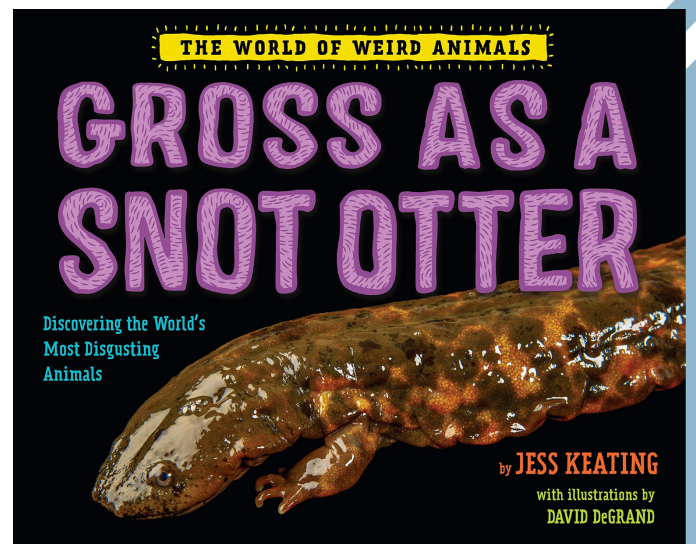
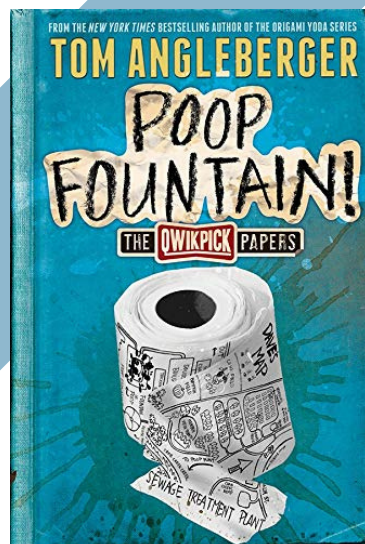
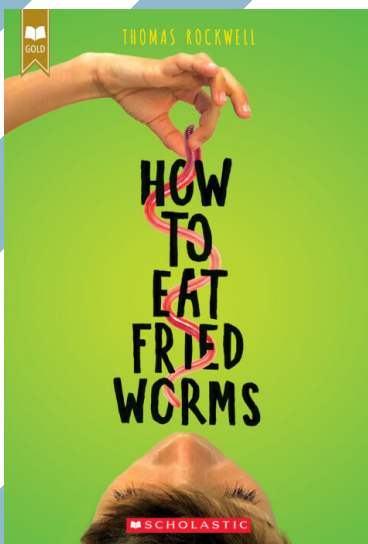
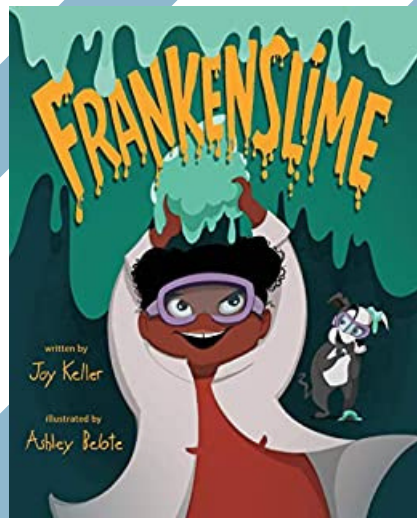
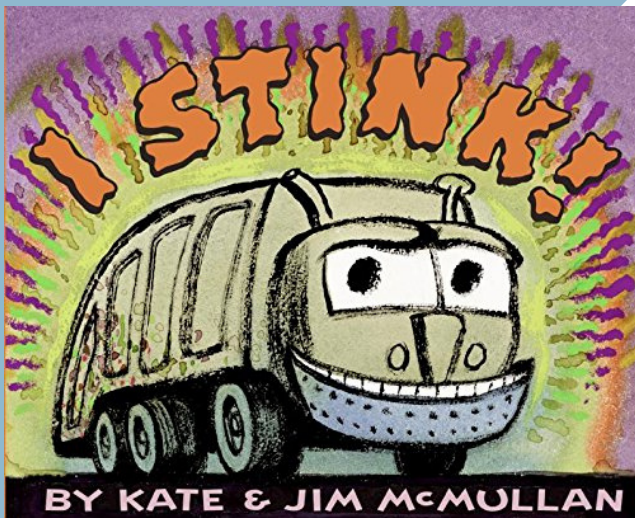
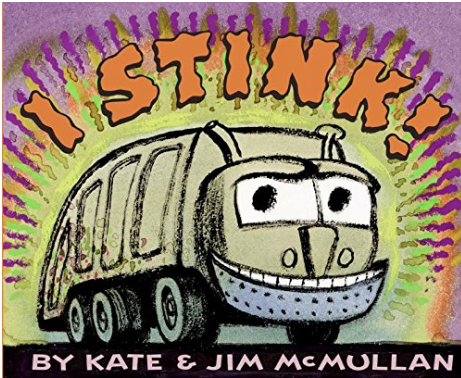


Family Book Club

Icky, Sticky, Slimy, Gross, & Gooney



Book List

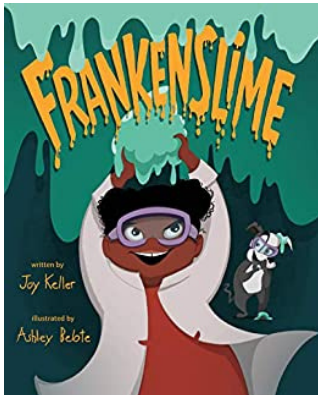


I Stink!

BY KATE & JIM McMULLAN (PICTURE BOOK)

"Know what I do at night while you're asleep? Eat your trash, that's what!"

With ten wide tires, one really big appetite, and an even bigger smell, this garbage truck's got it all. His job? Eating your garbage and loving every stinky second of it! And you thought nighttime was just for sleeping.



Frankenslime

BY JOY KELLER, ILLUSTRATED BY ASHLEY BELOTE (PICTURE BOOK)

Victoria Franken is a slime scientist.

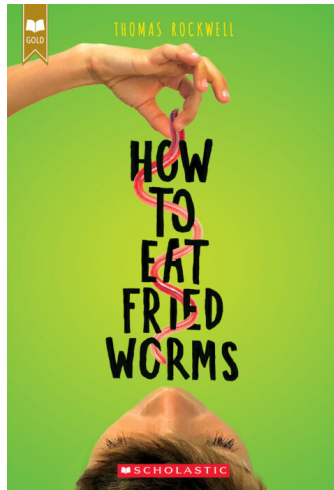
Her experiments lead to amazing slimes. Until, one dark and stormy night, her latest experiment goes awry and her newest creation COMES TO LIFE!



Icky, Sticky Slime!

BY XIMENA HASTINGS, ILLUSTRATED BY ALISON HAWKINS (EASY READER)

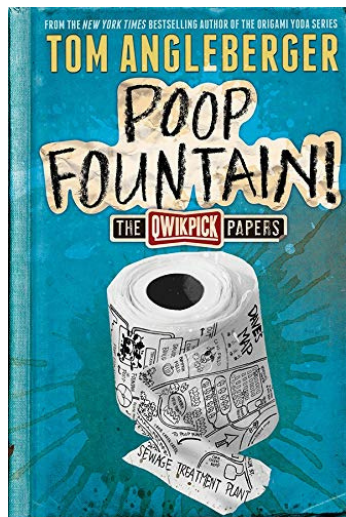
Led by Dr. Ick and her sidekick, Sam the dog, kids will learn many fascinating facts about ooey, gooey, disgusting SLIME—with some of the slimiest creatures, slimy things in the human body, and more! Did you know that the hagfish can produce a bucketful of slime in just minutes? And do you know what ear wax is actually made of?



How to Eat Fried Worms

BY THOMAS ROCKWELL (CHAPTER BOOK)

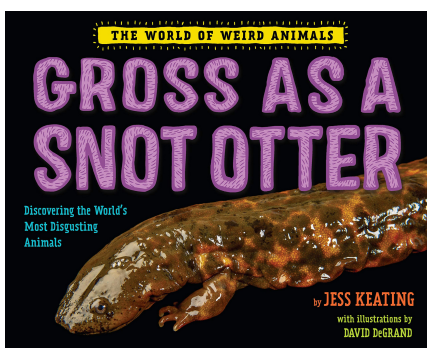
Billy isn't one to back down from a bet. But this one is gross: If he eats fifteen worms in fifteen days, Alan will pay him fifty dollars. Billy takes the bet and tries worms smothered in ketchup, drowned in mustard, even breaded and fried. Worm by worm, Billy gets closer to victory, and to buying the minibike he's always wanted. But Alan won't let him win that easily...



Poop Fountain

BY TOM ANGLEBERGER (MIDDLE GRADE FICTION)

Lyle Hertzog and his friends Marilla and Dave expect to spend another dull holiday passing time at the local Qwickpick convenience store. Then an article in their hometown paper catches their eye—the sludge fountain at the nearby sewage plant is being retired. With this news, the three friends decide they're not just normal kids who don't have Christmas plans: they're the Qwickpick Adventure Society. Their first mission: to see the "poop fountain" before it fades from glory.



Gross as a Snot Otter

BY JESS KEATING (NONFICTION)

There are slippery, slimy snot otters, gulls that projectile-vomit on command, fish that communicate via flatulence, and chipmunks that cultivate healthy forests by pooping a trail of seeds wherever they go. But there's more to these skin-crawling creatures than meets the eye, and as zoologist Jess Keating explains, sometimes it's the very things that make us gag that allow these animals to survive in the wild.

Book Discussion Questions

Most of these questions can be used for any book you read or make up your own to extend beyond the pages of the book!

- On a scale of 1-10, how would you rate this book?
- What did you like best about this book?
- Which characters in the book did you like best?
- What other books did this remind you of?
- Would you read another book by this author? Why or why not?
- What three words would you use to describe the main character?
- If you got the chance to ask the author of this book one question, what would it be?
- What do you think happens to the characters next?
- What do you think of the book's cover? How well does it convey what the book is about? If the book has been published with different covers, which one do you like best?
- Think about one of the minor characters in the story. Why did the author include him/her?
- If you could hear this same story from another person's point of view, who would you choose?
- What are some of the major themes of this book?

More Questions

- What was unique about the setting of the book? Did it enhance or take away from the story? Could this same story take place in a different location or time period?
- Did the book's pace seem too fast/too slow/just right?
- What surprised you most about the book? Why?
- How did the book make you feel?
- What did you already know about this book's subject before you read this book?
- What questions do you still have?
- Think of your own question to ask about the book.
- Would you recommend the book to a friend? How would you summarize the story if you were to recommend it?



Snacks



The best way to anyone's heart is through food! Check out these ooey, gooey, sticky tasty treats!

- **Classic Pancakes** - what's more sticky than syrup? There's no rule that says pancakes have to be round, growing up my parents used to make our initials out of pancake batter! The letter "L" is much tastier to eat than a plain old round pancake!
- **Nachos** - I love the ooey, gooey cheese that nachos bring to the table! And with countless toppings, everyone at the table can create their own!
- **Peanut Butter Yogurt Dip** - This dip is soooo yummy with apple slices dipped in it! Plus, it's a little sweet which makes kids think it's more dessert than a healthy snack! A win-win for everyone!



- **Monkey Bread** - This is a favorite breakfast (or dessert!) that ooey, gooey and oh so delicious!
- **S'mores** - Let's be honest, s'mores are a summer classic that can't be missed!
- **Caramel** - Did you know that making your own caramel isn't too hard? This is definitely an activity for older kids as it does involve a lot of time at the stove, but tasty sticky treats are sure to be the result
- **15 Kid-Friendly Grilled Cheese Sandwiches** - Looking for ways to spice up dinner in an easy way? Check out these amazing recipes for delicious grilled cheese sandwiches!

Activities

These activities are for a variety of ages and allow kids to explore using their senses, especially touch with icky, sticky, slimey, gross, and gooey textures. Keep up the learning by asking your kids questions while they play and allow them to help create all of these great tools!

- **Slime** - a crowd favorite for sure, the simple slime recipe isn't only fun to make it provides hours of fun for kids (and adults too)!
- **Oobleck** - made popular by Dr. Seuss's *Bartholomew and the Oobleck*, this non-Newtonian fluid is super simple to make and fun to experiment with.
- **Elephant Toothpaste** - if you've never seen elephant toothpaste before, make sure you have an easy to clean up space, outdoors is best!
- **Sensory Bags** - for the young crowd, sensory bags are inexpensive and easy to pull together, plus older kids and adults will enjoy squishing the bags too!
- **Rainbow Dyed Noodles** - Looking for a way to entertain in a fun and exciting way? Try rainbow dyed noodles, pick up spaghetti, add a little food dye and you're ready to play!
- **Shaving Cream Paint** - Did you know you can make your very own puffy paint? Add shaving cream to white glue, drop in some food coloring and you're ready to puffy paint.
- **Paper Mache** - Compared to some of these other sensory activities, paper mache is old-school, but that doesn't make it any less fun. Old newspapers, some flour, and water, and your only limit is your imagination!
- **Painting with Ice** - A great way to keep cool this summer, try making ice paints.
- **Mentos and Soda Experiment** - Definitely another activity you'll want to take outdoors, this one is so fun!
- **Creeking with Kids** - Get outdoors and explore the wildlife that creeks offer! A great way to cool down this summer while spending time in nature!

