

Recommended Reading List

Middle School Students



Angels For Animals

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Animal Shelters

[Second Chances: Inspiring Stories of Dog Adoption](#) by Joan Banks
[The Chosen Puppy: How to Raise a Great Puppy from an Animal Shelter](#) by Carol Benjamin
[Shelter Cats](#) by Karen Commings
[Shelter Dogs: Amazing Stories of Adopted Strays](#) by Peg Kehret
[A Rare Breed of Love](#) Jana Kohl
[One at a Time: A Week in an American Animal Shelter](#) by Diane Leigh and Marilee Geyer
[Shelter Dogs](#) by Traer Scott
[The Cats of Kittyville: New Loves for Rescued Felines](#) by Bob Somerville
[Dogtown: A Sanctuary for Rescued Dogs](#) by Bob Somerville
[Claude and Medea: The Hellburn Dogs](#) by Zoe Weil

Inspirational Companion Animal Stories

[Because of Winn-Dixie](#) by Kate DiCamillo
[The Carved Box](#) by Gillian Chan
[Second Chance: How Adoption Saved a Boy with Autism and His Shelter Dog](#) by Sandra J. Gerencher
[The Dog Who Rescues Cats: The True Story of Ginny](#) by Philip Gonzales
[Star in the Storm](#) by Joan Hiatt Harlow
[Thunder by the Sea](#) by Joan Hiatt Harlow
[The Wreck of the Ethie](#) by Hilary Hyland
[Champ](#) by Marcia Thornton Jones
[Straydog](#) by Kathe Koja
[My Life in Dog Years](#) by Gary Paulsen

Stray and Abandoned Companion Animals

[A Dog's Life: Autobiography of a Stray](#) by Ann Martin
[Everything for a Dog](#) by Ann Martin
[Dewey: The Small-town Library Cat Who Touched the World](#) by Vicki Myron
[Word: A Real Dog Locked in a Shelter Cage for Eight Years Until...](#) by Florence Petheram
[A Cat Named Squeeky](#) by Vic Reskovic
[Listen](#) by Stephanie S. Tolan

Abused and Neglected Companion Animals

[Puddles on the Floor](#) by Lorena Eslep

[Belle's Star](#) by Connie Gotsch

[Freckles: The Mystery of the Little White Dog in the Desert](#) by Paul M. Howey

[Shiloh](#) by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

[Saving Shiloh](#) by Phyllis Naylor Reynolds

[Shiloh's Season](#) by Phyllis Naylor Reynolds

[Beautiful Joe a Dog's Own Story](#) by Marshall Saunders

Pet Care and Training Companion Animals

[Whole Health for Happy Cats: A Guide to Keeping Your Cat Naturally Healthy, Happy, and Well-Fed](#) by Sandy Arora

[ER Vets: Life in the Animal Emergency Room](#) by Donna M. Jackson

[A Kid's Guide to Protecting and Caring for Animals](#) by Cathryn Berger Kaye

[Second Chance: A Tale of Two Puppies](#) by Judy Masrud

[How to Raise the Perfect Dog: Through Puppyhood and Beyond](#) by Cesar Milan

[Good Dog: Kids Teach Kids about Dog Behavior and Training](#) by Evelyn Pang

Service Animals/Animals of War

[Combat Wounded Dogs \(Dog Heroes\)](#) by Sunita Apte

[Working Like Dogs: The Service Dog Guidebook](#) by Marcie Davis

[Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine, and a Miracle](#) by Brian Dennis, Mary Nethery, Kirby Larson

[From Baghdad with Love: A Marine, the War and a Dog named Lava](#) by Jay Kopelman

[Right Dog for the Job: Ira's Path from Service to Guide Dog](#) by Dorothy Hinshaw Patent

[Military Dogs \(Dog Heroes\)](#) by Frances E. Ruffin

Loss of a Companion Animal

[The Legend of the Rainbow Bridge](#) by William N. Britten

[Forever Dog](#) by Bill Cochran

[For Every Cat an Angel](#) by Christine Davis

[For Every Dog an Angel](#) by Christine Davis

[Dog Heaven](#) by Cynthia Rylant

[Cat Heaven](#) by Cynthia Rylant

[It's Okay to Cry](#) by Maria Luz Quintana

[I'll Always Love You](#) by Hans Wilhelm