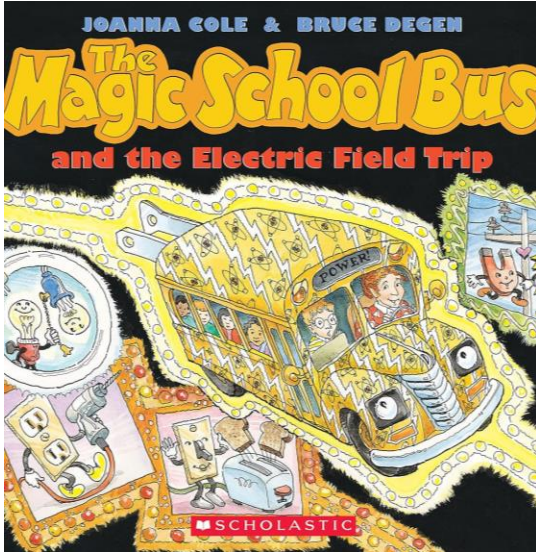


## Discussion Guide for Families



### The Magic School Bus and The Electric Field Trip

*Author:* Joanna Cole and Bruce Degan

*Illustrator:* Bruce Degan

**Themes:** Environment and Sustainability

**Book Brief:** Ms. Frizzle's class embarks on a field trip to learn how electricity travels through power lines, powering everyday devices like light bulbs, toasters, and motors. This engaging book offers a simple and informative introduction to the generation and distribution of electricity for young readers.

## READ ALOUD

### Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask your child “What do you know about electricity? Can you think of some ways electricity is used in your home or school?”

### While Reading: Make Connections

- What do you think the Magic School Bus will do on this electric field trip? How do you think the class will learn about electricity?
- How does the Magic School Bus travel through different areas to help the students learn? What kind of things do they discover along the way?
- What role does Ms. Frizzle play in helping the students understand electricity? Can you think of any challenges they face during their trip?

### After Reading: Ask Questions

- What are three important things you learned about electricity from the Magic School Bus adventure? How do you think this knowledge can help you in everyday life?

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

### If your child enjoyed this book, consider:

- Encourage them to talk about it during other conversations.
- Check out RIF's [Sustainable Futures](#) center to learn more about sustainability with related books and resources.