

Neptune Project

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Annotation

- In this dystopian adventure, the government is forcing citizens to leave the coasts to move inland to work in labor camps. Nere, who has always loved the water, and can communicate with dolphins, finds out that she and others have been genetically mutated to be able to breathe underwater. With danger following at every turn, will the Neptune Children escape the government's clutches and begin a new human colony in the ocean as they were designed to do?

Book Talk

- What if you were suddenly forced to spend the rest of your life underwater? Being chased by sharks, scrounging for food, unable to go on land. Could you survive? To find out how a group of kids reacts to this situation read this book!

Book Trailers

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qoz2-GhjHWQ>

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Items to use in a library display

- Starfish
- Seaweed or kelp

Book Club Discussion Questions/Topics

- Would you like to live in the ocean?
- What is the thing you would miss the most about living on land?
- Nere's telepathy is so strong that she can break through other people's mental shields and read their thoughts. Do you think this is a positive ability or negative ability? Why?
- If you could be telepathic, would you?

First Line of the Book:

- "I wake to an urgent tap at my window."

Non-Fiction Companion Title(s)

- *Ocean* by Miranda MacQuitty

- *The Undersea World* by Tamra Orr
- *At Home in the Ocean* by Louise Spilsbury
- *Marine Biology* by Karen Bush Gibson

What to Read Next

- *Dark Life* by Kat Falls
- *Atlantia* by Allie Condie

Other Books by this Author:

- *The Neptune Challenge*

Additional Resources

- Reader's Theater script:
<http://library.kisd.org/home/bluebonnet-book-blog/theneptuneproject>
- Interview with the author: <http://www.mangamaniacafe.com/?p=8617>
- Interview with the author:
<http://www.memyshelfandi.com/2013/02/25-things-polly-holyoke.html>
- Lesson plans and curriculum ideas:
<http://pollyholyokey.com/workshops-school-visits.php#details>
- Neptune Project scavenger hunt:
<http://pollyholyokey.com/pdfs/neptune-project-scavenger-hunt.pdf>