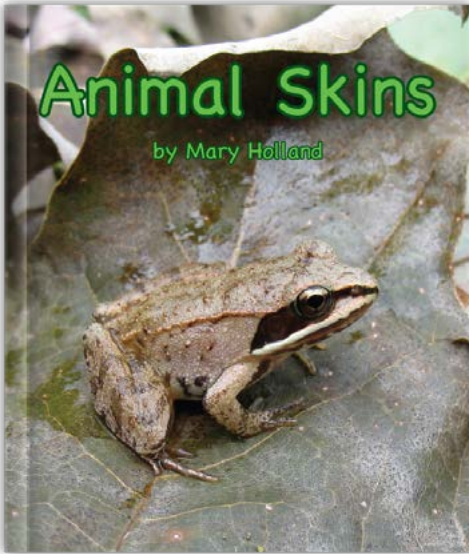


Fur Flies in Arbordale's new book *Animal Skins*

Mary Holland's Latest book in the Animal Anatomy and Adaptations series guides readers through the uses for feathers, fur, scales and skins in the animal kingdom.



Mount Pleasant, SC (August 6, 2019) – Do you use your skin for protection? Can you name an animal that does? Find answers to this question and many other amazing facts about some of North America's common animals in the sixth installment of Mary Holland's *Animal Anatomy and Adaptations* series *Animal Skins* releasing on September 10th.

Holland's photography is a star of the book. This is especially true as readers learn about the spots of a tiny fawn or get a glimpse of the ruffled feathers of a blue jay in the snow. Highlighting a variety of species, Holland shows snakes and insects that shed their skin when they grow, the protective nature of some prickly fur and poisonous skin, as well as the way some coats easily hide a defenseless species. *Animal Skins* wraps up, allowing readers to think about their skin, and how it helps them make their way in the world.

After the story, a fact-filled "For Creative Minds" section allows readers to match skins, identify traits, and learn a bit more about some incredible adaptations. Additionally, Arbordale provides an extensive teaching guide online that lets educators easily incorporate the series into a science or language arts lesson. This, combined with a standards guide and comprehension quizzes, renders the book a valuable classroom tool.

Holland has written several award-winning books for children and adults, but her passion for natural history is what brought her to writing. After receiving her degree from the University of Michigan's School of Natural Resources, she was a naturalist and directed programs at the Museum of the Hudson Highlands, Vermont Institute of Natural Science, and the Massachusetts Audubon Society. Holland has garnered quite a following on her daily blog Naturally Curious with Mary Holland where she shares photographs and interesting facts about the natural world.

Animal Skins releases on September 10th in hardcover (9781643513393 \$17.95), Spanish paperback (9781643513416 \$11.95), and digital editions. The book is also available in our signature dual-language, interactive ebook in English (9781643513461 \$12.99) and Spanish (9781643513478 \$12.99), as well as Kindle and iBook editions in English (9781643513423 \$6.95) and Spanish (9781643513430 \$6.95). You can request *Animal Skins* and the others from the *Animal Anatomy and Adaptations* series from your local bookseller or find it through national online retailers.