

Dear Family Member,

Interactive Science is more than a typical science book. Your child's book has several key features—interactivities, science inquiries, online content, and complete coverage of science content standards. While your child learns about the Physical Sciences, he or she will also apply reading skills to science texts and practice mathematical concepts. The Interactive Science book is your child's to keep. Your child will practice good study skills by interacting with the text and images. Encourage your child to personalize the book by underlining words or sentences or by writing notes in the columns.

Each chapter begins with a Big Question. Your child can answer the question at the beginning of the chapter, based upon his or her knowledge of the topic. After completing the chapter and learning new concepts, however, it is fun to compare how his or her answer changes. The program supports solid science inquiry through higher-order thinking questions, and through lab activities that the teacher will ask the students do almost daily.

You and your child will also enjoy the online activities. Digital resources provide online videos, games, and extra lesson content. Look for the myscienceonline.com icons in your child's book, indicating when key online features are available. Remember, this is your child's program, so please encourage him or her to take advantage of all it has to offer.

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Sincerely,

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