

## ANIMAL FICTION

TITLE	AUTHOR	SUMMARY*
One and Only Ivan	Applegate	When Ivan, a <b>gorilla</b> who has lived for years in a down-and-out circus-themed mall, meets Ruby, a baby elephant that has been added to the mall, he decides that he must find her a better life.
Long Spikes	Arnosky	Long Spikes, a <b>deer</b> who is orphaned as a yearling when his mother is killed, grows to maturity and displaces the old one-eyed buck from his position as dominant male.
Mr Poppers Penguins	Atwater	Mr. Popper trains his band of <b>penguins</b> to star in a vaudeville tour.
The Good Dog	Avi	McKinley, a malamute, is torn between the domestic world of his human family and the wild world of Lupin, a <b>wolf</b> that is trying to recruit <b>dogs</b> to replenish the dwindling wolf pack.
Ragweed	Avi	Ragweed, a young country <b>mouse</b> , leaves his family and travels to the big city, where he finds excitement and danger and sees cats for the first time.
Ereth's Birthday	Avi	Feeling neglected on his birthday, Ereth, the cantankerous old porcupine, sets out looking for his favorite treat and instead finds himself acting as "mother" to three young <b>fox</b> kits.
Horse in the House ( <i>&amp; others in Animal Ark series</i> )	Baglio	Mandy and James investigate reports that a campsite where riding stables once stood is haunted by a ghostly <b>horse</b> and rider.
National Velvet	Bagnold	A fourteen-year-old girl works to ride her piebald <b>horse</b> in the Grand National steeplechase.
I, Houdini	Banks	A boastful <b>hamster</b> with exceptional talent as an escape artist recounts his experiences chewing, wriggling, or squeezing his way out of various closed areas in his quest for the great Outside.
Runt	Bauer	Runt, the smallest <b>wolf</b> cub in the litter, seeks to prove himself to his father King and the rest of the pack and to earn a new name.
A Bear Named Trouble	Bauer	In Anchorage, Alaska, two lonely boys make a connection--a brown <b>bear</b> injured just after his mother sends him out on his own, and a human whose father is a new keeper at the Alaska Zoo and whose mother and sister are still in Minnesota.
World According to Humphrey ( <i>&amp; sequels</i> )	Birney	Humphrey, pet <b>hamster</b> at Longfellow School, learns that he has an important role to play in helping his classmates and teacher.
Flawed Dogs	Breathed	After being framed by a jealous poodle, a <b>dachshund</b> is left for dead, but comes back with a group of mutts from the National Last Ditch Dog Depository to disrupt the prestigious Westminster Kennel Club dog show and exact revenge on Cassius the poodle.
Magnus Maybe	Broome	The bravery of a pet <b>mouse</b> named Magnus is tested after he is stranded outside his cage one day and his owners begin setting traps for the other, non-pet mice in the house: facing his fears, he decides to find a new home for them all.
The Incredible Journey	Burnford	A <b>Labrador retriever</b> , a <b>bull terrier</b> and a <b>Siamese cat</b> make their way across the Canadian wilderness back to a home and family they love.
Wanted...Mud Blossom	Byars	Convinced that Mud is responsible for the disappearance of the school hamster that he was taking care of for the weekend, Junior Blossom is determined that the <b>dog</b> should be tried for his "crime"

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Stealing Thunder	Casanova	Libby visits her neighbor's spirited <b>horse</b> Thunder every day, grooming and riding him, and when Mr. Porter starts to abuse Thunder she decides to steal him away to safety, with the help of her new friend Griff.
A Nest for Celeste	Cole	Celeste, a <b>mouse</b> longing for a real home, becomes a source of inspiration to teenaged Joseph, assistant to the artist and naturalist John James Audubon, at a New Orleans, Louisiana, plantation in 1821.
The Cheshire Cheese Cat	Deedy	A community of <b>mice</b> and a cheese-loving <b>cat</b> form an unlikely alliance at London's Cheshire Cheese, an inn where Charles Dickens finds inspiration and Queen Victoria makes an unexpected appearance.
The Tale of Despereaux	DiCamillo	The adventures of Despereaux Tilling, a small <b>mouse</b> of unusual talents, the princess that he loves, the servant girl who longs to be a princess, and a devious rat determined to bring them all to ruin.
The Original Adventures of Hank the Cowdog	Erickson	Hank the <b>Cowdog</b> , Head of Ranch Security, is framed for the murder of a chicken and becomes an outlaw with the coyotes.
The Black Stallion (& sequels)	Farley	The understanding and love between Alec Ramsay and a magnificent <b>wild horse</b> endure through shared adventures and dangers.
The Warm Place	Farmer	When Ruva, a young <b>giraffe</b> , is captured and sent to a zoo in San Francisco, she calls upon two <b>rats</b> , a street-smart <b>chameleon</b> , a runaway boy, and all the magical powers of the animal world to return to "the warm place" that is home.
I, Jack	Finney	Jack, a <b>Labrador Retriever</b> , tells about his daily life of food, walks, and the "apedogs" and "funny-looking dogs" (cats) in his pack, as well as how everything changes when a pretty girl dog moves into the neighborhood. Includes explanatory footnotes written by the cats.
Really Raulino	Fischbein	Raulino, an unidentified <b>reptile</b> living at the Metropolitan Zoo, longs to return to the island from which he was captured, and is joined in his escape by a cobra, a chuckwalla, and a lizard--all of whom find themselves struggling to survive in a huge city while trying to get back to Maine, Arizona, India, and a tropical island.
Stone Fox	Gardiner	Little Willy hopes to pay the back taxes on his grandfather's farm with the purse from a <b>dog</b> sled race he enters.
Julie of the Wolves (& sequels)	George	While running away from home and an unwanted marriage, a thirteen-year-old Eskimo girl becomes lost on the North Slope of Alaska and is befriended by a <b>wolf pack</b> .
Frightful's Mountain	George	In the first years of her life in the Catskill Mountains of New York, a <b>peregrine falcon</b> interacts with several unscrupulous poachers.
Old Yeller	Gipson	In the late 1860s in the Texas hill country, a big yellow <b>dog</b> and a fourteen-year-old boy form a close, loving relationship.
The Soul of the Silver Dog	Hall	Feeling rejected by her own family after her younger sister's death, fourteen-year-old Cory adopts a blind show <b>dog</b> and devotes herself to bringing back some of his championship glory by training him for agility competition.
How to Save Your Tail	Hanson	Bob the <b>rat</b> is captured by two of the queen's cats and survives by sharing fresh-baked cookies and stories of his ancestors, whose escapades are similar to those of fairy-tale heroes.

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The Canine Connection	Hearne	Twelve short stories that reflect the varied ways that <b>dogs</b> and humans relate.
Misty of Chincoteague	Henry	Two youngsters' determination to own a Chincoteague <b>pony</b> is greatly increased when the Phantom and her colt are among those rounded up for the yearly auction.
Sheep	Hobbs	After a fire destroys the farm where he was born, a young <b>border collie</b> acquires a series of owners and learns about life as he seeks a home and longs to fulfill his life's purpose of shepherding sheep.
Into the Wild [Warriors Series]	Hunter	Rusty, a bored house kitten, is apprenticed by the ThunderClan and must struggle to fit in when the group of feral cats is threatened by the enemy ShadowClan.
One Small Dog	Hurwitz	Curtis gets a <b>dog</b> when his parents divorce, but his beloved new dog causes problems that he did not expect.
Wreck of the Ethie	Hyland	Recalls the wreck of the steamship Ethie which occurred on the coast of Newfoundland in December 1919 and in which the <b>dog</b> Skipper proved his heroism.
Big Red	Kjelgaard	A wilderness adventure about a boy, his <b>Irish setter</b> , and their feud with Old Majesty, a legendary bear.
Lassie Come Home	Knight	A collie undertakes a thousand-mile journey in order to once again meet her former master at the school gate.
The Capture (Guardians of GA'Hoole series)	Lasky	Soren, a <b>barn owl</b> that is captured and taken to a special school for orphaned owls, is befriended by elf owl Gylfie and together the two set out to discover what is really going on at St. Aegolius Academy.
Rabbit Hill	Lawson	New folks are coming to live in the Big House, and the <b>animals</b> of Rabbit Hill wonder if they will plant a garden and thus be good providers.
Dog Lost	Lee	After living happily in a warm home with an eleven-year-old boy, a <b>pit bull terrier</b> loses his owner and is forced to survive on the streets, where its brave deeds surprise many residents who dislike or fear pit bulls.
Monkey Trouble	Leroe	A story about nine-year-old Eva and her mischevious pet <b>monkey</b> .
The Story of Doctor Dolittle	Lofting	The tale of a doctor who finds he cares for <b>animals</b> more than the people he treats, and his adventures once he devotes his time to them.
Call of the Wild	London	Classic adventure story of a domestic <b>dog</b> who becomes a sled dog in the Yukon in the days of the gold rush, and of the young man who hoped for riches.
A Dog's Life: the autobiography of a stray	Martin	Squirrel, a <b>stray puppy</b> , tells her life story, from her nurturing mother and brother to making her own way in the world, facing busy highways, changing seasons, and humans both gentle and brutal.
Everything for a Dog	Martin	In parallel stories, Bone, an orphaned <b>dog</b> , finds and loses a series of homes, Molly, a family pet, helps Charlie through the grief and other after-effects of his brother's death, and lonely Henry pleads for a dog of his own.
Gentle Ben	Morey	Traces the friendship between a boy and a <b>bear</b> in the rugged Alaskan Territory.
The Boy Who Spoke Dog	Morgan	After being marooned on an island near New Zealand, Jack, an orphaned cabin boy from San Francisco, becomes allied with a group of <b>dogs</b> who protect the local sheep from wild dogs.
War horse	Morpurgo	Joey the <b>horse</b> recalls his experiences growing up on an English farm, his struggle for survival as a cavalry horse during World War I, and his reunion with his beloved master.

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Butterfly Lion	Morpurgo	Trying to run away from boarding school in England, a boy encounters an old woman who tells him the story of Bertie and his beautiful white <b>lion</b> .
Born to Run	Morpurgo	A bittersweet tale of a champion <b>greyhound</b> 's journey through life, from owner to owner.
Owls in the Family	Mowat	The story of two <b>owls</b> which join a Canadian family, and shake up everyone they meet thereafter.
The Dog Who Wouldn't Be	Mowat	The story of Mutt, a <b>dog</b> from the Canadian prairies, who among other things climbed trees and ladders.
My Chimp Friday	Mundis	When an old friend of her father's drops off an unusually intelligent <b>chimpanzee</b> at their apartment in the middle of the night with strict orders to keep the chimp a secret, twelve-year-old Rachel wants to know what the big mystery is all about.
Dear Hound	Murphy	When Alfie, a timid deerhound <b>puppy</b> , gets lost in the woods, he will do almost anything—including befriending a pair of <b>foxes</b> --to find his way home to his beloved boy, Charlie, who refuses to believe Alfie is gone for good.
Spotting the Leopard	Myers	Set in Oklahoma City in the late 1930s, H. J. Harper is intent on finding a way to help his older sister study to become a veterinarian and on tracking down a <b>leopard</b> that has escaped from the zoo.
Shiloh (& sequels)	Naylor	When he finds a lost <b>beagle</b> in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to shoot deer out of season and to mistreat his dogs.
Black Star, Bright Dream	O'Dell	Bright Dawn must face the challenge of the Iditarod <b>dog</b> sled race alone when her father is injured.
How to Steal a Dog	O'Connor	Living in the family car after their father leaves them virtually penniless, Georgina persuades her younger brother to help her in an elaborate scheme to get money by stealing a <b>dog</b> and then claiming the reward.
Silverwing	Oppel	When a newborn bat named Shade but sometimes called "Runt" becomes separated from his colony during migration, he grows in ways that prepare him for even greater journeys.
Hooper Finds a Family	Paley	Jimmy, a yellow <b>Labrador puppy</b> , is separated from his Lake Charles, Louisiana, family and survives the horrors of Hurricane Katrina on his own before being rescued and taken to New York City, where he tries to fit in with a new family and the many neighborhood dogs, and accept his new name.
Field of the Dogs	Paterson	Josh, who has just moved to Vermont with his mother, stepfather, and new baby brother, must deal with the bullying of a neighbor boy and discovers that his <b>dog</b> , whom he hears talking with other dogs, is also facing a bully of his own.
Tiger Boy	Perkins	A <b>tiger cub</b> has escaped from a reserve in the Sunderbans in West Bengal, India, and Neel, a poor boy from the islands, is determined to find her in order to save her from being captured and sold on the black market by Mr. Gupta and his men.
Where the Red Fern Grows	Rawls	A young boy living in the Ozarks achieves his heart's desire when he becomes the owner of two redbone hounds [ <b>dogs</b> ] and teaches them to be champion hunters
I, Freddy	Reiche	Freddy, a remarkably intelligent golden <b>hamster</b> , learns how to read and how to write on a computer and escapes captivity to become an independent and civilized creature.

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Ottoline and the Yellow Cat	Riddell	Ottoline and Mr. Munroe investigate a string of burglaries and the disappearance of several <b>lapdogs</b> .
Bambi	Salten	Describes the life of a deer in the forest as he grows into a beautiful stag.
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Gully's Travels	Seidler	A well-bred Lhasa Apso named Gulliver is forced to leave his master and finds a new one named Carlos, the doorman of a Manhattan apartment building, who takes the <b>dog</b> to his place in Queens, where Gully meets low-life mutts and boisterous humans.
The Cricket in Times Square	Seldon	A <b>cricket</b> from Connecticut finds himself in a New York subway station, where he meets a boy, a <b>mouse</b> and a <b>cat</b> .
Smells Like a Dog	Selfors	When farm boy Homer Pudding's explorer-uncle dies and leaves him a droopy <b>dog</b> with a mysterious coin hidden on its collar, it leads him to The City, where they meet Madame La Directeur, the conniving head of the Natural History Museum, who is trying to steal the coin and take Homer's place in a secret society of adventurers.
The Story of a Seagull and the Cat Who Taught Her to Fly	Sepulveda	A <b>seagull</b> , dying from the effects of an oil spill, entrusts her egg to Zorba the cat, who promises to care for it until her chick hatches, then teaches the chick to fly.
Bartebly of the Mighty Mississippi	Shalant	After being abandoned in a pond, Bartleby, a <b>pet turtle</b> , meets many other creatures, learns to survive in the wild, and decides to go in search of his birthplace.
Beryl Goes Wild	Simmons	In parallel stories, Bone, an orphaned <b>dog</b> , finds and loses a series of homes, Molly, a family pet, helps Charlie through the grief and other after-effects of his brother's death, and lonely Henry pleads for a dog of his own.
The Hundred and One Dalmatians	Smith	Based on the Disney movie, this is the novelization of how one wicked woman tried to kidnap and kill 99 puppies for coats and how two other <b>dalmatians</b> rescued them.
The Green Dog	Staples	During the summer before fifth grade, Suzanne, a daydreaming loner who likes to fish and walk through the woods, acquires a <b>dog</b> as a companion. Based on the author's childhood in northeastern Pennsylvania.
Young Fredle	Voight	Fredle, a young <b>mouse</b> cast out of his home, faces dangers and predators outside, makes some important discoveries and allies, and learns the meaning of freedom as he struggles to return home.
Pick of the Litter	Wallace	Twelve-year-old Tom learns first-hand about honor, first when he is wrongly accused of lying at school, then when he faces the risk of losing a <b>puppy</b> he has come to love while helping his grandfather train hunting dogs.
No Dogs Allowed	Wallace	Twelve-year-old Kristina, still struggling to come to terms with the death of her beloved horse, finds it difficult to accept the new <b>dog</b> she receives for her birthday.
Stuart Little	White	The adventures of the debonair <b>mouse</b> , Stuart Little, as he sets out in the world to seek out his dearest friend, a little bird who stayed a few days in his family's garden.
Trumpet of the Swan	White	Knowing how to read and write is not enough for Louis, a voiceless Trumpeter <b>Swan</b> ; his determination to learn to play a stolen trumpet takes him far from his wilderness home.
Ragtag	Wolf-Morgenlander	A young swallow leads a band of <b>birds</b> against an empire of raptors that has invaded Boston.