

COMMON CORE LANGUAGE ARTS GUIDE

The Nocturnals Language Arts Guides contain lessons and activities that are aligned to the Language Arts Common Core Standards. Language Arts Guides are available for the middle grade and the Grow & Read early reader titles



Middle Grade Activities Include:

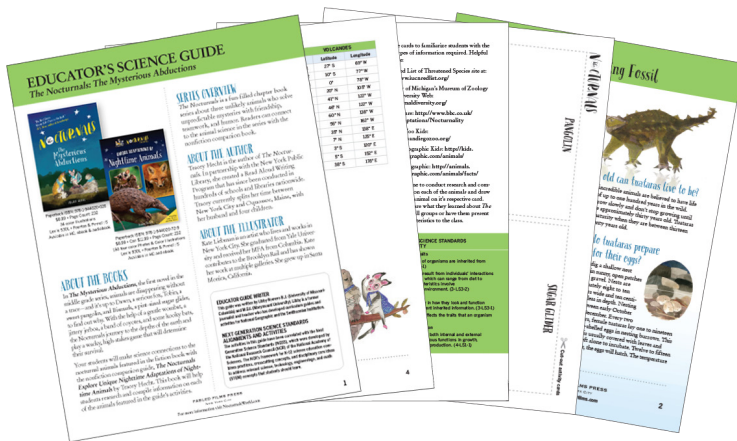
- Classroom Discussion Questions
- Vocabulary / Use of Language
- Write a Rap for Bismark
- Write a NocHoc Cheer
- Wish Upon a Star Reading Connections
- Acrostic Poem

Early Reader Activities Include:

- Classroom Discussion Questions
- Challenge Words
- Problem Solving Graphic Organizer
- Compare and Contrast Venn Diagram
- Story and Character Map

NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE GUIDES

The Nocturnals Science Guides contain STEM lessons and activities that are aligned to the Next Generation Science Standards. Science Guides are available for the middle grade titles and the Grow & Read early reader nonfiction.



Middle Grade Activities Include:

- Investigative Animal Research
- Animal Activity Cards
- Interview with a Tuatara
- Nesting Sanctuary Lab
- Identify Lemurs with a Dichotomous Key
- Woylie Sound Lab

Early Reader Interactive Read Aloud Includes:

- Classroom Discussion Questions
- Listen & Learn (SEL Connection)
- Stop & Jot Science Notebooks
- Animal Feature and Function Table
- Compare and Contrast Venn Diagram

ABOUT THE NOCTURNALS

The Nocturnals series features three unlikely friends: Dawn, a serious fox; Tobin, a sweet pangolin; and Bismark, a loudmouthed, pint-sized sugar glider. *The Nocturnals* world introduces readers to a variety of familiar and unfamiliar animals. The stories all play out in their nighttime world with teamwork, friendship, and humor in every adventure. All the adventures in *The Nocturnals* address social situations—such as bullying, accepting differences, and empathy—in an easy and acceptable way.

Each title is leveled by Fountas & Pinnell and Lexile, and *The Mysterious Abductions* and *The Ominous Eye* are available as an AR Quiz. The early reader books are appropriate for children 5-7, and the middle grade books for children 8-12.



Hardcover ISBNs Listed Below. All Titles Also Available as Paperback and Ebooks. Don't Miss Companion Nonfiction!

Middle Grade Titles: *The Mysterious Abductions* 978-1-944020-00-2; *The Ominous Eye* 978-1-944020-03-3; *The Fallen Star* 978-1-944020-05-7; *The Hidden Kingdom* 978-1-944020-11-8 **Early Reader Titles:** *The Best Burp* 978-1-944020-32-3; *The Tasty Treat* 978-1-944020-29-3; *The Moonlight Meeting* 978-1-944020-15-6; *The Slithery Shakedown* 978-1-944020-16-3; *The Peculiar Possum* 978-1-944020-20-0; *The Chestnut Challenge* 978-1-944020-22-4; *The Kooky Kinkajou* 978-1-944020-25-5; *The Weeping Wombat* 978-1-944020-24-7

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