

## Recommended Reading The Water Cycle

**All the water in the world** / By George Ella Lyon and Katherine Tillotson. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers: 2011. WWL call number 010164 Kids

A lively and inspiring poem weaves together facts about water and the need for water conservation. Illustrated by Katherine Tillotson. For children ages 4-8.

**Down comes the rain** / By Franklyn M. Branley. New York: HarperCollins Publishers: 1997. WWL call number 030744 Kids

A straightforward explanation of how the water cycle works, detailing what happens at each step. Includes both text and cartoon-bubble dialog. For children in grades 1-4.

**Drip drop: water's journey** / By Eve Stwertka and Albert Stwertka. Englewood Cliffs, N.J.: Julian Messner: 1991. WWL call number 010145 Kids

*Drip Drop* traces water's journey from tap, through the sewers, to the treatment plant, and beyond! This book features many simple water-related experiments for kids. For children in grades 3-6.

**The drop in my drink: the story of water on our planet** / By Meredith Hooper and Chris Coady. New York: Viking: 1998. WWL call number 010138 Kids

An interesting book that follows the path of one drop of water from the creation of Earth up to the present day. Focuses on the concept that all the water that has been and is on the planet is all the water we will ever have. For children in grades 3-5.

**A drop of water** / By Gordon Morrison. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Co.: 2006. WWL call number 010158 Kids

A child crouches beside a meadow brook, and a drop of water collects and falls from the child's fingertip to continue on its journey. Where does that journey begin? High in the sky, rain clouds are parting. Water trickles and flows down the mountain, collecting in an upland bog, seeping through a beaver's dam, rushing over rocks, passing many plants and animals along its winding way--each dependent on water and the different environments it shapes to live. Author and illustrator Gordon Morrison has captured a single moment in time, revealing the course and influence of water, and inviting readers to pause and consider the world around them in this beautiful and lyrical appreciation of nature and the resource that makes it all possible--a drop of water.

**A drop of water: a book of science and wonder** / By Walter Wick. New York: Scholastic: 1997. WWL call number 010142 Kids

Walter Wick's photographs of water in all its fantastic forms are the highlight of this book that seeks to explain concepts like surface tension, adhesion, capillary attraction, molecular motion, freezing, evaporation, and condensation from a visual perspective. For children in grades 3-6.

**Follow the water from brook to ocean** / By Arthur Dorros. New York, NY: HarperCollins: 1991. WWL call number 040498 Kids

Explains how water flows from brooks, to streams, to rivers, over waterfalls, through canyons and dams, to eventually reach the ocean.

**The Magic School bus at the waterworks** / By Joanna Cole and Bruce Degen. New York: Scholastic: 1986. WWL call number 010141 Kids

Ms. Frizzle takes her class on a trip to the city waterworks that is anything but normal. She drives the magic school bus into a cloud, and the children fall like raindrops and are processed as part of the city's water supply. Ingenious. For children in grades Preschool-2.

**One well: the story of water on Earth** / By Rochelle Strauss. Toronto: Kids Can Press: 2007. WWL call number 271392 Kids

Looking at all the water on Earth—in the atmosphere, the oceans, lakes, ponds, rivers, and rain as "One Well" into which all life dips to survive—Strauss presents a timely discussion of the use and abuse of a not-so-limitless resource. Liberally sprinkled with interesting facts—"It took about 130 L (34 U.S. gal.) of water to make your bike"—the readable text informs children of growing demands on a finite supply; increasing pollution; and the intensifying urgency for the conservation, preservation, and protection of a unique chemical combination more essential to all life than the air we breathe. Illustrated by Rosemary Woods. For children in grades 4-6.

**Our world of water: children and water around the world** / By Beatrice Hollyer. New York: Henry Holt and Co.: 2009. WWL call number 210411 Kids

Wherever we live in this world—whether our country is rich or poor—water is vital to our survival on this planet. This book follows the daily lives of children in Peru, Mauritania, the United States, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, and Tajikistan, and explores what water means to them. Where does it come from? How do they use it? With the growing threat of climate change affecting all our lives, this book invites discussion on the ways different countries and cultures value this most precious of our planet's natural resources. For children in grades 1 – 6.

**Re-Cycles** / By Michael Elsohn Ross and Gustav Moore. Brookfield, Conn.: Millbrook Press: 2002. WWL call number 010143 Kids

The life cycle of a tree and a drop of water are used to explain the changes that the Earth's soil and water go through over time. This book also contains information on composting. For children in grades K-3.

**The snowflake: a water cycle story** / By Neil Waldman. Brookfield, Conn.: Millbrook Press: 2003. WWL call number 030739 Kids

The beautiful illustrations in this book help the reader visualize the changes in water through the four seasons-- and understand the water cycle. For children in grades K-3.

**Splash! Water** / By Núria Jiménez and Empar Jiménez. Barrons Juveniles: 2010. WWL call number 130587 Kids

This book helps children learn about the importance of water in the lives of all people, plants, and animals, and they discover ways to conserve water in their homes. The brightly illustrated Taking Care of Your Planet books were written and designed to help make young children aware that Earth's resources are limited and precious, and must be used with care.

**Water** / By Frank Asch. San Diego: Harcourt Brace: 1995. WWL call number 010155 Kids

Simple sentences accompany magnificent watercolor illustrations in this book that stresses the importance of water in everyday life. A lovely introduction to water in its various forms. For children in grades Preschool-2.

**Water** / By Francois Michel and Yves Larvor. New York: Lothrop, Lee & Shepard Books: 1993. WWL call number 010156 Kids

Readers will have an interactive experience with pop-ups, pull-tabs, and lift-the-tab pages in this book. Abundant with facts for older children and entertaining for pre-readers this book has wide appeal. Each section deals with a different aspect of water--for life, underground, in the city, water power and the seacoast. For children in grades Preschool-5.

**The water cycle** New York: AV2: 2010. WWL call number 030901 Kids

'The Water Cycle,' a book for children aged 4-10, is part of the Science Matters series and guides young readers through the many forms of water, and how they impact life on Earth.

**The water cycle** / By Theresa Greenaway. Austin, Texas: Raintree Steck-Vaughn: 2001. WWL call number 010146 Kids

This well-illustrated look at water is a valuable teaching tool as it features sections on the water cycle and water properties, conservation and pollution. For children in grades 3-6.

**The water cycle** / By Trudi Strain Trueit. New York: F. Watts: 2002. WWL call number 010147 Kids

An in-depth look at the ways in which water is essential to life on our planet. Includes interesting subsections on water in space, the ocean's effect on climate, artesian well water, and more. For children in grades 4-7.

**The water cycle** / By Robin Nelson. Minneapolis, Minn.: Lerner Publications Company: 2003. WWL call number 010148 Kids

From cloud vapor to oceans, the cycle of water on Earth is shown in vivid images and simple sentences that will have younger readers thinking about what goes on in the world around them. For children in grades K-2.

**Water dance** / By Thomas Locker. San Diego, CA: Harcourt Brace & Company: 1997. WWL call number 010154 Kids

Beautiful illustrations accompany a poem about the different roles of water on our planet. Explanations are given at the end of the story about each particular phase in the water cycle. Truly a "marriage of art and science." For children in grades K-4.

**The water's journey** / By Eleanor Schmid. New York: North-South Books: 1990. WWL call number 030738 Kids  
Appreciation for water as a resource is at the heart of this book, which follows water flow from a snowy mountaintop down to the sea to explain the water cycle and show who uses water and for what purposes. For children in grades Preschool-2.

**Water pollution** / By Melanie Ostopowich. New York: AV2 by Weigl: 2010. WWL call number 162705 Kids  
'Water Pollution,' a book for children aged 4-10, is part of the Science Matters series and guides young readers through the many forms of water, and how they impact life on Earth.

**Water, water everywhere** / By Melvin and Gilda Berger. Nashville, Tenn.: Ideals Children's Books: 2003. WWL call number 010161 Kids

Explains the cycle of evaporation, condensation, and precipitation that provides fresh water to the earth and describes how this supply is brought to people's homes. Illustrated by Bobbi Tull. For children in grades 2 - 4

**Water, water everywhere** / By Mark J. Rauzon and Cynthia Overbeck Bix. San Francisco: Sierra Club Books for Children: 1994. WWL call number 010162 Kids

Describes the forms water takes, how it has shaped Earth, and its importance to life. For children in grades K - 2

**What is the world made of? All about solids, liquids and gases** / By Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld. New York: HarperCollins Publishers: 1998. WWL call number 010151 Kids

This addition to the Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science series introduces the youngest readers to an important science concept: the differences between solids, liquids, and gases. For children in grades K-3.

**Why should I save water?** / By Jen Green. Hauppauge, N.Y.: Barron's Educational Series: 2005. WWL call number 130584 Kids

Children learn that clean water is one of our most precious natural resources. In this book, boys and girls are told about dozens of ways in which they and their families can avoid wasting water. Illustrated by Mike Gordon. For children ages 4 - 8.