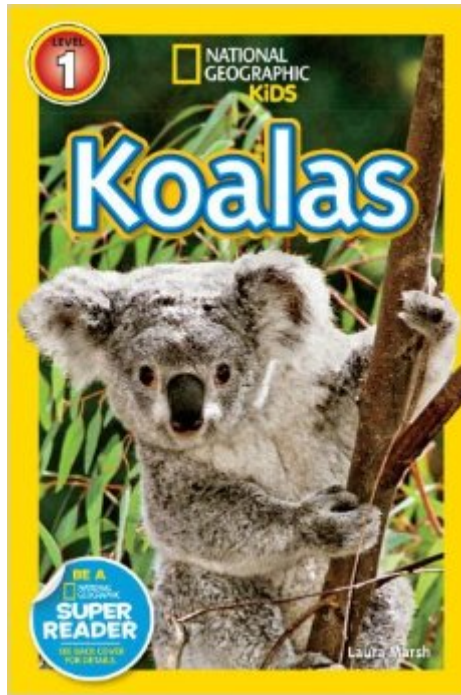


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# National Geographic Readers: Koalas



## Synopsis

With a seemingly permanent half-smile on their face, koalas are appealing to boys and girls alike. Filled with adorable photos, and carefully leveled text, this level 1 reader introduces beginning readers to these furry creatures, from cub to adult, exploring where they live, what they eat, and even the way they say "hello" --by touching noses! National Geographic supports K-12 educators with ELA Common Core Resources. Visit [www.natgeoed.org/commoncore](http://www.natgeoed.org/commoncore) for more information.

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Readers

Age Range: 4 - 6 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 1

## Customer Reviews

My son (7) and I (Mom) reviewed this book for Mother Daughter Book Reviews. We both gave it 5 stars. Here are our thoughts: SON SAYS: This book is all about koalas. It has lots of pictures and you learn lots of things about koalas like they carry their babies in a pouch, they have two thumbs, and lots more. The pictures of the koalas were adorable and I loved them alot. The pictures were great and there were some things in the book I already knew about because we went to Australia last year. I liked how they showed how words are pronounced like "aw-STRALE-YUH". I already knew a lot about koalas but I did learn about the scent patch that only a male koala has. They use it to rub it on trees to tell other animals that it's their territory. I also learned that

koalas sleep 18 hours a day and eat 5 hours a day and only have 1 hour left in the day. What do they do with that hour? I loved it and it was the best book ever. When I was looking at the National Geographic catalogue, the first book I wanted was Koalas. Everybody would like this book especially kids who like fuzzy, cuddly animals.

**MOM SAYS:** I knew that when my son saw Koalas in the National Geographic Spring Catalogue that he would be all over the book. Even though the book is a Level 1 National Geographic Reader, I knew this was the book for him. Koalas is all about

**you guessed it KOALAS!** As with most National Geographic publications, Koalas features absolutely stunning photography of all kinds of koalas in all kinds of poses. Every time we flipped the page, both my son and I went "awww". Koalas are, hands down, the cutest animals ever (except when they are new born joeys and are hairless and look like tiny little aliens). Aside from the beautiful photos, this little 32 page book is filled with facts about koalas from what they look like, parts of their bodies and their function, where they live, what they eat, how they care for their babies, and what they do all day (i.e., basically sleep and eat). The book includes pronunciation guides for some of the trickier words like eucalyptus and Australia and introduces words relevant to koalas like marsupial, habitat, and mammal providing definitions at the end of the book. Finally, the National Geographic Society is dedicated to the conservation of the planet including all the living creatures it sustains; therefore, there is a little section about the dangers koalas face including the encroachment by humans into their natural habitat leading to injuries and deaths. There is a little write-up about the Koala Hospital in Port Macquarie in New South Wales which is dedicated to helping injured and sick koalas. Needless to say, my son has a clear vision of what he wants to be when he grows up (apparently I can live in an apartment beside him in Australia where he will be working as a koala rescuer).

**My Bottom Line:** Koala features stunning photograph, interesting facts about koalas, fun little jokes and activities, and the introduction of new concepts such as marsupial, mammals, and habitat. I highly recommend this fantastic book to children who love furry and adorable animals ages 4 years and older.\* This book was provided to me by the publisher free-of-charge in exchange for our honest reviews. All opinions expressed are our own. \*

I purchased this book along with the Ty Beanie Baby "Eucalyptus the Koala" for my niece for Christmas. She loved both. I found the book to be informative and very educational. It provides basic information about Koalas. You learn everything from their diets, to their habitat. While the older elementary school students may consider this an easy read, the information is invaluable and can be used for science or book reports. Not to mention younger readers can improve their lexile

scores.

I teach children about endangered animals and we make them in clay. I use these books to help the class understand the lifestyle or the animal, to show them images to use as they make their work. The National Geographic books are well priced, beautiful and informative.

This National Geographic reader is a wonderful book for children, I ordered this book for my granddaughter she did a report in her 1st grade class on the animals of Australia it was a big help to her.

My granddaughter adores Koalas and she is going to flip over this magazine!! Bright, vivid pictures are really going to capture her 10 year old heart! Thank you so much, NatGeo for all of your exceptional magazines!!

Great pictures. Simple informative text. Great addition to our 7 continents unit. Used as a read aloud for the class.

Exactly what I was looking for. My son loves this book.

My son loves this book. It's "real". Great for a young early/emerging reader interested in Koalas. Educational.

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