarges each world through the magic of close-up photography. Young eyes will rediscover our planet as a place of beauty, mystery and delight. Readers are first challenged to guess the identity of each close-up photograph. The next page reveals the entire photograph of the plant, animal or natural object accompanied by a simple but detailed description of the habitat. By inspiring children to ask questions and use their imaginations, these books help build problem-solving skills. They also encourage curiosity about environments that, examined this closely, are full of unexpected wonders.

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