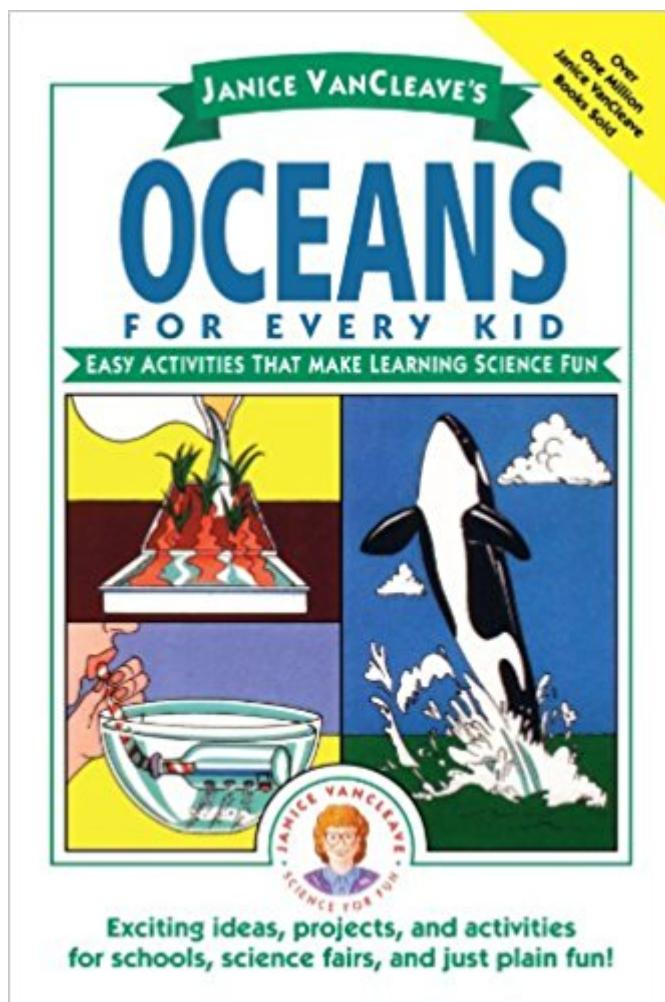


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# Janice VanCleave's Oceans For Every Kid: Easy Activities That Make Learning Science Fun



## **Synopsis**

Why is the ocean salty? How do whales stay warm? What causes tides to rise and fall? How do oil spills affect ocean animals? Now you can discover the answers to these and many other fascinating questions about the ocean--the earth's last frontier. Janice VanCleave's Oceans for Every Kid makes learning about the ocean and its inhabitants an intriguing adventure. Use a bottle, pennies, a straw, and clay to demonstrate how submarines rise. Make your own wave holder with index cards and a plastic folder. Through these and other activities you'll find out how fish move up and down in water, how pollutants move into the ocean, how to navigate without a compass, how to map the surface of the ocean floor, and much more. Each of the activities begins with a statement of purpose followed by a list of materials, step-by-step instructions, expected results, and an easy-to-understand explanation. Every activity has been pretested and can be performed safely and inexpensively at home or in the classroom. Also available in the series from Janice VanCleave: \* ASTRONOMY FOR EVERY KID \* BIOLOGY FOR EVERY KID \* CHEMISTRY FOR EVERY KID \* DINOSAURS FOR EVERY KID \* EARTH SCIENCE FOR EVERY KID \* ECOLOGY FOR EVERY KID \* GEOGRAPHY FOR EVERY KID \* GEOMETRY FOR EVERY KID \* THE HUMAN BODY FOR EVERY KID \* MATH FOR EVERY KID \* PHYSICS FOR EVERY KID

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Grade 5-10-An engaging overview of marine sciences. Each chapter explores a topic in two to four pages, then poses questions accompanied by lucid explanations. This immediate opportunity to use the facts just presented, and the step-by-step process of explication, reinforce the text in a user-friendly fashion. Suggested activities include a stated purpose, materials needed, and clearly delineated procedures. The results are described, and a discussion of why things happened further amplifies the material. For example, two chapters on ocean pollution provide excellent information along with representative activities demonstrating run off and the effect of oil on bird feathers. The narrative is easy to read and understand. Informal and sometimes humorous line drawings appear throughout. Although similar in scope to Seymour Simon's *How to Be an Ocean Scientist in Your Own Home* (HarperCollins, 1988), the arrangement of text, questions, activities, and explanations in *Oceans for Every Kid* is clearer and more inclusive. This book is not only highly informative, but also great fun.?Frances E. Millhouser, Chantilly Regional Library, VACopyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc.

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great!

It is a very educational book, but a little too advanced for the child I purchased it for. He is 7 years' old.

Very detailed and clear information. Easy to use and engages students.

Great science projects!

Janice VanCleave's books are wonderful to introduce many concepts into the classroom. I highly recommend her books to any teacher.

I homeschooled two kids, one in third grade, and one in fifth. This is a wonderful series. I love them. The experiments are always easy and most importantly to me, safe. They are always excited to do them, and it makes the information really stick in their heads. This is an excellent book for any parent interested in doing fun things with their kids.

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