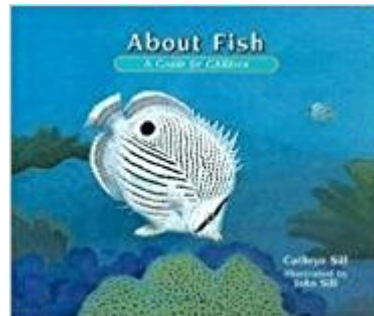




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# About Fish: A Guide For Children (About (Peachtree))



## Synopsis

A new addition to the award-winning natural science series for young children **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER** and author Cathryn Sill and her husband, noted wildlife illustrator John Sill, team up again to offer young readers another first glimpse into our natural world in the latest book in the acclaimed About&#x85; series. In simple, easy-to-understand language children learn the basic characteristics of what fish are, how they swim, breathe, and reproduce, and the different ways they protect themselves from predators. The beautifully detailed, full-color illustrations reflect the diversity of the fish population-from an Arctic char to a Porcupine Fish-and present each in its natural underwater habitat. An afterword, which provides further details on the fish portrayed, will inspire young readers to learn more.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

reSchool-Grade 2-A simple, handsome book. Each spread consists of a brief sentence about fish life, anatomy, or behavior and a full-page, full-bleed watercolor painting. The text begins, "Fish live in water," and faces a picture of a brown trout. The specific form is identified in small italics at the bottom of the text page. More details and small black-and-white photos are included in an afterword. This pleasant title is a good companion to Robert Snedden's *What Is a Fish?* (Sierra Club, 1993) and Jim Arnosky's *Crinkleroot's 25 Fish Every Child Should Know* (S & S, 1993).Jean Pollock, King

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Ages 2-6. The Sills, whose previous books include *About Amphibians* (2001) and *About Reptiles* (1999), extend their useful series with an elementary introduction to fish. Beautifully illustrated with delicate, precise watercolor paintings, the text uses simple words to discuss topics such as how fish move, breathe, and protect themselves from predators. Each of the 15 spreads in this well-designed volume features a full-page illustration on one side facing a line or phrase of text on the other. Simple enough for a preschool teacher to read aloud in class, and easy enough for new readers to read for themselves, the presentation is extended by an informative afterword that includes a miniature black-and-white reproduction of each painting and a paragraph of text that identifies the species pictured, explains how it represents the concept mentioned, and further discusses the fish. Carolyn PhelanCopyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

I got this book for my oldest nephew, who has been interested in fish since before his first birthday (he's about 4 now). He loves it. The pictures are excellent. There is a simple sentence in large, bold type on each page and a corresponding smaller, more detailed paragraph towards the back of the book. It has some interesting bits of information in it. I wish there were more books like this one. I can recommend it without hesitation to anyone looking for a quality, educational, enjoyable book for the just-about-to-read to just-starting-to-read groups. It's a good interactive book to go through with your child and anybody can appreciate the gorgeous pictures.

My grandson, Asher, has had heart surgery at two years of age, and this book has really been enjoyed by him. He had to be still, and he loves fish. My daughter bought Asher a beautiful aquarium.

As with all the books I purchase for the children in my life, I read "About Fish" and found it to be a really enjoyable, nicely illustrated, well done book, which I would highly recommend for small children. Also, having worked as a preschool for many years, I would recommend it for use by preschool teachers as well.

I bought this for my grandsons and it was a hit!

I recently bought this book for my 25-month old son who loves animals and "About Birds: A Guide For Children". Though this book is too sophisticated for him at present ("too big", he says) I know he will love it in the future. Like "About Birds" the illustrations are excellent and the text expressed fairly sophisticated facets of fish in a simple and accessible way (how they eat, breathe, travel, etc). I definitely recommend this book (and series) to anyone with a child that loves nature and animals - it's unique and special series.UPDATE: My son is now three years old and continues to love this book. This whole series is a winner in our family.

Gift for grandson. He and his brother love it!

I teach preschool and my kids just love the pictures which are very captivating for my 3-5 year olds. Easily the most popular book on our shelf. They remember the information well.

The pictures were beautiful, exactly what I was looking for. My grandson was completely enraptured with this book. He is 19 months and currently, "feesh" are his favorite creatures.

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