

Books about Animals and Animal Rescue

1. Christian the Lion (several versions of it)...the adopted lion who is released; nonfiction
2. Tarra and Bella...an elephant and dog become friends (true story at the Elephant Sanctuary in TN; Bella the dog recently died); nonfiction
3. Hoot...a boy protecting a ground burrowing owl; fiction
4. Because of Winn Dixie...movie based on this book; girl who rescues a dog and deals with mother leaving; fiction
5. Knut: How One Little Polar Bear Captured the World...picture book about raising a baby polar bear (Knut recently died); nonfiction
6. Koko's Kitten...a gorilla who communicates with sign language; adopts a pet kitten; nonfiction
7. Shiloh...a boy rescues a dog from an abusive owner; fiction
8. Friends: True Stories of Extraordinary Animal Friendships...as per title; nonfiction
9. Owen and Mzee...a baby hippo who is separated from family in a flood and "adopts" a tortoise as its mama...nonfiction
10. Suryia and Roscoe...an orangutan and dog friends...nonfiction
11. Two Bobbies...a dog and cat rescued after Katrina; surprise ending!; nonfiction
12. any of the Bad Kitty books...picture and chapter...easy reads but funny fiction



13. Stone Fox...boy and his dog in a sled race...very sad and inspiring chapter book...fiction
14. Winter's Tail...a dolphin with a prosthetic tail; nonfiction
15. The Music of Dolphins...a girl is raised by dolphins and learns to live with humans; fiction
16. Rescue Ink...a group of tattooed tough guys involved in animal rescue; nonfiction/mature
17. A Dog's Purpose...a dog reincarnates through several lives; fiction; mature (get your handkerchief)
18. Best Friends: The True Story of the World's Most Beloved Animal Sanctuary...how Best Friends Ranch was established; nonfiction
19. Tales from a Dog Catcher...true stories by a dogcatcher in a small town; nonfiction/mature
20. Bad Dog (A Love Story)...a man's recovery journey with his dog; nonfiction/mature
21. A Dog's Life...a dog in Provence, France tells his life story; fiction/mature (witty)
22. Tell Me Where It Hurts...biography of a vet; nonfiction
23. Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine, and a Miracle...a soldier gets attached to a dog and arranges to bring the dog to the U.S.; nonfiction picture book

