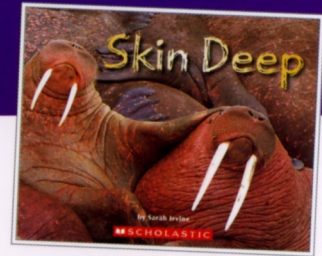


# Guided Reading Notes

*Skin Deep*

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## Synopsis

*Skin Deep* explains the different functions of the largest organ in the human body – the skin. The book highlights the structure of skin, and how it protects our insides, regulates temperature, and provides information about the external world.

## Vocabulary

Key concept words include:

*barrier, camouflage, dermis, epidermis, evaporate, gland, infection, keratin, nerve, pigment, subcutaneous tissue, ultraviolet ray*

Read and discuss these glossary words either prior to reading the book or as they are encountered.

## Science Learning Outcomes

Students will:

1. explain the functions of different layers of skin;
2. be able to state three main functions of skin;
3. compare some aspects of animal and human skin.

## Before Reading

- Invite students to discuss what they know about skin.  
Ask: *Why do we have skin? How can we take care of it? What happens to our skin as we get older?*  
Encourage students to support their responses with specific examples.
- Have students read and discuss the title, back-cover information, and contents page. Point out some of the special features in the book, including the use of “Skin Facts” throughout, and the captioned diagrams.