



The Kids' Outdoor Adventure Book

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The Kids' Outdoor Adventure Book, by Stacy Tornio and Ken Keffer, aims to get kids outside and cultivate in them a love for nature. With simple instruction and a seemingly intuitive understanding of young readers, *Kids' Outdoor Adventure* might just succeed. What it's not is an impossibly inconvenient children's activity book that requires parents to special order materials, run errands, and spend hours on complicated projects meant for their offspring.

Written by two experienced nature lovers who understand the joys that nature can offer, the book invites young people into a world of observation and discovery. Activities, separated by season, include ample options that can be recreated in your own backyard, city block, or local park, as well as excursions suited for the whole family. Each of the 448 entries also offers various levels of engagement in the activity, with "The basics" (the activity), "Challenge" (an additional twist), and "Did You Know?" (an informative hook that might have kids heading to the Internet or library to do research on their favorite subject). Not every child will be able to accomplish every activity, especially where geography limits their exposure to snow or beaches, but the authors offer many activities for every child.

Additionally, any parents who pick up the book will likely be flooded with nostalgia for their own childhood—of making snowmen, walking along the beach, collecting leaves, and fashioning mud pies. Whole families will be inspired to get outside for more of the same.

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