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The attributes of 28 different lizards are revealed in this STEM nonfiction picture book, while the story provides a subtle message encouraging children to be true to their own nature. The actions of 28 lizard species--the flying dragon that swoops through the air, the shingleback that sticks out its blue tongue to scare predators, the basilisk that can race across the surface of water--invite readers to act like a lizard themselves. The text by noted author April Pulley Sayre asks: "Can you run like a lizard? Sun like a lizard? Bob your head like a lizard?" Featuring brilliantly colorful, textured artwork by illustrator Stephanie Laberis, the book also includes extensive back matter with further information about the featured lizard species--their size, geographical range, why they perform the various actions introduced in the text--as well as details about lizards in general.

Discover the coolest robots of today and tomorrow in this colorful, photo-packed book. In this inviting and entertaining format, kids will learn about the science behind these amazing machines. This Level 3 reader is written in an easy-to-grasp style to encourage the scientists of tomorrow! National Geographic supports K-12 educators with ELA Common Core Resources. Visit www.natgeoed.org/commoncore for more information.

A curious lizard slips into a house and instantly realizes he is in the wrong place. Trapped indoors, the mischievous lizard is unstoppable! This little reptile causes every room to be turned upside down. All of the family members, and even a few pets join in the chase. Will the lizard ever escape?! If something like this ever happens at your house, your children will have learned a few "Rescue Tips" about how to safely catch Mother Nature--and carefully let her go back outside where she belongs.

From geckos to iguanas, komodo dragons to chameleons, lizards are about the most awesome animal around! They inhabit every continent except Antarctica. Some are lethal. Some change color. Some have suction cups on their feet. There is enough fascinating information about these animals to fill an entire library of readers! But we've taken the absolute coolest information about the coolest animal and compacted it in this fascinating level 2 reader, perfect for anyone who loves slippery, slimy, creepy, and crawly. This high-interest, educationally vetted series of beginning readers features the magnificent images of National Geographic, accompanied by texts written by experienced, skilled children's book authors. The inside back cover of the paperback edition is an interactive feature based upon the book. Level 1 books reinforce the content of the book with a kinesthetic learning activity. In Level 2 books readers complete a Cloze letter, or fun fill-in, with vocabulary words. National Geographic supports K-12 educators with ELA Common Core Resources. Visit www.natgeoed.org/commoncore for more information.

This addition to the hit Little Kids First Big Book series explores the fascinating world of reptiles and amphibians, from slithering snakes and scaly lizards to bumpy frogs and spotty salamanders. Get ready to meet a variety of awesome animals, from frilled lizards to giant tortoises to goliath frogs. This reference book for the younger set answers questions that range from "What is the biggest reptile in the world?" to "How can a boa constrictor fit a deer into its mouth?" Readers explore what makes an animal a reptile or an amphibian and learn about more than 45 different creatures. Packed with more than 250 stunning color photos, the book also provides information on animal habitats, characteristics, and behavior. Filled with fun facts and designed for interactive learning, it is sure to become a favorite with budding herpetol-

ogists and their parents.

A modern take on "Mary Had a Little Lamb" featuring hilarious antics as Lizard sneaks into Mary's backpack and causes nothing but mayhem in her Kindergarten class. He eats someone's lunch, makes a mess in the painting corner, and scares the teacher silly during story time before being sent to the principal's office to wait for Mary's mom to pick him up. It's no fun being alone. But when Mary finally comes home from school, Lizard knows he'll always have his very best friend. Rendered in a combination of traditional and digital color, Mary Had a Little Lizard is a silly, satisfying celebration of new experiences and friendships that can never be broken.

A lonely boy's new pet grows into a rather large dilemma—and a Thanksgiving parade offers an uplifting solution—in this charming tale from the author of *The Boy and the Airplane* and *The Girl and the Bicycle*. When Leonard takes a shortcut through the park, he finds an egg and takes it home, where it hatches into a lizard (or so Leonard thinks). Leonard names his new pet Buster and takes him all around the city: on the subway, to the library, to a baseball game, and more. But Buster keeps growing and growing—and Leonard gets the sense that Buster is longing for something Leonard can't provide. Before long, Buster becomes too big to keep, and Leonard realizes he needs to set Buster free. So Leonard comes up with an inventive plan, one that involves all the balloons Leonard can find and the annual Thanksgiving parade, in an imaginative plot twist that will spark readers' imaginations—and touch their hearts.

Their name and appearance may send chills down your spine, but thorny devils are far from fearsome! Their dangerous looks are one of the many adaptations highlighted on the pages of this beginning reader. Adding even more interest and fun are features

showing off the reptile's home range, diet, and more!

Here's a riddle: What is the largest lizard native to the United States? It lives in the desert, has sharp claws, scaly skin, and its tongue is forked. Look inside *All About North American Gila Monsters* to read and learn about this fascinating, poisonous lizard. *Gila Monsters* is one of 18 books in our *Animals Around the World* series. Each title is beautifully illustrated with large, close-up photographs. Be sure to check out all 18!

They're SSSSLITHERY! SLIPPERY! They creep us out! But get to know them and you'll find snakes private, quiet types who just want a cool, shady place to call home. From the tip of their forked tongues, to skin that sheds, to the rattles on certain tails, these creatures have secrets all kids will love. Cool photos and fun facts slip us inside their surprising world.

Car, trucks, planes, trains, bikes, gondolas, and even funiculars--there are so many ways to get around! Set out on a journey around the world to discover just how many vehicles we use to get from here to there. Whether you're canoeing down a river, zooming in a maglev train, or just simply walking, people are always on the move! In this book, young readers will explore the ways we travel through water, on land, and in the sky. *National Geographic Kids Readers* have been a hit in the beginning reader category, and this book builds upon that success with a new approach--parents and children reading together. With the same combination of careful text, brilliant photographs, and fun approach to high-interest subjects that has proved to be a winning formula with kids, *National Geographic Co-readers* provide one page of adult read-aloud and one page of kid read-aloud text on each spread, building toward a collaborative reading experience. Developed by National Geographic in consultation with literacy education experts, a series of high-interest, exciting and easy-to-read books contain simple text, National Geographic photography and kid-friendly diagrams, as well as loads of information about subjects that really matter to kids. Simultaneous.

An introduction to crocodiles and alligators combines vibrant National Geographic photography with accessible facts that identify key characteristics and explain what makes crocodiles and alligators different. Simultaneous.

This lush book of photography represents National Geographic's Photo Ark, a major cross-platform initiative and lifelong project by

photographer Joel Sartore to make portraits of the world's animals--especially those that are endangered. His powerful message, conveyed with humor, compassion, and art--to know these animals is to save them. Sartore intends to photograph every animal in captivity in the world. He is circling the globe, visiting zoos and wildlife rescue centers to create studio portraits of 12,000 species, with an emphasis on those facing extinction. He has photographed more than 6,000 already and now, thanks to a multi-year partnership with National Geographic, he may reach his goal. This book showcases his animal portraits--from tiny to mammoth, from the Florida grasshopper sparrow to the greater one-horned rhinoceros. Paired with the eloquent prose of veteran wildlife writer Douglas Chadwick, this book presents a thought-provoking argument for saving all the species of our planet.

Find out about snakes, crocodiles, lizards, turtles, and other reptiles in this new co-reader from National Geographic Kids.

Come face-to-face with sharks, wolves, tigers, and many more predators in this gripping new addition to the *National Geographic Kids Reader* series. Amazing animal photos will wow kids as they discover how predators hunt, raise their young, and contribute to the food chain. This Level 2 reader is written in easy-to-grasp text and will help kids understand who rules in the wild!

The natural world experts at National Geographic present the ultimate reference book on reptiles, designed just for kids. Crawling with fascinating facts, lively text, and tons of cool, colorful, images of the weirdest and wackiest reptiles on planet Earth, it is sure to be their coveted, #1 reference. Snakey, slimey, scaley, and sensational! Welcome to the amazing world of the most popular reptiles on Earth. With colorful photographs and fun facts, this easy-to-use encyclopedia profiles snakes, lizards, amphibians, turtles and tortoises, crocodilians, and tuatara. Profiles are accompanied by Did You Know? details and fast facts including scientific name, size, diet, and habitat.

Find out what happens when predator is pitted against predator in this exciting, informative reader. The Level 1 text provides accessible, yet wide-ranging, information about some of the world's most amazing creatures for beginning readers. From the Trade Paperback edition.

Introduces readers to lizards, looking at what they have in common, as well as some of the special traits and abilities that individual species have.

Introduces the characteristics, behaviors, food habits, and habitats of reptiles and amphibians.

There's nothing more fascinating than dinosaurs. In this Level 1 reader, youngsters learn all about the terrifying giants that once roamed the Earth--maybe even as close as their own backyard! They'll be wowed by new information and eye-popping illustrations from National Geographic, a trusted source of children's nonfiction content. National Geographic supports K-12 educators with ELA Common Core Resources. Visit www.natgeoed.org/commoncore for more information. Provides information about owls, including different types of owls, their habitats, diet, physical characteristics, and behaviors.

A concept book about color combines vibrant National Geographic animal photography with lyrical "Did You Know?" text, juxtaposed against color-themed backgrounds.

Presents the life of sea turtles, including where they travel, how they build nests, and what they eat.

You don't have to look far to see a spider's web--in the corner of the window, on a fence, or in a bush--spiders make their homes everywhere. And there are so many kinds of spiders! Some red, some blue, yellow, and more...all fascinating. Amazing photography and easy-to-understand text make *Spiders* a hit in this National Geographic Kids series.

Roar with lions in this exciting reader. Through beautiful and engaging photos, kids will learn all about these majestic big cats. This level 1 reader is carefully leveled for an early independent reading or read aloud experience, perfect to encourage the scientists and explorers of tomorrow!

Lifelike portraits of 30 scaly creatures--from a tiny dwarf chameleon to a ten-foot-long Komodo dragon fill this coloring book. Valued as exotic pets in many parts of the United States and around the world, lizards come in a wide range of shapes and sizes. Award-winning nature artist Jan Sovak has accurately rendered 30 of these curious creatures and placed them in appropriate habitats. Included are realistic images of a leaf-tailed gecko, a blue-tongued skink, a ferocious-looking marine iguana, a chuckwalla--a plump lizard with a taste for fruit, leaves, buds, and flowers--and many other varieties. Descriptive captions included.

Bright photos and easy-to-read descriptions examine the various animals who live in the warm waters around a coral reef.

Get to know scales, shells, and other kinds of amazing animal armor in this engaging Level 1 Reader from National Geographic Kids, now with more than 125 books from Pre-reader to Level 3 in the series. Packed with beautiful and engaging photos, kids will learn all about these fantastic creatures. Learn about animals with shells, scales, and spikes! This Reader is carefully leveled for an early independent reading or read aloud experience, perfect to encourage the scientists and explorers of tomorrow!

This activity book is jam-packed with the coolest reptiles and amphibians kids love - from frogs to turtles to alligators to lizards. Loaded with color and fun, it includes mazes, spelling and pattern games, drawing activities, more than 1,000 stickers, and more.

If you visited the desert, what would you see? In this fun pre-reader, young readers will learn about deserts around the world and the animals that live in these dry places, from camels and fennec foxes to desert lizards and tortoises. Key features include: Expert-vetted text appropriate for ages 2 to 5 and up to a kindergarten grade level Brilliant and eye-catching National Geographic images A vocabulary tree and wrap-up activity that introduces kids to new words and concepts Perfect for beginning and young readers, National Geographic Pre-readers give kids a chance to use what they've learned, while expanding their understanding of the world. About the series: This high-interest, educationally vetted readers series features magnificent National Geographic images accompanied by text written by experienced, skilled children's book authors. Each reader includes a glossary and interactive features in which kids get to use what they've learned in the book. Level 1 books reinforce the content of the book with a kinesthetic learning activity. Level 2 readers feature slightly higher-level text and additional vocabulary words. Level 3 readers have more layers of information to challenge more proficient readers. For emerging readers, the Pre-reader level introduces vocabulary and concepts, and the Co-reader level provides a collaborative

reading experience. Praise for National Geographic Readers: "Reliable in format and solid in execution, this series works well to introduce children of varying levels of reading comfort to nonfiction and research formats." —Maggie Reagan, Booklist Complete your collection with these popular National Geographic Pre-readers: National Geographic Readers: Swing, Sloth! Explore the Rain Forest National Geographic Readers: At the Beach National Geographic Readers: Animal Homes National Geographic Readers: Hop, Bunny! Explore the Forest

Provides facts about wolves, including their habitat, packs, and feeding habits.

Find out about dragon-like critters in this new Co-reader from National Geographic Kids. Co-readers provide one page of text for adults to read aloud and one page text for kids to read aloud on each spread, building toward a collaborative reading experience. Think dragons exist only in fairy tales? Think again! Meet huge komodo dragons, flying lizards, and all sorts of amazing creatures that really are stranger than fiction. Adult and child readers will learn all about fierce and funny REAL dragons together. Co-readers are designed to be read aloud, with one page for the child who is learning to read and the adjacent page for a parent, caregiver, older sibling, buddy, or other more fluent reader. Expert-vetted text along with brilliant photos and a fun approach to reading are a winning formula with kids, parents, and educators.

Find out about snakes, crocodiles, lizards, turtles, and other reptiles in this new co-reader from National Geographic Kids. Learn about your favorite scaly, cold-blooded animals. Find out where they live, what they eat, why they shed their skin, and more. National Geographic readers have been a hit in the beginning reader category, and this book builds upon that success with a new approach--parents and children reading together. With the same combination of careful text, brilliant photographs, and fun ap-

proach to high-interest subjects that has proved to be a winning formula with kids, National Geographic Co-readers provide one page of adult read-aloud and one page of kid read-aloud text on each spread, building toward a collaborative reading experience.

A Step 2 Step into Reading Science Reader about reptiles. PBS's successful animated show Wild Kratts follows the adventures of zoologists Chris and Martin Kratt as they travel to animal habitats around the globe. Along the way, they encounter incredible creatures while combining science education with fun. Boys and girls ages 4 to 6 can join the Kratt brothers as they activate their Creature Power Suits to creep, crawl, and slither with amazing reptiles! Step 2 Readers use basic vocabulary and short sentences to tell simple stories. For children who recognize familiar words and can sound out new words with help.

Lizards are cool. Literally. They are ectotherms, which means they can't make their own heat. That's why you see many types of lizards basking in the sun, seemingly doing nothing at all. That's the life. But make no mistake, lizards have very busy lives?looking for food and avoiding being food. Popular science writer Sneed B. Collard III gets down and dirty with all kinds of lizards?from your average "Joe Lizard," the western fence lizard, to the impressively large Komodo dragon. In a kid-friendly narrative, Sneed explores many different kinds of lizards, their habitats, defense systems, hunting techniques, and mating rituals. He reveals the exciting life of a lizard?from rappelling from the tops of trees to the forest floor, to dropping off a tail to get away from a predator.

Spend a day hiking in the Sonoran Desert, and you may spot an unusual sight: a lizard sprinting on two legs! Collared lizards reach speeds of up to 16 miles per hour while racing on their hind legs to catch prey or escape predators. Eye-catching photos, fascinating facts, and explanations of adaptations will keep young readers glued to the pages of Collared Lizards!