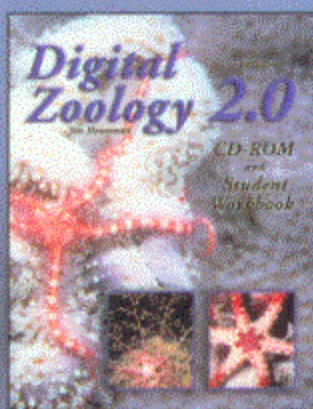


Front Cover Sally Lightfoot crabs (*Grapsus grapsus*), vivid splashes of color on a rugged shoreline of the Galápagos Islands, share a lava rock with three marine iguanas (*Amblyrhynchus cristatus*). Unlike any other lizard in the world, the unique Galápagos marine iguanas are totally dependent on the sea for their living, diving for their diet of marine algae. Marine iguanas, although described as ugly by some visitors, appear starkly beautiful to others in this exotic setting. Around the iguanas the nimble Sally Lightfoot crabs scamper over the rocks with surprising agility, while feeding principally on algae. It was here in Galápagos that the young English naturalist Charles Darwin observed the strange animals and plants that later contributed to his theory of evolution by natural selection.

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