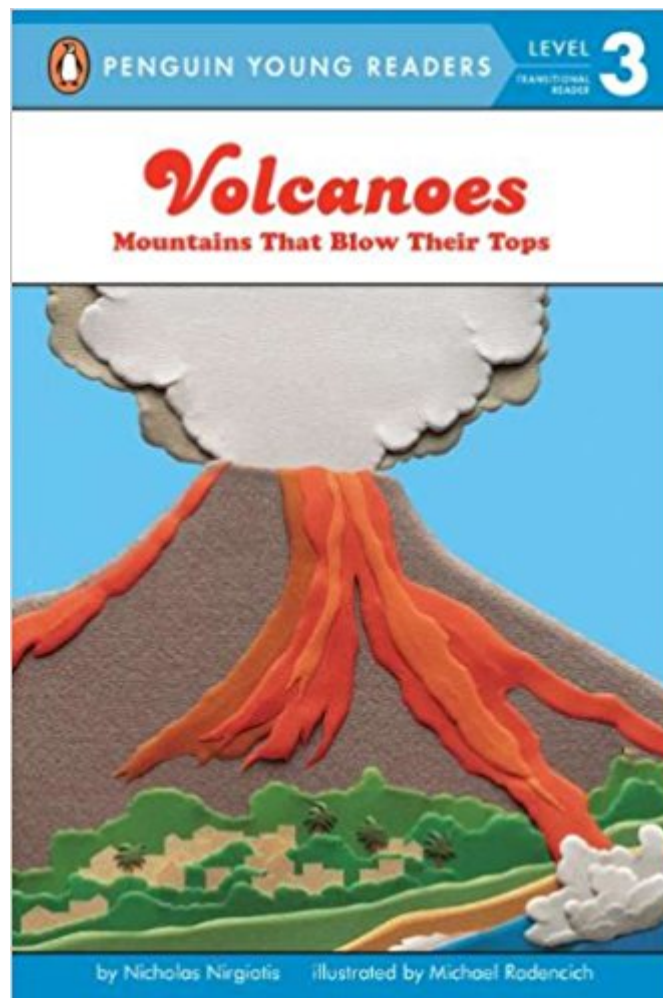




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Volcanoes: Mountains That Blow Their Tops (Penguin Young Readers, Level 3)



Synopsis

It is a quiet day on an island. Then suddenly a mountain blows its top! It is a volcano. How does it start? What happens next? Read this amazing book and find out.

Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 8 years

Grade Level: 1 - 3

Customer Reviews

Grade 1-3? Brief facts about volcanoes, presented in simple language. The narrative has a too-familiar tone and the author uses many exclamation points. An anecdote is told in the present tense: "The mountain blows its top!...Just two people get away. One is a girl. She knows a cave. She used to play there." Then readers are told, "This is a true story. It happened in 1902." Nirgiotis switches to the past tense for the more factual remainder of the book. The writing is awkward and confusing. Some volcanoes are mentioned by name, but while the story of the eruption of Paricutin in Mexico is told, its name and date are not mentioned. Brightly colored, inviting cut-paper illustrations magnify and clarify the text. Depictions of the different stages of Paricutin and before-and-after pictures of the eruption of Mount St. Helens create interest. However, the quality of the pictures does not make up for the inconsistencies in the text. A better title on Paricutin for this age group is Thomas P. Lewis's *Hill of Fire* (1971). Franklyn Branley's *Volcanoes* (1986, both

HarperCollins) provides better factual coverage for a slightly older audience. ?Anne Parker, Milton Public Library, MA Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Nicholas Nirgiotis is a published author of children's books. Some of the published credits of Nicholas Nirgiotis include An All Aboard Reading Station Stop 3 Collection: Extreme Nature (All Aboard Reading) and No More Dodos: How Zoos Help Endangered Wildlife.

The hand-made images that are then taken as pictures are really cute. Yet another small book that kids might love (4 years old kids)

I really liked the book because it was illustrated neatly especially the title page was good too! The writing was big, which I liked because it made it easier to understand. I learned there is a Volcanoe name Mt. Pelee. I think I would rate this book a 5. I would recommend this book to another student because they will like the illustrations as well as the story!

I think this book is good for 1st to 2nd grade level readers. I think this is a good book if your doing reasearch on a volcano. I do not think this is a good book for 5th graders just to read. I do not think this is a good book for people that like realistic pictures because the pictures look like clay

This story I will rate about 3 stars. One reason I didn't like it is because the pictures look like clay. I did like the setting and plot of this story because it tells you a bunch of stuff that maybe you don't know. The reason I like the setting is because its not all over the place its just in a couple of places.

I kind of liked it because the book taught me more about mountains that blew up. But I didn't really enjoy it because I knew most of the stuff it told me and I think that the book just needs more information or else people aren't going to enjoy reading the book.

This book should be for 1st to 2nd grade reading level. I think this book is good for doing research on a volcano. It is not really good for 5th grade and up just to read. If you like realistic pictures, this is not good for you because the pictures look like clay.

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