

On Parade: The Hidden World of Animals in Entertainment

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In this book, biologist Rob Laidlaw introduces children to animals' basic needs, and the realities of animal treatment behind the scenes of the entertainment industry. While it may be appealing to visit circuses or reptile shows, the animals in them often lead constricted, unnatural, and exploited lives. In straightforward, reasonable prose, Laidlaw covers the lives of these creatures, from elephants to cockroaches. A glossary, index, and suggestions for ways children can help change these conditions is included. For ages eight and older.

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