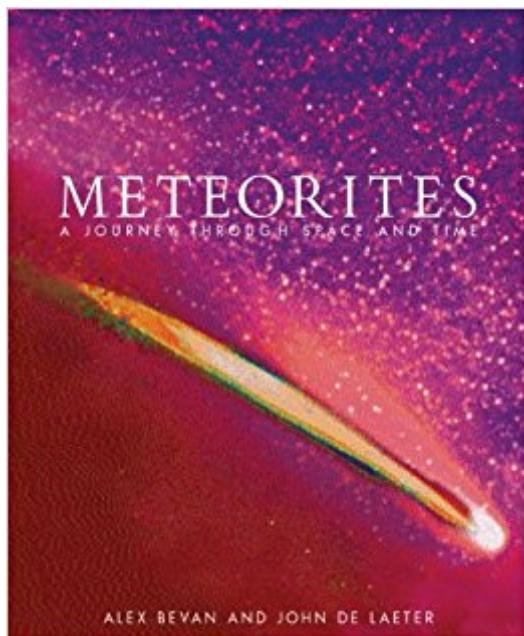


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# Meteorites: A Journey Through Space And Time



## Synopsis

The authors trace the formation and breakup of the planets, asteroids, and comets where meteorites originated, their long journey through space, their fall to Earth, their recovery, and what scientists are learning from them. The book contains a great deal of material about the 84001 Martian meteorite, which has raised provocative new questions about life on the red planet. Looking forward, the authors chart the exciting new era of planetary, asteroidal, and cometary exploration planned for this century.

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This book covers what I would consider all the major aspects of meteorites, including craters. The section on the chemistry of meteors is augmented by extremely useful color coded charts that visually display what is being discussed. Also the book has a very interesting section on the reason that most meteorite falls occur at 4PM (it is due to the rotation of the earth around the sun). The format of the book is very esthetic, with glossy pages and excellent graphics. Anyone interested in meteorites, who is not a planetary geologist, should find this book both fascinating and informative.

I once thought that meteorites were hunks of rock from outer space. Not any more! This fascinating book opened a whole new world for me. The easy-to-understand text and accompanying artwork and photographs gave me a new understanding of these messengers from beyond time and space. Who knew they held secrets to the birth of our solar system and to how planets formed? A terrific,

well-done book. Meteorites rock!

The 'Meteorite Men' show on the Science Channel has renewed my interest in astronomy and meteorites. So, I wanted a good source of up to date information. I searched pretty carefully and checked out many of the prospects from the library. 'Meteorites: A Journey Through Space and Time' was the best, by far, for me. It starts by stating "This book is written for people who are not scientists." And, definitely, those who are not scientists will thoroughly enjoy this book. However, if you are a scientist in a different field (or engineer, or technically inclined) you will get plenty of nitty-gritty scientific details. The coverage of topics was just what I wanted, the information is quite up to date (published in 2002 it does miss a few of the results from the recent probes) and the graphics are just outstanding. I just couldn't recommend this book any more emphatically.

For Middle and High school students this is an excellent and interesting basic source on meteorites. It is not only informative but visually appealing. Visual learners, like many of our regular students and English as a Second Language young adults will discover learning science content to be an easy task with this title.

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