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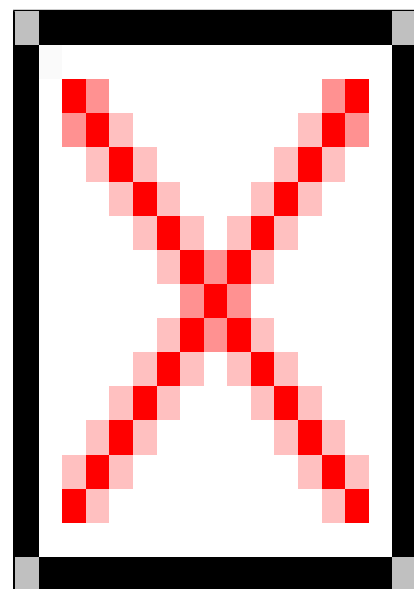
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Author Ben Martynoga, a biologist and science writer, and illustrator Moose Allain have united very effectively to produce this timely and informative book. It succeeds admirably in explaining the complex subject of viruses in general, and the COVID-19 virus in particular, in such a way as to appeal to a wide range of young people, and, indeed, to adults. The engaging writing style unites with the witty and detailed illustrations to take the reader on an engrossing and educational journey through the world of viruses, pandemics, immune systems, and vaccines. Complex information about viruses, including size, ability to infect and spread, is explained in an accessible way. Readers will also learn about the different types of virus, many of them essential to human life, and about ways to fight viruses and the climate crisis that makes their spread more likely.

This excellent introduction to viruses, the most abundant life forms on the planet, combines humour and scientific facts to provide a must-read science book for enquiring minds of all ages. It deals with a vital subject and is full of astonishing facts and figures, a topical and enlightening read that is guaranteed to grab the attention.

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