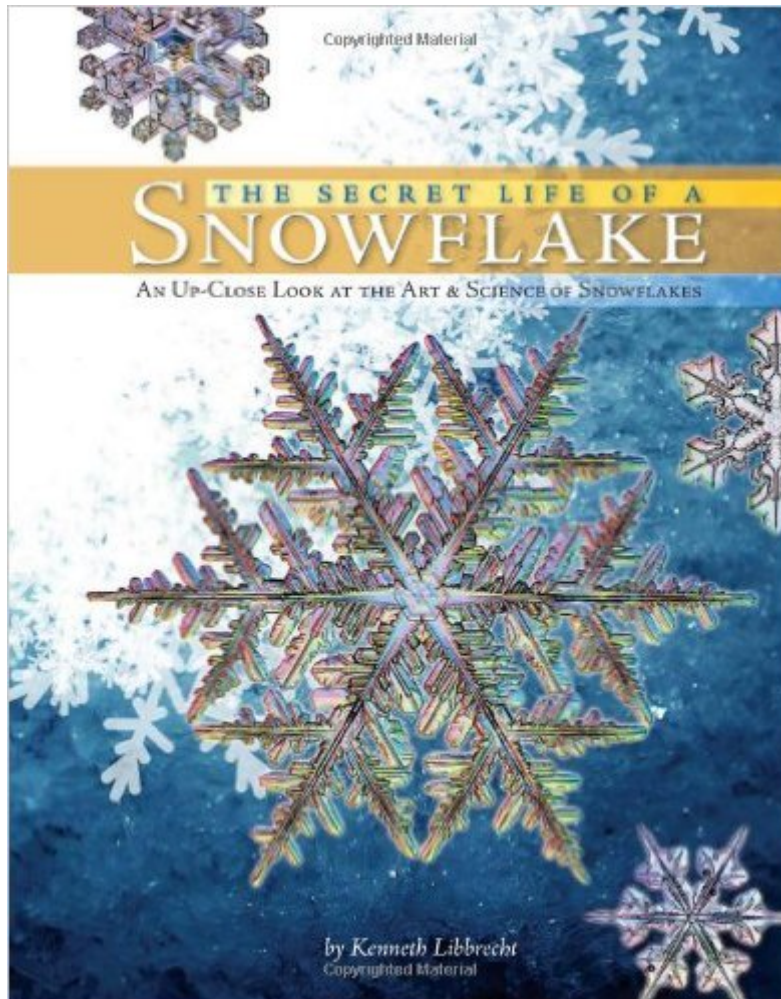


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# The Secret Life Of A Snowflake: An Up-Close Look At The Art And Science Of Snowflakes



## Synopsis

Before a snowflake melts on your tongue, it makes an epic journey. This is the beautiful, full-color story of that journey, step by step, from a single snowflake's creation in the clouds, through its fall to earth, to its brief and sparkling appearance on a child's mitten. Told by a scientist who knows snowflakes better than almost anyone, the story features his brilliant photographs of real snowflakes, snowflakes forming (in the author's lab), water evaporating, clouds developing, ice crystals, rain, dew, and frost--all the elements of the world and weather that add up, flake by flake, to the white landscape of winter. Aimed at readers from 6 to 12, *The Secret Life of a Snowflake* gets to the heart of one of nature's most magical phenomena while making the wonder of the snowflake all the more real.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

The photographs are amazing! The information is just the right length and at a level where grade school children can understand it. It explains how a snowflake is formed. There are lots of pictures and illustrations. Our whole family found it fascinating!

Professor Kenneth Libbrecht's beautiful pictures of snow are the perfect backdrop for this insightful book on snow. The pictures will delight children, and the author also describes the process of taking

photographs as well as the science of why snow has 6 sides (I won't give it away), how snow forms, and different forms snow can take. I used this with pre-schoolers, but there are a number of words per page, so it may work even better with elementary school aged children. The book deals less with the "art" side of the snowflake (the art is basically the pictures themselves), but the science is strong and makes up for it.

I teach 3rd grade where there is no snow. We spend the week before winter break studying snowflakes. This book inspires ahhs! and concentration in even the most unfocused. As a non-science major, I think well of the explanations and how it is pieced out.

Simply, the best basic snowflake book ever! As a middle school science educator (and someone who is an adjunct professor at two universities) this book appeals to a wide variety of people - from my middle school students (who range from autistic, to special needs to advanced) to my colleagues. This is one book that everyone picks up and enjoys. The pictures are amazing and the science is great. A truly wonderful book. I would give it six stars if I could!

This book is magical. Anytime someone picks it up everything else seems to just stop. They are instantly mesmerized by the beautiful photographs. I had a hard time getting it wrapped for my one daughter because my other daughter, then my husband, wouldn't put it down long enough. I immediately ordered another one for my daughter's friend! Nicely made book, great photos, just enough words.

Who doesn't love snowflakes? And, this is a wonderful little book that gives simple explanations about how snowflakes are formed. Written for a young reader, it has enough images to keep a youngster interested.

This was a great little book, quick read but fascinating pictures. Neat science lesson for kids regarding crystals. I learned new things about snowflakes I had never heard before. Great picture book with beautiful snowflakes, each so unique yet all with a hexagon formation.

I purchased this book because of the incredibly professionally done photos of real snowflakes. Kenneth Libbrecht is an internationally known snowflake photographer, and this book is one of his very best. There is a lot of interesting information on the formation of snowflakes. I highly

recommend this book.

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