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No Monkeys, No Chocolate

Steward, Melissa and Allen Young

Illustrated by Nicole Wong

Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2013

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In this informational book, two book worms learn about cocoa beans and where chocolate comes from. The book takes the reader from the consumer to the producer and shows how all of life plays a role in growing the food we eat and enjoy. Additional information and practical responses to environmental awareness are provided at the end. Steward and Young's linear progression offers a fun perspective to kids on how different parts of the natural world work together and the delicate balance of the environment. This book is good for teaching about stewardship of the planet and raising awareness of how our actions affect the rest of the world. The illustrations are attention-grabbing and give a good visualization of the informational explanations on each page.

Recommended

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