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Imaginative Inventions: The Who, What, Where, When, And Why Of Roller Skates, Potato Chips, Marbles, And Pie (and More!)



Synopsis

Written in verse and filled with full-color illustrations drawn by the author, this book invites young readers inside the minds of great inventors, encouraging them to think imaginatively as it offers the origins of items such as roller skates, potato chips, eyeglasses, the vacuum cleaner, and more.

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

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Customer Reviews

This book is a must for any parent who wants to stimulate their child's curiosity in the world--and what parent doesn't? The subject matter focuses on everyday items, but provides interesting, little-known facts about these inventions(and probably some fun, harmless fiction). Great for getting kids to start thinking creatively about where the things around them come from, and how big ideas are generated. The illustrations are cute and witty, with spectacular colors. Each invention provides a great launching point for discussion with your children. What more could you ask?This book was recently listed on the Time magazine web site as one of six "best children's books you've never heard of." The "never heard of" part won't last long...The authors first book (yes, I bought that one too!) is equally thought provoking about children's goals early in life, yet also, charming and sweet.

Did you know that there was life before Frisbees?How long do you think doughnuts have been with

us?Who wanted the first pair of eyeglasses?What about those Flat-Bottomed Paper Bags in which your parents bring home groceries?Why did the passion for chewing gum stick?Exactly how did the vacuum cleaner start sucking up dirt?Questions, questions, odd & sillyanswered in poems both factually & frilly!A good book to start you wondering about how things got started & why.

Good book. I ripped off the jacket so it did not look so much like a library book.

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