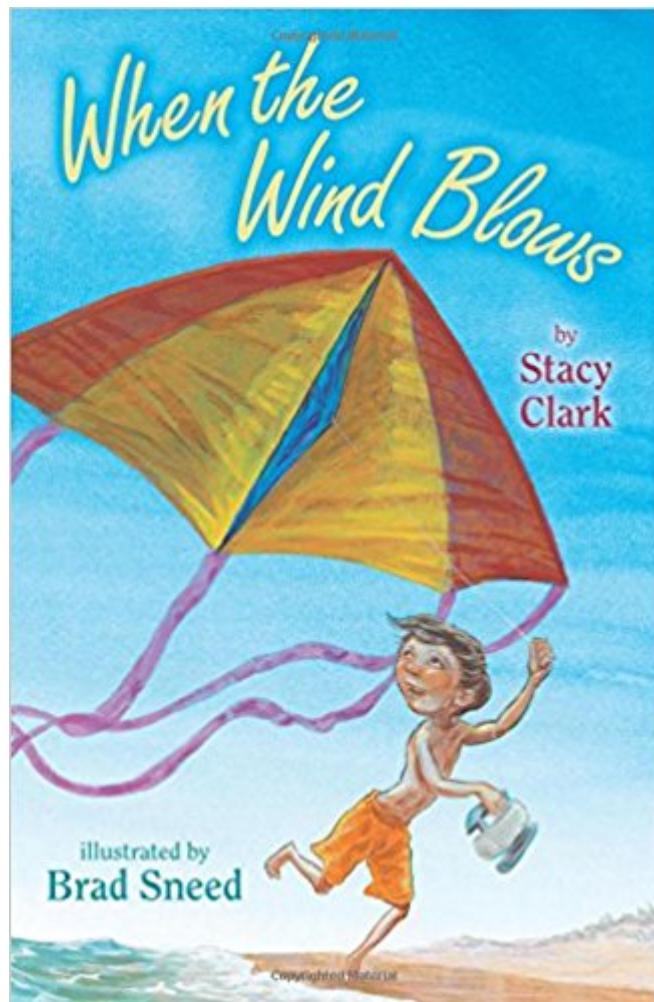


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# When The Wind Blows



## Synopsis

While the blowing wind makes "porch doors sway" and "sea waves spray," it is responsible for much, much more. These same breezes send electron power traveling down windmills and circuits to ignite electricity. Electrons travel through power lines, and electricity charges the national grid so that lights may be turned on, cold homes may be warmed, and warm homes may be cooled. The guests can help make "Factories hum / Harbors light up / Smart cars run." In a poetic text and sweeping landscape paintings, this picture book explores the many facets of the wind.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## Customer Reviews

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•What happens when the wind blows? This picture book demonstrates the significance of wind power. The story begins with a scene depicting summertime on the beach, where children run and play, "balloons escape," and "balls roll" and then transitions to the ocean, where a sailboat wends its way among powerful wind turbines. A maintenance worker climbs the tall ladder of a turbine, while the simple text explains that "magnetic forces use electrons as energy sources." The writing may be a bit challenging for some readers, but they'll learn that windmills power electricity throughout the United States, lighting up and heating homes, allowing trains and smart cars to run, and fueling lighthouses for safety at sea. Attractive watercolors depict the effects

of wind power through accessible images that will resonate with readers, such as an image of the United States lit up, as seen from outer space. VERDICT This clear and fun explanation begs for storytime reading and will spark discussion. An enlightening, fresh effort. —Nancy Call, Santa Cruz Public Libraries, Aptos, CA

Stacy Clark is an environmental writer and geologist. She is a contributing columnist to The Huffington Post Green and Clean Technica. Brad Sneed has illustrated more than twenty books for children. He lives in Kansas.

Every child can feel the wind blow. Stacy Clark's fine book, *When the Wind Blows*, invites the child to consider what happens when the wind blows and how we can use the wind to power our lives. With lush graphics, the story encourages the child to make the connections between the breeze that blows kites and balloons on the beach and the turning blades of a wind turbine, the heat that warms a house in winter and cools it in summer, and the boats, cars, and trains that move us about. This book is an engaging introduction to the clean energy in the natural world around us. It piques the curiosity of a young mind (and an old mind too -- now I know how a wind turbine works).

Stacy Clark is phenomenal educator with a PASSION for the environment. She has been spent years studying alternative energy options. In the classroom, she was always challenging the kids to do better things for the environment. "When the Wind Blows" represents her 2 true loves, educating children and the environment. A must read. Thanks for this wonderful addition to our book collection.

So clever and well written, beautifully drawn. This book appeals to a broad range of ages and is a great way to introduce your children to the excitement of wind energy. Highly recommend!

Wonderfully written and cheerily illustrated. I bout one for my local elementary school library!

I used this book in my classes for kids ages 2-4 and they really enjoyed it. The colorful and vibrant illustrations keep the kids interest. The poetic way the book is written makes it fun to listen to. I love that there are interesting and easy books that teach children some interesting facts out in the world. I love reading books the kids have not heard before. Such fun! 4 stars

When The Wind Blows is a fantastic book for children of all ages on multiple levels. I have 4 children under the age 10 & each were equally engaged, what impressed me the most was my 5 year old son's reaction. He asked questions on each & every page. You could see the wheels turning in his head. When The Wind Blows has fantastic vocabulary & easy pictures to understand a very scientific concept. The rhyming incites curiosity & makes learning easy & addictive. So often adults underestimate the ability for a young child to be exposed to vocabulary words not Stacy Clark she is writes exactly what I am looking for when selecting a book for my children. In closing my son took When The Wind Blows to school to share with his class with zero pre conversation he said to his teacher " it's a book that teaches you how to make electricity from windmills".

This is the world where I want to live. Children these days have many worries. When the Wind Blows gives them hope and encouragement while teaching how wind energy works. Buy it for your children then let's all sit down and read it together. It feels so good you hardly realize you've learned something new.

One of the things I most love is when you do good and have fun at the same time. Stacy Clark's When the Wind Blows is the perfect book to read to little ones; they enjoy it without feeling preached to. Lyrical and lovely, it shows us that the earth must be treated with respect

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