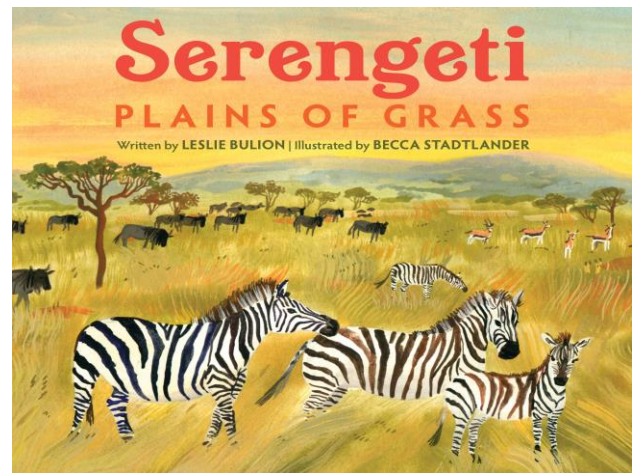


SERENGETI: Plains of Grass	
Author / Illustrator:	ISBN – 13:
Leslie Bulion / Becca Stadlander	9781682631911
Retail Price:	Pub Date:
\$18.99	4/22
Category:	Trim size:
Picture book	HC : 10% ₈ x 9% ₂
Page count:	Age Range / Grade Range:
48 pages	8-12 / 3-6
Territory:	Rights:
World	All rights available
BISAC Codes:	
JNF051100 JUVENILE NONFICTION / Science & Nature / Environmental Science & Ecosystems	
JNF051180 JUVENILE NONFICTION / Science & Nature / Earth Sciences / Geography	
JNF042000 JUVENILE NONFICTION / Poetry / General	



Sales Handle:

Award-winning science poetry master Leslie Bulion presents a lyrical salute to Africa’s Serengeti Plain, one of the most spectacular and productive ecosystems on Earth.

Description:

Leslie Bulion, a virtuoso science poet, has created a portrait of the rainy season on East Africa’s southern Serengeti Plain, offering young readers a compelling look at an ecosystem in motion. Using a series of interconnected verses inspired by an East African Swahili poem form—the utendi—Bulion’s cadences and rhythmic lines mimic the web of life in the Serengeti, following the great migration of wildebeest, zebras, and others into and then out of the vast short-grass plain.

Lush, evocative gouache illustrations by Becca Stadlander showcase the grandeur of this immense and complex ecosystem and provide close-up details of its wildlife inhabitants. Scientific notes on each spread and comprehensive back matter material offer more specifics. This, paired with Bulion’s brilliant poetic form, make the book ideal for cross-curricular learning.

Sales Points:

- Leslie Bulion, a highly regarded poet and science writer, takes a new approach that showcases her ability to present science topics in a more lyrical form.
- There is good support in education for using illustrated books in middle school curriculum to provide focused learning, build reading comprehension, and provide examples of figurative language.
- Teachers of both science and language arts will welcome this volume as a valued resource in the classroom. This illustrated poem will introduce students to a world unfamiliar to most and will provide a visual and literary introduction to the topic.
- This portrait of one year on the Serengeti Plain is an exciting way to look at the ecosystem in action.

**Author Bio and Residence:**

Leslie Bulion has written poetry since the fourth grade. In addition to her other science poetry collections—including Leaf Litter Critters, Superlative Birds, Amphibian Acrobats, and Spi-Ku—Leslie has also written several novels for young readers. She and her husband Rubin live in Connecticut.

Author: Residence: Durham, CT

Illustrator Bio and Residence:

Becca Stadlander was born and raised in Kentucky. She attended the Maryland Institute College of Art, where she earned a BFA in Illustration. She has illustrated a number of children’s picture books, including Sleep Tight Farm, The Greatest Table, and On Wings of Words.

Illustrator Residence: Covington, KY

Comparison Titles:

Title	ISBN	Publisher	Pub date	Price
Dear Wandering Wildebeest	9781467712323	Millbrook	8/01/14	\$17.95
Song of the Water Boatman	9780618135479	HMH	4/04/05	\$17.99
Can You Hear the Trees Talking	9781771644341	Greystone	10/01/19	\$19.95

Author’s previous books:

Title	ISBN	Publisher	Pub date	Price
Superlative Birds	9781561459513	Peachtree	3/01/19	\$15.95
Leaf Litter Critters	9781561459506	Peachtree	3/01/18	\$14.95
Spi-ku	9781682631928	Peachtree	3/01/21	\$16.99
Amphibian Acrobats	9781682630983	Peachtree	3/01/20	\$15.99

Marketing and Publicity:

- Trade Story Pitch (with Art and Journals from Leslie’s Trip)
- National Poetry Month Roundups
- Select New York, NY Author Appearances
- Pitch for ABA Spring 2022 Regional Meeting
- Earth Day Social Media Tie-In
- Poetry Month Social Media Tie-in and Giveaway
- Illustrator Instagram Takeover
- Author Guest Blog Post
- Trade Advertising
- Partnership with a Conservation Organization
- Earth Day Sell Sheet & Edelweiss Catalog
- Educator’s Guide
- Award Submissions, Including All Nonfiction and Poetry
- Poetry Month and Earth Day e-Newsletters

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