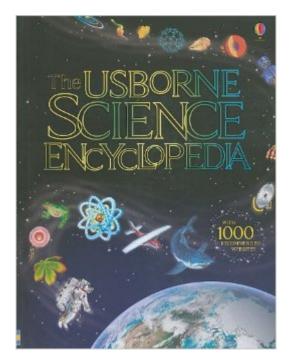
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Synopsis

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Customer Reviews

After reviewing a half-dozen science curricula for my home-schooled elementary-age kids, I couldn't find one that I really liked. So I decided to design my own curriculum using this book for source material.Key things that I like: - the book is very comprehensive. It is divided into major themes (Materials, Mixtures & Compounds, Energy/Forces/Motion, Earth & Space, Light/Sound/Electricity, Plants, Animals, Human Body) that make it easy to design a curriculum around it. We have started with Plants, and love it so far (science is my kids' favorite subject); - the quality of the content is very high; - it has internet-linked images and sites so that I can easily make my own hand-outs, and expand on topics when I want to; - it suggests simple experiments to support the learning objectives; and - (as with all Usborne books) the pictures are beautiful!The hard-cover binding is good, but I'm not sure how well it will hold up for the expected 2-3 years of frequent use that it will get. But for the price, I'm still very pleased.Bottom line: Highly recommended both for homeschooling and for science-loving kids (roughly ages 6-10).

We LOVE this book! As a basic jumping-off point for our 8yo's homeschool curriculum, there is

enough here to stimulate discussion, provide topics to explore with other science resources, and generally keep us grounded in the wide variety and endless possibility of science. We treat each 2-page spread as a mini-unit, and add other library books to the topic at hand, along with relevant experiments from other sources or from the net. The Quicklinks are entertaining and fun, and we've discovered several sites with thoroughly entertaining games to play--bonus! My child may very well get into the sciences as an adult, and this book will provide the grounding she really needs.

Reasonably priced and full of fascinating information for my 11 year old daughter, complete with internet links. Buy it:) You'll be glad you did.

I have the hardcover book, and I love the its content. It has worlds of good information and great pics. The binding is another story. It lasted maybe a week with gentle usage. I guess that's to be expected with Usborne hardcover books though. This is the third one we've had that's fallen apart in no time.

It is detailed, well illustrated and was comprehensive and useful for the needs of our homeschool co-op biology class. And quite heavy!

I purchase to use with homeschool science- RSO Earth & Space. So far very informative. I use with a 2nd grader and seems approriate. Has lots of good information. Good used price \$6, book is in great condition for good.

Love the pics, love the details, love the whole thing. It is a very useful little encyclopedia that has the graphics that will lure anyone, young or old in. Perfect for my kids. And it has great Internet sights that work with it.

Just what I was looking for. The enclyclopedia includes 2 pages per topic each filled with wonderful pictures. Each subject appears to cover topics at a basic level, which is perfect for our homeschool family at this time.

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