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How many species are there across the globe?

How much do all of the insects in the world collectively weigh?

How far can animals travel?

Steve Jenkins answers these questions and many more with numbers, images, innovation, and authoritative science in his latest work of illustrated nonfiction. Jenkins layers his signature cut-paper illustrations alongside computer graphics and a text that is teeming with fresh, unexpected, and accurate zoological information ready for readers to easily devour. The level of scientific research paired with Jenkins' creativity and accessible infographics is unmatched and sure to wow fans old and new.

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Alex Ward says

I could read this for hours; a reference-type book that presents a bunch of infographics about different animal characteristics.

Joan says

Jenkins puts together a great infographics book that should capture young browsers' attention and fascination. Did you know the loudest creature on earth is as loud as a jet plane but we cannot hear the bulldog bat because the noise is higher pitched than what we can hear? I do question one stat: he says cats sleep on the average 13 hours a day. I always heard more like 18 hours.. A quick check found 13 seems to be on the lower end of what cats sleep. In general I see a range from 12 to 20 hours. Did you know that using the criteria of how many humans are killed by a species in a year, sharks come off as less dangerous than dogs, because of rabies? BTW mosquitoes win hands down as the most deadly animal. Err, wings down?

I have to say this book did not give Jenkins as much scope for his lovely artwork as other books have. However, check out the Tardigrade or water bear, on page 41. That one grabbed my attention, as did his crocodile. Many of the birds in this book are stunning.

This will be the perfect book to put on library displays but be prepared to have it grabbed quickly!

Connor Bates says

Throughout my early elementary years, I loved reading informational books, especially ones that had interesting graphs to look at. It was difficult for me to find these kinds of books that also had rich, research-based content in them as well. All of these criteria can be found in Animals by the Numbers by Steve Jenkins. And in addition to this, it is also extremely visually pleasing.

The first thing I saw when I opened the book was a large pie graph showing the number of each specific kind of animal there were in the book. This drew my attention in, as I could see that there was hundreds of animals that would be discussed in the book. As I went through the information in the book, I found it dense, yet not overwhelming, as there were still many amazing illustrations of animals. The one that stood out to me the most was the illustration of the tardigrade, or water bear, on page 41, as I did not know that this kind of animal even existed. The only critique I had was the colors of the extinct versus the animals still alive today on page 10 and 11, as they were too similar.

The backmatter of this book was also very useful, as it gave a bibliography of the sources used in order to gain the information needed to write and illustrate this book, as well as an author's note describing how he gathered and used his information. This book is something that I can see a early elementary school teacher using before a unit on animals.

Donalyn says

Steve Jenkins's books are reliably outstanding and this new book of infographics offers stunning illustrations and design with accurate scientific information. Kids will pore over this book and read sections again and again.

Alicia says

A lighter fare for infographic lovers or data nerds, it showcases the things you'd think it would showcase--sizing, deadliness, but included fun things like heart rate and decibels that their sounds make. It's definitely is fun to read through and doesn't provide any explosive new information but does what it intended it to do.

Beverly says

Very interesting comparisons between a large variety of animals, on topics such as size, speed, endangered status, how dangerous, etc.

Christy says

I got this book for my kids, but I loved it! It was so interesting. It was full of fun facts and eye opening information about animals.

Manybooks says

If I were to approach Steve Jenkins' [Animals by the Numbers: A Book on Infographics](#) simply with consideration as to what the author textually presents and how he makes numbers not only interesting to and for children (older children above the age of nine or so, as the vocabulary used is by necessity and nature rather advanced at times) but also how Jenkins delightfully and evocatively demonstrates the importance of numbers and infographics with regard to biology and zoology (by statistically comparing and contrasting animal species, how fast they are, how much they weigh, rates of extinction, migration distances and so on and so on) I would most definitely be ranking [By the Numbers: A Book on Infographics](#) with four or perhaps even five stars. However, as informative and yes even as fun and as personally educational as I have found [Animals by the Numbers: A Book on Infographics](#) to be (and I sure do wish that I had had a book like this as a child, as it might well have made numbers and even mathematics more interesting, more relevant and less potentially frightening and frustrating) I do find it rather majorly annoying that there are no suggestions for further reading, for additional study and research included (and that the Kindle edition of [Animals by the Numbers: A Book on Infographics](#) sports a text, sports written words rendered, featured in such a tiny font, with such low and washed out contrast so as to make reading difficult at best and pretty much eye-strain and headache inducing for those of us with less than perfect vision). Still, I would nevertheless highly

recommend Animals by the Numbers: A Book on Infographics both for entertainment and educational purposes (as I do well realise that for the intended audience, the lack of a bibliography with suggestions for further reading would probably not be that much of an issue, but I would most vehemently and definitely NOT recommend reading Animals by the Numbers: A Book on Infographics on the Kindle, as an e-book, I would absolutely suggest perusing it as a paper, as a so-called dead tree book instead, because the tiny font sizes of the Kindle version do leave very much to be desired).

Lesley Burnap says

Terrific resource about animals species by the numbers-population, size, groups, etc. Utterly fascinating, a tad daunting, but amazing text through and through.

Beverly says

Reviewed for Mock Caldecott Awards--still trying to finish up the ones I should have reviewed in January. This book would be best for an older child who is showing a real interest in numbers and the animal world. The illustrations are well done and the charts are colorful but there is not a real story. A couple of the interesting facts that I learned was the biomass of all the humans in the world is about 300 million tons while the biomass of all insects is 100 billion tons. Also, that the mosquito is the deadliest animal in the world--causing 1,000,000 deaths a year. Very interesting, just not for little ones.

Gary Anderson says

The weight of all termites on Earth is double the weight of all humans on Earth. A gnat beats its wings a thousand times per second. The bulldog bat is one of the loudest animals, but humans can't hear its high-pitched sounds. Crocodiles kill three hundred times more humans each year than sharks. Only three Red River soft-shelled turtles are still in existence, two in zoos and one in a Vietnamese lake. Who knew?

Animals by the Numbers: A Book of Animal Infographics will fascinate animal lovers and others. Animals are automatically appealing to many young readers, but this book also includes strange facts about familiar and unfamiliar species that will intrigue many curious minds.

Author Steve Jenkins goes beyond the animal focus to present data in a variety of infographic formats: pie charts, flow charts, bar graphs, and many others, making *Animals by the Numbers* a helpful guide as students consider and decide how to best visually represent or report different types of information. These infographics are presented alongside Jenkins's own artwork depicting many different animals.

Jenkins's strong integration of content and format will make *Animals by the Numbers* one of the most appealing, useful books in any collection.

Nicole says

Nominated for 18-19 WAW Award I thought the infographics might have taken away from the usual illustration style, but not so!

So many things in this book blew my mind, especially how big a blue whale heart is! We had great conversations from this book!

Carrie Gelson says

Absolutely engrossing!

Kermite says

Such a great book! Informative and visually interesting. Kids (and adults) will love studying the infographics about animals.

Kimberly says

What a neat book! Loved the info graphics and there are tons of interesting facts. Did you know that giraffes only sleep for 2.5 hours per day? Well, now you do. Read this book and you'll know a bunch of other cool stuff too.
