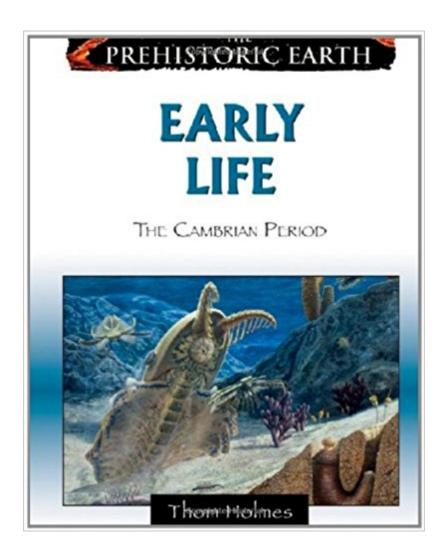


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Thom Holmes is a writer specializing in natural history subjects and dinosaurs. He was the publications director of The Dinosaur Society and the editor of its newsletter, Dino Times, the world's only monthly publication devoted to news about dinosaur discoveries.

For a scientific book, it is certainly easy to read. Many times, books that cover early Earth biology are written by scientists, who are certainly knowledgeable but are not always the most coherent "writers". The language used is somewhere between a text book and a magazine article that would be written on the subject. My gripes would be the length that the writer spent on biology and evolution. Since 3/4 of the book is allocated to scientific classifications and the history of evolution as a science, only a quarter of the book is left to the Cambrian Period. I also noticed there were no mention of graptolites in the book.....a very important species in terms of Cambrian fossil dating.

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