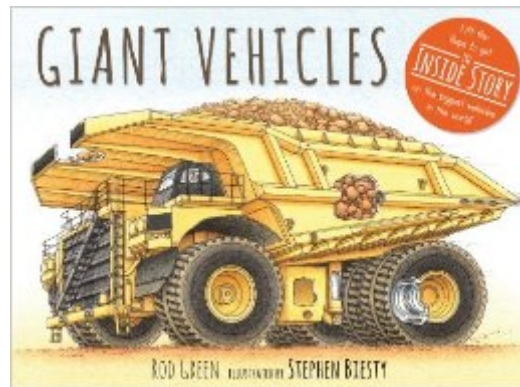


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# Giant Vehicles



## Synopsis

Get up close to some monster machines with the master of the cross-section! Internationally best-selling illustrator and undisputed master of the cross-section Stephen Biesty will have young readers enthralled by this lift-the-flap exploration of some of the world's most enormous vehicles, including the double-decker Airbus, the biggest submarine on earth, the planet's largest dump truck, and the most enormous helicopter ever to take to the air.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 9 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 4

## Customer Reviews

My kids--2 and 3--are obsessed with all vehicles and machines so I was excited to discover this detailed and interactive (lift-the-flap) book. It's full of facts that are too quantitative for my kids to understand but that just means this book will get better as they get older. They love to identify the engine in every machine and were also very excited that the conductors of the Super Train have their own bathroom ("See?" I asked my daughter, "That could be you going poo poo on the train!") And when I showed turned the page to the freight ship my daughter squealed with delight at the colorful stacks of cargo boxes. Great for your future heavy-machine operator!\* I gave this book 4 stars because there is no diversity among the people operating these machines--all are male and all appear to be white. I try to work around this by telling my kids that some of the workers are women ("See, she's the driving the truck") but diversity in children's books (like everywhere else) is super

important, especially when the story is about occupations that have traditionally been identified with a particular gender. Sally Sutton's "Construction" is a great book with diverse characters working in construction trades.

Our three-year old loves trains, trucks, boats, construction equipment--bring it on! My only cavil is that there is a lot of detail about the size and capacity of these vehicles that doesn't make sense to a three-year-old. "1,314 feet" or "four football fields" doesn't mean anything to him. But we lift up the flaps and talk about the parts of the vehicles--he loves that :)

My 2.5 and 5 year olds both really like this book. My 2.5 yr old just can't get enough of that super train with the 4 locomotives and my daughter (5) loves the glider and jumbo jet. The flaps and level of detail is AMAZING. Such an interesting book that you can read to younger ones, talk about with older kids, or let the young ones just flip through while they soak in all the pictures. I also agree with the comment that it would be good to see true/realistic diversity in the people in the illustrations- color and gender. Girls enjoy giant vehicles and dream of becoming pilots and captains, too.

GIANT VEHICLES is a children's book about some of the largest vehicles in the world. The book consists of a two-page illustration of each of the vehicles and is filled with little diagrams, side notes, and illustrations that point out the various parts of the vehicles. The vehicles in the book are: super-train, giant jumbo, whopper chopper, rocket to the moon, mighty dumper, floating hotel (Oasis of the Sea), sub sandwich (Typhoon submarine), and the world's biggest ship. In addition, each illustration has several flaps that can be lifted to see the inner-workings of the machine that is being discussed. For instance, lift up the flap in the middle of the mighty dumper and see a picture of the engine inside. Overall, GIANT VEHICLES is an informative and interactive book for children, particularly those with an interest in machines and transportation.

This book is a GIANT success! I loved it so much I decided to keep it for myself and get another for the child I intended to give it too. The cross sections of the vehicles are excellent, accurate and offer good information about each featured machine. There's plenty to look at and the material the author includes about each vehicle will add to your knowledge of how it works. Love it, love it, love it! Book provided by publisher.

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