

Summer Read-A-Thon

Recommended Reading List



*Parents/guardians should review any book in advance to ensure the content is appropriate for your child. Happy reading!

Books for Younger Children

Jasper's Day by Marjorie Blain Parker; illustrated by Janet Wilson

The Deliverance of Dancing Bears by Elizabeth Stanley

Earth Mother by Ellen Jackson; illustrated by Leo & Diane Dillon

Cool Time Song by Carole Lexa Schaefer; illustrated by Pierr Morgan

M is for Meow by Helen L. Wilbur; illustrated by Robert Papp

Butterfly Eyes and Other Secrets of the Meadow by Joyce Sidman

Leap Into Poetry by Avis Harley

It's About Dogs by Tony Johnson

So What's It Like to Be a Cat? by Karla Kuskin

Hummingbird Nest by Kristine O'Connell George

Each Living Thing by Joanne Ryder

Toad by the Road by Joanne Ryder

The World According to Dog by Joyce Sidman

Magnus at the Fire by Jennifer Armstrong

Goose's Story by Cari Best

Pinduli by Janell Cannon

Anna and Natalie by Barbara H. Cole

Saying Goodbye to Lulu by Corrine Demas

Tale of a Great White Fish by Maggie De Vries

Jubela by Cristina Kessler

Wings by William Loizeaux

Old Mother Bear by Victoria Miles

Little Flower by Gloria Rand

And Tango Makes Three by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell

Bears Barge In by Joni Sensel

Seldovia Sam and the Sea Otter Rescue by Susan Woodward Springer

Monkey for Sale by Sanna Stanley

The Tale of Pale Male written and illustrated by Jeanette Winter

Max Talks to Me written by Claire Buchwald

Dogku written by Andrew Clements

Luck written by Jean Craighead George

White Owl, Barn Owl written by Nicola Davies

Fred Stays with Me! written by Nancy Coffelt

Coo Coo Duckling written and illustrated by Christina Das

Fly, Little Bird written and illustrated by Tina Burke

The Birdman written by Veronika Martenova Charles

Go to Sleep, Gecko!: A Balinese Folktale retold by Margaret Read McDonald

Owen & Mzee: The True Story of a Remarkable Friendship told by Isabella Hatkoff, Craig Hatkoff, and Dr. Paula Kahumbu

Earth Day Birthday written by Pattie Schnetzler

Mutt Dog! written by Stephen Michael King

Dog Blue written and illustrated by Polly Dunbar

Forever Friends written by Barbara S. Cohen

Whose Garden Is It? written by Mary Ann Hoberman

Adopting Ginger by Linda Griffin

Always Blue for Chicu by Karen Dugan

Astro the Steller Sea Lion by Jeanne Walker Harvey

Baby Whale's Journey by Jonathan London

Before You Were Mine by Maribeth Boelts

Are You Ready for Me? by Claire Buchwald

The Boy Who Loved All Living Things: The Imaginary Childhood Journal of Albert Schweitzer by Sheila Hamanaka

The Bravest Cat: The True Story of Scarlett by Laura Driscoll

Buddy Unchained by Daisy Bix

Carolina's Story by Donna Rathmell

Dancing with Manatees by Faith McNulty and illustrated by Lena Shiffman

A Dog Isn't Just for Christmas by Beth Peterson

The Dog Who Cried Wolf by Keiko Kasza

Flamingo Sunset by Jonathan London

A Home for Dakota by Jan Zita Grover

A Home for Nathan by Claudia M. Roll

Honey Paw and Lightfoot by Jonathan London

It's Raining Cats and Cats by Jeanne Prevost and Amelia Hanse

Izzie Lizzie Alligator by Suzanne Tate

Little Swan by Jonathan London

Lucky: A Dog's Best Friend by Gus Clarke

Lucky: Based on a True Story by Monica Engebretson

Marshall the Miracle Dog by Cynthia Willenbrock

Max Talks to Me by Claire Buckwald and Karen Ritz

Moon Bear by Brenda Guilberson

Night Rabbits by Lee Posey

Osprey Adventure by Jennifer Keats Curtis

Pablo Puppy's Search for the Perfect Person by Sheila Hamanaka

Pi-shu: The Little Panda by John Butler

Pick a Pup by Marsha Wilson Chall

A Place For Birds by Melissa Stewart

A Place for Butterflies by Mellissa Stewart

Rescue Pup by Brenda Fiorini

Rosebud...A Princess Finally! by Garyl McIntire Edwards

A Small Brown Dog with a Wet Pink Nose by Stephanie Stuve-Bodeen

Tails Are Not for Pulling by Elizabeth Verdick

Ape by Martin Jenkins

That's Why We Don't Eat Animals: A Book About Vegans, Vegetarians, and All Living Things by Ruby Roth

Turtle Summer: A Journal for My Daughter by Mary Alice Monroe
Turtles in My Sandbox by Jennifer Keats Curtis
Two Bobbies by Kirby Larson and Mary Nethery
Urban Roosts: Where Birds Nest in the City by Barbara Bash
Widget by Lyn Rossiter McFarland
The Adventures of Sir Buddy and Mr. Pupples by Richard McEwan
Animal Snackers by Betsy Lewin
Hungry, Hungry Sharks by Joanna Cole
BIG BUGS by Seymour Simon
Why Do Dogs Bark? by Joan Holub
The Milk Makers by Gail Gibbons
Tale of a Tadpole by Barbara Ann Porte
The Penguin and the Pea by Janet Perlman
Goodbye, Goose by Patricia Nikolina Clark
Perky Pelican A tale of a lively Bird by Suzanne Tate
Chameleon ! originally published as Chameleon, Chameleon by Joy Cowley
The Bookshop Dog by Cynthia Rylant
Kiko's Kitten by Dr. Francine Patterson
They Call Me Woolly by Keith Duquette
Almost Gone – The World's Rarest Animals by Steve Jenkins

Chapter Books

Animal Rights: Both Sides of the Story by Patience Coster
Black Beauty by Anna Sewell
Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
How to be Animal Friendly by Philippa Perry and Caroline
The Last Polar Bears by Harry Horse
The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl
The Nine Lives of Travis Keating by Jill Maclean
On Parade: The Hidden World of Animals in Entertainment by Rob Laidlaw
The Pet Sitters Club #1 Jilly the Kid by Tessa Krailing
The Puppy Place: Goldie by Ellen Miles
Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Wild Animals in Captivity by Rob Laidlaw
The Wreck of the Ethie by Hilary Hyland
A Home for Abigail by S. Marriott Cook