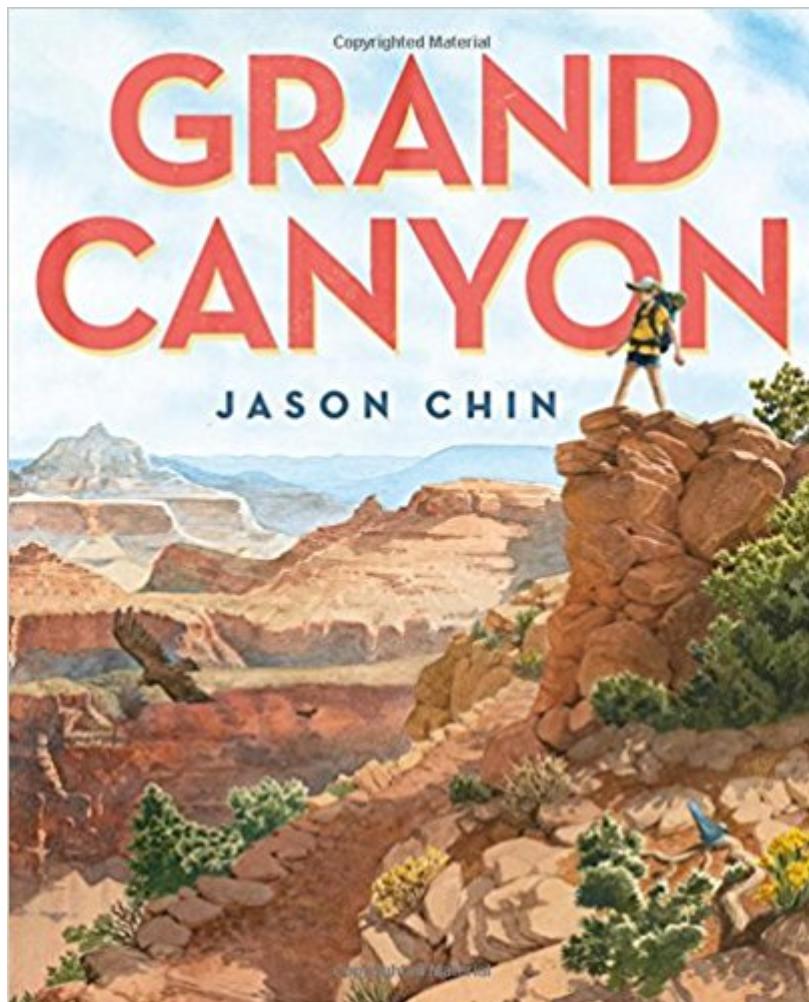


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# Grand Canyon



## Synopsis

Rivers wind through earth, cutting down and eroding the soil for millions of years, creating a cavity in the ground 277 miles long, 18 miles wide, and more than a mile deep known as the Grand Canyon. Home to an astonishing variety of plants and animals that have lived and evolved within its walls for millennia, the Grand Canyon is much more than just a hole in the ground. Follow a father and daughter as they make their way through the cavernous wonder, discovering life both present and past. Weave in and out of time as perfectly placed die cuts show you that a fossil today was a creature much long ago, perhaps in a completely different environment. Complete with a spectacular double gatefold, an intricate map and extensive back matter.

## Book Information

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Grade Level: 2 - 7

## Customer Reviews

"With vivid imagination, a crystal-clear grasp of the facts, and brilliant artwork, this illuminating look at one of the planet's most fascinating features will entrance young readers." Booklist, starred review "Chin (Island: A Story of the Galapagos) packs the geologic history of the Grand Canyon into a stunningly illustrated story of a magical father-daughter hike." Publishers Weekly, starred review "This representation captures the essence of field geology: artifacts of the earth are indeed conduits to the past, brought to life through scientific

imagination. The perimeters of some pages are filled with delicate sketches and diagrams in muted colors reminiscent of the dry rock landscape."Ã¢â€¢ Horn Book, starred review" Just watching the scenery go by in ChinÃ¢â€¢'s sumptuous watercolors could be satisfaction enough for many readers, but textual commentary on the rock formations, as well as the ecological communities of flora and fauna in the changing climate zones, form the basis of a multidisciplinary science lesson far more engrossing than kids are likely to encounter in a classroom."Ã¢â€¢ Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books, starred review" An outstanding introduction to one of the worldÃ¢â€¢'s greatest outdoor wonders, with much to offer elementary students about Southwestern biomes, sedimentary geology, and the profound pleasures of observing nature."Ã¢â€¢ School Library Journal, starred review

Jason Chin is the award-winning author of *Redwoods*, *Coral Reefs*, and *Island: A Story of the GalÃ¡pagos*, which was named a 2012 Best Book of the Year by School Library Journal and Kirkus Reviews. His book, *Gravity*, received three starred reviews, while *Water Is Water* received two starred reviews. Jason lives with his wife, Deirdre Gill, and their two children in Burlington, Vermont.

This book is a fantastic work of nonfiction; upon our first read my five year old and I were singing about how much we love science. With beautiful illustrations, Chin creates a remarkable, thorough, detailed work about the Grand Canyon, with everything from geology, geography, biology, and numerous other focuses as you go along. The information is presented in the narrative of a girl and her father hiking throughout the canyon, going from present day to the past and back, inviting children to use their imagination but to also get a real sense of this place without ever visiting (although it might make you want to visit!). This is a must-read for any study about the area, but also for any area of science relating to its relevant topics.

Jason Chin's best book yet! Amazing illustrations, simple engaging and accurate text. Lots of little surprises and additional information. The "time travel" aspect of the young child being able to see the Grand Canyon as it was in the past is well done in this book, and more understandable for a young child than in his previous books. Lovely, and will stay in the house long after your kids grow up.

This is a wonderful book! Lots of things for the young reader to find & identify in each illustration.

A great book to better understand the Grand Canyon today and its history!

Visually stunning, meticulously researched with multiple resources & information in the back matter. Illustrations look akin to photographs. Chin uses two characters-a young girl and her father-to walk through the canyon and pull us through the book. Some reveries by the child give you an idea of what was once at each layer. Story line of the father and daughter hike through the canyon can be followed by even the youngest reader. Illustrations under this layer of "storytelling" provide more background information about the canyon itself. This gorgeous, informational text will be one children (and adults) will return to again and again. Highly recommended, especially if you are planning a trip to the Grand Canyon or are just a fan of natural beauty.

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