

## PET CARE AND SAFETY

Caring for a pet is a big job! These books will help children to understand how to properly care for animals as well as how to make sure they handle and play with animals safely.

BOOK TITLE	AUTHOR	GRADE LEVEL(S)
Are You Ready For Me?	Claire Buchwald	K - 3
Go Home! The True Story of James the Cat	Libby Phillips Meggs	2 - 4
It's Raining Cats and Cats!	Jeanne Prevost	3 - 5
Oh, the Pets You Can Get!	Tish Rabe	K - 3
Tails Are Not For Pulling	Elizabeth Verdick	K - 1
May I Pet Your Dog?	Stephanie Calmenson	K - 2
The ASPCA Complete Guide to Pet Care	David Carroll	6 and up
"The Trouble With Dogs..." Said Dad	Bob Graham	K - 3
"Let's Get a Pup!" Said Kate	Bob Graham	K - 3
A Home For Nathan	Finn Rizer	K - 3

## ANIMAL WELFARE ISSUES

These stories help children to understand the current issues that animals in our society are facing in a child-friendly way. Included are stories about dog fighting, puppy mills and animal neglect.

BOOK TITLE	AUTHOR	GRADE LEVEL(S)
The Tale of Pale Male: A True Story	Jeanette Winter	K - 4
Buddy Unchained	Daisy Bix	3 - 5
Oil Spill!	Melvin Berger	3 - 5
Before You Were Mine	Maribeth Boelts	K - 2
Saving Audie: A Pit Bull Gets a Second Chance	Dorothy Hinshaw Patent	2 - 8
How to Heal a Broken Wing	Bob Graham	K - 3
A Home For Dakota	Jan Zita Grover	K - 3

## PET LOSS

These stories will help younger children who are dealing with the loss of a pet. Though they are very heartwarming stories, they are also very real and emotional. Have a tissue ready!

BOOK TITLE	AUTHOR	GRADE LEVEL(S)
Saying Goodbye To Lulu	Corinne Demas	K - 3
I'll Always Love You	Hans Wilhelm	K - 3
The Legend of the Rainbow Bridge	William N. Britton	3 - 6
For Every Cat An Angel	Christine Davis	3 - 6
The Tenth Good Thing About Barney	Judith Viorst	K - 3
Dog Heaven	Cynthia Rylant	K - 3
Cat Heaven	Cynthia Rylant	K - 3
Cold Noses at the Pearly Gates	Gary Kurz	9 - adult

## STORIES OF ANIMAL COMPASSION

These touching stories of animal compassion help children to realize that animals form bonds with other animals just like humans do! These heroic tales offer insight into the emotional lives of animals.

BOOK TITLE	AUTHOR	GRADE LEVEL(S)
Fluffy and Baron	Laura Rankin	K - 2
The Two Bobbies	Kirby Larson and Mary Nethery	K - 4
Tarra and Bella	Carol Buckley	K - 3
Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine and a Miracle	Brian Dennis	2 - 5
Owen and Mzee: The True Story of a Remarkable Friendship	Isabella Hatkoff	K - 5
Molly the Pony: A True Story	Pam Kaster	K - 3
Random Acts of Kindness by Animals	Stephanie LaLand	5 - 12
My Dog Changed My Life: No Bones About It	H. Norman Wright	5 - 8
Animal Angels	Stephanie LaLand	5 - 12
Friends: True Stories of Animal Companionship	Catherine Thimmesh	K - 3