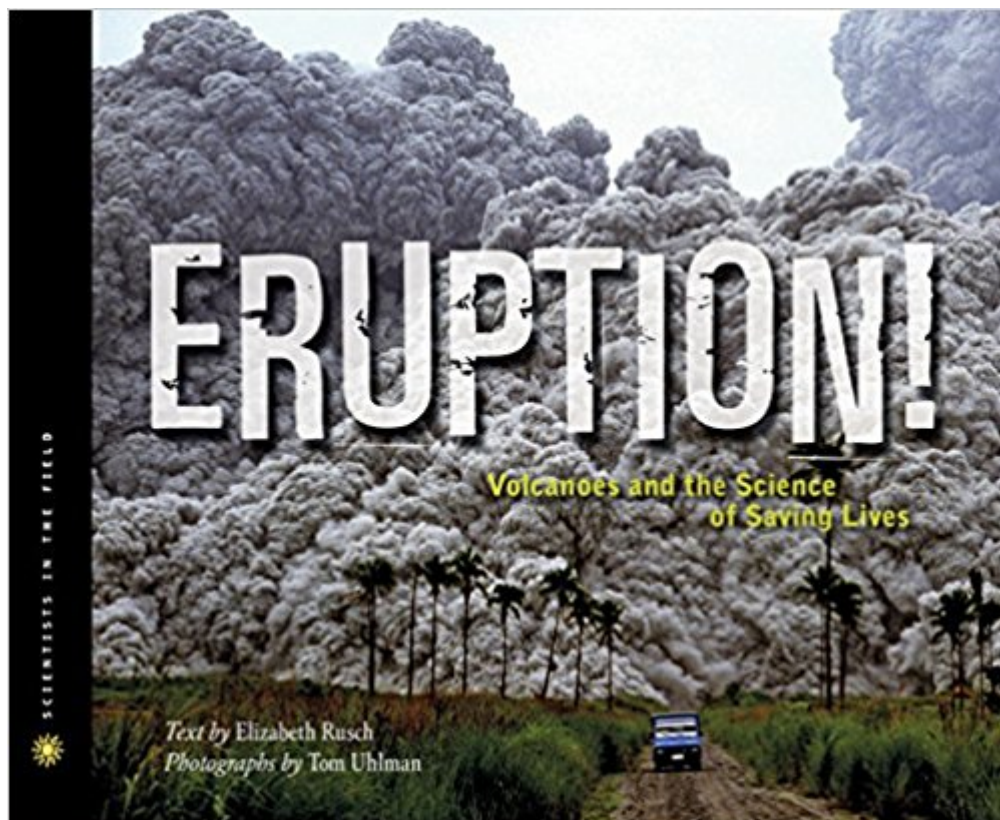




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Hundreds of millions of people live in volcano hazard zones. In response to a tragic eruption in Columbia in 1985 a small group of scientists formed an international volcano crises team. Using cutting edge technology they hoped to apply the lessons learned from the Mt. St Helen's eruption to save lives around the world. In exciting and vivid prose Eruption chronicles their efforts as they travel to dramatic and dangerous locations and, in partnership with a diverse group of local scientists, fight to predict cataclysmic events including the 1991 Mt. Pinatubo eruption in the

Philippines and the 2010 eruption of Mt Merapi in Indonesia. In this latest addition to the excellent Scientists in the Field series, clever design breaks up the text into easily digestible chunks and magma colored panels highlight intriguing background information and facts. Lots of gorgeous color photographs provide a sense of the people and places at risk, as well as the technology and techniques of the scientists. A glossary, chapter notes, selected bibliography and index complete this superb book.

There are countless nonfiction books about volcanoes, but I don't know of another book that captures the danger and tragedy of volcano eruptions in such vivid language. Elizabeth Rusch and Tom Uhlman have put together an enlightening story of those affected by volcanic eruptions and the volcanologists working around the clock to prevent future fatalities. Informative charts, graphs, and side panels explain the science behind volcanic eruptions, and large, colorful photographs illuminate the power and force of volcanoes around the world. The story is a must-read for budding earth scientists and volcanologists.

Wow! I learned so much from this book and the writing is just gripping. History, science, culture, what happens to people when they don't know the history of the ground on which they live. Great book!

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