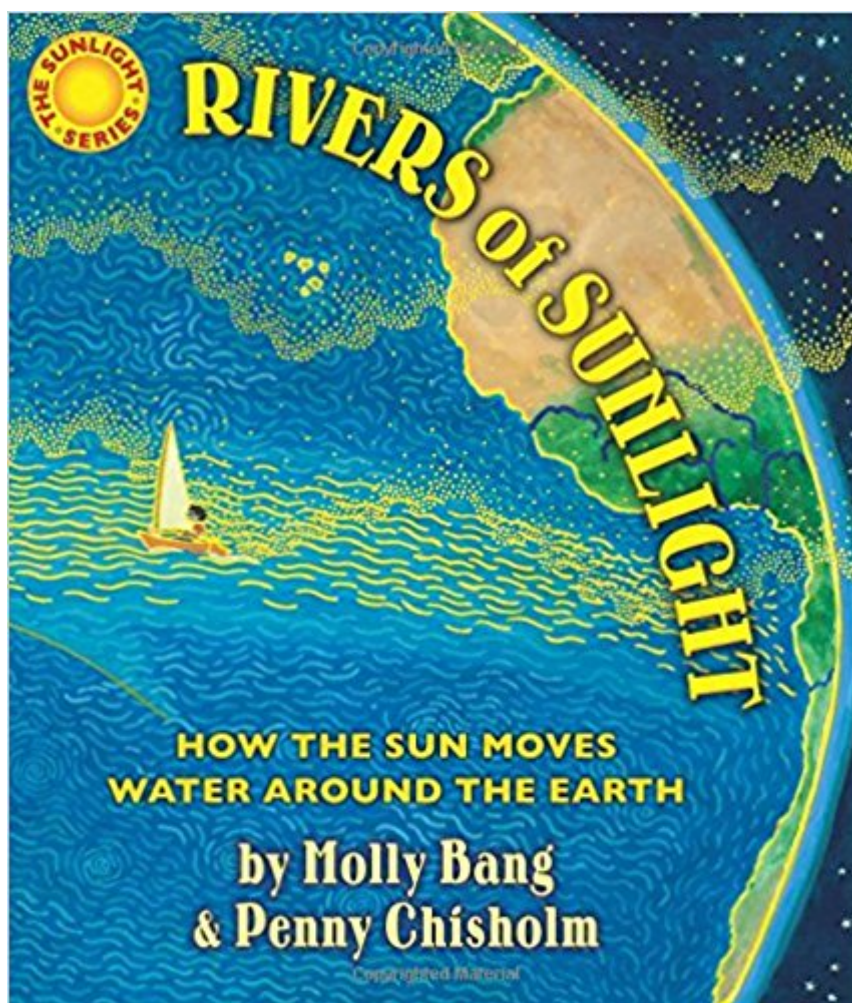


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# Rivers Of Sunlight: How The Sun Moves Water Around The Earth



## Synopsis

In this brightly illustrated narrative, readers will learn about the constant movement of water as it flows around the Earth and the sun's important role as water changes between liquid, vapor, and ice. From sea to sky, the sun both heats and cools water, ensuring that life can exist on Earth. How does the sun keep ocean currents moving, and lift fresh water from the seas? And what can we do to conserve one of our planet's most precious resources? Perfect for any young reader eager to learn more about his or her world, this is an invaluable addition to any classroom, library, or at-home collection. With stunning artwork and compelling scientific explanation, Bang and Chisholm have brought forth a masterpiece that is critically relevant in this environmentally tumultuous time. The newest book in the award-winning Sunlight Series is an important and beautiful exploration one of our planet's delicate geological cycles, clearly and simply presented for young readers.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

Gr 1â "3â "A celebration of the grandeur and power of the sun, a source of energy that provides humans with warmth and light. Told from the point of view of the sun ("I lift water from the salty sea by warming the ocean's surface waters."), this selection explores how water recycles itself. In the

process of following the water cycle, kids also learn about evaporation, aquifers, the Gulf Stream, and the ocean conveyor belt. The language is descriptive and dazzling; for instance, water molecules "jiggle, jiggle, jiggle until they pop into the air, leaving their salt behind. Evaporation!" The illustrations, rendered in the familiar blue, yellow, and green of other titles in this series, beautifully illuminate the processes covered, while also rewarding careful scrutiny. This work could easily be used as a mentor text to study how words and visuals work together. It ends with a gentle plea for readers to care for the earth's waters. VERDICT An outstanding choice for introducing young children to the water cycle. This is a book to return to many times.â "Myra Zarnowski, City University of New York

5 STARS for Rivers of Sunlight:\* "The science is superb." -- Horn Book, starred review\* "The pairing of uncomplicated text and lavish illustration feels expansive, conveying amazement and awe through clear, yet poetic, visual explanations....A handsome invitation to earth science." -- Kirkus Reviews, starred review\* "An enlightening book on a vital topic." -- Booklist, starred review\*"Bang continues her Sunlight series with a poetic, in-depth exploration of the sun's role in the water cycle." -- Publishers Weekly, starred review\*"An outstanding choice for introducing young children to the water cycle. This is a book to return to many times." -- School Library Journal, starred reviewPraise for Buried Sunlight:\* "Gorgeous illustrations and impressive, urgent scientific explanation." -- Kirkus Reviews, starred review\* "Combining an amiable voice with unusual breadth of vision, depth of knowledge, and subtlety of presentation, this is a masterful book in a highly original science series." -- Booklist, starred reviewPraise for Ocean Sunlight:A Booklist Editor's Choice & Top 10 Book for YouthA Cooperative Children's Book Center Choice TitleA Kirkus Reviews Best Children's Book Title\* "This ambitious, beautifully illustrated book offers information seldom covered in science books for young children." -- Booklist, starred review\* "Bang creates dimension and visual drama with her use of gold, blues, and black, forming an ethereal habitat for phytoplankton, jellyfish, and bioluminescent creatures." -- Publishers Weekly, starred review\* "An awe-inspiring lesson in photosynthesis goes under the sea. Readers will want to visit more than once to capture both the science and the abundant sense of celebration here." -- Kirkus Reviews, starred review

This is the fourth picture book collaboration between Bang and Chisholm. All of the picture books done by Bang as author and illustrator and Chisholm, professor of Ecology at MIT have focused on the sun. This picture book is all about how the sun works to move water through the water cycle on earth. The role of the sun as it evaporates water to vapor. The way the sun heats and cools water.

The way that water moves around the earth via ocean currents. It's a book about the power of the sun and the value of water on earth with an emphasis on conservation and care. Bang and Chisholm have created a group of picture books that celebrate our earth and the wonder of the sun. This book includes water, looking at the small amount of fresh water that actually exists on earth, the way that water cycles through our world, and the power of the sun in all of these systems. The book is told in the voice of the sun, speaking as the source of winds, the power of evaporation, the source of ocean currents. Bang's illustrations are lit by the sun. She rims trees in yellow, lights mountains in gold, and swirls lemon through the oceans. She shows the water in the atmosphere as a river of its own, dappled and bright but also subtle against the bolder parts of the illustrations. There is a delicacy to it that emphasizes how humans can damage water on our planet. Another winner from this collaboration of art and science, this picture book shines. Appropriate for ages 5-7.

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