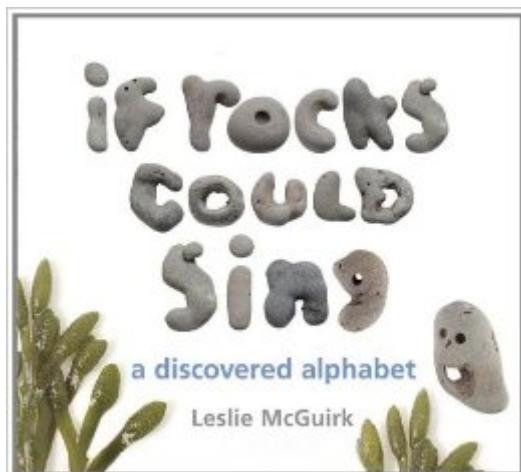


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# If Rocks Could Sing: A Discovered Alphabet



## **Synopsis**

Amazing rocks, found on a stretch of beach near the author's home, comprise this unique alphabet book. A is for Addition, and there are rocks in the shape of real numbers, too. B is for Bird, and there is a bird rock on a nest with an egg. G is for Ghosts, and there is a host of rocks that look like ghosts! Children and adults alike will pore over these fascinating rocks, and will be inspired collect their own.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 3 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## **Customer Reviews**

My daughter is learning her alphabets now, so she loves pointing at the rocks and saying what letter it is. I love how it stimulates the imagination - a rock version of "what does that cloud look like?" and encourages us to really notice our surroundings. I plan on using this book as a launching pad to encourage my kids to find things in nature that speak (sing) to them.

This book is a great way to creatively teach and reinforce alphabet skills in young students. I only wish that the author could have chosen something different, almost anything else really, for letter "G". This page uses rocks that look like ghosted and they are on a black backdrop. One of them is truly scary for young kids and I had to improvise for that page, using "Gone. Letter G for gone. The page is gone!" It works, but I would love to have seen "grapes," "goldfish," "gumdrop." I can't

imagine these would have been hard to find in rock form. Otherwise, wonderful book!

I collect heart shaped rocks which are hard to find so this book spoke to my heart. It is a great book not because of what it says but because of the story behind finding each alphabet shaped rock. Very creative.

This book is truly a piece of art and unlike anything else. The author created this book showcasing stones she has collected over the years. The stones are in the shape of letters and for each, something that starts with that letter. We live near Lake Michigan and spend a lot of time collecting very similar looking stones. I bought this book for my four children, ages 7 and under, so they could be inspired in their own rock collecting and so that I could display it in my youngest son's lake/beach-themed nursery. This book is beautifully done, and I would highly recommend.

The message in this book is awe-inspiring. The found rocks are wonderful, the imagination of the author is stupendous, and the patience taken to complete this product inspirational. If she could wait 10 years to find the right rocks...what can we wait for to see come to pass in our lives.

I bought this book for my niece. It is such a cool book! I wish I knew more people to buy it for. The idea behind the book, finding rocks that make each letter of the alphabet, adds a unique way of teaching the alphabet!

This is a very clever, very intriguing, alphabet book. Each letter is represented by a rock in the shape of said letter, and then the corresponding photographic-illustrations are made up of rocks that help explain that word. For example, there would be a rock shaped like an "F" for "fish" and the next illustration would be of rocks that look like fish. I found myself constantly amazed and the variety of rock shapes, and how much many of them really looked like the thing they were portraying! A few times the words for the letters felt a little "cheaty" to me, "X" for XOXO... I mean, it sort of works... Still, overall, I'm amazed that McGuirk could find all these incredible rocks and put something like this together! Sounds like it was just as fun to do as it was to read!

We got this book from the library for my son (he's 2.5yrs) and when we returned it he was so sad that I just had to buy it! He loves to look at the pictures and it has really helped him learn his letters. This book is great because it departs from the standard examples of a word for each letter. C is for

couch potato in this book!

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