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## Being an Animal

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A rich, illustrated nonfiction book that blends scientific data and entertaining anecdotes to give young readers a wonderful inside peek into animal intelligence.

An animal's intelligence is specific to its species, physical characteristics, and lifestyle. An ant doesn't see the world like a lion; a cat's life is very different from a panda's; a sparrow doesn't have the same needs as an octopus. As a result, they all have different kinds of intelligence, each impressive in its own way. Did you know that a Clark's nutcracker has more memory than a human, or that pigeons orient themselves in space faster than we do? And what about termites, which can build air-conditioned mounds strong enough to withstand tsunamis?

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