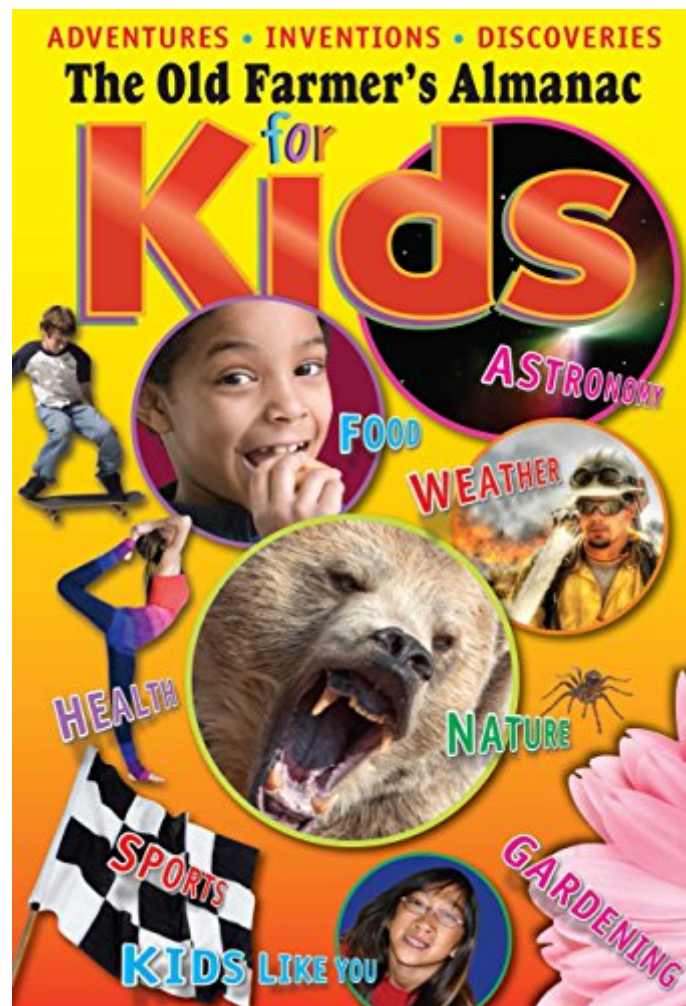




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The Old Farmer's Almanac For Kids, Volume 6



Synopsis

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- Astronomy: Earth's volcanoes and other planetary wonders
- Calendar: origin of the birthday cake, why we save daylight time, and more
- Days
- Health: fun facts about your brain; uncommon advice for the common cold; why we have burps, gas, and other unmentionables
- Weather: wildfire weather, facts about fog
- Food: the history of the hot dog, the making of maple syrup, the first frozen dinner, lunchbox recipes
- Accomplished Kids: kids who made amazing discoveries, kids who help to make the world a better place
- Nature: a bug guide, little-known facts about nuts, poison dart frogs
- In the Garden: secrets of composting, growing a bean teepee and other edibles, plus fun crafts
- Sports: a wooden car derby, plus adventurers Sam Patch (falls jumper), Jay Cochrane (wire walker), and Charles F. Lummis (cross-country hiker)
- Amusement: tips for setting a record, advice for whistlers, and more
- Plus! too much more to mention!

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Customer Reviews

A Christmas tradition at my house, brought by Santa and found in the stocking (helps to fill up the

stocking!). I especially like this almanac because it has less popular culture in it (movie stars, singers, etc). As a family who watches very little TV the popular culture/entertainment aspects of other almanacs were not of much interest. Highly recommend this book for months of casual reading.

I always enjoy getting my annual copy of this work. Last year, we had a special event scheduled for February and everyone was nervous about getting snowed out. I reached for my trust Almanac, and it said that the weather would be fine. Indeed, the Almanac was right (of course, no one felt especially confident because of my reference to this publication!). Each year, there are some unique elements; others are traditional from year to year (such as the weather projections). Some matters of interest--the calendar for meteor showers (page 92). On January 24, 25 meteors per hour will rain down in the skies. Best viewing is just before dawn and the meteors will come in from the north. What more information could one want for watching a meteor shower? I'm not a fisherman, but I can see how a person interested in angling might find useful the section on "Best fishing days and times." For instance, the Almanac says that July 1-15 will be prime, when the moon is between new and full. One nice thing about these projections is that one can actually check them out to see if the Almanac is even close. There's also a brief sidebar on how to estimate the weight of a fish. Or, the extent to which manners have or have not changes (pages 168 and following). Of course, the one part that is so often focused upon is the weather predictions. I am located in Region 3 (which includes central Pennsylvania, and extends from Elmira, NY in the north to Asheville, NC in the south). Since winter can get frisky here, let's take a look at February. Temperature will average a wee bit higher than normal; precipitation (code word for snow) will be average. Dates when snow might hit us include the 11th-15th (snow showers) and the 16th-19th (snowstorm and then sunny) and the 25th-28th (rain turning to snow). So, I'll keep this little prediction (and others) in front of me to see how well the old Almanac does! Another year and another visit from this old publication friend.

I searched several local stores for this old favorite, and couldn't find it anywhere locally. Had it though. This is a wonderful Almanac, and by far the BEST one on the market in my opinion. Even if you aren't a gardener, you will enjoy all the information packed into this book. Loads of interesting and informative articles. I remember curling up with the Old Farmers Almanac when I was 9 or 10 and enjoying reading the many diverse articles, trivia, etc in it. I was so happy to find this still available thru --and I received it in record time as well, actually got it the day before the estimated delivery.

The Farmers Almanac is always a good bet. Fun facts, good recipes, a bit of history and of course weather predictions. Some years they are better at predictions than others, but I never go without my Farmers Almanac!

Just what I wanted. Saw at a store and thought grandson would enjoy. Loaded with tons of interesting facts. Great for the info/trivia geek!

It's an Almanac what can I say

Got this for a very inquisitive almost 6 year old. She would rather read fun facts like this than anything else.

A good book.

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