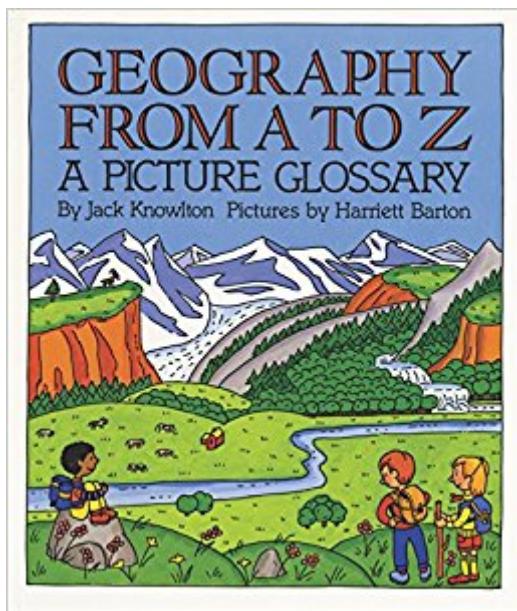


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# Geography From A To Z: A Picture Glossary (Trophy Picture Books (Paperback))



## Synopsis

This picture glossary is the perfect book to help young kids begin to learn about Earth's geography! From A (as in archipelago) to Z (as in zone), it features over sixty clear and concise definitions with beautiful full-color illustrations and maps. Have you ever wondered what a badland is? What about a gulch? Do you know what an isthmus is? Or a seamount? What about the difference between a plateau and a plain, or a knob and a knoll? Well look no further. This broad introduction to the fascinating world around us explores our planet's physical features from the highest mountain peak to the deepest ocean trench. The team behind *Maps & Globes* proves that geography can indeed be an adventure. This picture glossary, filled with accessible information to help children better understand geography and the environment, was praised by Kirkus as "an attractive introduction to geography's rich vocabulary."

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

"This resource will be valuable for young geographers." (ALA Booklist)  
"An attractive introduction to geography's rich vocabulary; it should also be an inspiration to budding word-collectors." (Kirkus Reviews)

Have you ever wondered what a badland is? What about a gulch? Do you wonder what an isthmus is? Or a seamount? What about the difference between a plateau and a plain, or a knob and a knoll? Well, here are the answers! The sixty-three entries from A to Z describe the earth's features -- its physical geography -- from the highest mountain peak to the deepest ocean trench, in clear, concise terms. Each entry is beautifully illustrated in full color. This is a perfect introduction to the dramatic and fascinating face of the vast world around us. The author and artist of the best-selling MAPS & GLOBES team up again, this time to prove that geography can indeed be an adventure.

We purchased this for our five year old son. We bought a few other geography items as well to supplement his education at home. This book is easy to understand and offers great illustrations to help explain the vocabulary word. You have words such as, Atoll, Ford, Palisade, River, Swamp, Tundra, and Waterfall. Each word has its own picture to make the explanations easy to digest. The text is short - about 2-3 sentences for each feature described. I would recommend this book as a nice geography picture book for children probably from about ages 4-8 (the book states from ages 7-10 but it seems geared towards younger children in my opinion). Happy learning!!

My 7 year old came home from school with a note he had written. He wrote the title and author's name on paper. His teacher had this book and he wanted to make a book similar to it out of paper. Great way to read, learn and be creative. Pictures are bright and colorful in this book. He likes this very much. I had rented this book from our local library and pictures were dull. He immediately asked me to make sure i bought him a book with bright pics. This book will be used for a long time.

I have used this book in the classroom for many years. My first through third grade students use it a lot. They are able to independently look up land and water forms in order to identify the different ones for a project I have in my classroom. The book is missing a few definitions, but I have made my own and added them to the book.(ex. ria ). The other thing is the index is not complete, but I wrote in the correct pages and topics. It is missing a few of the definitions. It is a great introduction to using an index. While not perfect, it is a very useful and young students are able to use it independently...a huge benefit. I wish more books were that way. It is difficult to find a book at the right level with the information you want. As a culminating project the students make an "imaginary island". They use the book to create a "map" showing many different land and water forms. They get creative with the names...for example, Barbara's Bay or Awesome Archipelago. I would find it hard to teach this part of geography without it!! It is an excellent resource.

I did not give it 5 stars because my child is not very interested in this book but it is certainly a wonderful book to add your elementary child's non-fiction collection. As a former middle school teacher I was truly impressed with the level of vocabulary introduced in child-friendly terminology and easy to understand (yet simple) art work. If you are looking for something much more engaging and detailed to enhance your geography collection I suggest "Maps" by Aleksandra Mizielinska.

I bought this book for our geography unit and it has been such a smart investment. It is structured like a dictionary and I use it to create week-long projects around the specific geographical formation. For example, if we are talking about glaciers, then I create a weekly lesson about the geography, biology and social aspects of the regions. Kids can build story books about the item and we can read books about it....I would recommend this for structured schools or homeschooling parents.

Interesting approach to Geography and fun for young students

I would not say that this is the best purchase I have made for our homeschool but it is not the worst. The book has colorful illustrations and basic definitions. Many of the definitions relate back to others so you can not just look up some words independently. It is a good book for an early reader to explore with on their own however and has helped foster an interest in geography in my little ones.

great book. simple to understand. can use for very young, motivated child as well. i bought it for my 5th grader, but my 1st grader loved it too. nice book for visual learners! i have them draw the pictures and write out the definitions so they don't forget them. it's really neat to hear a 5/6 year old explain what an atoll is! highly recommend!

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