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BOOKS ABOUT ANIMALS



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Pretty Lady of Saratoga by Deborah G. Felder

In early twentieth-century New York State, twelve-year-old Polly uses her determination and skills to help give the beautiful race horse, Pretty Lady, another chance to be in the winner's circle.

Winnie: Wild Thing by Dandi Daley Mackall

The first book in this series introduces twelve-year-old Winnie Willis. Winnie has a way with horses. She can gentle the wildest mare, but other parts of her life don't always come as easily. Along with her dad and sister, Lizzy, Winnie is learning how to live without her mother who was also a natural horse gentler. As Winnie teaches her horses about unconditional love and blind trust, God shows Winnie that he can be trusted too.

The World According to Humphrey by Betty G. Birney

Humphrey, pet hamster at Longfellow School, learns that he has an important role to play in helping his classmates and teacher.

Nurk by Ursula Vernon

Nurk, a sort-of brave shrew, packs up a few pairs of clean socks and sails off on an accidental adventure, guided by wisdom found in the journal of his famously brave and fierce grandmother, Lady Surka the warrior shrew.

Mary Margaret and the Perfect Pet Plan by Christine Kole MacLean

During the summer that she turns nine, Mary Margaret tries very hard to persuade her parents to let her have a pet, makes a new neighbor friend and helps her brother keep an old one, and looks forward to the new baby's arrival because then her mother will be less "crabby."

Saving Shiloh by Phyllis Naylor

Sixth-grader Marty and his family try to help their rough neighbor, Judd Travers, change his mean ways, even though their West Virginia community continues to expect the worst of him.

Junie B. Jones Smells Something Fishy by Barbara Park

Frustrated because the rules for her class's Pet Day will not let her take her dog to school, Junie B. Jones considers taking a raccoon, a worm, a dead fish, and other unusual replacements.

The Underneath by Kathi Appelt

An old hound that has been chained up at his hateful owner's run-down shack, and two kittens born underneath the house, endure separation, danger, and many other tribulations in their quest to be reunited and free.

Souder by William Howard Armstrong

Angry and humiliated when his sharecropper father is jailed for stealing food for his family, a young black boy grows in courage and understanding by learning to read and with the help of the devoted dog Souder.

Toes by Tor Seldler

After getting lost on Halloween night when he is only a few months old, an intelligent seven-toed kitten makes his way into the life of a struggling musician.

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