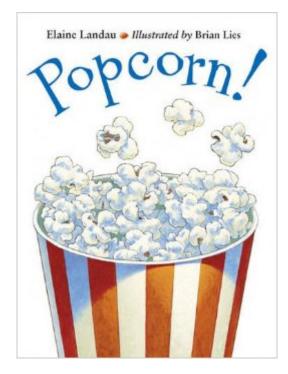
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Popcorn! (Charlesbridge)





Synopsis

Pull up a chair and dig in! POPCORN is chock-full of tidbits about one of America's favorite snack foods. Learn what makes popcorn pop, how Native Americans liked their popcorn, and how television almost wiped out popcorn's future. Cooking tips, recipes, and resources included.

Book Information

Lexile Measure: 0720 (What's this?) Series: Charlesbridge Paperback: 32 pages Publisher: Charlesbridge (February 1, 2003) Language: English ISBN-10: 1570914435 ISBN-13: 978-1570914430 Product Dimensions: 8.6 x 0.1 x 11 inches Shipping Weight: 4.8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (7 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #411,607 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #55 in Books > Children's Books > Education & Reference > Science Studies > Farming & Agriculture #129 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Health > Diet & Nutrition #312 in A Books > Children's Books > Children's Cookbooks Age Range: 6 - 9 years Grade Level: 2 - 4

Customer Reviews

If someone came up and told me that as a punishment for the many sins of my life I was going to be forced to write a non-fiction children's picture book, I'd probably run through the streets screaming with fear. Do you have any concept how hard this must be? Making non-fiction topics palatable to kids is nearly impossible, and it takes real skill to a) Come up with a topics that kids will enjoy and b) Write a book that kids will want to read more than once. Enter Elaine Landau's clever, "Popcorn!". Written with wit, interesting on almost every page, and illustrated with flair, the book is a fine fine addition to any library (public or personal) that needs some honest-to-goodness interesting non-fiction topics to fill the shelves. First of all, you'd better make certain that the kids reading this book actually like popcorn before you hand it to them. This puppy is one thorough concoction. Effortlessly melding factoids with the history of popcorn, kids learn how this nummy snack became

as beloved as it is today. Reading through the text you learn where popcorn is grown, the scientific properties that make it pop in the first place, which residents of Peru were the first to grow, pop, and eat it, and the role popcorn had with the early American Puritans. There are even tips for how to pop popcorn yourself, recipes for making popcorn balls, and a fabulous bibliography of popcorn related websites and books. The text of this book is witty, bright, and constantly interesting. It's just the reader's good luck, though, that the illustrations are just as fascinating. Now, usually I don't approve of the typical furry-woodland-creature-that-teaches-the-kids-an-important-lesson.

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