

## Science is a Blast!

### MESS: Marvelous Explorations Through Science and Stories

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#### Selected titles to read to MESS classes to connect literature and science

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>grade level</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Anholt, Laurence	Stone Girl, Bone Girl	gr. 3-5	A picture book biography of Mary Anning, child paleontologist
Atkins, Jeannine	Mary Anning and the Sea Dragon	gr. 3-5	A picture book biography of Mary Anning, child paleontologist
Baretta, Gene	Now and Ben: the Modern Inventions of Benjamin Franklin	gr. 2-5	How many of Ben Franklin's inventions are still part of our lives today?
Carle, Eric	Hello Red Fox	gr. 1-3	Featuring complimentary color optical illusions. Best with a small group or one-on-one.
Carle, Eric	The Tiny Seed	gr. K-1	Will the tiny seed survive to grow into a sunflower?
Cobb, Vicki	I See Myself	gr. 2-3	A fun book with easy experiments to do as you read.
Cole, Joanna	Magic School Bus Series	gr. 1-5	
Driscoll, Laura	Slow Down, Sara!	gr. 1-3	Part of the "Science solves it!" series
Durango, Julia	Pest Fest	gr. K-2	A variety of bugs describe their adaptations in this contest to determine which pest is the "best"
Dussling, Jennifer	Rainbow Mystery	gr. K-2	Part of the "Science solves it!" series
Herman, Gail	Buried in the Backyard	gr. 2-4	Part of the "Science solves it!" series
James, Anne	Ant Attack!	gr. K-2	Part of the "Science solves it!" series
Polacco, Patricia	Meteor!	gr. 1-4	Excitement stirs in a small town when a meteor lands on the Gaw farm.
Sayre, April Pulley	Stars Beneath Your Bed: the Surprising Story of Dust	gr. 2-4	Where else has that dust under your bed been? Where did it come from?
Wells, Rosemary	Fritz and the Mess Fairy	gr. K-1	Make sure you carefully follow the steps to your experiment, or maybe you'll have trouble--like Fritz!

***...and many, many more!***