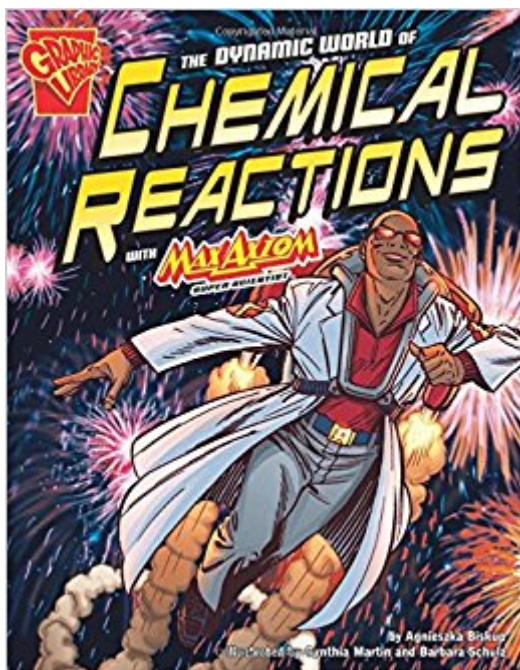




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The Dynamic World Of Chemical Reactions With Max Axiom, Super Scientist (Graphic Science)



Synopsis

In graphic novel format, follows the adventures of Max Axiom as he explores the science of chemical reactions.

Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 14 years

Grade Level: 3 - 4

Customer Reviews

Agnieszka Biskup is a science writer and editor based in Chicago. She is a former editor for the science section of the Boston Globe as well as the children's science magazine Muse. In addition to children's books, she has also written many articles for newspapers, magazines, and websites. Her books have received awards from Learning magazine, the Association of Educational Publishers, and the Society of School Librarians International. Her book Football: How It Works (Capstone Press, 2010) was a Junior Library Guild selection. Cynthia Martin has worked in comics and animation since 1983. Her credits include Star Wars, Spider-Man, and Wonder Woman for Marvel Comics and DC Comics, in addition to work as a storyboard artist for Sony Children's Entertainment and the Krislin Company. Cynthia's recent projects include an extensive series of graphic novels for Capstone Press and two issues of Blue Beetle for DC Comics. She also illustrated the book Alley of Shadows, published by Stone Arch Books.

The idea of these books is great, but they need to make the book longer with more of a plot so that children have time to get into the adventure and learn the information.

I ordered this book because it was recommended as a more interesting presentation of the subject of chemical reactions than the standard high school chemistry textbook. I wish that since Max Axiom is a superhero that he used some of these powers in the story to present the material in an interesting and novel way. The material is like a textbook with many pictures. It is not what I expected. The material is probably at a middle school level.

This is a non-fiction graphic title with no pretense at a story or plot. Scientist Max Axiom, who has super powers, welcomes us to his lab and starts telling us about chemical reactions. I've only had one year of chemistry myself and found the information to be quite detailed at that level. It is presented in a fun and thorough way through text and graphics. Max stays in his lab for the most part, but he also takes us over to a chemist friend of his for more information and then he jumps around town to show chemical reactions at work in real life. Max has several super abilities but we only see two of these in action in this book, his lab coat allows him to travel through time and space, here he travels around space, and he has the ability to shrink down to microscopic size. There are fact boxes every now and then telling more information on a certain topic, a page at the end that lists various information about the topic and the book has an index. An enjoyable and interesting concept for a hi-low reader that imparts a nice dose of science. The book will be most appreciated for use in the classroom or for readers who already have an interest in the subject matter. Reading Level Gr. 3-4. Interest Level Gr. 3-9.

My wife uses these in her 5th grade classroom and the students really like them. She found it especially useful with reluctant readers.

My son has been able to very explain science techniques since reading these series and finds great joy in reading them. He's now eager to get involved in science projects without us having to fuss at him.

Great way of explaining complex concepts

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