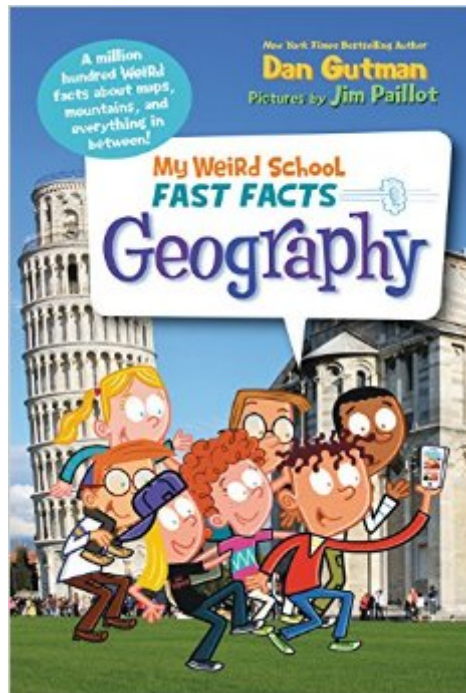


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# My Weird School Fast Facts: Geography



## Synopsis

Think fast with A.J. and Andrea from My Weird School! Did you know that Antarctica's largest land animal is an insect? Did you know that the smallest country in the world is only 0.2 square miles? Learn more weird-but-true geography facts with A.J. and Andrea from Dan Gutman's bestselling My Weird School series. This all-new series of nonfiction books features hundreds of hysterical facts, plus lots of photos and illustrations. Whether you're a kid who wants to learn more about geography or simply someone who wants to know if there's really a town called Scratch Ankle, this geography facts edition is the book for you. With more than 10 million books sold, the My Weird School series really gets kids reading!

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This book reads just like a report prepared by A.J. and Andrea for their Weird School class. A.J. makes silly jokes, insults Andrea, and generally acts out in A.J. fashion. Andrea soldiers on, tossing the occasional zinger at A.J. but basically trying to deliver a straight report. If your young reader knows and loves the "My Weird School" series and the A.J. and Andrea characters then this book will probably appeal. It's fact based rather than a school daze adventure, but it has all of the energy and silliness of one of the "My Weird School" books. Because of the heavy emphasis on the A.J.

and Andrea interaction, if your reader doesn't know that series then the book might feel a little light as a useful work of non-fiction and the whole vibe might be a bit confusing. Indeed, my first impression was that the book was awfully light on facts, and mostly just a Weird School variant. And at least for me the unrelentingly smartmouth A.J., (and his "dumbhead" comments), gets old pretty fast. But, as I thought about it and considered the reading audience, (second to third or fourth grade?), I came to see that this book is more clever and informative than I at first gave it credit. We cover the basic science of "Earth", how it was formed, plate techtonics, revolution and rotation, and so on. We discuss different types of rocks, earthquakes and disasters, and of course volcanoes; you always have to have volcanoes. Then we move on to continents and ecological systems. Finally we get to countries, and to facts about all of the states in the U.S. What seems at first blush to be mostly a random and silly mashup of odds and ends actually ends up being a pretty coherent intro to earth science and geography. Sometimes the need to be silly, and the A.J.

4/5 stars  
My Weird School Fast Facts: Geography is a fun and educational book that tells kids geographical facts, but in a simple way. I follow the author on facebook and he is very funny. My niece raves about his Weird School Books, so I mostly got the book for her. But I was also curious. The book is told from the POVs of AJ and Andrea (two characters from the Weird School books). They bicker and they each think the other is boring. But their interactions are fun and I'm sure that most kids would enjoy them as narrators. The book is divided into seven chapters. Chapter 1: What is Geography and Who Cares Anyway? Chapter 2: Planet Earth. Chapter 3: The Continents. Chapter 4: Water. Chapter 5: Mountains, Deserts, and Forests. Chapter 6: The Fifty United States. Chapter 7: Natural Disasters. And lastly The Ending. The author tries to address different things to do with geography in a kid-friendly way. It is cute. The book explains concepts in the simplest terms that kids can understand. Like for example the earth going around the sun. Or the earth spinning on an axis and how it is day when your part of the earth is facing the sun. The book is very educational. The book is a way for kids to learn a lot about geography. There is so much information told in such a simple way. I am not sure exactly what age would be too young to grasp the concepts in this book. But my niece is ten and it was just perfect for her. My least favorite chapter was chapter 6 which talked about the fifty states in the United States. The book went through each state. It wasn't that the facts were bad. But I just found it too long. Overall, I actually really enjoyed this book. I learned a lot. I originally thought that the book would just be for kids.

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