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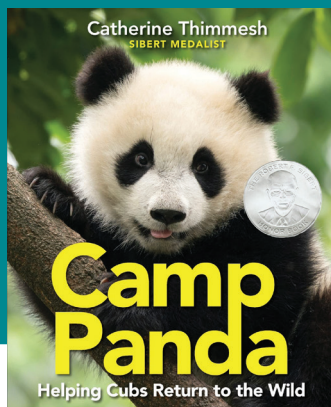
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Book Review

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Rating

Excellent

Level

Primary, Intermediate

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60

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Camp Panda explores the adventure of the iconic panda conservation. The well-written introduction to pandas illustrates the history and need for conservation of these important mammals. The courageous and determined scientists at Wolong Nature Reserve in China overcome setbacks and persevere with the Chinese Conservation and Research Center for the Giant Panda (CCRCGP) to build an effective reintroduction program. Collaboration brings growth and success to not only the panda population but also to the critical habitat that is home to many diverse species.

This beautiful nonfiction picture book shares details of the scientific journey of effectively reintroducing pandas into the wild. Through trial and error, research, and collaboration, CCRCGP has grown in its understanding and success with these incredible animals. This book highlights scientific practices and processes as well as ecosystems. Explanations are coupled with color photographs, captions, and graphics for understanding. The end papers include ways to help in the effort, short bios of the experts, a thorough glossary, sources, and an index. Camp Panda provides understanding, hope, and tools to help with the conservation of pandas.