



Read a book about a real animal

- **Ages 0-6**

- *Saving Fiona: The Story of the World's Most Famous Hippo* Thane Maynard
- *And Tango Makes Three* Justin Richardson
- *Clara* Emily Arnold McCully
- *Kitten and the Night Watchman* John Sullivan and Taeun Yoo
- *Parrot Genius! And more true stories of amazing animal talents* Moira Rose Donohue

- **Ages 7-12**

- *Finding Gobi: The True Story of One Little Dog's Big Journey* Dion Leonard
- *A Boy and a Jaguar* Alan Rabinowitz
- *Backyard Bears* Amy Cherrix
- *Misty the Abandoned Kitten* Holly Webb and Sophy Williams
- *Celia the Tiger* Daniela de Luca

- **Ages 13-17**

- *Winterdance: The Fine Madness of Running the Iditarod* Gary Paulsen
- *When Elephants Fly* Nancy Richardwon Fischer
- *Buzz* Thor Hanson
- *Woolly* Ben Mezrich
- *Spying on Wales* Nick Pyenson

- **Adult**

- *The Wisdom of Wolves: Lessons from the Sawtooth Pack* Jim Dutcher
- *Return of the Sea Otter: the story of the animal that evaded extinction on the Pacific Coast* Todd McLeish
- *Merle's Door: Lessons from a Freethinking Dog* Ted Kerasote
- *The Art of Racing in the Rain* Garth Stein
- *Mercy for Animals* Nathan Runkle
- *Call of the Cats: what I learned about love and life from a feral colony* Andrew Bloomfield
- *The Elephant Whisperer: My Life with the Herd in the African Wild* Lawrence Anthony and Graham Spence

Read a book with talking animals

- **Ages 0-6**

- *Hello Hello* Brendan Wenzel
- *Zen Shorts* John Muth
- *Bark, George!* Jules Feiffer
- *The Crocodile and the Dentist* Taro Gomi
- *Elephant & Piggie* Mo Willems

- *Cinnamon* Neil Gaiman
- *Animal Talk: Mexican folk art animal sounds in English and Spanish* Cynthia Weill
- **Ages 7-12**
 - *Dominic* William Steig
 - *Redwall* Brian Jacques
 - *The Wind in the Willows* Kenneth Graham
 - *Masterpiece* Elise Broach
 - *Charlotte's Web* E.B. White
 - *Wildwood* Colin Meloy
- **Ages 13-17**
 - *Echo North* Joanna Ruth Meyer
 - *Watership Down* Richard Adams
 - *The Hazel Wood* Melissa Albert
 - *Koko Love! Conversations with a Signing Gorilla* Francine Patterson
 - *Goose Girl* Shannon Hale
 - *The Survivors Series* Erin Hunter
 - *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH* Robert C. O'Brien
- **Adult**
 - *Fox 8* George Saunders
 - *Memoirs of a Polar Bear* Yōko Tawada
 - *Lily and the Octopus* Steven Rowley
 - *The Education of Koko* Francine Patterson
 - *Animal Farm* George Orwell
 - *Marley & Me: Life and Love with the World's Worst Dog* John Grogan
 - *Dewey: The Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World* Vicki Myron

Check out a book about an animal that you know nothing about

- **Ages 0-6**
 - *Never Poke a Squid* Denys Cazet
 - *Salamander Sky* Katy Farber
 - *Giraffe Problems* Jory John
 - *The Strangest Animals in the World* Tammy Gagne
 - *Big Night for Salamanders* Sarah Marwil Lamstein and Carol Benioff
- **Ages 7-12**
 - *Shark Lady: True Adventures of Eugenie Clark* Ann McGovern
 - *An Anthology of Intriguing Animals* Ben Hoare
 - *A Crazy Day with Cobras* Mary Pope Osborne
 - *The Skydiving Beavers: A True Tale* Susan Wood
 - *Hawk Mother: The Story of a Red-tailed Hawk Who Hatched Chickens* Kara Hagedorn
 - *What on Earth is a Quokka?* Jenny E Tesar
 - *Quentin Quokka's Quick Questions* Barbara deRubertis
- **Ages 13-17**

- *The Book of Barely Imagined Beings: a 21st Century Bestiary* Caspar Henderson
- *The Princess and the Bear* Mette Ivie Harrison
- *Beastly Brains* Nancy Castaldo
- *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* JK Rowling
- *Honey Bees: letters from the hive* Stephen Buchmann
- **Adult**
 - *The Soul of An Octopus: A Surprising Exploration into the Wonder of Consciousness* Sy Montgomery
 - *American Wolf* Nate Blakeslee
 - *Buzz* Thor Hanson
 - *Woolly* Ben Mezrich
 - *Alex and Me* Irene Pepperberg

Read a graphic novel with animals as characters

- **Ages 0-6**
 - *CatStronauts: Mission Moon* Drew Brockington
 - *Hotel Strange* Katherine Ferrier and Florian Ferrier
 - *The Unkindness of Ravens* J. Torres
 - *Geronimo Stilton* Elisabetta Dami
 - *The Great Pet Escape* Victoria Jamieson
- **Ages 7-12**
 - *One Trick Pony* Nathan Hale
 - *Chi's Sweet Home* Kanata Konami
 - *The Bad Guys* Aaron Blabey
 - *Mr. Wolf's Class* Aron Nels Steinke
 - *Fish Girl* David Wiesner
- **Ages 13-17**
 - *Spacebat Vol. 1* Chris Sheridan
 - *Maus* Art Spiegelman
 - *Animosity* David Lindsey
 - *The Unbeatable Squirrel Girl* Ryan North
 - *Conspiracy of Ravens* Leah Moore
- **Adult**
 - *Legend* Samuel Sattin
 - *Wild's End* Dan Abnett
 - *Ether* Matt Kindt
 - *We3* Grant Morrison
 - *Pride of Baghdad* Brian Vaughan
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Read a classic animal story

- **Ages 0-6**
 - *There Is a Bird on Your Head!* Mo Willems

- *The Story of Ferdinand* Munro Leaf
- *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* Eric Carle
- *Little Red Hen*
- *Crysanthemum* Kevin Henkes
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- **Ages 7-12**
 - *Where the Red Fern Grows* Wilson Rawls
 - *Charlotte's Web* E.B. White
 - *Shiloh* Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
 - *One and Only Ivan* K.A. Applegate
 - *Stuart Little* E.B. White
 - *Does It Fart?: The Definitive Field Guide to Animal Flatulence* Dani Rabaiotti and Nick Caruso.
 - *The Incredible Journey* Sheila Burnford
 - *Old Yeller* Fred Gipson
- **Ages 13-17**
 - *White Fang* Jack London
 - *Island of the Blue Dolphins* Scott O'Dell
 - *Redwall* series Brian Jacques
 - *Black Beauty* Anna Sewell
 - *Hoot* Carl Hiaasen
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- **Adult**
 - *All Creatures Great and Small* James Herriot
 - *The Good Good Pig: the extraordinary life of Christopher Hogwood* Sy Montgomery
 - *Watership Down* Richard Adams
 - *Secret Life of Bees* Sue Monk Kidd
 - *The Art of Racing in the Rain* Garth Stein