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# **Smart Kids: Coral Reef**





### Synopsis

Uncover an amazing world under the sea! Learn all about the incredible creatures that live in coral reefs â " from the brightly patterned fish to the deadly predators, as well as the many different reefs all over the world. Dive in and explore! This new addition to the Smart Kids series features incredible close-up photos of ocean life, fascinating facts, amazing records, and trivia, and is a brightly colored, fact-packed compendium of predators, prey, and everything under the sea.

#### **Book Information**

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

#### Customer Reviews

I wish 's mobile app included the "Look Inside" feature... so for those who are reading reviews on the mobile app, here's what's inside, subject-wise: All About Coral; Reefs of the World; Coral Polyps; Green Turtle; Moray Eel; Parrotfish; Sea Snake; Sea Slug; Great Barrier Reef; Cleaner Shrimp; Sea Dragon; Lionfish; Stingray; Sea Urchin; Reef Shark; Giant Clam; Crown of Thorns; Triggerfish; Caribbean Reefs; Reef Octopus; Sea Anemone; Clownfish; Reefs at Risk; Glossary. This book reminds me of National Geographic's First Big Book of the Sea, but it's much smaller (of course), and far better bound (we're missing pages from our Big Books, whereas this is bound well with string). The sentences can be surprisingly long and occasionally verbose, compared with the National Geographic Big Books and National Geographic Readers, but it's still a

similar format. I'm reading with a young child (4) so shorter sentences help (she likes to repeat what she's learned). Here's an example of a typically long sentence: "Algae: Types of simple plants that mostly live in the sea, from microscopic bloblike algae that float in the water or live inside some animals' bodies, up to huge seaweed many yards long.")Also the end of the book (last section before the Glossary, "Reefs at Risk") really ends on a down-note. Of course we all should really worry about what's happening to coral reefs as a result of human activities. But I think it's nice how National Geographic handles this... they mention all the threats, and then talk about ways that we can help mitigate those threats (even if it's just by learning more and sharing what you've learned). All that said, we still love the book! My daughter asks for this one frequently, and the photos are gorgeous, plus the formatting lends a fun feel to the writing!

This book is great for that little one in your life who has a knack and curiosity for the sciences! The book suggest ages 5 and up, which I concur with and might suggest it up to a child as old as 8. The book does not read as a story, but rather each page teaches you about a specific sea creature that lives in or among coral reefs. Each page has a fun fact that I really liked, for example, I myself did not know that a clown fish switched from male to female as it ages. Each page also boosts a fact file, although I'm not entirely sure that a child will understand their system for showing the size of each creature in comparison to an adult human or hand without the assistance of an adult. The book ends with a glossary to help better understand some of the complex terms that are presented. The book is also brightly colored with unclose photographs of each creature. The book is printed on paper from sustainable forests, which is always great to see! ~The Librarian Uncle

My 6 year old son loves the pictures and facts in these books1

Awesome books! My 7 yr old loves the Smart Kids books!

Great books for kids to start learning about science.

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