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## **Sweet Dreams, Wild Animals!**

*"A cozy combination of restful rhymes, natural history notes and close-up pictures of snoozing creatures . . . equally suitable for bedtime reading or for sharing with wakeful groups."*

-- Kirkus Reviews

Fourteen animals, including the cuddly koala, the hairy anteater, and the wise owl, are featured in Eileen Meyer's lyrical bedtime story about the unusual ways that animals sleep. Natural history notes explain how each animal sleeps, from the magnificent frigatebird that naps while flying hundreds of feet above the sea to the walrus that sleeps with its tusks anchored in floating ice. Illustrator Laurie Caple captured these dozing animals in whimsical watercolors that will help any weary child fall to sleep with a smile.

The sun has set; the sky is dark.  
Bright stars shine in the night.  
It's time to rest, to dream sweet dreams,  
then wake with morning's light.

The animals will slumber, too.  
Some near, some far away.  
How will they settle down to sleep?  
Each has a special way.

**Discussion & Activity Guide available in April on Eileen's website— Aligned with Common Core State Standards, Next Generation Science Standards**

Created by veteran teacher and educational consultant, Debbie Gonzales, print and use this 20 page Discussion and Activity Guide which includes: discussion questions, a hibernation craft, crossword puzzle, bingo game, and a poem exercise with template and word bank cards.

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Eileen splits time between Illinois and Florida. Her other books include *Who's Faster? Animals on the Move* (Mountain Press) and *Ballpark* (Two Lions, Scholastic Press). Her poetry was featured in a sports poetry anthology: *And The Crowd Goes Wild* (FriesenPress).

Eileen has worked with hundreds of elementary and middle school students. Learn more about her author programs by viewing the School Visits page of her website (listed above.) Reach her at: [Eileen@EileenMeyerBooks.com](mailto:Eileen@EileenMeyerBooks.com)

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