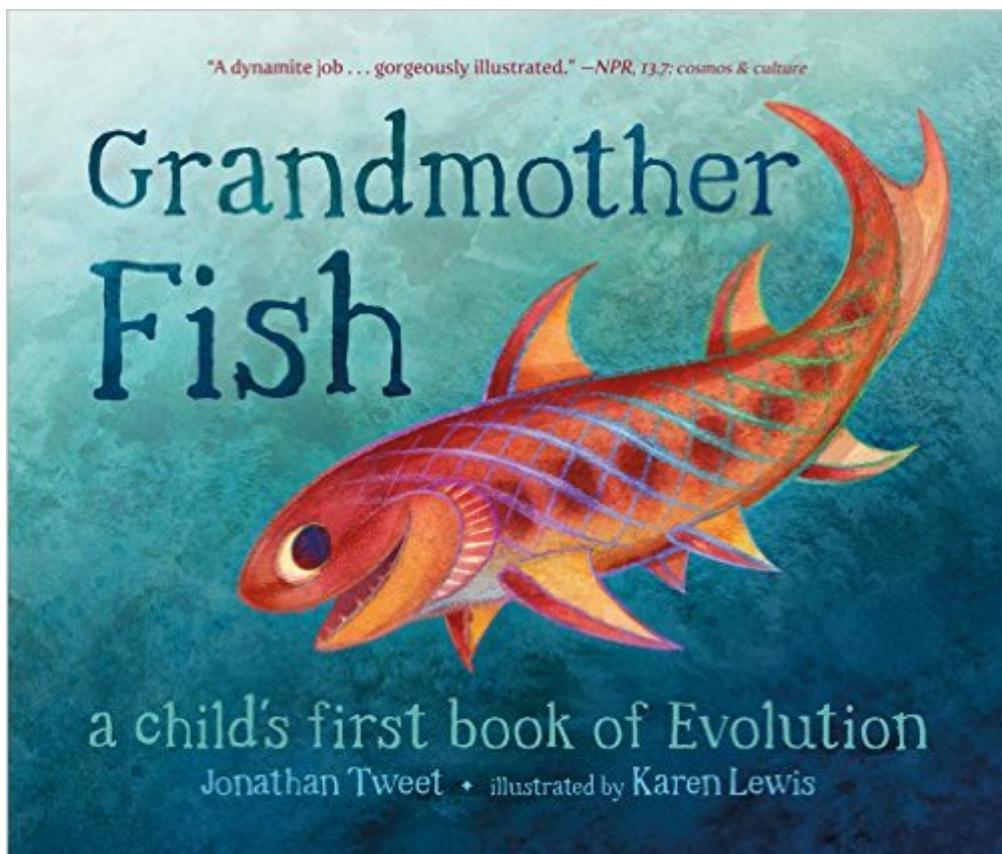


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# Grandmother Fish: A Child's First Book Of Evolution



## **Synopsis**

Where did we come from? It's a simple question, but not so simple an answer to explainâ •especially to young children. Charles Darwin's theory of common descent no longer needs to be a scientific mystery to inquisitive young readers. Meet Grandmother Fish.Told in an engaging call and response text where a child can wiggle like a fish or hoot like an ape and brought to life by vibrant artwork, Grandmother Fish takes children and adults through the history of life on our planet and explains how we are all connected.The book also includes comprehensive backmatter, including:- An elaborate illustration of the evolutionary tree of life- Helpful science notes for parents- How to explain natural selection to a child

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 3 - 6 years

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book has beautiful pictures and a text that is clear and lovely to read aloud. Extra information at the end of the book is useful for parents and teachers as well as older children. Highly recommend this book to anyone who want to expose children to the concepts of evolution.

I'm not sure who loves this book more - me or my kids! As an ecologist searching for a good book to introduce my kiddos to evolution, I was fortunate enough to stumble across it in the early stages of

its kickstarter campaign and am so excited about how it turned out. We just received our copy in the mail yesterday and my littles (ages 3 and 5) have had a blast following along with the actions and pointing out all the taxa they know as we trace through the family tree. Highly recommend it!

A book that should be in every school and public library. Teaches the principles of evolution in terms that kids can understand, with helpful information in the back for adults. Not only does it get evolution right (unlike so many other books), it even corrects a number of misunderstandings in the back. Good science, good artwork, good story, something kids will love and learn from (without ever realizing they are learning). Brilliant!!

Our family backed this book's Kickstarter, and we couldn't be more delighted with the final product (including our kids' names on the endsheets with other backers!). As a book it's well made and beautifully illustrated. We've enjoyed reading it to our children, and them reading it to us. Besides the accessible text, friendly illustrations and fun "play along" aspect (as kids wiggle and hoot and whatnot like their Grandmothers back in evolutionary history did), the material at the end for adults with clarifications about the science of evolution is great for dealing with the kids' follow-up curiosity about what evolution means and how it works. I expect we will buy many more copies as gifts for our kids' friends, cousins and schools in the years to come!

Charming words and rhythm for a small child to read (and participate!) along. It's very clever how the author chooses two actions for each animal and then builds on to them for each following animal, showing on characteristics are passed down. For example, grandmother fish has jaws to CHOMP; when we move on to grandmother reptile, she also has jaws to CHOMP and legs to CRAWL. Grandmother mammal can CHOMP and CRAWL and CUDDLE (nurse), and so on. I love it and my kids love it! It's educational without being dull or didactic, and well-suited as a read-aloud for toddlers and preschoolers.

Fabulous book. My son loves its engaging story and beautiful art, and has a great time acting out the various verbs for each evolutionary stage (especially "hoot"!). We like the solid science -- especially the section in the back for parents/older kids that answers FAQs and addresses common misconceptions about evolution. We liked it so much that after we received our first copy, we immediately bought a second one for his preschool to keep.

This book is great fun to read out loud, with opportunity for a lot of audience participation. It also keeps an upbeat tone, without showing disrespect to any faith or story of origin. It just sticks to the basics of how evolution works in an easy to read & easy to understand format. I really appreciated the notes for adults or advanced readers, that give more detailed information that may fill in any gaps in ones own knowledge.

Delightful book for readers of all ages. Lots of interactive text for really young children and additional in-depth information for adults and young readers. The illustrations help to tell the story in a very charming and beautiful way. But then, I am the proud mother of the artist! Great way to discover the topic of evolution.

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