History leaps from the page in this completely revised and updated edition of the critically acclaimed Kingfisher History Encyclopedia. From man's earliest history right through to the technological and social revolutions of the current day, this trusted reference provides a one-stop source for research, and is the perfect companion to any study of world history. The encyclopedia is organized chronologically and then thematically within each time period. A timeline runs across the top of each page for context. Each section includes biographies of important people and key features on the art, architecture, and technology of the period. A brand new chapter details modern-day events, such as the fight for equality, the threat of climate change, the COVID-19 crisis, and space exploration and discoveries. With more than 2,000 full-colour illustrations, photographs, and source materials, as well as research-friendly back matter and index, this encyclopedia provides a beautiful, authoritative reference that is essential for any home, school, or library. 10 Leaders Who Changed the World by Clive Gifford and illustrated by David Cousens proves that the concept of "six degrees of separation" has never been more vivid than during the tumultuous events of the 20th century. From Mohandas Gandhi to Joseph Stalin, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Fidel Castro, and Nelson Mandela, modern history is woven together in a tapestry of the interrelated stories of these leaders and the events they witnessed. Contemporary readers will understand as never before that history is built of subtle intersections that have great consequences. Soccer is fun - let's play! Find all the basics in this lively guide. The markings on a soccer field What soccer players wear The positions, from forward to goalkeeper The excitement of passing a ball The thrill of making a goal All these and more are included, with a useful glossary at the end. If a young athlete is serious about soccer, then he or she needs to practice the necessary skills. Top coaches base their training programs on a number of crucial techniques that help make good players into great players. This book shares and delves into these cutting-edge professional techniques and gives readers all the information they need to develop their talent and get all the essential soccer skills under their belts. From running with the ball to passing, from shooting to goalkeeping, all the skills young players need to be effective and successful are included here. It's like having one-on-one access to your own coach at all times. With tips on choosing the right equipment, an introduction to the game, and hundreds of detailed step-by-step images, readers will find everything they need to start training more effectively right away. The author, Ian Howe, is a fully qualified coach in England's Football Association. He specializes in the
coaching of children aged 5-16. He co-founded the successful Palace Soccer School in the early 1990s, a school that has forged close links with many top soccer league clubs throughout the southeast of England. Mythbusters takes readers on a wild ride through history, science, the natural world and the human body in search of the TRUTH! Conspiracy theories, popular trivia, old wives' tales, common misconceptions, misinterpretations and other fallacies are explored to untruth exactly why they are wrong, and how and why they were adopted as fact in the first place. Thoroughly entertaining with fun typography, fast-paced text, light and fascinating side-stories, and lively, photo-montaged illustrations, this big huge compendium of curriculum-led subjects appeals to today's technological-savvy children. Fully detailing each myth and error, along with its historical or scientific background, each falsehood is debunked, and then a full explanation of its true facts are presented. Where would you find the largest tortoise in the world? What is a blue-footed booby? Are volcanic islands safe to live on? In Focus: Galapagos Islands has the answers! In Focus is a cool, new information series that’s perfect for curious kids. These fun books feature modern, magazine-style pages, including top 10 lists, fast facts, quickfire quizzes, and more! With pages packed with vivid photography and punchy text, kids will have fun learning about the world around them! Each In Focus book features a contents page, glossary, and index, plus front and end gatefold flaps on the cover. The Kingfisher Soccer Encyclopedia has a brand-new look to tie in with the 2022 FIFA World Cup Qatar, which promises to be the biggest soccer tournament in history. What's more, it includes a pullout results wallchart to fill in as the World Cup progresses. With a fresh, contemporary design and all-new photographs throughout, the book now features expanded material on women's soccer, one of the world's fastest-growing sports. It's packed with pictures and profiles of the world's most skillful soccer players - old and new - from Megan Rapinoe to Lionel Messi, Pelé to Cristiano Ronaldo, and Kylian Mbappé to Alex Morgan. Over 40 of the best sides to have lit up the game are covered in detail, including the U.S's women's and men's teams, Brazil, Manchester City, and Real Madrid. Soccer fans will get the key information about the top tournaments and leagues around the world, including the National Women’s Soccer League, MLS, the Tokyo Olympics and EURO 2020. All the drama of the "beautiful game" is fully analyzed with dynamic full-spread photos and digital artworks that recreate famous moves and goals. Includes in-depth coverage of every aspect of soccer, including rules and skills; fans and the media; managers and tactics. Packed with the latest statistics and fully updated for this new edition, this is a superbly detailed reference book for all the family. A guide to espionage covers the story of the life of spies, their occupations, and the diverse organizations that hire them. Offers practical advice and instructions for basic basketball skills, including passing, dribbling, shooting, and defense, along with information on famous players, the NBA, and game variations. This new title in an award-winning series celebrates the incredible diversity of the natural world and brings to life the complex relationships between different species and their environment. Rich, full-color images accompany the text that describes all the major habitats and eco-systems, including deserts, oceans, the tundra and polar regions, forest, grasslands, and even cities. The full gamut of life is covered, from the unusual communities that thrive around undersea volcanic vents to growing human populations and their impact on the delicate balance of both natural and man-made environments. Special Features - Covers key ecological topics including food chains, migration, and climate - Coverage of relevant websites with details of conservation programs - Glossary & factlist The Kingfisher Football Encyclopedia captures the triumph and despair of pivotal moments in world football. Packed with pictures and profiles of the world's most skillful footballers - old and new - from Beckham to Messi, Pelé to Ronaldo, Rooney to Neymar. Over 40 of the best sides to have lit up the game are covered in detail, including Brazil, Manchester United, Arsenal and Spain. 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family. Includes a pull-out Euro 2016 wallchart to fill in as the tournament progresses. In today's chaotic information environment, it is a challenge to find organized, comprehensive, yet concise geopolitical information designed especially for student research. This fully-updated edition of the award-winning The Kingfisher Geography Encyclopedia by Clive Gifford is a meticulously researched and visually exciting guide to the essential geographical, physical, and cultural information of the entire world. Illustrated with more than 1,500 photographs and specially commissioned computer-generated maps of every country using the latest satellite data, this one-stop reference will help children acquire essential geographical knowledge and expand their understanding of how people live in different parts of the world. The country-by-country layout makes finding information easy, and quick reference panels give key facts on each country's population, currency, language, major cities and other data. An extensive website list and comprehensive index insures the most up-to-date resources and material for further research. An essential addition to any home or classroom, The Kingfisher Geography Encyclopedia puts the world at everyone's fingertips.

Soccer Skills: The Essential Guide to Technique, Training, and Tactics by Clive Gifford is the definitive guide to playing the game of soccer, written by an award-winning author and specialist in the field. Illustrated throughout with stunning action photography and unique digital diagrams and graphics, this comprehensive guide covers everything from pregame warm-ups to rules, game play, strategy, and exercises for skill building and better playing. This is the essential companion for any soccer enthusiast.

The Kingfisher Facts and Records Book of Space covers the universe in detail including: the solar system, asteroids, meteorites, and comets, planets and constellations, people in space, and living in space. Packed with fun facts and amazing figures, this authoritative, illustrated reference is perfect for kids who are curious about what lies beyond the earth. Special Features: Facts and Figures panels provide at-a-glance access to essential data. Interactive 'Databank' panels answer key questions on each topic. User-friendly visual interface. Glossary and Index.

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many uses of robots in science, entertainment and industry. Definitions of vocabulary words are provided on each page, as well as activities on building your own robots. The Discover Science series will capture children’s imagination while laying the foundation for future learning. With age-appropriate language and an eye-catching design, this series gives young readers answers to fundamental questions about the human body, animals, planet Earth and the Solar System. At the back of each book, science experiments, colorful craft activities and notes for parents and teachers will help every reader get creative as they learn. Edson Arantes do Nascimento, known to his schoolmates as Pelé, grew up in poverty in the Sao Paulo region of Brazil. He was too poor to afford a real soccer ball, so he played with a ball of newspaper tied together with string. Yet he dominated the youth leagues and signed his first professional soccer contract at the age of fifteen. Within two years he was celebrated internationally, when he led Brazil to victory at the world cup. Known by his fans as “O Rei” (The King), Pelé is widely regarded as the greatest soccer player of all time. But he’s more than just an athlete: he also traveled the world as goodwill ambassador for UNICEF. Pelé is the living symbol of a sport he dubbed “the beautiful game”—a game that brings people together regardless of race or nationality. In the graphic novel Pele: The King of Soccer, Eddy Simon and Vincent Brascaglia beautifully depict Pele's rise from the slums of Brazil to the national stage. Perfectly pitched text by an award-winning author provides a practical guide to every aspect of soccer, from basic skills such as passing, heading and shooting, through more detailed explanations of tactics and game-play, to information about the world's great players, teams and tournaments. Presents the game of soccer, including its basic rules, structure, playing positions, needed skills, and great players. Soccer is one of the most universal sports, and the Kingfisher Book of Soccer Skills by Clive Gifford is a fantastic one-stop guide to learning and playing the game. Featuring dynamic step-by-step design, practical advice on all aspects of the game from an expert author, and action-packed photography featuring today's leading pros, this book is a practical and accessible guide that will help young players of all levels improve their skills. Starting with the basics such as the rules and equipment, and moving through passing, heading, goal-keeping and scoring to more advanced topics such as volleys, swerves, and attacking—this book lays out the entire game in accessible, easy-to-follow instruction. Features on the all-time great players, the FIFA World Cup, and unusual versions on the sport enhance the core tutorials. Whether it's a young child just learning the game, a more experienced player building their skills, or a parent or coach who wants a good kid-friendly reference, this book is perfect for soccer fans everywhere. Presents an instructional guide to the sport of golf, with information on different aspects of play and the equipment used. Following on from Quiz Quest 1, this quiz book is another trivia adventure! With 1,000 questions on its colorful, fact-packed pages, it is an excellent resource for testing general knowledge. Questions cover five core subject areas and are carefully graded at three levels to build confidence and stretch knowledge-hungry minds. The book is structured so that readers can try the quizzes before reading, flip to the quick-answer section at the back of the book, or turn the pages and hunt for the answers in the illustrations and text that follow each quiz. Follows the evolution of the dinosaurs from the first lizardlike dinosaurs to the mass extinction sixty-five million years ago. Vehicles and transportation are fertile ground for the imagination, and they are also a fantastic gateway to the physical sciences. Explorers: Things that Go uses a series of eye-catching story scenes to set the stage for a wide-ranging examination of the science behind motion. From the speed of racing, to transport on the rails, the science of heavy machinery, the physics of flight, and what keeps boats afloat. After readers absorb the elements of each story, they can explore the details through photographs and explanations on the following page. If they are interested in a particular aspect of transportation they can hop through the book following one of four icons related to their interest. Back matter offers plenty of resources for further multimedia exploration. 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draws on myriad disciplines to counsel readers on how to develop a healthy sense of skepticism about misleading facts posted online, sharing entries debunking a wide range of conspiracy theories, popular trivia and urban myths.