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Kids to Space: A Space Traveler's Guide

By Lonnie Jones Schorer

Apogee Books, US \$30, ISBN13 - **978-1894959-42-1**

Aimed at younger readers, Kids to Space should also be very useful to educators and parents looking to interest kids in astronomy and space travel. The book is filled with answers to questions that children and teenagers often ask about space travel, including things like "What are the chances of getting marooned on a planet?," "What is inside a black hole?" and "How big is an airlock?" An accompanying CD contains slideshows of space-related art by children.

The book is the result of a project sponsored by Global Space Travelers, an organization founded by Apollo 11 moonwalker, Buzz Aldrin. 6000 students ranging from 3 to 19 in schools around the U.S. asked questions of 90 experts, which included former astronauts, leading space scientists, and even space entrepreneurs like Richard Branson. Although the book is very U.S. centric-many of the questions concern the space shuttle-the quality of the answers is high, written in a way that should be understandable to most children without being either boring or patronizing. If you have budding astronauts in the house, this might just be the book for them.



8 1/2" X 11" - 304 pages

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