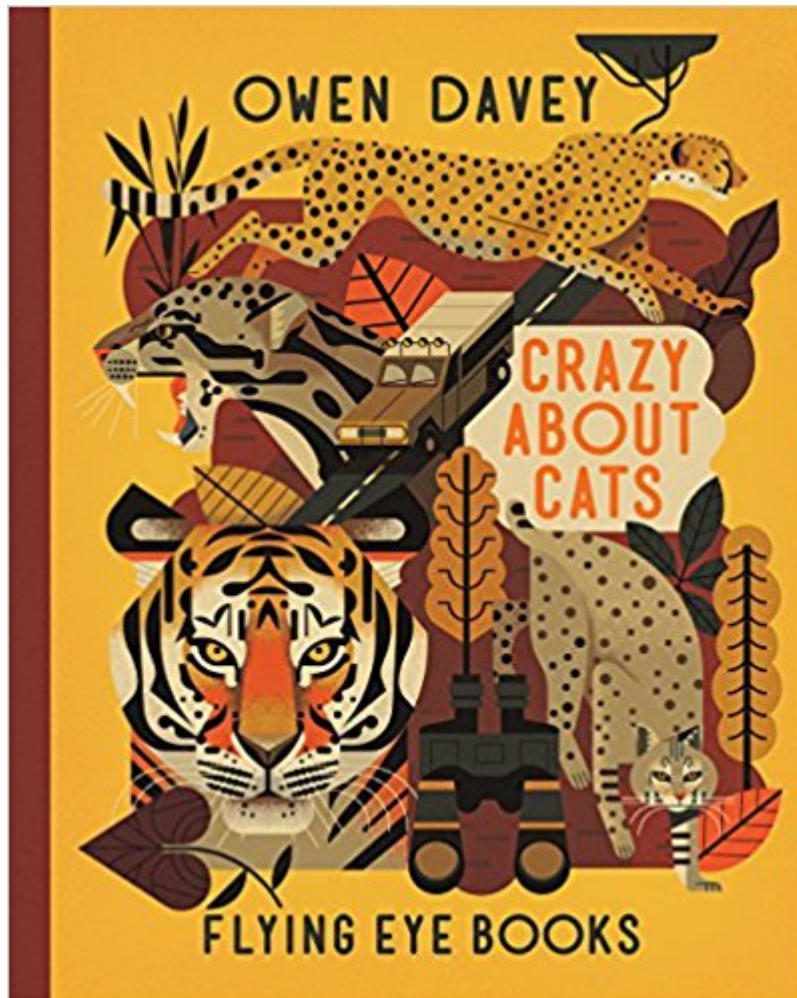




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CRAZY ABOUT CATS



Synopsis

Did you know that the fishing cat has partially webbed paws for catching fish? Or that pumas can leap over 15 feet into trees? There are roughly 38 species of cats today, each one superbly adapted to their environment - whether that be in the rainforest or the desert!

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Customer Reviews

There's a lot going on here, and all of it good. [Kirkus Reviews](#), STARRED REVIEW
A compendium of fascinating facts, bold images and unabashed puns, [this] superb non-fiction treat boasts a perfect balance of information, humour and graphic-style illustration. [The Guardian](#)

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This book is beautiful. However, it does have one major issue and I want to address that first. It is

listed for children ages 5-10. Most 10 year olds could not read this book on their own, not to mention 5 year olds (for the record I am a teacher that works with children everyday including 10 year olds). The vocabulary is just too difficult. "Sweltering, desolate, obligate, domesticated, versatile and athleticism" are just a few of the words found in the first half of the book. With that being said, this is still a fantastic and extremely educational book. If your child is 5-10, you could read this book along with them and it would be extremely beneficial. For independent reading, I would say the age range is more 10-12+. The book has fantastic art work that includes different types of cats, a diagram of the evolution of cats and even a scale that compares the size of different cats and the size of a human. The content also includes mythology, which cat has the best "...." (loudest roar, longest jump, etc.), anatomy, what cats eat, lineage, and so much more. It basically has everything you could possibly want to know about cats. The book is very well done and very educational. Despite the age range being off in my opinion, it is a book that is worth reading. It could even be an interesting table book for adults. I highly recommend this book!

This stunning book appealed to me because it reminded me of those 30s Childcraft book covers; and it did not disappoint! Everything about this book, from the stunning, stylized illustrations and beautiful layout, to the gorgeous endpapers, to the heavy, rough feel of the paper (which reminded me of my ancient Giant Golden Books), is utterly delightful. Lovers of vintage art and design will find it enchanting, and kids love the bold illustrations and really cool facts. The book is a primer to the cat family, with a breakdown by genus and some more detailed species information as well. Besides the family groupings, the book covers details shared by several genera and differing between them, from roar, to speed, fur, size, camouflage, hunting techniques, etc. One of my favorite comparisons shows all of the cats arranged and scaled by size, which was a really cool comparison, since you seldom see them together in nature shows, and even in a zoo exhibit, it's difficult to see relative size. Anyway, just a gorgeous, engaging book, a winner for both nature-loving kids and their parents, especially older parents.

As an adult reading this I learned all sorts of interesting factoids about different species of cats! The artwork is really interesting though I found myself sitting at my computer looking up the different animals as I wanted to know what they truly looked like; the artist's renditions are close and I think it is great that this book has the potential to encourage further research with readers. Some of the language used in the book was more advanced than expected as this is a book directed towards children, mostly scientific terms that will likely be way beyond a young reader's comprehension. If

you're reading this with your kids look through it first and be prepared with some definitions and explanations! Overall I found this book educational and fun to read with a good length that will keep young readers' attention, with detailed artwork that you find yourself looking at for quite a while to make sure you've caught everything. I see this being a book any young animal reader will return to again and again.

"Crazy about Cats" is a children's nonfiction about big cats. The illustrations were stylized (rather than highly realistic), but they showed the unique characteristics of the different types of cats (lions, pumas, etc.) so it was still easy to identify the cats. The text talked about things like unique big cat features, their coat patterns, their hunting strategies (fish, hide and pounce, etc.), territory, and roaring. He also had featured cats where he gave more information about some cats that I've never even heard of before (margay, rusty-spotted cat) and some more common types (lion, tiger). Overall, I liked this book and would recommend it.

I have a 5 year old who is over the moon for everything cat and kitty. I got this book for her thinking she would enjoy it. It is a little mature for her age, but it is a great, helpful informative book about cats of all kinds, from the kind you find at the zoo to the ones you have in your home. This book is wonderful for adults and kids to learn together about all things cat. Though, if your kids are little, you may have to read this book to them instead of having them read it themselves.

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