## **RUTH SPIRO**

## Bestselling Children's Book Author

Ruth Spiro writes innovative books for children on the topics of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. Her areas of interest include the many benefits of introducing STEM subjects and makerspace activities to even the littlest learners. Ruth believes success comes from a willingness to explore the unfamiliar, take risks, and view mistakes as learning experiences. She hopes her books inspire kids to observe their world, ask questions, and when it comes to their futures, DREAM BIG.



## Bio

Ruth is the author of more than 30 children's books, with over one million copies in print worldwide. Her bestselling *Baby Loves Science* board books are the groundbreaking originals that introduce big ideas to the littlest listeners in an age-appropriate and engaging style. The series has been praised by the Los Angeles Times, NPR, TODAY, Popular Science, Working Mother, and more. Fans who have publicly shared their love of her books include former U.S. Representative Gabby Giffords, Chelsea Clinton, and Chance the Rapper.

The enthusiastic response to the *Baby Loves Science* books inspired a new picture book series perfect for early elementary readers, *How to Explain Science to a Grown-Up*. In addition, Ruth is the author of picture books including *Made by Maxine*, *Maxine and the Greatest Garden Ever, Love Grows*, and *One Small Spark: A Tikkun Olam Story*, which received starred reviews from Publisher's Weekly and Kirkus.

Ruth graduated with a B.S. in Communications from the University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign and earned an MBA from Loyola University of Chicago. She worked for advertising agencies in both account management and broadcast production, and coordinated a large-scale research grant at DePaul University funded by the National Institutes of Health.

Her articles and essays have been published in FamilyFun, The Writer, CHILD, and Chicago Parent. Ruth's stories have also been included in popular anthologies, notably *The Right Words at the Right Time*, edited by Marlo Thomas, and several *Chicken Soup for the Soul* titles.

Ruth's work has won awards and recognition from the National Science Teaching Association, the Mathical Book Prize, Junior Library Guild, Science Friday, Bank Street College of Education, Illinois Reads, Purdue Engineering, Willamette Writers, and Writer's Digest.

## Previous Appearances

Ruth has presented at museums, conferences, and large outdoor festivals. She is comfortable speaking to audiences of all sizes, on panels, and in on-camera interviews. Select previous appearances include:

World Science Festival (NY)
Toddler Tuesday-Mall of America (MN)
Chicago Tribune Printer's Row LitFest
Children's Festival of Stories (CO)
Chicago Public Library STEAM Saturday
American Writers Museum

Windy City LIVE - ABC-TV (Chicago)
Los Angeles Times Festival of Books
Early Childhood STEM Conference (CalTech/Pasadena)
Museum of Science & Industry (Chicago)
National Assn. for the Ed. of Young Children (NAEYC)
Virginia Festival of the Book

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