

Light Book List

Interdisciplinary Unit of Study

Foundational Texts

All About Light by Lisa Trumbauer: An introduction to the world of light

Can't You Sleep Little Bear? by Martin Waddell: Big Bear shows Little Bear the dark is nothing to fear.

Moonbear's Shadow by Frank Asch: Moonbear tries to outwit his troublesome shadow.

Round Trip by Ann Jonas: A day trip to the city includes a variety of sights.

Supporting Texts

The Big Dipper (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science 1) by Franklyn M. Branley: Are the stars out tonight? If they are, chances are you will see the Big Dipper.

*Blackout by John Rocco: When the power goes out in New York City on a summer night a family goes up to their roof and enjoys the stars.

Bunny Rabbit in the Sunlight by Chris Ballew: An assortment of animals; each shown in a unique form of light.

Day Light, Night Light: Where Light Comes From (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science 2) by Franklyn M. Branley:

Moonlight is really sunlight!

Draw Me a Star by Eric Carle: Draw me a star. And the artist drew a star. It was a good star.

Draw me a sun, said the star. And the artist drew a sun. And on the artist draws...

Faces of the Moon by Bob Crelin: Why does the moon seem to change shape from night to night? Fireflies in the

Night by Judy Hawes: A young girl learns some interesting facts about fireflies from her grandfather.

Flashlight by Lizi Boyd: Inside a tent it's cozy. But what is going on outside? Is it dark? Is it scary? Not if you have your trusty flashlight!

The Game in the Dark by Hervé Tullet: A storytelling game that asks children to hold the book under a light source, turn the light off and then take a journey on a rocket to the moon in the dark.

The Game of Light by Hervé Tullet: Inside this book are beautiful paintings, ready for you to mix up. Turn the flaps to create a whole new work of art - with squiggles, spots, squares and shapes of all kinds!

The Game of Shadows Hervé Tullet: There's a noise in the garden. Who could it be? Creatures hidden in the bushes? Let's go and see!

*Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown: Goodnight room, goodnight moon and goodnight to all the familiar things in the softly lit room.

Glow: Animals with Their Own Night-Lights by W. H. Beck: Join world-renowned photographers and biologists on their close encounters with the curious creatures that make their own light.

Goodnight Songs by Margaret Wise Brown: A collection of charming lullabies illustrated by 12 award-winning artists.

Guess Whose Shadow? by Stephen R. Swinburne: The basics of shadows and a shadow hunt.

The House in the Night by Susan Marie Swanson: Nighttime things that are comforting and intriguing. How a Seed

Grows by Helene Jordan: How does a tiny acorn grow into a huge tree?

How Do We Use Light? by Daniel Nunn: An introduction to the concept of light for young readers. How Many Stars in the Sky by Lenny Holt: An all-night journey of discovery.

How the Sun got to Coco's House by Bob Graham: While Coco sleeps far away, the sun creeps over a hill. How to Catch a Star by Oliver Jeffers: Once there was a boy, and that boy loved stars very much. So much so that he decided to catch one of his very own. But how?

If You Decide to go to the Moon by Faith McNulty: If you decide to go to the moon, read this book first. It will tell you how to get there and what to do after you land. The most important part tells you how to get home.

*I took the Moon for a Walk by Carolyn Curtis: When the day has ended and everyone else has fallen asleep, a young boy embarks on a magical adventure with his friend the Moon.

*Kitten's First Full Moon by Kevin Henkes: It is Kitten's first full moon, and when she sees it, she thinks it is a bowl of milk in the sky. And she wants it. Does she get it?

Light and Dark by Daniel Nunn: An introduction to the concepts of light and dark.

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Light Is All Around Us (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science 2) by Wendy Pfeffer: Light is all around us and it comes in many forms.

Little Owl's Day by Divya Srinivasan: Little Owl is supposed to be asleep, but when he wakes up early, he's just too curious to close his eyes again.

Little Owl's Night by Divya Srinivasan: It's evening in the forest and Little Owl wakes up from his day-long sleep to watch his friends enjoying the night.

The Moon Book by Gail Gibbons: Identifies the moon as our only natural satellite, describes its movement and phases, and discusses how we have observed and explored it over the years.

The Moon Seems to Change by Franklyn Mansfield Branley: Can you see the moon? Does it look like a big round ball? Or is it just a sliver of light in the sky? The moon seems to change. But it doesn't really. The Night World by Mordicai Gerstein: The secrets of nighttime and the beauty of dawn.

Nothing Sticks Like a Shadow by Ann Tompert: To win a bet, Rabbit tries to get rid of his shadow with the aid of his many animal friends.

Peppe the Lamplighter by Elisa Bartone: Peppe becomes a lamplighter to help his immigrant family in turn-of-the-century New York City.

*Papa Please Get the Moon for Me by Eric Carle: Monica wants the moon to play with, so her Papa sets out to get it for her.

A Rainbow of my Own by Don Freeman: A small boy imagines what it would be like to have his own rainbow to play with.

Shadow by Suzy Lee: An adventure that begins and ends with the click of a light bulb. Shadows and Reflections by Tana Hoban: Shadows and reflections are all around us- under our feet, over our heads, directly in front of us.

Sources of Light by Daniel Nunn: Sources of light all around us.

Stars by Mary Lyn Ray: An exploration of stars both near and far.

Sun and Moon by Lindsey Yankey: All moon wants is to spend one day as the sun.

The Very Lonely Firefly by Eric Carle: A very lonely firefly finally finds the friends he is seeking at the end of a tireless search for belonging.

**Books with an asterisk are also available in languages other than English.*