

Charlotte the Scientist is Squished

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Synopsis: Charlotte is a serious scientist. She solves important problems by following the scientific method. She has all the right equipment: protective glasses, a lab coat, a clipboard, and a magnifying glass. What she doesn't have is space. She has so many brothers and sisters (she *is* a rabbit, after all) that she is too squished to work on her experiments! Can she use Science to solve her problem? This funny, satisfying story is a playful introduction to the scientific method and perfect for sparking an interest in STEM subjects.

Suggested Reading Date: Spring – When most Science Fairs are held

Activity Descriptions:

- Use story to introduce Science Projects
- Great time to highlight books and databases relating to Science and Experiments
- Review Scientific Methods
 1. Ask a Question
 2. Form a Hypothesis
 3. Research and Collect Data
 4. Test the Hypothesis – **Experiment!**
 5. Conclusion
- Homonyms – Introduce homonyms. Homonym “space” is used in story.

Related Websites:

- Author’s Website: <https://www.camilleandros.com/>
- Illustrator’s Website: <http://www.briannefarley.com/>
- Book Trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lgOz_ER6V54
- YouTube: 10 Magic and Cool Science Experiments You Can Do at Home with Kids!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xFYnRJ20gg8>

Text to Text Connections: If you like this book, you might also want to use:

11 Experiments that Failed -- Jenny Offill (Science)

The Most Magnificent Thing -- Ashley Spires (Science)

The Marvelous Thing That came from a Spring -- Gilbert Ford (Science)

Sophie Peterman Tells the Truth -- Sarah Weeks (Family and Sibling)

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