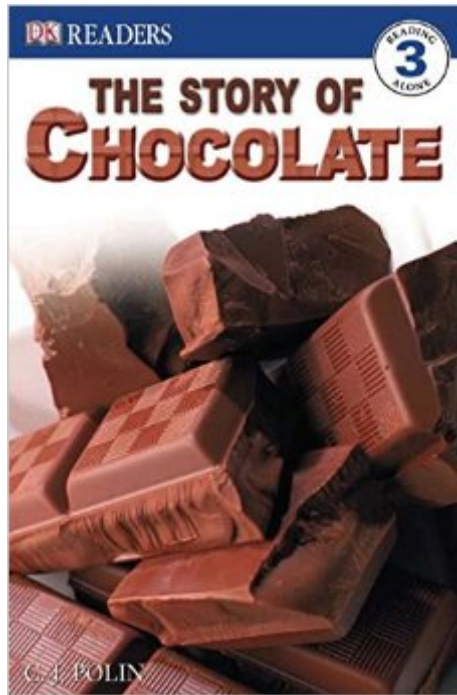


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Age Range: 7 - 9 years

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Customer Reviews

The first thing C.J. Polin informs us in telling "The Story of Chocolate" is that the average person eats 11 pounds of chocolate a year. That would be the equivalent of 100 chocolate bars a year, or one every 3.65 days (impressive how I worked the math for that out in my head, huh?). I think I am behind at this point in the year, so I decided to make a yellow cake with chocolate frosting last night for the Super Bowl, but that meant I had to share with others and I did not make up as much ground as I was hoping. I just hope white chocolate counts towards the total. The amazing thing is that chocolate is made from seeds called cocoa beans that are inside pods that grow on cacao trees in the rain forest. Not even Jack from the fairy tale had magic beans like these. No wonder the Swedish scientist Linnaeus gave the cacao tree the scientific name "Theobroma cacao," which means "food of the god." Obviously the man liked his chocolate. "The Story of Chocolate" begins with the history of the cocoa bean, which goes back to the ancient Olmec people of Mesoamerica

and the Mayans and Aztecs that followed them. When these "almonds" were discovered by Christopher Columbus' son Ferdinand no one knew this was the start of a beautiful friendship and while Hernando Cortes was getting ready to conquer the Aztec nation his men also added sugar to the bitter tasting chocolate drink they were served to sweeten it up (not that this balances the cosmic scales of justice). It is not surprising that for a century the Spanish kept the secret of the cocoa bean to themselves, but eventually drinking chocolate at fashionable cafes became the rage in Europe. Once the first American chocolate factory opened in Massachusetts in 1765, Polin turns to how chocolate became a treat for the masses.

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