



Hello, Friends!



19 Books for Kids (and Counting)!

Today marks the release of *The Museum on the Moon: The Curious Objects on the Lunar Surface*, with poems by me and art by Myriam Wares, brought to us by Moonshower/Bushel & Peck Books. It's my 19th book for kids. Hooray!

What's inside that gorgeous cover?

Footprints forever etched in time. A commemorative patch from a tragic flight. Two golf balls, still lodged in frozen dust 238,855 miles away. From the amusing to the poignant, The Museum on the Moon introduces readers to the mysterious objects left on the lunar surface since humans arrived in 1969. Part history, part poetry, heartwarming and haunting, and illustrated with breathtaking graphite drawings, The Museum on the Moon is a moving exhibit of humankind's most famous quest for knowledge and our place in the universe.

Want a peek?

Read "Invisible" at Beyond LiteracyLink.

Read "Little Free Moon Library" at A Word Edgewise.

Also, deepen your experience with this book by downloading the freeMOON Discussion Guide!

What do reviewers have to say about it?

"The poetry and facts complement each other and make for a nice flow of information and fun....A lovely picture book that mixes poetry and history about the moon." —School Library Journal

"A provocative tally of treasure and trash." -Kirkus

Sign Ne Up for a trip to the MOON!

Maybe you know the Steely Dan song,"Hey, Nineteen." It's a good one! Paul and I have always especially loved it, because I was a mere 19 years old when we met each other.

Yes, traveling to the Moon is one kind of adventure, and marriage is quite another. Both are full of magic and mystery. With that in mind, I give you....

19 Things You Might Not Know About the Moon

1. There's а word for people who love the moon: selenophile 2. The Earth has another smaller quasi moon. 3. The Moon belongs to everyone! That's why nations around the world are signing an agreement called the **Artemis** Accords as а commitment to peaceful Moon exploration. 4. Barbie, of recent movie fame, has been to the Moon!

5. Snoopy

wanted to see the Moon up close, SO he recently rode along on Artemis 1. 6. We have space travel to thank for many inventions, including memory foam and wireless headsets. 7. The Moon has а nasty side. 8. Space travel alters gene expression. 9. Moon dust can be а problem. 10. Want а unique wedding venue? Get married on the Moon! 11. This photograph of the Moon will make you a

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the Museum on the Moon" Padlet gallery. 17. NASA's Artemis missions aren't really about the Moon; they're about Mars. 18. Thanks to the Lunar Codex, there's art on the Moon! 19. You

"Welcome to

can explore the Moon without ever leaving Earth.



Thank you for sharing the moon-love with me!

For those who have been asking me what's my favorite Moon poem, please read "Admit Something" by Hafiz. it ends with these lines:

Why not become the one who lives with a full moon in each eye that is always saying,

with that sweet moon language, what every other

eye in this world is dying to hear?

Beautiful, yes? And so are YOU.

Love, Irene

