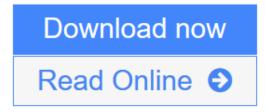


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Orchids features beautiful photographs that bring the beauty and appeal of orchids to life. In addition to introducing children to the diversity of orchids, this book introduces simple science concepts. Developed for children between the ages of 2 and 8, the concepts in this books include opposites, diversity, pollination, and symmetry.

This book includes a page with ideas for activities that expand on the concepts introduced in Orchids. These activities include simple art projects, as well as conversation starters to make the concepts meaningful to young children.

#### **Orchids Details**

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### From Reader Review Orchids for online ebook

#### Fox says

I received this book as part of a Goodreads giveaway.

This is a sweet little book; it would be nice to sit and read it with young children to help get them interested in gardening and nature. The photos are of a good quality.

The reason I've knocked it down to three stars rather than four is that I can't quite understand who the target audience is. I started off thinking it was very young children, but then some of the vocabulary is totally outthere for young children. The book almost has two different halves for two different age groups. I imagine young children would be lost during the second half.

Overall, a good book.

#### **Billie says**

This is a wonderful children's book with beautiful photographs of orchids on each page. It starts out with simple sentences and becomes more complex half way through. I think it would be more for ages six to eight. There are suggestions in the back for activities that parents can do with their child. I received this book free through Goodreads Giveaways.

#### Lara says

Received a signed copy as part of a giveaway. The photos were beautiful and I liked the extra activities for children included at the end. I had planned to gift this book to my niece, 2, and my nephew, 4, for Christmas, however, I think they would understand and enjoy it more if they were a little older.

#### **Tonja Drecker says**

Not being a guru on orchids myself, I wondered how a book could take a topic, which seems so specific, and present it in a way kids would enjoy. Now, I know.

Orchids are as varied as fish in the sea, and the pictures and text in this book prove it. Young readers are shown through lovely examples, exactly how special and different orchids can be. It might sound like a technical thing, but the author does a marvelous job bring the flowers to life in a way kids will not only understand, but grasp and head out to see if they see these same traits on flowers they run across themselves. This takes education and makes it into a type of discovery game, letting kids learn and discover in a way they know best--through fun.

The photos are gorgeous. Not only do they clearly represent the traits the author wants to show, but they are

simply a treat to thumb through and look at. The vast array of flowers comes to life, illustrating how varied and interesting orchids really are.

Summed up: This is a wonderful book which introduces kids to a realm they normally wouldn't have a chance to discover much about, and it does so in a fun and interesting way. Young listeners will never see orchids and flowers the same, and will probably want to try growing some of their own.

I received a free copy in exchange for an honest review.

#### Josh Caporale says

Orchids is a work aimed toward children that does an outstanding job teaching children about these plants and encourages parents and/or teachers to go beyond this book in encouraging learners to dig deeper into their knowledge about science and nature. The photography used in this book was spot on and I feel that, for the most part, young readers can get something out of the visuals and with how the information was presented to them. My slight criticisms have to do with the question of "how do we pollinate vanilla?" when it was mentioned and the flow of the book, how it was arranged, and how it was left a bit open-ended and without a smooth conclusion. I still think that this is a great way to get the younger crowd to learn about science and nature and the earlier we do it, the better it is for our child, and this book is certainly able to accomplish that.

I won this book in a Goodreads giveaway.

#### **Connie says**

This is a beautiful little book. It contains interesting information about orchids and the pictures are wonderful. Even though it was written for a younger audience, I still enjoyed it.

#### Keri says

Do you have that child that is very curious, or always asking questions about scientific processes? Do you have a child that is fascinated at flowers and gardening? This book is well written and a perfect explanative on Orchids. With the help of rhyming words and fantastic photos this writer did a fantastic job with this book! It is very informative, even for older kids!!! It helps in answering all of their questions concerning Orchids and their entire process!! Kim Bogren Owen leaves the reader with the satisfaction of being well educated on Orchids!!!

Thank you for writing a great book for our kids to learn from and refer back to !!!

#### John says

I really liked this book. It has beautiful pictures of orchids, which I love. This would be a great book to read

to a child. It's a short book with mostly pictures, but the wording in this book is simple and direct.

#### **Rita Evans says**

I won this book, "Orchids" by Kim Bogren Owen, in a Good Reads giveaway. I received this book today and was thrilled with it.

It is a good book for any young buding (pune intended) gardner. I loved it and am excited to give it to my great granddaughter who is not quite two and is already appreciating flowers.

#### **Trina McDowell says**

Other than some nice pic's there is not much to this book!

#### Zed says

The photographs and words complement each other nicely to introduce children to the beauty and wonder of orchids. It's an informative little book that encourages children to explore more about flowers and nature. The photographs are beautiful.

\*I received a free copy of this book through Goodreads Giveaways\*

#### Whispering Stories says

Orchids is a lovely, short book aimed at young children. The idea behind the book is to show the children that there are lots of different kinds of orchids across the world, just like there are lots of different kinds of people across the world.

I'm not much of a flower lover, hence my garden has concrete flags, not flowers. However, I do happen to have one flower in my home, an orchid, bought by my children some years back for Mothers Day. I always presumed that all orchids looked alike, and never realised that there were so many different orchids out there, including some I would of never have guessed were orchids.

Each page of the book contain a beautiful photograph of a different orchid. The author has obviously used some very talented photographers, as the pictures are truly stunning.

At the back of the book is a list of activities that can be done with the child whilst reading the book. These activities have been designed to help the children expand their concept and vocabulary, such as count the number of petals, and then find something in the home with that same number.

I would say that very young children, 18 months - 3 years would be the best age range for this book, and possibly some of the older generation that have a love of flowers, as they would love to look at the pictures.

This is a cute book that educates at the same time.

Reviewed by Stacey at www.whisperingstories.com

#### John Crone says

Fantastic book which was more than just a book about flowers!! I was fortunate to win this on Goodreads and after my son read it I in turn took over. Lots of learning for both young and old in an easy to understand format with lots of cool images. Worth a read and as the old adage says don't just judge a book by its cover.

#### Sinead says

Thank you to Goodreads Giveaway for this book

Can I start by saying that I am not a gardener and I am petrified of Orchids - my mother-in-law, however, is not. She loved this book as it got her some reading time with my stepson Max. She is a huge collector of Orchids and loves up keeping them so to be able to show them and the book to Max made her day. The illustrations/images and the wording were simple enough for max to follow and he had great fun pointing out the similarities between those in the book and nannies.

#### Ashley says

Orchids was a beautiful little book that explains the uniqueness of an orchid in an easy to understand way for children. It captures their interest with its beautiful pictures and adds rich language that is great for parents to help expand vocabulary. Kim Bogren Owen does a great job of including parent and child activities at the end of her books to expand upon what they are reading. One thing I would like to have seen added was a glossary at the end of the book explaining certain words like pollinate, symmetrical, etc. A kid friendly glossary would make it a little more user friendly for parents who aren't quite sure how to explain those concepts to children. Overall I was really impressed with how the author took the concept of orchids and enlightened the reader on its uniqueness. Even I learned that vanilla comes from an orchid!!