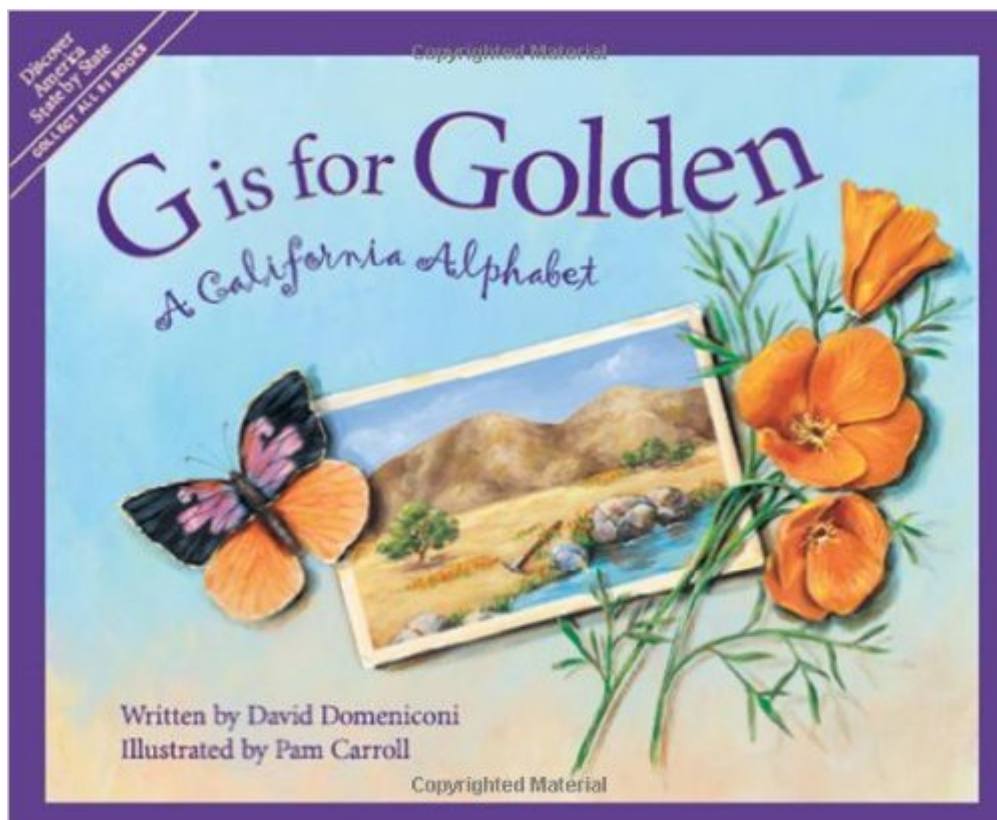


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# G Is For Golden: A California Alphabet



## Synopsis

Columnist David Domeniconi has researched close-to-home topics for his new book, *G is for Golden: A California Alphabet*. This is David's first children's book and it contains 40 pages of entertaining and educational facts about California. David captures California on so many fronts - its natural history, social sciences, inventors, and even its forty-niners. On the T is for Television page, the reader discovers Philo Farnsworth, a 21-year-old farmer who gleaned the idea to transmit the world's first television picture by looking at the patterns in the rows he had plowed in his field. Another California first was the creation of the United Nations Charter, signed by representatives of 50 countries at the San Francisco Opera House in 1945. Readers of *G is for Golden* also learn about the world's largest find of Ice Age fossils at the La Brea Tar Pits, the 21 missions that line El Camino Real, Cesar Chavez's vision, and Rodia's Watts Towers. The series employs a two-tiered approach to reach all students from Pre-K through 4th grade. A rhyme for each letter of the alphabet captures the attention of younger readers, while older students read the expository text on the same page and gain a richer understanding of the topic. About the Author: David Domeniconi is a third generation San Franciscan. He graduated from San Francisco State College with a degree in Anthropology, and studied creative writing at San Francisco State College. His illustrated travel column, "Travelog," is a regular feature in the Santa Barbara News Press. About the Illustrator: California native Pam Carroll was a finalist in Artist's Magazine's Still Life category for the past two years. Her distinct style of realism and appealing use of light creates an enchanting visual experience for children. *G is for Golden* is Pam's fourth children's book with Sleeping Bear Press.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

Grade Level: 1 - 3

## Customer Reviews

Being recent transplants to California, my husband and I have been checking out all the nooks and crannies that make California unique. With the printing of this book, we are reminded there is so much more to see and to learn. From Alcatraz to Yosemite, there are adventures abounding. The illustrations for this book are beautiful, and invite you to be a part of goldmining or the California labs of Silicon Valley. Teachers would do well to introduce this book to their students, in and out of California. Parents would allow their children's horizons to be expanded, if only by introducing this book to them. This will be a favorite of mine for years to come.

All of the letters of the alphabet to describe the great state of California. The illustrations were beautiful. Also included is some very interesting history about the state. Wonderful, wonderful! Worth adding to your personal and/or school library.

Our family loves learning about the different states we have been to and lived in. I love this series of books. There is so much information in it. You can skim through all the different pages for younger children or go more in depth by reading the whole page. We learned so much about California from this book, we love it!

This is an alphabet book in which each letter is associated with a California icon. The short, 4-line rhymes for each letter are perfect for younger children, and then the 2-3 paragraph explanation will be great to teach older children about California history. My only gripe is that the mighty Oak Tree was not included. I definitely will be getting this for every California kid I know. (and even adults will learn something!)

I really enjoyed this book. As did my college instructor! I used this for a book reflection/review in my Childhood Development in Early Literacy class. Everyone loved this book! Very fun book for children and adults..

We have picked up other books in this series while on vacation as a wonderful souvenir (our first was Michigan). Recently we moved to California and bought this book for our family to learn about our new home, and also to have in our guest room for our family and friends to enjoy.

I use this book to teach handwriting to 4th grade students. It is a great way to learn about our great state and have fun handwriting lesson.

We purchased many of these and gave to friends that were moving out of state. We all signed so they could remember the people and places they had seen while leaving in California. Author did a wonderful job.

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