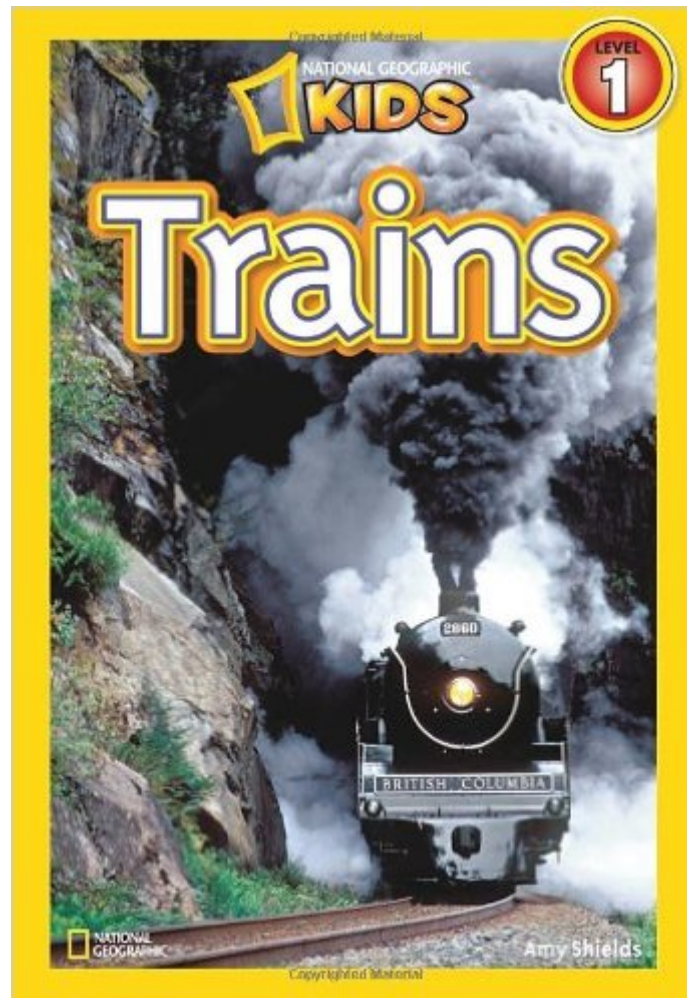


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# National Geographic Readers: Trains



## Synopsis

Choo Choo! Kids love trains! Especially the old-timey steam engines found in amusement parks and zoos. But what about a super-speeder in Japan that zooms on the track at 361 miles per hour? Or the world's longest freight train, stretching on for a whopping 4.6 miles? Or futuristic railways in the sky? In this Level 1 reader, young readers will discover a whole new way of looking at trains! National Geographic supports K-12 educators with ELA Common Core Resources. Visit [www.natgeoed.org/commoncore](http://www.natgeoed.org/commoncore) for more information.

## Book Information

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Product Dimensions: 6 x 0.1 x 9 inches

Shipping Weight: 4.8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

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Age Range: 4 - 6 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 1

## Customer Reviews

The train book has a big pro and con going on. Pro: It's a cute book. The pictures captivate my son's interest. The text is mostly informative, and for any kid who is into trains the book is going to be a bit hit. Con: The book has a bad habit of straying away from pictures of trains and informational text. For example, a page about train robberies really only has 1-2 useful sentences. The rest talks about Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, and explains that after a robbery bandits would ride off to their "hole-in-the-wall". And that page's vocabulary word is "loot". A focus on train robberies could be interesting, but the text fails to accomplish this. Another explain, it digitally adds a man in a train

hat introducing himself as "Gary, the Engineer". He's an unnecessary addition to the book that distracts from the main point -- pictures of trains with accompanying informational text. All this being said, my sons still loves the book. I just wish it took a more streamlined approach to the topic like its sister volume, Caterpillars to Butterflies.

This is not too long and not too short. My 4 year old son is actually identifying some of the words in this book thanks to his preschooling, and the pictures are great. I just finished reading it to him again. Holds his attention quite well.

My 4 y.o. son LOVES trains and this was his pick at the bookstore last week. Very vibrant color pictures. Shows the different kinds of trains and how the U.S. was changed by the railroad. The book is a little wordy so I don't think my son will be able to read it himself for a while but he loves to look at the pictures and have us read it to him.

This children starter reading book was poorly put together. Its content is very light regarding what makes up a train. The poor quality of this book is exemplified on the first page. The word "cold" was use rather than "coal" to describe a coal freight train. This is not how I want my children to learn how to read.

Great read! Very informative for my train enthusiastic. I will be looking at other National Geographic Kids books. They have a way of teaching children while still being fun and entertaining. We are also a fan of the National Geographic Kids magazines.

I knew that national geographic would have a wonderful book with great illustrations ! I care for a 2 year old who adores trains but I enjoyed reading it as well...I'm quite sure his 5 year old brother will enjoy it. unless you are an expert on trains I'd bet that you'll enjoy the photos and learn something you didn't know about trains !!!

A great book that is larger than others. Easy and enjoyable to read to young children. Combined with any of the DVDs available, such as "Lots and Lots of Trains", it makes leaning about all kinds of trains fun for young and old.

Out 3 yr old is crazy about trains, I wanted to wean him from Thomas and introduce him to little bit

of history of trains and little of real time time. I had high hope from a National geographic publication. But unfortunately it was let down. It talks about trains fleetingly and then about robbers and things like that. I will not recommend this book to anyone.

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