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## **Heinemann-Raintree Launches Fusion, a New Brand of Hi-Lo Nonfiction Books for Intermediate and Middle School Grades**

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Chicago IL – Heinemann-Raintree, publishers of nonfiction books for grades PreK through secondary, has launched a new brand of curriculum-focused nonfiction books for struggling readers call Raintree Fusion.

Raintree Fusion is high-interest nonfiction aligned with curriculum at grades 4-7, but written at a grade 2 reading level, making it accessible to struggling readers. Background knowledge of subject matter is incorporated into the text. The text is written using clear, predictable text structures. All vocabulary is defined at point of use. Each title uses engaging photographs and illustrations, and has a clean, clear design that supports readability. 30 science titles are being released this fall, with more scheduled for release in 2006.

30 titles are available this Fall. Hardcover List Price: \$28.21 / Paperback: \$7.85. ISBNs listed below are Hardcover only. Books are 32 pages.

A Matter of Survival: Properties of Matter (1-4109-1914-5)  
Wackiest Machines Ever!: Forms of Energy (1-4109-1915-3)  
Blackout!: Electricity and Circuits (1-4109-1916-1)  
Feel the Noise: Sound Energy (1-4109-1917-X)  
Castle Under Siege!: Simple Machines (1-4109-1918-8)  
The Extreme Zone: Forces and Motion (1-4109-1919-6)  
A History of Super Science: Atoms and Elements (1-4109-1920-X)  
10 Experiments Your Teacher Never Told You About: Gravity (1-4109-1921-8)  
Tales of a Prehistoric Sponge: The Rock Cycle (1-4109-1922-6)  
Journal of a Fossil Hunter: Fossils (1-4109-1923-4)  
The Disappearing Mountain and Other Earth Mysteries: Erosion and Weathering (1-4109-1924-2)  
The Life and Times of a Drop of Water: The Water Cycle (1-4109-1925-0)  
A Pirate Adventure: Weather (1-4109-1926-9)  
Earthquakes and Volcanoes - a Survival Guide: Earth's Physical Processes (1-4109-1927-7)  
The Future—Bleak or Bright?: Earth's Resources (1-4109-1928-5)  
The Day the Sun Went Out: The Sun's Energy (1-4109-1929-3)  
The Day the Earth Stood Still: Earth's Movement in Space (1-4109-1930-7)  
Alien Neighbors?: The Solar System (1-4109-1931-5)  
Are You Tough Enough?: Body Systems (1-4109-1932-3)  
Training for the Top: Nutrition and Energy (1-4109-1933-1)  
Plant Secrets: Plant Life Processes (1-4109-1934-X)  
Does a Worm Have a Girlfriend?: Reproduction (1-4109-1935-8)

Can You Tell a Skink from a Salamander?: Classification (1-4109-1936-6)  
Super-Flea and Other Animal Champions: Cells, Tissues, and Organs (1-4109-1937-4)  
Would You Survive?: Animal and Plant Adaptation (1-4109-1938-2)  
The War in Your Backyard: Life in an Ecosystem (1-4109-1939-0)  
Rotters!: Decomposition (1-4109-1940-4)  
World's Worst Germs: Microorganisms and Disease (1-4109-1941-2)  
Shark Snacks: Food Chains and Webs (1-4109-1942-0)  
Voyage of a Light Beam: Light Energy (1-4109-1943-9)

### **About Heinemann-Raintree**

Heinemann-Raintree, a division of Harcourt Education and headquartered in Chicago, is a leading publisher of children's nonfiction books, serving schools and public libraries. Our three imprints are Heinemann Library, Raintree and Heinemann-Raintree Classroom. For more information, visit [www.heinemannraintree.com](http://www.heinemannraintree.com) or contact Cathleen Ann at [cathleen.ann@hil.com](mailto:cathleen.ann@hil.com), 312/324-5292.