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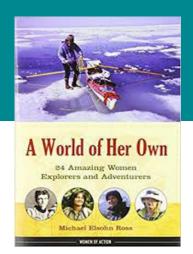
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Book Review A World of Her Own: 24 Amazing Women Explorers and Adventurers

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Outstanding

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Join twenty-four women explorers and adventurers as they dive into the deep sea, summit Mt. Everest and other peaks, discover new plants and animals, cross the world in a yacht, explore the Amazon River, catch venomous snakes, save endangered species, and venture through forest canopies. These women are diverse, coming from various countries, ethnicities, family situations, age groups, time periods, and career fields. Although each woman's path is different, they share a love for nature and discovery—and they all have to overcome others' doubts about their abilities. These motivating accounts can transform readers' thinking about the great potential women have to influence the scientific and natural world.

Each captivating chapter in this collection of stories offers a peek into the life of a woman who challenged boundaries. Strengths of the book include the vivid, descriptive anecdotes—rather than lists of achievements—as well as the quotes and photographs from the individuals themselves and from others about them. These brief biographies provide a stepping ground to investigate further into each individual and topic. A list of resources, endnotes, and a bibliography provided at the back of the book can assist curious readers and serious students interested in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) fields.