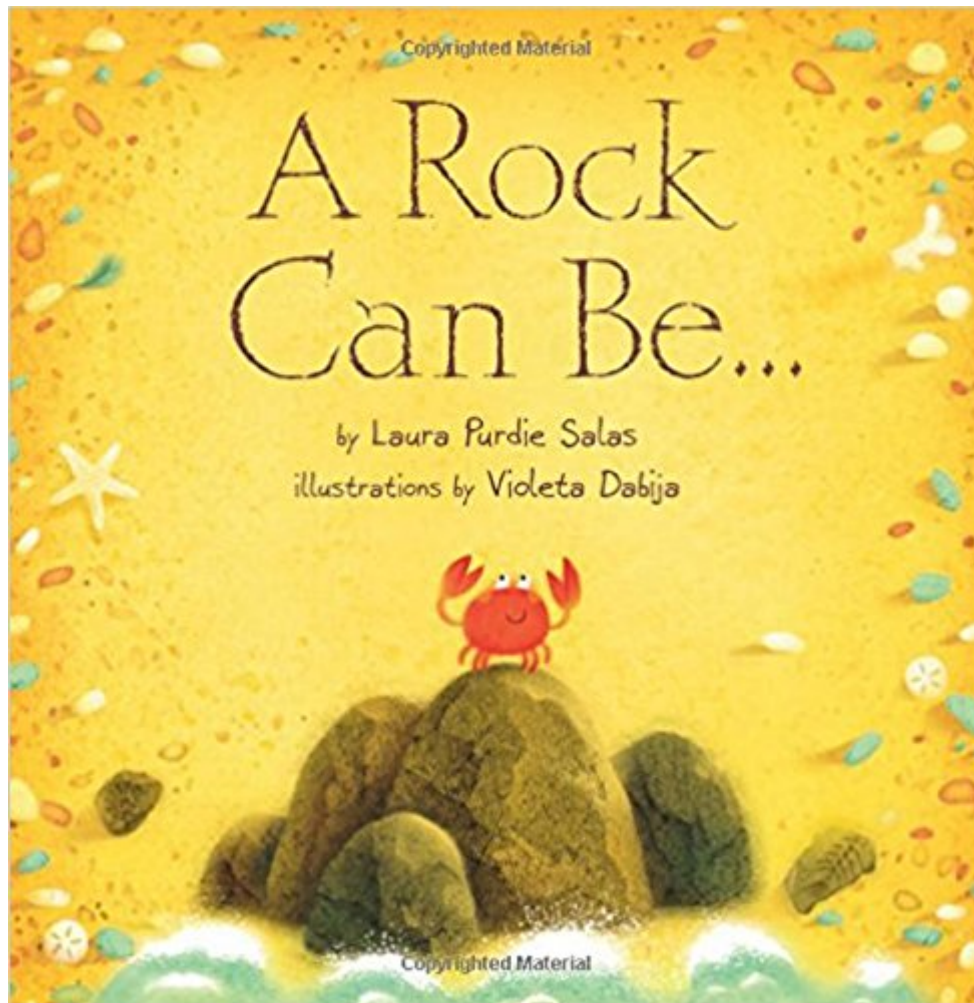




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A Rock Can Be (Millbrook Picture Books)



Synopsis

Rocks may seem like boring, static objects—until you discover that a rock can spark a fire, glow in the dark, and provide shelters of all shapes and sizes. Laura Purdie Salas's lyrical rhyming text and Violeta Dabija's glowing illustrations show how rocks decorate and strengthen the world around them.

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

PreS-Gr 2—As they did in *A Leaf Can Be* (2012) and *Water Can Be* (2014), Salas and Dabija have teamed up for this third imaginative creation. Simple rhymes and verses relate various aspects of a rock, explaining how it can be used as "a hopscotch marker" or as a "fire sparker." Listeners meanwhile absorb delicious synonyms and adjectives for a rock that they may have originally thought of as an ordinary object. To help augment their imaginations and knowledge, there are appended pages where children can find a glossary, as well as learn additional facts, such as how rocks can be used to create harbors or how chickens swallow pebbles to help digest their food. Dabija uses traditional as well as digital techniques to illustrate with a bright, colorful palette that is appealing to children. Purchase for your rock hounds or where the earlier books in this series

are popular. — Blair Christolon, Prince William Public Library System, Manassas, VA

Laura Purdie Salas is the author of more than 120 books for kids and teens, including *Water Can Be...*, *A Leaf Can Be...*, and *Bookspeak! Poems about Books*. Poetry and rhyming books are her favorite things to write, and she loves to combine poetry/verse with nonfiction. Laura loves to do school visits (in-person and Skype), writing workshops, and teacher inservices. Read more about Laura and her work at laurasalas.com.

I gave this book to a graduating geologist and she loved it!

Lovely rhythm to this book. The words are beautiful and apt at describing the creative thoughts. Nice bedtime book.

Cute story

Our grandson (age 5) loves it.

Hooray for another wonderful read-aloud in Laura Purdie Salas' award-winning "Can Be..." series with illustrator Violeta Dabija. I'm just sad that this will be the last in the series. For anyone who might think rocks are boring, they should think again. Once you read this book, you'll discover that rocks play all kinds of important roles in our world. Dinosaur bone or stepping stone, hopscotch marker or fire sparker... with rhyming couplets that are clever and vibrant, and illustrations that are rich and absorbing, children will be not only engaged, but captivated. What's more, at the back of each book is a kid-friendly informational guide that elaborates on each of the things rocks and water and leaves can be, as well as a glossary, and recommended further reading. *A Rock Can Be...* easily meets the same high standards set by the first two books in the series: *A Leaf Can Be...* and *Water Can Be...*. If you don't yet own copies of those, you should probably do yourself a favor and purchase all three!

This was perfect for me to read to my 5 year old daughter's Kindergarten class for Tale and a Treat. They had been studying rocks and gems so this was a great compliment to their curriculum. My treat was chocolate candy rocks. They were a hit! The book is beautifully illustrated and really educational for kids. Definitely makes them think about all the different places rocks come from and

all their different uses. Really lovely. I wanted something different as I'm sure a lot of parents just bring a random book to read. This totally rocked it.

This third book in the series (A LEAF CAN BE, WATER CAN BE) proves again how inventive Laura Purdie Salas' poetic mind can be. Each page of this delightful book opens our eyes to the beauty and possibility of the humble rock, which can be anything from a "lake skimmer" to a "building trimmer." Violet Dabija's art glows and sparkles with color, and she has created the cutest mountain goats I've ever seen! A perfect book for cuddling up with your favorite kiddo and marveling at the world's wonders . . . each page contains so much to talk about.

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