



The Secrets of Mushrooms

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- Teaching children to appreciate nature has never been so important!
- Fascinating illustrations on the anatomy of mushrooms and space to record their own scientific observations

Mushrooms are incredibly mysterious. They are neither plants nor animals. So how do they live? What secrets do they hide? This beautifully illustrated and informative book will reveal their secrets! Readers will learn about every aspect of their existence, from how they are composed to how they are born and grow, how they defend themselves, how they communicate, and how they interact with plants, animals, and humans! Readers will discover that poison is not their only defence mechanism; and that some of them glow in the dark thanks to bio-luminescence... this and more await discovery in ***The Secrets of Mushrooms***.

Age 8 plus.

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