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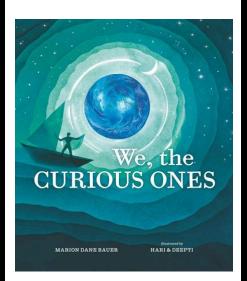
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In WE, THE CURIOUS ONES, Marion Dane Bauer offers a meditative journey through the history of humankind's relationship with scientific questions and stories of meaning. Beginning with the ancient myths about a flat earth supported by a turtle and continuing through the centuries to modern scientific understanding, Bauer emphasizes the importance of curiosity and openness to new stories. Hari & Deepti support the metaphysical nature of the prose with stylized silhouettes on backgrounds of color that invite interpretation and imagination. Bauer concludes with an extensive afterword discussing in more detail and with references to the historical discoveries that led to our understanding of the universe and humanity's place in it.

Readers of all ages will enjoy the beautiful star-filled illustrations, but the message of this book may be more accessible to older readers. This book is recommended for school and public libraries, with particular use for programs or lessons regarding the history of scientific thought and the importance of curiosity and open-mindedness.

