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From the world's leading travel publisher comes Lonely Planet Kids, a children's imprint that brings the world to life for young explorers everywhere. With a range of beautiful books for children aged 5–12, we're kickstarting the travel bug and showing kids just how amazing our planet can be.

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MEXICO

Provins desiderate
the tropical beauty of Mexico's coastlines. Mexico is a country of contrasts, from the ancient Mayan ruins to the bustling cities of Mexico City.

BEFORE THE SPANISH
Mexico. The most of Central America was once part of the Aztec Empire. Around 1519 AD, Hernán Cortés and his Spanish forces invaded Mexico and defeated the Aztecs. Today, Mexico is the 11th largest economy in the world.

THE SPANISH INVASION
In 1524, the Spanish conquistador Hernán Cortés and his army of 1500 men landed in Mexico. They were soon joined by 15,000 more Spanish soldiers. The Spanish built cities and towns across Mexico, and forced the native people to work for them. They also brought new crops like maize, beans, and squash to Mexico.

CHICHEN ITZA
Chichen Itza was a major city built by the Maya civilization. By the time of the Spanish invasion, it was one of the last major centers of the Maya culture. Chichen Itza is now a popular tourist destination and one of the most visited archaeological sites in the world.

DINOSAUR KILLERS
You might have heard of the dinosaurs that went extinct 65 million years ago. But did you know that there were other dinosaurs that went extinct before them? One of the most famous is the Acipenserid Nautilus. This nautilus lived in the ocean about 450 million years ago. It was a large, fast-moving creature that could grow up to 10 feet long.

BAY OF THE DEAD
Do you know of the Bay of the Dead? As a great example of the Day of the Dead, many Americans are surprised to learn that the Bay of the Dead is actually a bay in Mexico. It's a bay where people go to honor their loved ones who have died. Candles, flowers, and offerings are left at the water's edge in memory of those who have passed away.

CAVE OF CRYSTALS
The Cave of Crystals is located in the Naica Mine in Mexico. It's a massive cave containing some of the largest gypsum crystals in the world. The crystals are over 100 feet tall and weigh several tons each.

MONARCH BUTTERFLIES
Monarch butterflies are a type of butterfly that migrates from Canada to Mexico every year. They travel thousands of miles to reach their winter home in the forests of Michoacán, Mexico.

THE ROAD TO MAYAN RUINS
The Mayan civilization was one of the most advanced in the Americas. They built intricate cities with temples, pyramids, and palaces. Today, many of these ancient cities are still standing and can be visited by tourists.

THE WORLD'S SMALLEST CAPITAL CITY
Belize is a small country in Central America. Its capital city, Belmopan, is the second smallest capital city in the world, after Montevideo, Uruguay. It has a population of just over 10,000 people.

A BLUE HOLE
The Great Blue Hole is a large underwater sinkhole in Belize. It's one of the deepest holes in the world, at the top of this hole is 100-meters deep. The hole is filled with saltwater and is surrounded by coral reefs. The Great Blue Hole was once declared one of the most beautiful places in the world by Jacques Cousteau.

BELIZE'S BIG CATS
The Caribbean jaguar is found in Belize. In the wild, jaguars are the apex predators of the rainforest. They hunt deer, peccaries, and monkeys. Jaguars are also found in the Amazon and the Andes mountains.

FIRST NAMES COME LAST
Belizeans follow the British tradition of naming their children after their parents. So don't call a Belizean child "John" or "Jane". Call them "John Smith" or "Jane Doe".

EL JAGUAR - LEGEND OF BELIZE
One thing you can't call a Belizean is a jaguar. They're too big and powerful to be called a jaguar. Instead, they're called "el jaguar". This means "the jaguar" in Spanish. The legend of el jaguar is that he's a fierce animal who protects the rainforest.

NOT SO LOVELY LION
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Watch out!
El jaguar is a dangerous animal. Don't get too close to him.

GUATEMALA

Guatemala is a landlocked country in Central America. It's known for its lush rainforests, volcanoes, and Mayan ruins. The capital city, Guatemala City, is a major center of Mayan culture.

END OF THE WORLD?
In 2012, there was a lot of talk about the end of the world. Some people believed that the Mayan calendar would end on December 21, 2012. However, the calendar actually ends on December 23, 2012.

TIKAL TEMPLE
Tikal is one of the largest and most important Mayan sites in the world. It features several temples, palaces, and plazas. The most famous temple is the Temple of the Sun, which rises 70 meters above the ground.

CHICAS TERRITORY
Chicas is a territory in the forested mountains of Guatemala. It's home to the Q'eqchi' people, who live in small villages and grow coffee, corn, and beans. The Q'eqchi' people are known for their traditional clothing and intricate embroidery.

ALMOST EXTINCT
Guatemala's Quetzal bird is very rare. It's only found in the forests of the Sierra Madre mountain range. It's a very shy bird, and it's hard to see. It's been listed as an endangered species since 1970 because they are losing their habitat due to deforestation and urbanization.

WORRY DOLLS
Worry dolls are small, white, knitted dolls that are used to help people sleep. The idea is that if you tell your worries to the dolls, they will take care of them while you sleep. You can find worry dolls in many countries, but they are most common in Guatemala.

MAHUA LUSCA CAKE
Mahua lusca cake is a traditional Mayan dessert. It's made from mahua flowers, which are a type of flower that grows on trees. The cake is sweet and moist, and it's often served with coffee or tea.

TACUMAL
Tacumal is a town in the state of Chiapas, Mexico. It's known for its traditional Mayan pottery. The pottery is made from clay and is decorated with intricate designs.

SACATI
Sacati is a traditional Mayan dish. It's made from corn flour, beans, and cheese. It's usually served with beans and rice. Sacati is a very filling dish, and it's often served as a meal in itself.

LAND OF INVENTIONS
Guatemala is known for its unique and creative inventions. Some of the most famous include the blue dress, the instant coffee, and the chocolate bar.

Blue dress
Instant coffee
Chocolate bar
The calculator
Beepers

EL SALVADOR

El Salvador is a small country in Central America. It's known for its beautiful beaches, mountains, and coffee. The capital city, San Salvador, is a major center of coffee production.

NATIONAL SPORT
Tennis is El Salvador's national sport. It's played in many countries in Central America, but El Salvador is the best. The country's tennis team has won several gold medals in the Central American Games.

SURFS UP!
Surfing is a popular sport in El Salvador. The country has some of the best waves in Central America, and it's becoming more popular every year.

45 MINUTES!
El Salvador is so small that it's possible to cross it in just 45 minutes. The country is only about 120 km long.

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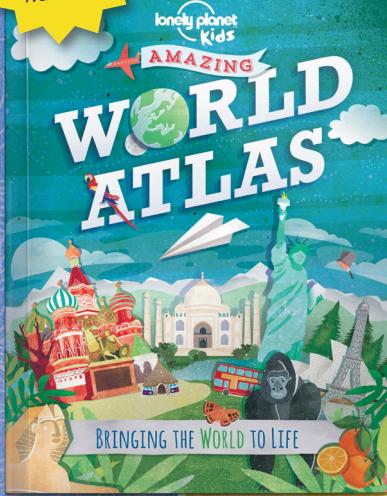


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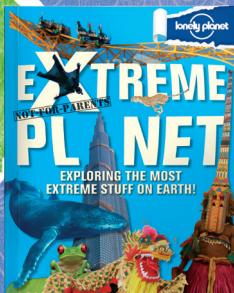


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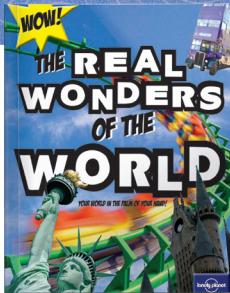
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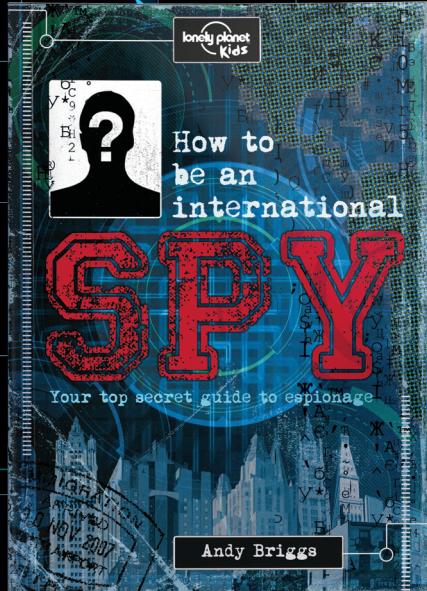
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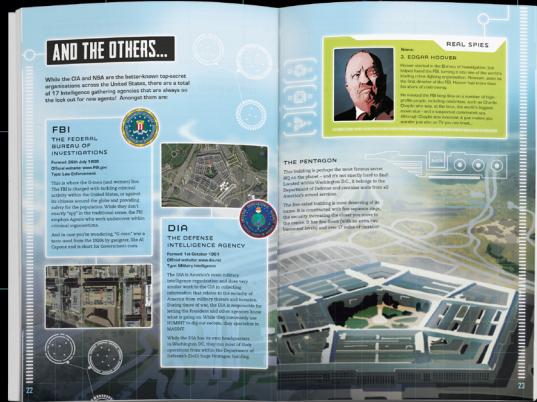
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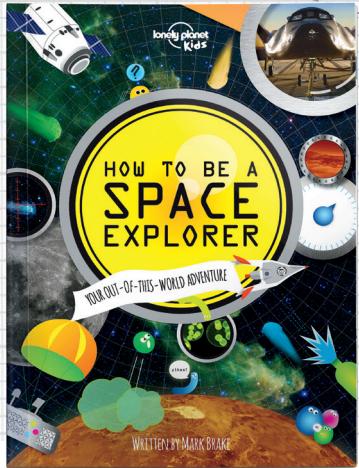


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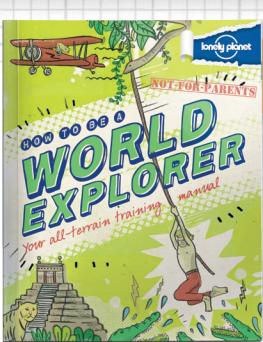
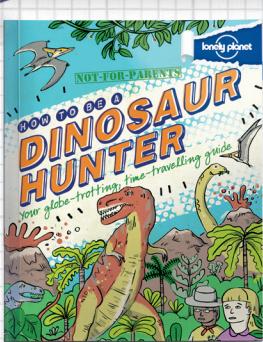
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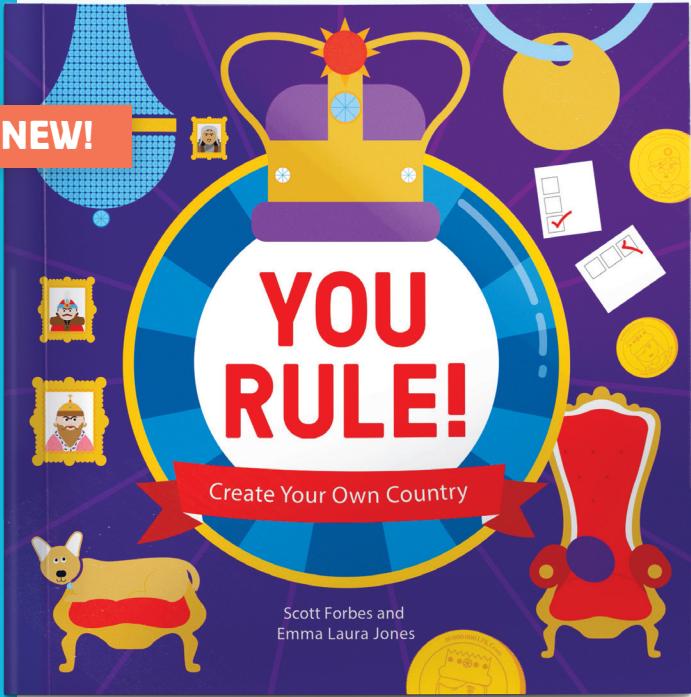
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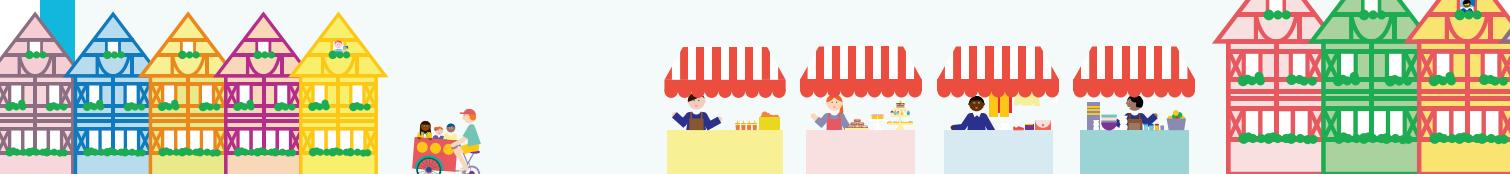
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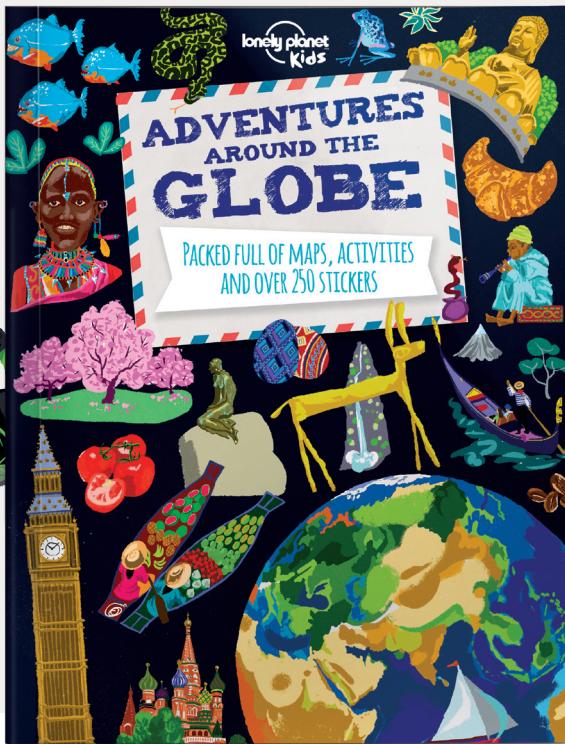
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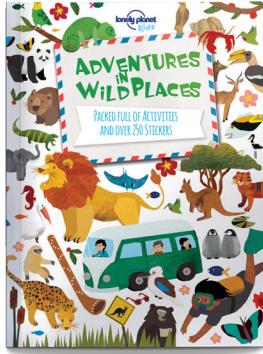
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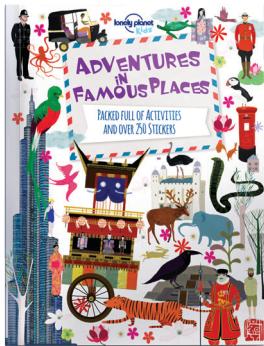
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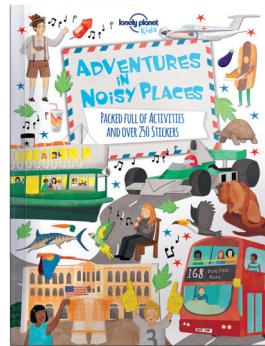
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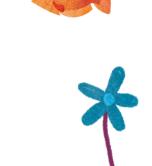
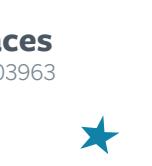
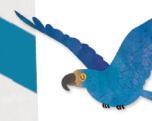
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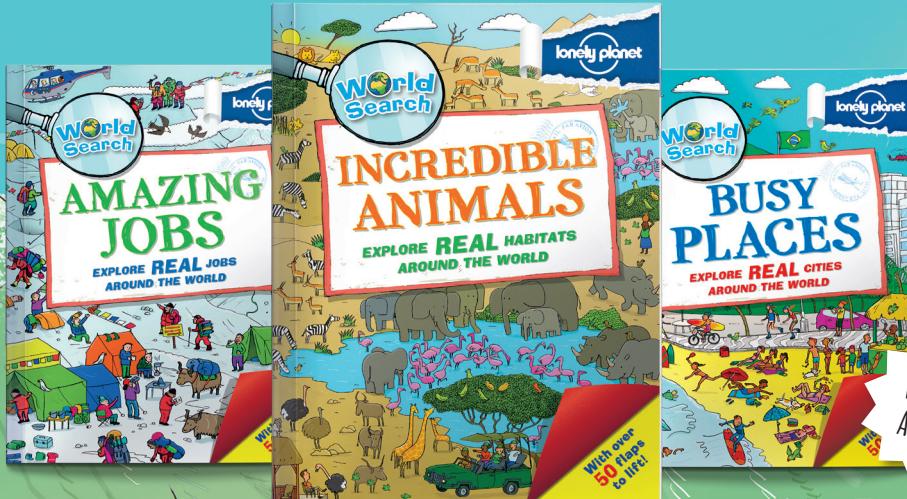
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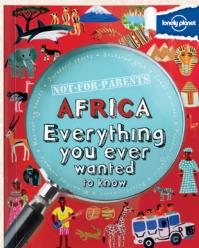
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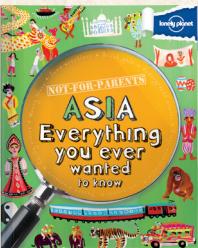
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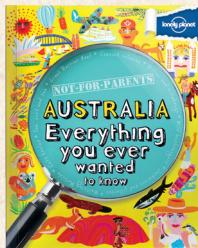
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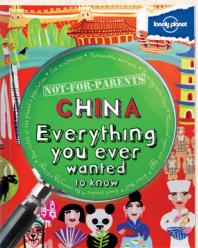
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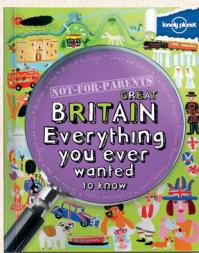
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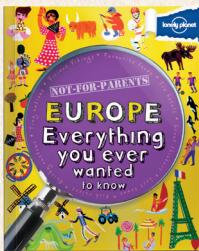


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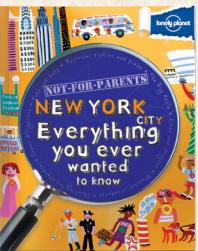
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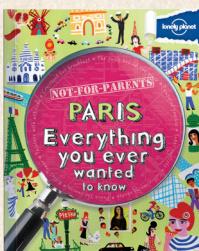
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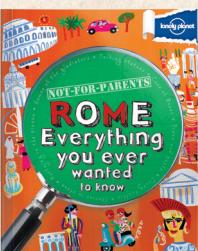
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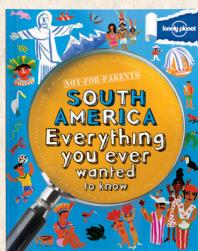
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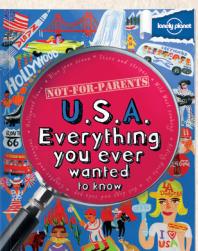
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