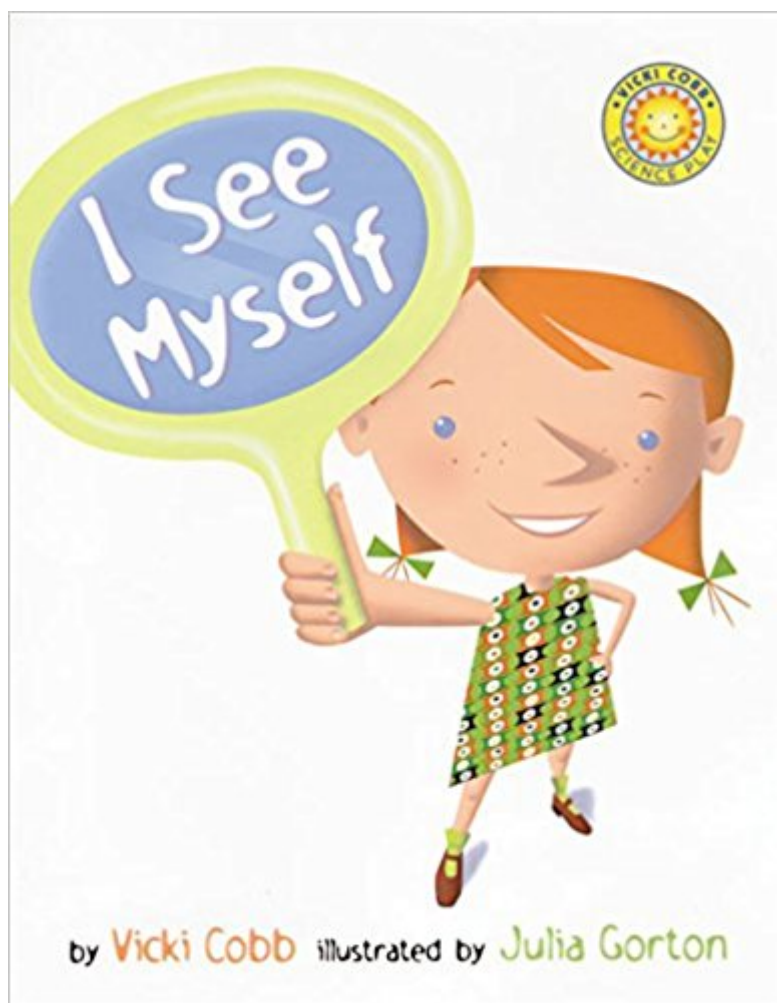


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# I See Myself (Vicki Cobb Science Play)



## Synopsis

Look in a mirror. Who do you see? Your very own self, that's who! Now look in a shiny doorknob or in a puddle. Can you see yourself in them? How about in the pages of this book? You might not see yourself, but you will feel yourself getting smarter as you begin to understand how and why you can see yourself. Renowned science author Vicki Cobb illuminates the scientific principles of light and reflection in a way that even the youngest kids can understand. Follow this book with a young child who loves to play, and see the light in a whole new way. Discover science, and the world will never look the same. Fun hands-on activities and irresistible illustrations by Julia Gorton make this book a perfect excuse to learn about science . . . just for the fun of it!

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

**\*Starred Review\*** Reviewed with Vicki Cobb's *I Get Wet*. PreS.-Gr.2. Cobb takes a fresh approach to science for young children in the Science Play series. Each book introduces a single, simple concept through words, pictures, and experimentation (or as the series title would have it, "play"). Indeed, Cobb encourages adults reading the book aloud to put the book aside whenever an activity is suggested and let the child explore and discover before continuing reading. The bold graphics feature strong, simplified forms, colors, and patterns as well as the creative use of typography to

represent, say, the path of a bouncing beam of light or the shape of a drop of water dripping from a faucet. In *I Get Wet*, a boy learns some of the properties of water through pouring it into different containers, observing it drip and flow, and trying to absorb it with waxed paper and paper toweling. *I See Myself* features a girl who finds out a little about vision, light, and reflection by playing with a mirror, a flashlight, and a bouncing ball. The crisp, upbeat look of the digital illustrations contrasts sharply with the often posed and tired-looking photographs routinely used in books of science experiments for young children. This playful approach reflects the enthusiastic tone in Cobb's text, which encourages children to discover for themselves the properties of water and light. An eye-opening debut for a promising series. Carolyn Phelan  
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• Cobb's extensive experience in science education is reflected in this illuminating work •  
(Kirkus Reviews)

As a college level science educator, I purchased this book to work with my elementary school teachers as a way to help their students understand properties of light and reflection. The science and accompanying activities are beautifully integrated in a challenging but stimulating way that should encourage conversations between teacher, parent and student/child. For instance, the author asks children to look at their reflections on the inside of shiny soup spoons and then compare that image to the one on the outside of the same spoons. Most everyone is likely to be in for a surprise and a lively discussion around the table ensues. In another activity, children use a mirror and a small flashlight in a darkened room to look at reflected light on the ceiling and walls and make observations about angles. All of this is woven into story form, linking science and literature in an artful manner.

All of Vicki Cobb's books are wonderful because they encourage children to explore with someone else using simple materials. I have three of her books so far.

I came across this book in the bookstore accidentally and believe me, I was awe struck at the way the author has explained the science concepts so beautifully and wonderfully that even the very young can appreciate. My son is 28 months old and I'm on my way to get a copy of this book. I'm sure he'd love all those activities in the book and this is a fun way to introduce even the youngest children to science concepts. I'm sure I'm gonna end up buying lots of books by this author.

## HURRAY TO THE AUTHOR AND THE ILLUSTRATOR.

Great book for science class.

A really great science book, but as a grandparent I wouldn't buy it ... it is only an occasional read. However, if you happen to have a library walking distance from your house (I do) & you are trying to encourage your 2 year old grandbaby to become a quantum physicist (I do) then this whole series of books is a great, fun way to get young children interested in science.

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