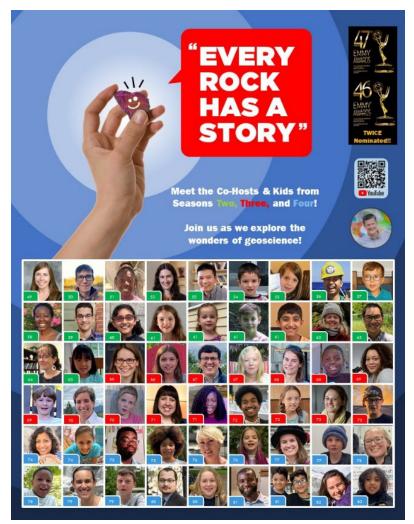
## An inspirational online educational science resource for elementary school aged children, their parents, and teachers

### Created by Prof. Ethan Baxter, Boston College



WHAT IS IT? "Every Rock Has A Story" is a growing collection of YouTube videos designed to inspire wonder, curiosity, and belonging in the geosciences. Hosted by Earth & Environmental Sciences Prof. Ethan Baxter of Boston College, each ~5-15 minute episode features a different rock and – most importantly - the story it holds inside. The storytelling approach is critical in engaging children by bringing to life myriad topics spanning climate change, natural hazards, natural resources, Earth history, oceans, fossils, human impacts, urban geology, and even outer space. Inspire your kids by showing them that modern geoscience is about more than 'just' rocks! Seasons Three and Four were both nominated for a New England Regional EMMY Award in the "Children/Youth" Category. Come join the fun!

**HOW CAN YOU USE IT?** Diverse co-hosts broaden the idea of what a geoscientist looks like and helps students see themselves as scientists. Navigate the content of the 82 episodes with this searchable online

# \*\*EPISODE LIST\*\*

to find the rock, the story, the co-host, or the topic that matches your curricular needs. Encourage students to create their own <u>science journal</u>, <u>collect their own rocks</u>, and even <u>create their own rock stories</u>. Motivate your lesson, show why geoscience matters! Check out popular topical <u>PLAYLISTS</u> like "<u>Women in Science</u>", "<u>Diversity in Science</u>", "<u>Dinosaurs</u>", "<u>Volcanos</u>" or "<u>Climate</u>".

#### WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF EVERY ROCK HAS A STORY?

- To help diversify the geosciences by inspiring children from communities traditionally underrepresented in STEM so they can see that geoscience is for them and feel greater belonging and positive identity in the geosciences
- To help strengthen the geosciences by inspiring wonder, curiosity, interest, and value in the geosciences among children, and their parents & teachers. Geoscience is exciting, important, diverse, and relevant to society!

**FOUR SEASONS OF EVERY ROCK HAS A STORY –** all episodes are fun, G-rated, and appropriate for all ages... even adults! Get a sense of each season before you choose what to show your children... the program has evolved significantly over the years.

- Season One (2020; Ep. #1-44) Ethan alone at home during COVID \*best for grades K-2\*
- Season One (2020; Ep. #45-48) Ethan shows how to make your own rock story
- Season Two (2021; Ep. #49-65) Ethan and co-hosts in the studio, plus bonus kids' stories
- Season Three (2022; Ep. #66-73) Ethan, kids, and co-hosts around the country \*best for grades 3-5\* EMMY nominated!
- Season Four (2023-24; Ep. #74-82) Ethan, kids, and co-hosts around the world \*best for grades 3-5\* EMMY nominated!

### **USEFUL LINKS**

Searchable Episode List



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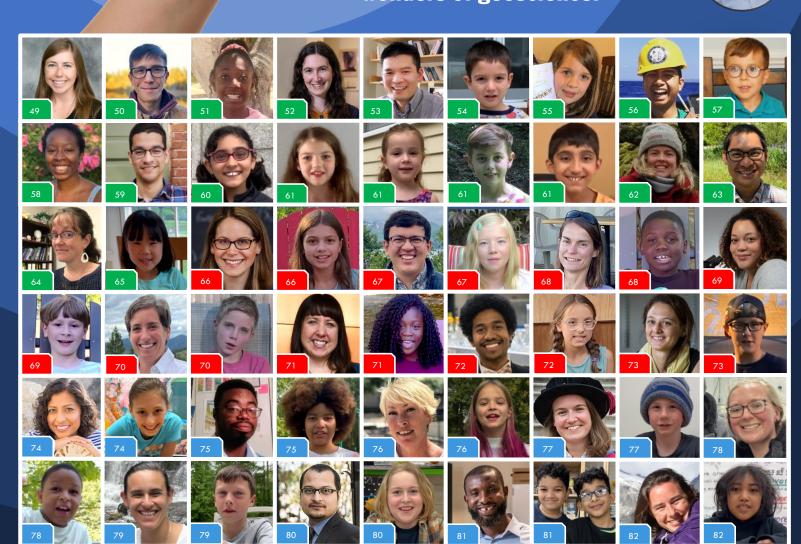






Meet the Co-Hosts & Kids from Seasons Two, Three, and Four!

Join us as we explore the wonders of geoscience!





# **EVERY ROCK** HAS A STORY"







Pick a rock,
watch the episode,
and discover!

- 1. Shooting Star 2. Dinosaur 3. Fooled 4. Continent 5. Lava 6. Climate 7. Road Trip 2 Green 9. Pink Plastic Egg?! 10. Ocean Water 11. Gold! 12. Crystal Cave 13. Canonball
- 14. Unknown 15. The Lost Continent 16. Energy Thorreaus' Pencil 17. 18 Messenger from the DEEP 19. DINOSAUR SYRUP
- 20 **EXPLORING OUTER SPACE** 21. Rusting the Earth 22. Tree Rings of the Earth 23. The Softest Mineral 24 iPhone Rocks 25. Melting Snowball 26. Copper Campfire 27. Mission Mars 28. Cave Paint

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Feeling Dragged Down 31. The Volcano Connection 32. Glaciers Rock 33. Laboratory GEOchemistry

Volcano Fuel

- 34 Big Apatite (sp?) 35 Pink 36 Makin Cement
- 37. A Family of Minerals 38. Salty
- Blowing in the Wind 39. 40. Weathering and Recycling 41. UltraHighTemperature!!!!
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42. Rivers and Oceans 43. Fixing our Mistakes Finding Light in the Darkness 45. Collecting Your Rock 46. Making Your Story 47. Melting Mountains 48 600 Million Years in 10 Minutes 49 Cool Mud 50. Window to the Past 51. Sugar Tight: Mars Rock 52. Diatomaceous Breath 53. Wits End 54. Dinosaur Family 55. Magical Rocks 56. Jaws 57. Shake n' Bake 58. Rock Fishing 59. Back to the Bronx 60. Sabertooth 61. Rock Stars 62. Mangrove Muck Cookin' Rocks 63. 64. Submarine Adventure 65. Bad Day For T-Rex 66. Continent Quest 67. Laser Blast Fossil Fun 68. Grand Canvon 69. Squishing Mantle Rocks 70. Supervolcano 71 Caves and Climate 72 Glacial Dinosaur Breakfast Cereal Rock Early Life on Earth and Mars 73. 74. Jurassic Coast 75. Fossil Fascination 76. Dinosaur Egg X-Ray 77. Lab Rocks 78. Drilling for Ice

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Lithium Rocks

Trouble with Brick

Clean Water from Clay

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