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The Pout-Pout Fish: Undersea Alphabet

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Book Review

Title: The Pout-Pout Fish: Undersea Alphabet

Author: Deborah Diesen

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Reviewer: Ariel Woodbury

Publisher: Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Young Readers

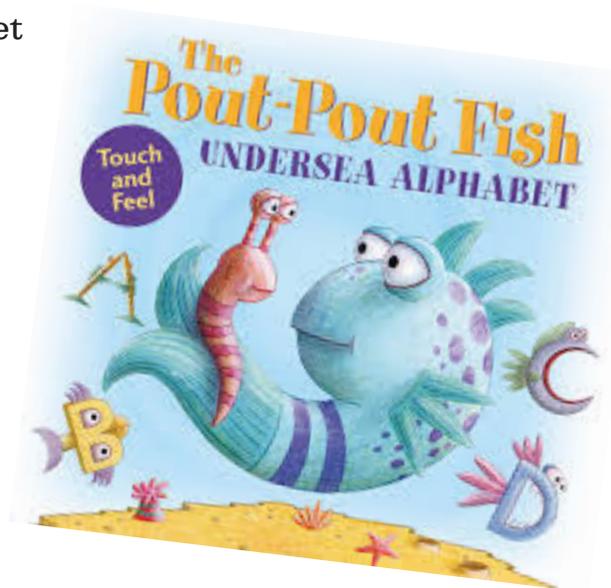
Publication Year: 2016

ISBN: 9781250063922

Number of Pages: 20

Interest Level: Toddler

Rating: Dependable



Review

Come explore the alphabet and the ocean with Pout-Pout Fish! There is a sea creature for every letter, from Angelfish to Zebra Fish and a bunch more in between. You can reach out and touch ocean animals on every other page. The lantern fish's lantern even glows in the dark!

The layout of this book doesn't seem ideal for teaching kids the alphabet. The letters are only slightly bigger than the rest of the text and aren't emphasized in any other way, making the book seem like it's meant to be more of a read-aloud book than a learning tool. The illustrations are simpler than other Pout-Pout Fish books, opting to focus on the animal mentioned rather than having intricate or busy backgrounds. The touch and feel portions of the book are pretty impressive. The octopus's tentacles are sticky with bumps, scales, smooth and rough textures. The only issue with these is that one of the fish has sparkles for you to touch and they come off on your hands and on the other side of the page.