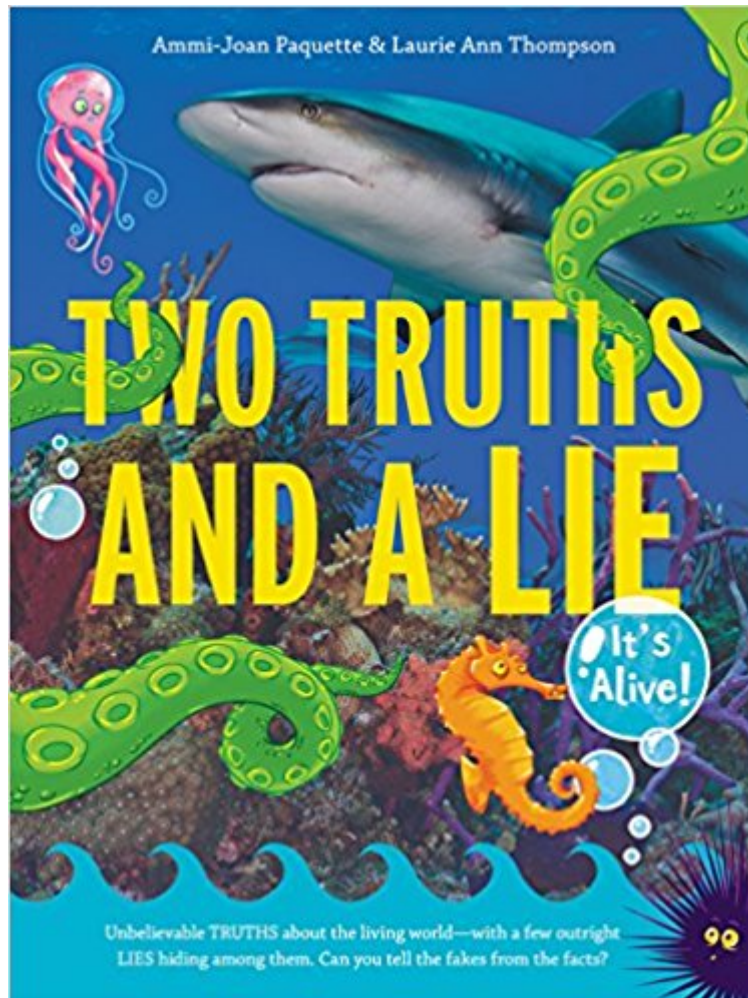




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Synopsis

Two Truths and a Lie is the first book in a fascinating new series that presents some of the most crazy-but-true stories about the living world as well as a handful of stories that are too crazy to be true—and asks readers to separate facts from the fakes! Did you know that there is a fungus that can control the mind of an ant and make it do its bidding? Would you believe there is such a thing as a corpse flower—a ten-foot-tall plant with a blossom that smells like a zombie? How about a species of octopus that doesn't live in water but rather lurks in trees in the Pacific Northwest? Every story in this book is strange and astounding. But not all of them are real. Just like the old game in this book's title, two out of every three stories are completely true and one is an outright lie. Can you guess which? It's not going to be easy. Some false stories are based on truth, and some of the true stories are just plain unbelievable. And they're all accompanied by dozens of photos, maps, and illustrations. Amaze yourself and trick your friends as you sort out the fakes from the facts! Acclaimed authors Ammi-Joan Paquette and Laurie Ann Thompson have teamed up to create a series of sneaky stories about the natural world designed to amaze, disgust, and occasionally bamboozle you.

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

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“An engaging, entertaining compendium that will inform and confound.” (Kirkus

Reviews)

The introduction sets the stage for an entertaining read. Laurie and Joan have written the three segments in each of the nine chapters so convincingly that it is at times difficult to determine the falsehood. In addition to the three cleverly written stories per chapter, Laurie and Joan expanded the fun by including lists of plant facts, plant names, animal group names, under sea creatures, animal facts, dinosaur names, strange and mysterious medical procedures, and illnesses - all which contain one falsehood. Is a cucumber a fruit? Is it a gulp of magpies? Do vampire squids exist? Can you catch monkey pox? Is truth stranger fiction? You'll have to do some research to find out (or look in the Answer Guide provided). Especially useful to parents and teachers are the "Try This!" and "Take Action" and "Talk It Out" sections (offering ways to expand on the information), the colorful sidebar definition flags, the index, and the Research Guide. This guide offers suggested research options and the challenge to make your first reaction - Show me your source. All very valuable tools for student research and generally surviving in today's "fake news" and internet scam environment. Although full of photographs, Lisa Weber's added illustrations, especially the lab-coated monkey and his investigative assistant are endearing and captivating. Kids of all ages will enjoy this book, and learn a lot about our strange and wacky world.

I pre-ordered this book to send to a very good friend who happens to be 8 and an advanced reader. He has a little brother who he reads to all the time. Got the book yesterday, devoured it, and am sending it off tomorrow. This is such a fun and interesting book which appears to be designed to ignite curiosity in kids (and me!) which makes me SO happy! Very clever. Love it.

Every school librarian should have this book! Amazing resource to teach kids to research. I plan on using this with my 3rd-5th graders to talk about searching online and verifying information. Gives great tips on how to find info. My kindergartner loved this book. He researched by using the voice text feature on Google and was able to correctly identify the "lie" story each time. We had great discussions about checking multiple sources. At one point we found a video of a creature that doesn't really exist. That almost had him tricked until we talked about verifying the information and then we couldn't find any. By far my favorite summer read!

Such a great idea, and so perfectly executed. My family loved reading this book aloud and debating which stories we thought were true or false. The pictures are terrific, too--they really make you think

about the nature of evidence and authority and how fake stories can be made to look quite real. I'm so glad this is going to be a series--can't wait for the next volume!

Written with a light touch, but chock full of hard facts, this book is so much fun! You can read it on your own, or with a group to figure out which are the truths and which are the lies. The authors have done such a sneaky job of camouflage, it's not as easy as you'd think!

What an interesting idea! I loved the engaging nature of the stories. They are well-written, and I'm hoping more volumes are on the way!

This is a fantastic book for kids of all ages! We read it around a pool this summer and had so much fun guessing the lie and learning so much from the truths! My teacher sister absconded with my original copy and then my second went to a well-deserving teacher friend! Buy it for classrooms and coffee tables! You won't be disappointed!

Clever, informative, and entertaining. Looking forward to the next volume!

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