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Every Minute on Earth: Fun Facts that Happen Every 60 Seconds

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Murrie, Steve and Matthew Murrie. *Every Minute on Earth: Fun Facts that Happen Every 60 Seconds*. Illustrated by Mary Anne Lloyd. Scholastic. 2007. ISBN 9780439908870. \$9.99. 224 p.

Reviewer: Marsha D. Broadway

Reading Level: Primary; Intermediate: Young Adult

Rating: Excellent

Genre: Informational books

Subject: Curiosities and wonders--Juvenile literature; Handbooks, vade-mecums, etc.--Juvenile literature; Time--Miscellanea--Juvenile literature; Books--Reviews;

Authors Murrie and Murrie have collected attention-grabbing miscellany from more than 65 websites, government agencies, and industries and arranged the brief informational blurbs into eight chapters dealing with earth, space, the human body, technology, animals, food, pop culture, and sports. Each blurb contains about 70-150 words that can be read in about one minute and is accompanied by a simple two-color illustration.

Every Minute on Earth is an ideal commuter, dining table, or bathroom reader. For families who have difficulty finding 15 minutes to read together, this book encourages one and two minute reading sessions that help cultivate intellectual curiosity. An intriguing choice for trivia hounds, budding geniuses, and reluctant readers.

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