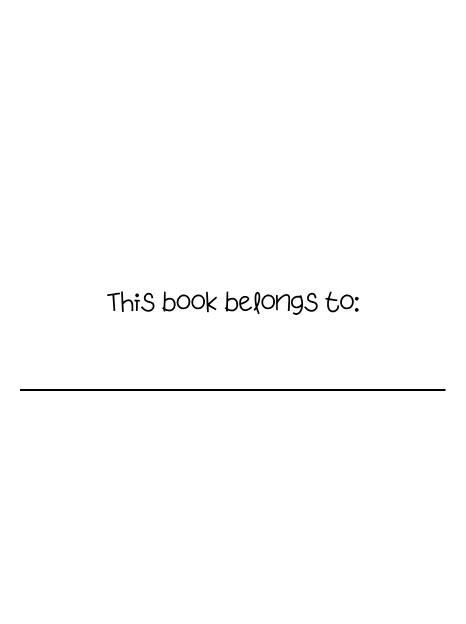
Water Hugs





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This book is dedicated to all of the amazing girls and boys who take such good care of our water.



Jean, Age 8

Molly loves the water.

She loves all kinds of water.

From the bathtub to the ocean, Molly loves every drop.



She takes good care of it too.
She doesn't litter or pollute.
And she doesn't waste it.

When she's with her friends, Molly makes sure they take good care of the water too.



Laela, Age 8

One day when Molly and her mom were at the beach, Molly was splashing around in the waves.

She was grabbing at the water.

It looked like she was trying to catch it.



Madelyn, Age 8

Molly turned slowly, leaving the water behind. She walked up to the blanket.

"Why are you so sad?" her mom asked.



"I can't hug the water," Molly said.

"I've tried and tried. I just love it so much. And when you love something, you show it how much you love it."



Her mom smiled and leaned down to give Molly a hug.



"You're right," her mom said.

"You can't hug the water. But maybe, just maybe, the water hugs you."

"What do you mean?" Molly asked.



Isabella, Age 7

"Well, when you get in the water, it wraps around you. Right? And it makes you feel happy. Right? And you feel love."

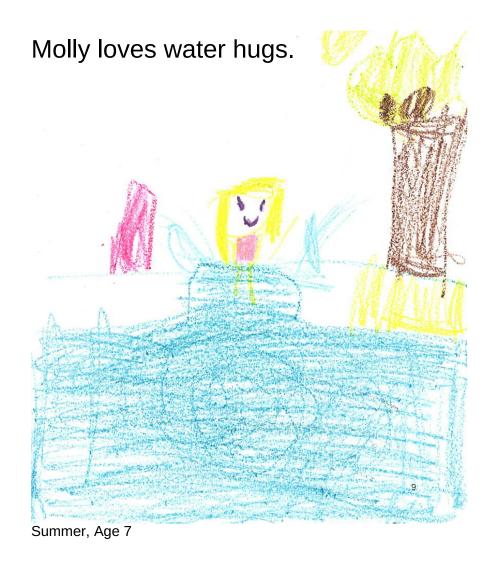
"Right!" Molly smiled.

"That sounds like a hug to me!" her mom said.



Molly ran back down to the waves and into the arms of the water.

She laughed and splashed.





Sophia, Age 7

Education and outreach is an opportunity for Port St. Lucie Utility Systems to bring awareness to the many ways we all can help keep our environment thriving.

You can impact and influence those around you by leading the way.

You can help protect our water by doing some really easy things:

keep trash out of it Don't waste it Teach others



Janiyha, Age 7

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