

# Cultures of the World®

FOURTH EDITION

**EACH BOOK CONTAINS:**

- Recipes that encourage readers to deepen their appreciation for and understanding of other cultures in a hands-on—and delicious—way
- Fact boxes that introduce readers to important points of interest, teach them words in foreign languages, and inspire them to travel the world
- A variety of clearly labeled maps that give readers more information about the featured nation's geography, economy, and culture

**CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:**

- The essential concept of global citizenship is a focal point of the updated text, including sidebars dedicated to biographies of prominent global citizens who serve as examples of how one person can make a difference in their community, their nation, and the world as a whole
- A detailed bibliography as well as relevant internet links at the end of each chapter facilitate further research, independent study, and thorough fact-checking
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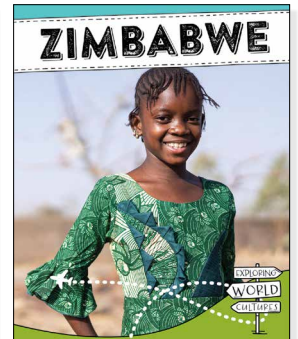
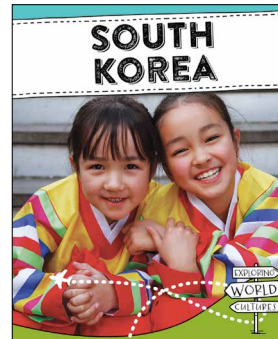
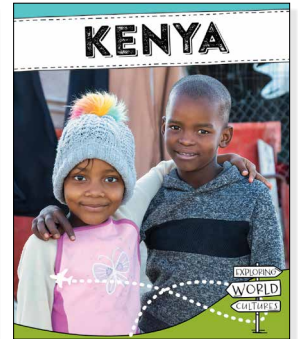
# Exploring World Cultures SECOND EDITION

## EACH BOOK CONTAINS:

- A glossary of new terms that expands students' vocabulary
- Informative fact boxes that highlight interesting points about each topic
- Vivid full-color photographs that bring each culture to life

## CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:

- Detailed maps allow students to make connections and draw conclusions from visual sources beyond the main text
- A list of relevant books and websites gives readers a jumping-off point to conduct further research on their own



### ARTS AND FESTIVALS

Art has a long history in Afghanistan. The country is known for its colorful wool carpets, or rugs. These carpets are made by hand and include many different colors and patterns. Each ethnic group or area has its own special patterns. However, since 2021, people don't have much time or money to make art for fun. Carpets are still made because they sell well.

**FACT!** When the Taliban ruled the country from 1996 to 2001, all music and dancing were banned.

The *attan* is the national dance of Afghanistan. Men stand in a circle and move their feet quickly as they clap their hands.

Holidays are mostly Muslim holy days. One exception is the Afghan New Year (Nowruz), or Afghanistan Day, on March 21.

**A SAD DAY**  
In 2001, the Taliban blew up two big statues of the Buddha (the mean figure in Buddhism) from the 6th century. People around the world begged them not to do it because of how special the art was, but they did not listen.

This picture shows Afghans dancing at a talent show at a U.S. Army base in 2006.

Afghans who have left their country use Afghanistan Day to call for an end to the Taliban's rule and to remember the old ways that are being destroyed.

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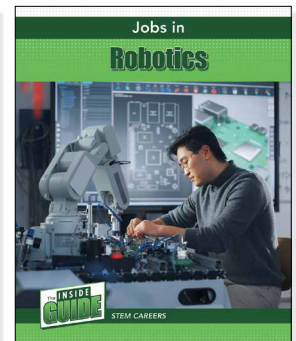
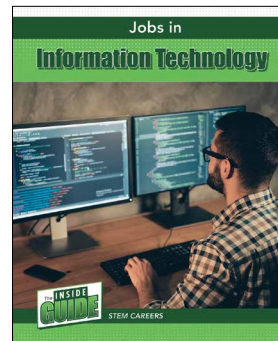
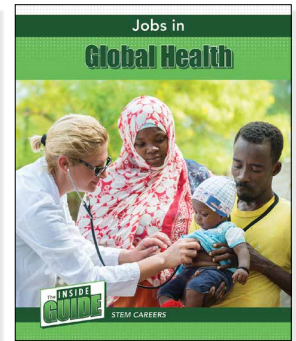
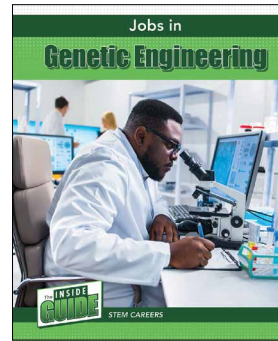
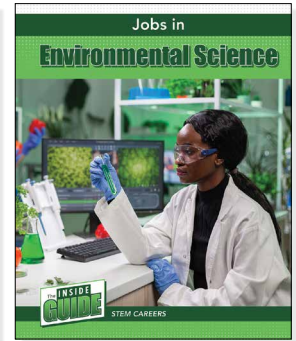
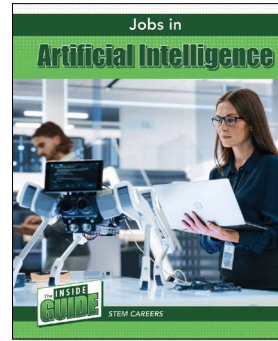
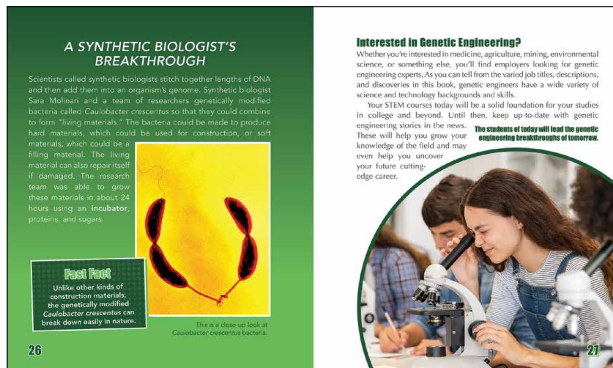
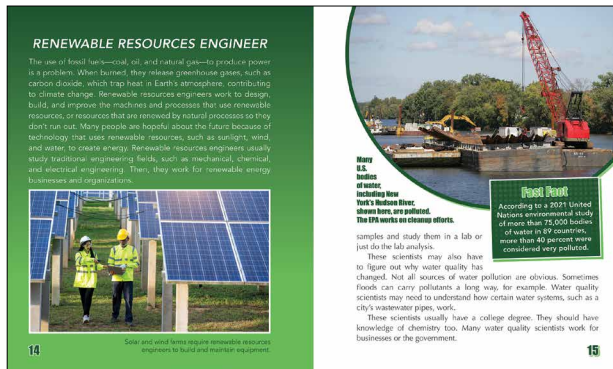
# The Inside Guide: STEM Careers

## EACH BOOK CONTAINS:

- Concluding critical thinking questions that review key ideas about STEM careers
- Important overarching concepts that are broken down into accessible ideas for readers to better comprehend
- Sidebars that present motivating and noteworthy supplementary facts, helping readers connect more deeply with the main text

## CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:

- Knowledge of STEM subjects is essential to elementary curricula
- Text aids readers in recognizing how science, technology, engineering, and mathematics concepts have real-world applications
- Series invites readers to consider how technologies develop over time according to people's needs and wants, therefore engineering changes in society



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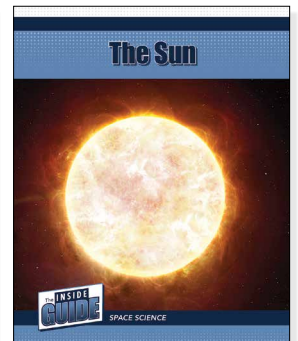
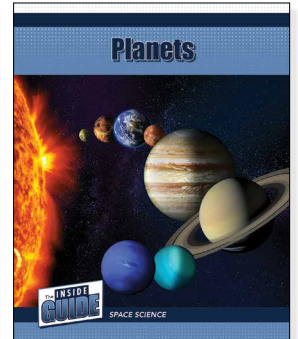
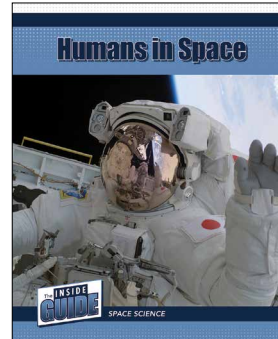
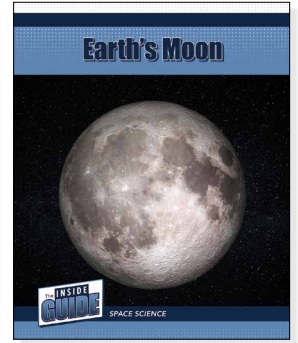
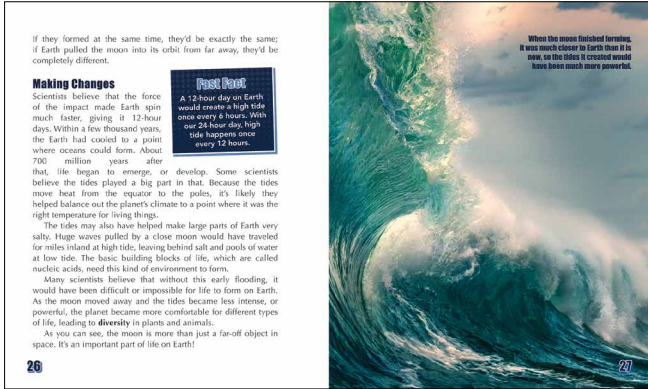
# The Inside Guide: Space Science

## EACH BOOK CONTAINS:

- Detailed graphic organizers that help young readers better understand complex topics
- Engaging fact boxes that provide a more in-depth glimpse into areas of interest
- A glossary of new terms that gives students a better grasp of the text

## CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:

- Discussion questions help readers use the information presented in the text to formulate their own hypotheses
- A list of relevant books and websites gives readers outside sources to analyze and confirm the claims presented in the text



If they formed at the same time, they'd be exactly the same; if Earth pulled the moon into its orbit from far away, they'd be completely different.

**Making Changes**

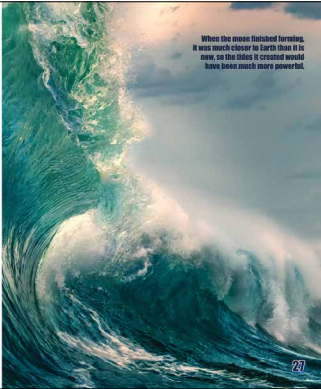
Scientists believe that the force of the impact made Earth spin much faster, giving it 12-hour days. Within a few thousand years, the Earth had cooled to a point where oceans could form. About 700 million years after that, life began to emerge, or develop. Some scientists believe the tides played a big part in that. Because the tides move heat from the equator to the poles, it's likely they helped balance out the planet's climate to a point where it was the right temperature for living things.

The tides may also have helped make large parts of Earth very salty. Huge waves pulled by a close moon would have traveled for miles inland at high tide, leaving behind salt and pools of water at low tide. The basic building blocks of life, which are called nucleic acids, need this kind of environment to form.

Many scientists believe that without this early flooding, it would have been difficult or impossible for life to form on Earth. As the moon moved away and the tides became less intense, or powerful, the planet became more comfortable for different types of life, leading to **diversity** in plants and animals.

As you can see, the moon is more than just a far-off object in space. It's an important part of life on Earth!

**Fact Box**  
A 12-hour day on Earth would create high tides once every 6 hours. With our 24-hour day, high tide happens once every 12 hours.



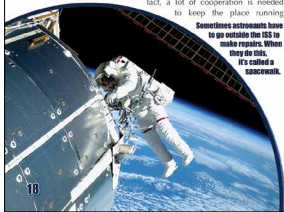
When the moon finished forming, it was much closer to Earth than it is now, so the tides it created would have been much more powerful.

**Fact Box**  
The ISS is almost as large as a football field inside. It has about the same amount of space as a five-bedroom house.

U.S., European, Canadian, and Japanese space agencies. Like Mir, the ISS was built in space a little at a time, and most construction was finished in 2012. However, astronauts have been living on it since 2000. Astronauts aren't just regular people who go to space for fun. They're trained scientists who use the ISS to do experiments that teach us more about how things work on Earth and in space.

The crew comes from many different countries, but the ISS is mostly controlled by the Russians and Americans. Each is in charge of half of the space station, although the crew doesn't live separately. In fact, a lot of cooperation is needed to keep the place running.

**Fact Box**  
Sometimes astronauts have to go outside the ISS to make repairs. When they do this, it's called a spacewalk.



**SPACE TOURISM**

In 2001, a man named Dennis Tito paid \$20 million to stay a few days on the ISS, making him the world's first space tourist. Today, as technology improves, many companies are looking for ways to allow ordinary people to take space vacations. Companies such as SpaceX, Blue Origin, and more are working on short space flights.

As of 2023, some options are available, but the prices are much higher than most people can afford. For example, a company called World View offers a trip that lasts between 6 and 12 hours. Passengers sit in a space capsule attached to a large balloon, get and drink, and look out the windows. One ticket costs \$50,000.

smoothly. For this reason, the crew is trained to speak both English and Russian.

**Life in Space**

Adjusting to life in space can be hard because of the absence of gravity. Things that are easy to do without a second thought on Earth take more time and effort in space. One of the biggest adjustments to zero gravity is maintaining the body. Without Earth's gravity, the human body doesn't work right on its own. For example, if you hold your arm in the air on Earth, it will get tired quickly because your muscles are pushing against gravity. In space, the muscles don't have to do any work. Astronauts are required to do two hours of exercise every day so their muscles and bones don't break down.

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