Foreword

Whether you have 10 minutes before recess, 10 minutes after lunch, or 10 minutes until the last bell of the day rings, you’ll find educational and creative ways to make those 10 minutes fly by with *10 Minutes to Go*! Maybe you’d like to quickly spotlight the solar system, review fun facts about the presidents, or spark your students’ imaginative talents in new ways. Whatever you choose to explore, the included audio CD will noticeably enhance those 10 minutes. From singing along with the words to just listening to the music or even daydreaming a bit, your students will benefit from combining their learning experience with enjoyable and memorable music. However you decide to fill up those 10 minutes, you can be sure that once you do, it will feel like just a minute has passed!

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National Standards

The activities in this book address the following National Education Standards:

**Fine Arts**
- NA-VA.K-4.3 Choosing and Evaluating a Range of Subject Matter, Symbols, and Ideas;
- NA-VA.K-4.5 Reflecting Upon and Assessing the Characteristics and Merits of Their Work and the Work of Others;
- NA-VA.K-4.6 Making Connections Between Visual Arts and Other Disciplines.

**Language Arts**
- NL-ENG.K-12.3 Evaluation Strategies;
- NL-ENG.K-12.4 Communication Skills;
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**Science**
- NS.K-4.3 Life Science;
- NS.K-4.4 Earth and Space Science.

**Social Sciences**
- NSS-G.K-12.1 The World In Spatial Terms.
Go Fish

You might be surprised to know that scientists believe the earth’s oceans hold 20,000 species of fish. Some estimate that there may be at least 20,000 more. How do they name all of these fish? Many fish are given their name from an item or animal they resemble. For example, the catfish has whiskers just like a cat.

Below are picture clues for the names of many common fish. Solve the fish names from each clue given.

1. _____________ fish
2. _____________ fish
3. _____________ fish

4. _____________ fish
5. _____________ fish
6. _____________ fish

7. _____________ fish
8. _____________ fish
9. _____________ fish
Amazing Discovery!

Pretend you are a scientist on an expedition to any part of the world you imagine. Suddenly you and your team spot a never-before-discovered animal! What does it look like? What name will you give it? What are its special features? Draw a picture of the new animal and fill in the facts below to share everything you know about your amazing discovery!

Animal’s name ____________________________________________________________

Discovered in ____________________________________________________________

Size, shape and color ______________________________________________________

This animal eats ___________________________________________________________

Other special features ______________________________________________________
Lions and Tigers and Bears, Oh My!

Solve the clues to fill in this crossword puzzle and learn interesting facts about animals. Use the words in the word box at the bottom of the page to help you.

**ACROSS**

1. A group of elks is called a __________ of elks.
2. The _______________ can run 70 miles per hour.
4. The _______________ is the tallest mammal towering 19 feet.
5. The largest land mammal is the African bush _______________.. It weighs 8 tons!
8. The Brazilian _______________ is only a third of an inch long.
10. The python _______________ can be 26-32 feet long.
11. A baby opossum is called a _______________.

**DOWN**

1. A group of elks is called a __________ of elks.
2. A baby hippopotamus is called a _______________.
3. A group of lions is called a _______________ of lions.
4. The _______________ lives to be 15 years old.
7. The box _______________ can live to be 100 years old.
9. The largest marine mammal is the blue ___________, weighing 209 tons.

**WORD BOX**

Lion  Snake  Frog  Calf  Giraffe  Joey  Elephant  Gang  Pride  Cheetah  Turtle  Whale

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