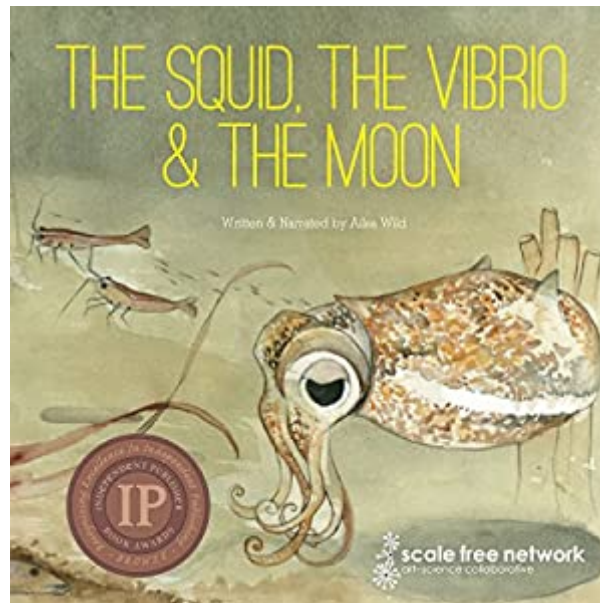




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The Squid, The Vibrio & The Moon: Small Friends



Synopsis

The Squid, the Vibrio and the Moon is about a symbiotic relationship. It tells the story of the bobtail squid and the bacteria that help it glow in the moonlight. First we meet Ali, an intrepid *Vibrio fischeri* bacterium determined to reach safety. Then we meet Sepio, a baby bobtail squid who is still unable to glow. His dark shape is too obvious in the moonlit water and all kinds of predators lurk nearby. Can Ali and Sepio help each other? What kind of dangers do they face?

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Customer Reviews

A fuller review to come, hopefully on Small Things Considered, but I received a copy of this from the creator and really enjoyed it. The illustrations throughout are detailed and evocative, in a style just like the cover's. The text manages to introduce a really complex symbiotic relationship in relatively simple terms. In some cases this includes breaking info down into real simple terms or an analogy. But in other parts it doesn't avoid all the jargon of biology or words that may be unfamiliar to a child. Nonetheless I think it would work with an inquisitive older child and a parent that would read it along and help explain. The story is divided into two parts, the first from the point of view of the *Vibrio* bacteria and the second from the point of view of the squid, tying everything together in showing how the light produced by the bacteria is beneficial to the squid's survival. A final section, still superbly illustrated, goes into much greater detail with the science with material suitable for an older child or even someone into high school age.

The book is truly unique. I bought a copy from the publisher's website and found the book to be a

beautiful combination of storytelling, watercolour illustration and rich scientific content. I can't recommend the book highly enough for all lovers of science and nature - both children and adults alike!

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