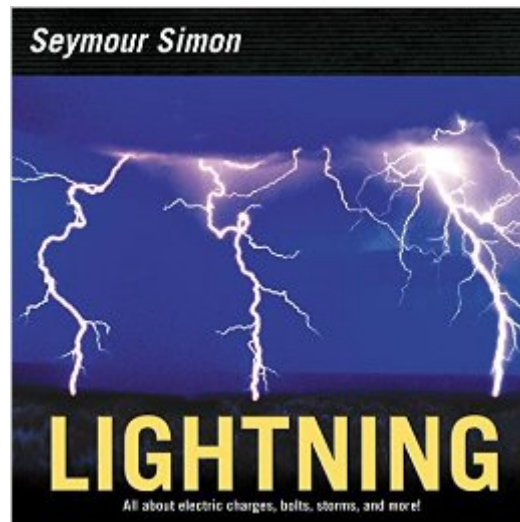


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# Lightning



## Synopsis

Lightning strikes the earth more than a hundred times every second. It's bright and dramatic, but it happens so fast that we rarely get a chance to see it. Now celebrated children's science writer Seymour Simon gives you an opportunity to take a closer look at lightning with clear explanations of what causes those bright flashes of light in a stormy sky.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 10 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 4

## Customer Reviews

By far the best illustrations of any book I've seen about lightning. It also contains two photos from Boston's Museum of Science's electricity show, which are interesting, and a special treat for those of us who have seen that wonderful show. The content of the book is great and gives more detail about lightning than I've found in other children's books on this subject. An example is giving a list of all the different types of lightning and even revealing three new kinds of lightning discovered in 1995. Who knew? Three other books I read about lightning and storms failed to give the level of detail that Simon chose to include. Simon tells us what to do if we are caught in a lightning storm but it is done in a careful way with statistics given such as the number of people hit by lightning who lived through is almost double the number who are hit and die as a result of it. As usual Simon writes in a non-patronizing tone, which I appreciate. We really enjoyed this book. A must-read for learning about the weather!

The full-color photos in this book are absolutely stunning. Lightning towering over a cityscape, hitting a tree, bursting from clouds, even right beside a twisting tornado! The text is large and easy to read. This book provides a wonderful overview of the phenomenon that is lightning, and is appropriate for readers of all ages.

Seymour Simon has captivated my four year-old son with so many of his books. This one had to be checked out of the library twice! Not only is my son absorbing what mother nature does, but I have learned a lot as well.

I purchased this book along with others to help with my young granddaughters fear of seeing dark sky's and the sight and sound of lightning and thunder. She has read all the books and now is dealing much better with her weather fears

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My 6.5 year old son loved this book, along with Simon's other books on tornadoes, earthquakes and volcanoes. In fact, I am going to buy him all of Simon's other books. The photographs are amazing and we both learned a lot from the information in the book. They are well written and very high quality. Plus, they are thin, so they're very easy to take on a trip or put in the backpocket of the passenger seat. You can't go wrong with these.

Go on a learning experience so you can find out what lightning is in this amazing book. Kids will have a blast reading this picture book all about the electric bolts from the sky. This book contains breath-taking photographs of different types of lightning over cities, in the solar system, and even near a twister! There is also a lot of history as well including the experiment by Benjamin Franklin. This book is jam-packed with science experiments that kids will enjoy. I recommend this book to kids of all ages who are eager to learn. This is also a very good book to read with your family. In conclusion, don't let the fact that this is a picture book throw you off. It is very informative and interesting. "Lightning" will give you a jolt! Good book! JPW - BP

Love the photos in this book. And the facts. Bought it for my 8 year old- a little below his reading level (he is an advanced reader) but he still loved it and so do my other two little ones.

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