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An emperor penguin lays an egg on the Antarctic ice. In the bitter cold, miles away from the only source of food, how can the chick survive?

From School Library JournalGrade 1-3-This title focuses on one emperor penguin family's survival. The parents' care of their young is central, shown by deft yet perfunctory watercolors depicting a harsh, challenging habitat. The danger of the baby's starvation is emphasized; one adult must keep it protected from the elements and the other must fish for

food and return in time to feed it before it dies. Trading places, the caregivers share these duties until the chick is old enough for both adult birds to hunt for food together. A summary of a penguin's life up to the laying of an egg is followed by a section that describes the egg laying and nesting patterns of kings, Ad lies, rockhoppers, jackasses, and little blues. Brenda Guiberson's *The Emperor Lays an Egg* (Holt, 2001) and Martin Jenkins's *The Emperor's Egg* (Candlewick, 1999) will have wider appeal because of their sparkling language and vibrant art. This book's value rests on its accessibility to beginning readers. Nancy Call, Santa Cruz Public Libraries, Aptos, CA Copyright 2002 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Booklist Gr. 2-3, younger for reading aloud. This well-illustrated book from the Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science series follows the growth of one penguin chick from egg to adulthood. The story has been told before, but the clear, simple text provides intriguing details and inherent drama that will keep young children involved straight through till the end. Using cool, wintry hues, Davie's paintings illustrate the penguin's world in a series of varied compositions that are often beautiful in their clean lines and subtly modulated colors. The appended two-page section "Find Out More about Penguins" discusses five species and suggests two activities, walking and tobogganing like penguins, that young children will be itching to try. A fine contribution to an excellent series. Carolyn Phelan Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved About the Author Betty Tatham has directed three different YWCAs for more than twenty years, working on programs to help children become better readers, write their own stories, and enjoy learning about nature. She has won many awards for her work to help children and families in need. She is the author of *How Animals Shed Their Skin*, and she lives with her husband Win in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Helen K. Davie's lovely watercolors have appeared in many children's books, including *What Lives in a Shell?* by Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld, and *Animals in Winter* by Henrietta Bancroft and Richard G. Van Gelder. She lives in Templeton, CA.