

Dancing Elephants & Floating Continents

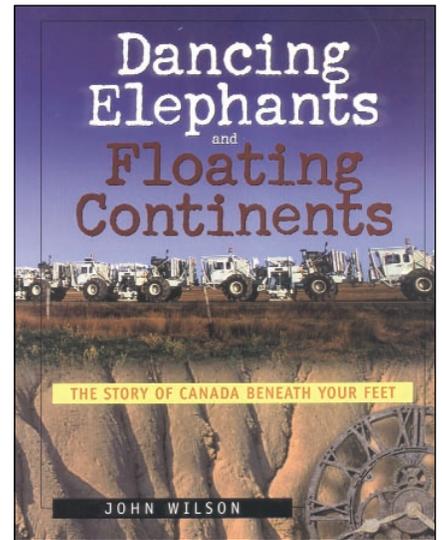
THE STORY OF CANADA BENEATH YOUR FEET

In *Dancing Elephants and Floating Continents* join John Wilson, children's author and geologist, as he explores the story of the Earth's formation and future. Complete with continents that crash and crush, oceans that vanish and reappear, and mountain ranges that rise and crumble it is an adventure story like no other!

Drawing on his own fascination with geology and using data from the internationally renowned, Canadian-run scientific program called Lithoprobe – and its giant earth-pounding trucks known as Dancing Elephants – readers will discover: where to find the oldest piece of the Earth's crust, and how it got there; how part of Africa came to rest in Nova Scotia; what meteorites have left behind and why it's important; and why the residents of British Columbia should buy earthquake insurance.

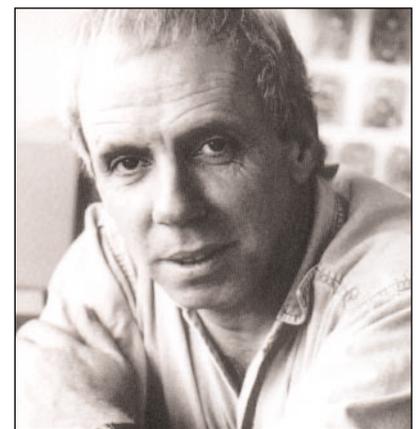
Including hands-on activities and experiments to help readers understand how the Earth's major evolutionary changes have occurred, *Dancing Elephants and Floating Continents* is a fascinating look at the land that we live on, how it got there and where it is going.

JOHN WILSON has always loved history. His fascination with understanding what the past was like led him to study geology at the University of St. Andrews. After graduating he moved to Zimbabwe (formerly Rhodesia), where he worked mapping metamorphic rocks for the Geological Survey. He then moved to Canada where he spent a number of years living and working in Western Canada. After returning from a one year trip around the world John decided to try writing about his experiences and travels. Now John is the author of nine works of historical fiction for young adults and one for adults. His non-fiction writing includes biographies of John Rae, John Franklin and Norman Bethune. With his wife and three children, he now awaits the next big earthquake on Vancouver Island, British Columbia.



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