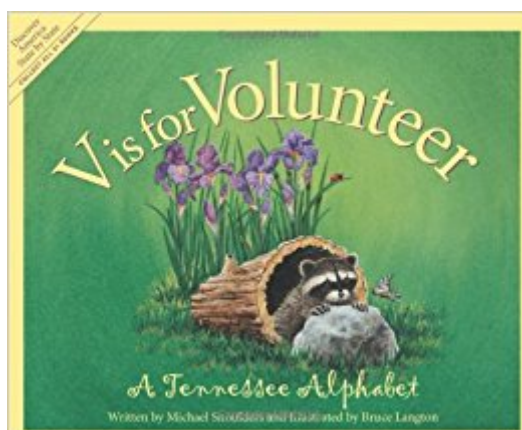


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V Is For Volunteer: A Tennessee Alphabet (Discover America State By State)



Synopsis

From A to Z, you'll discover Tennessee's mountains, music, and mammals. V is for Volunteer stimulates children to learn about their state through familiar Tennessee icons like the Grand Ole Opry and Graceland. And even lifelong Tennesseans may learn something new about the Jubilee Singers and W.C. Handy. Illustrator Bruce Langton captures the beauty, natural wonder, and history of the Volunteer state through his colorful paintings. With poetry for younger children and expository text for older readers, author and Tennessee educator Mike Shoulders shares the important lessons of the Trail of Tears, Sequoyah and his alphabet and so much more. V is for Volunteer will intrigue and charm readers and Tennesseans of all ages!

Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

Grade Level: 1 - 3

Customer Reviews

"V is for Volunteer" will help children discover everything about their state from A is for Appalachian Mountains to Z is for Zebra Swallowtail - Tennessee's official state butterfly. With poetry and for younger children and expository text for older readers, the book appeals to a broad range of readers. The book is beautifully illustrated by Bruce Langton who captures the beauty and natural wonder of Tennessee. The book is published by Sleeping Bear Press and is part of a series of alphabet State books." -- "Mt. Juliet Chronicle" (April 2003)

Having been involved in education for more than 30 years, Dr. Michael Shoulders travels extensively, visiting schools and speaking at conferences across the country. In addition to authoring the companion title, *Say Daddy!*, he has written several books for Sleeping Bear Press, including *G is for Gladiator: An Ancient Rome Alphabet*. Mike lives in Clarksville, Tennessee. Following successful careers as a commercial illustrator and a wildlife artist, Bruce Langton started illustrating children's books. His books include *P is for Putt: A Golf Alphabet* and *Win One for the Gipper: America's Football Hero*. Bruce lives in Granger, Indiana.

Bought this as a gift for a friend who was moving to TN with her children. I was impressed with the lovely illustrations. I also liked that the format of the book allows for its enjoyment by multiple ages; each letter of the alphabet has a more in-depth description that accompanies the associated word.

I love this book. I was a student of Mr. Shoulders back in the 80s at Ringgold. He was my favorite teacher and I have many fond memories of his class. I am now a teacher myself in Germany and I read this to my students to share about the state I come from!

I LOVE these state books and so does my 2 1/2 year old. We live in Georgia, but were given the Oregon book from friends who live there when my son was a baby. He loved it so much and it contains great information about the state....so I looked for one from Tennessee (my home state) and Iowa (his father's home state) and was able to find both. I was thrilled with the books. I even learned things about Tennessee that I didn't know. The art is great for when they are young, but the book can grow to a teaching tool as they get older!

Every child needs a copy!

I tutor Japanese women who are in the USA for 4-5 years with their husbands who are employed by a local company. I give them each a copy of this book when they return home to help them remember some of the great things about our state. Both the book and the illustrations are great, and I hope that it is something they will share with others in Japan and hopefully get us some tourism from there!

If this book is any example of the other 49 state books, then I know children of all ages will enjoy

reading about their country through a well illustrated and written book.

"V is for Volunteer" is a wonderful new addition to the selection of books about Tennessee. As a teacher and librarian, I can see many uses for this book. As a Tennessean, Michael Shoulders has done an excellent job of finding interesting Tennessee people, places, and items for each letter of the alphabet. Even young children will recognize people they know of, such as Elvis, or places they have visited such as Nashville. The text provides an excellent read-aloud for any grade level, but the information on the end pages provides extra information that would be valuable for reports for upper grades. Adults and children alike will love this book!

We received this book as a gift and it really makes the A+ grade. My ds 8 and dd 9 love it - and with the additional information it provides (e.g. state rock, state animal, prominent landmarks)it could be used at much older ages. With attractive pictures and interesting text, this is a enjoyable supplement for homeschoolers - a way to make Geography lessons fun. This is a book to read and reread. We do hope to acquire more of this series!

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