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A revised edition of the best-selling reference on canine psychology incorporates the latest scientific findings and interviews with top breeders and trainers to enable dog lovers to evaluate a pet's intelligence, read dog body language, and adapt a training program suited to an animal's specific needs. By the author of *How Dogs Think*. Original. 10,000 first printing. Learn to communicate with your dog—using their language “Good reading for dog lovers and an immensely useful manual for dog owners.”—*The Washington Post* An Applied Animal Behaviorist and dog trainer with more than twenty years' experience, Dr. Patricia McConnell reveals a revolutionary new perspective on our relationship with dogs—sharing insights on how “man's best friend” might interpret our behavior, as well as essential advice on how to interact with our four-legged friends in ways that bring out the best in them. After all, humans and dogs are two entirely different species, each shaped by its individual evolutionary heritage. Quite simply, humans are primates and dogs are canids (as are wolves, coyotes, and foxes). Since we each speak a different native tongue, a lot gets lost in the translation. This marvelous guide demonstrates how even the slightest changes in our voices and in the ways we stand can help dogs understand what we want. Inside you will discover:

- How you can get your dog to come when called by acting less like a primate and more like a dog
- Why the advice to “get dominance” over your dog can cause problems
- Why “rough and tumble primate play” can lead to trouble—and how to play with your dog in ways that are fun and keep him out of mischief
- How dogs and humans share personality types—and why most dogs want to live with benevolent leaders rather than “alpha wanna-bes!”

Fascinating, insightful, and compelling,

The Other End of the Leash is a book that strives to help you connect with your dog in a completely new way—so as to enrich that most rewarding of relationships.

THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER 'A remarkable autobiography' Andrew Billen, The Times 'You're struck by his raw honesty in tackling big issues head-on' Tom Bryant, Daily Mirror 'So full of heart' Davina McCall 'I was riveted by it in a heartbreaking way . . . you will be gripped' Ranvir Singh, Lorraine 'So moving . . . it's a beautiful book' Zoe Ball 'Commendable honesty . . . a poignant book about the search for belonging' Daily Express 'Remarkable . . . contains a lesson for all of us and delivers a resounding message of hope and of love' James O'Brien

***** The brave and moving memoir by Long Lost Family presenter and Radio 5 breakfast show host Nicky Campbell reveals how the simple unconditional love of Maxwell, his Labrador, turned his life around and helped him come to terms with his difficult journey as an adopted child. Raw, honest and courageous in One of the Family, Nicky opens up about how being adopted has made him always feel like an outsider; the guilt he has carried towards his Mum and Dad for needing to trace his birth mother, and the crushing disappointment he felt when he finally met her. And for the first time, he writes about his emotional breakdown and how he has learned to live with a late diagnosis of bipolar. Through it all his passion for dogs and animals has been a lifeline. It is Maxwell's magic, a lesson from a Labrador in simple unconditional friendship, that has allowed him to see all the good in his life: from the security and safety of his childhood home, the love of his wife and four daughters and above all, to better understand the decisions taken by his birth mother to give him up for adoption.

Pippa Mattinson, dog-training specialist, tells you everything you need to know about training and caring for your new puppy. From preparing the house and garden before the puppy

arrives, to introducing your new friend to all the family (including children and other animals), and solving problems like crying, night waking, feeding, upset stomachs, biting, chewing and jumping up, this book is packed with all you need to know as a puppy owner.

Marshall, Skye, Rubble, and the rest of the pups are coming to the big screen in PAW Patrol: The Movie, an all-new theatrical event. Can Ryder and his heroic team save Adventure City from the meddling Mayor Humdinger in their greatest rescue ever? Children ages 2 to 7 who love PAW Patrol will love this all-new, full-color storybook retelling of the film! This Nickelodeon read-along contains audio narration.

Being a dad in the 21st century is different than in the past. More is expected of dads. We need to be present physically, emotionally, financially and spiritually."--David Hirsch
For David Hirsch, the Dads Honor Ride was a daunting 2,300+ mile, 21-day journey to honor dads and raise awareness for the importance of fathers and father figures. With an estimated 24 million kids growing up without their dad in the home, the ripple effect is a higher incidence of drug and alcohol abuse, incarceration and crime, depression, and suicide. The cycle of father absence is devastating the lives of countless youth, crushing families, and crippling communities. With passion, discipline, and courage David takes us along on the Dads Honor Ride journey from Santa Monica to Chicago. He shares personal reflections about overcoming fear, his struggles to find his identity, forgive his own absent father, and break his family's cycle of father absence. More actuary than athlete, David pushed himself past his own limits, crossing paths with sages, saints, and veterans, as well as dads of different backgrounds. Along the way, he discovered that the journey of fatherhood is filled with potholes, flat tires, wrong turns, and closed roads that all contain valuable lessons. Hoping to shed light on the

dark statistics that are the children of absent fathers, David has become a formidable voice for 21st Century Dads.

... As urban areas encroach on kangaroo habitat, people regularly come into contact with them. Kangaroos are mostly docile, but can be unpredictable when they feel threatened. This brochure explains ways in which people can avoid conflict with kangaroos and injury, through learning more about their habitat needs and understanding their behaviour."--p. [1].

"Each year, the Academy's Department of History selects a leading military historian to present the Harmon Memorial Lecture to all cadets enrolled in the military history courses offered that term. For many years, these lectures were printed and disseminated individually across the Academy, the Air Force, and throughout academia. In 1988, Lt. Col Harry Borowski, then a faculty member in the Department of History, edited a volume containing the first 30 years of Harmon Lectures. This volume picks up where Lt Col Borowski left off, presenting the next 30 years of Harmon Lectures for the benefit of cadets, faculty and staff, the Air Force, scholars throughout academia, and all persons interested in military history throughout the world. Each of these volumes includes the work and wisdom of the finest military historians of their eras; the contributors represent a veritable Hall of Fame of military historians from 1959 to 2017"-- Little Bilby has had some rough days in her life of 10 years. One day she is found wandering on the streets with no place to call home. Follow along this joyful dog on her journey as she finds her forever family and her "happily ever after".

The True Story of an Extraordinary Journey from the Bronx to the Helm of the \$5 Billion Helmsley Charitable Trust, Doling Out Unimaginable Amounts of Money for the Good of the World. The Author met his client in the prison's visitors' room: he, the lawyer, and she, his

client, now being patted down by a guard following the first night of a four-year sentence. Identified here by an inmate number, she was known worldwide: the notorious Leona Helmsley, owner of a gargantuan real estate portfolio; the woman who had reputedly scoffed “Only the little people pay taxes”; the “queen of mean” whom Newsweek described as “rhymes with rich.” Wolfing down popcorn the author bought her from the prison vending machine, she was one of the most maligned people on the planet. What he saw, though, was a frightened 71-year-old inmate, alone and in need of something altogether absent from her life: someone she could trust. In her eyes, he was perhaps the closest thing. Two years earlier, he had joined her legal team following her conviction for tax crimes. Just two days before, in her sumptuous Manhattan penthouse, she ferociously fired one lawyer while the others quit. He was the last man standing. In time, he became not just her go-to lawyer but her consigliere. He now had to deal with the countless people trying to dip a pinky or a shovel into her fortune. She also presented him with a host of personal issues. Ultimately, she named him as one of her executors, charged with overseeing and liquidating her multi-billion dollar estate, and also one of the trustees of a charitable trust she would fund “to improve lives...around the world.” That is how, on Leona Helmsley’s death in 2007, the author became a steward of her \$5 billion fortune, which he and his co-trustees were duty-bound to give away to causes and recipients they alone would determine. Little in his life had prepared him for such a role. He grew up in a lower middle-class section of the Bronx, wound up at Harvard Law School, and built a successful career as a trial lawyer, representing some of the rich and famous and some ordinary folks. But overseeing perhaps the largest private real estate empire in the country, selling all those properties and the assorted bonds, diamonds, and other playthings of the rich,

and choosing the goals of a vast charitable trust funded with those sales' proceeds, was something else altogether. He tasted the nectar of instant popularity, and became incontrovertible proof that when you control billions of dollars, you become wittier, funnier, far more profound than you've ever been, and always worth listening to. Friends, pseudo-friends, former friends, would-be friends, quasi friends, friends of friends—everyone comes knocking. The Accidental Philanthropist tells how all this happened.

I wonder if the first day of Learning is always like this - do the girls on the hill always feel the ground tremble under their feet? Leira is about to start her initiation as a priestess when her world is turned upside down. A violent earthquake leaves her home - and her family - in pieces. And the goddess hasn't finished with the island yet. With her family, Leira flees across the sea to Crete, expecting sanctuary. But a volcanic eruption throws the entire world into darkness. After the resulting tsunami, society descends into chaos; the status and privilege of being noble-born reduced to nothing. With her injured mother and elderly nurse, Leira has only the strength and resourcefulness within herself to find safety. A thrilling Bronze Age survival story from the acclaimed author of Dragonfly Song.

Cesar Millan—nationally recognized dog expert—helps you see the world through the eyes of your dog so you can finally eliminate problem behaviors. From his appearances on The Oprah Winfrey Show to his roster of celebrity clients to his reality television series, Cesar Millan is America's most sought-after dog-behavior expert. But Cesar is not a trainer in the traditional sense—his expertise lies in his unique ability to comprehend dog psychology. Tracing his own amazing journey from a clay-walled farm in Mexico to the celebrity palaces of Los Angeles, Cesar recounts how he learned what makes dogs tick. In Cesar's Way, he shares this

wisdom, laying the groundwork for you to have stronger, more satisfying relationships with your canine companions. Cesar's formula for a contented and balanced dog seems impossibly simple: exercise, discipline, and affection, in that order. Taking readers through the basics of dog psychology and behavior, Cesar shares the inside details of some of his most fascinating cases, using them to illustrate how common behavior issues develop and, more important, how they can be corrected. You'll learn:

- What your dog really needs may not be what you're giving him
- Why a dog's natural pack instincts are the key to your happy relationship
- How to relate to your dog on a canine level
- There are no "problem breeds," just problem owners
- How to choose a dog who's right for you and your family
- The difference between discipline and punishment
- And much more!

Filled with fascinating anecdotes about Cesar's longtime clients, and including forewords by the president of the International Association of Canine Professionals and Jada Pinkett Smith, this is the only book you'll need to forge a stronger, more rewarding connection with your four-legged companion.

Six tail-wagging, melt-your-heart stories of loyal, lost, playful and cuddly pets from the author of *Nim's Island*. At the end of a narrow street is a little blue house with a rainbow painted over a cherry-red door. It's the Rainbow Street Animal Shelter, and it is the best place for lost animals, and the best place to find a pet. Meet Bear, the border collie who goes home to the wrong house in the wrong car! And Nelly, the stumpy-tail dog who helps children learn to read. Buster the growly marmalade cat turns out to be a hero, and Pebbles the pony is stolen away and lost in the bush. Bella the runaway beagle might be clever enough to be a sniffer dog... but who would have a lion cub as a pet? Six adorable stories about animals you'll love, and the children who love them.

INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER An incredible, revolutionary true story and surprisingly simple guide to teaching your dog to talk from speech-language pathologist Christina Hunger, who has taught her dog, Stella, to communicate using simple paw-sized buttons associated with different words. When speech-language pathologist Christina Hunger first came home with her puppy, Stella, it didn't take long for her to start drawing connections between her job and her new pet. During the day, she worked with toddlers with significant delays in language development and used Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) devices to help them communicate. At night, she wondered: If dogs can understand words we say to them, shouldn't they be able to say words to us? Can dogs use AAC to communicate with humans? Christina decided to put her theory to the test with Stella and started using a paw-sized button programmed with her voice to say the word "outside" when clicked, whenever she took Stella out of the house. A few years later, Stella now has a bank of more than thirty word buttons, and uses them daily either individually or together to create near-complete sentences. *How Stella Learned to Talk* is part memoir and part how-to guide. It chronicles the journey Christina and Stella have taken together, from the day they met, to the day Stella "spoke" her first word, and the other breakthroughs they've had since. It also reveals the techniques Christina used to teach Stella, broken down into simple stages and actionable steps any dog owner can use to start communicating with their pets. Filled with conversations that Stella and Christina have had, as well as the attention to developmental detail that only a speech-language pathologist could know, *How Stella Learned to Talk* will be the indispensable dog book for the new decade.

From the global authority in record-breaking comes the 11th edition of the world's best-selling

videogames annual. Packed with the latest records, coolest stars and the biggest games, the Guinness World Records Gamer's Edition is the go-to bible for every gaming fan. Just ask the five million readers who've made it an international sensation! Inside you'll find amazing stats, thrilling facts, inspirational tales, lightning-quick speed-runs and dazzling photos. Read about the records behind your favorite games including Mario, Overwatch, FIFA, WWE and Rocket League, plus recap on a year of crazy Pokémon GO stories. Go behind the scenes of the world's longest-running eSports organizer. Spook yourself silly with real-life videogame mysteries. Check out the fastest videogame completions. And gaze in envy at the world's largest Zelda and Tomb Raider collections! You'll also meet gaming heroes such as the world's oldest games YouTuber at 81, a man with a real-life cyborg arm that was inspired by Deus Ex, and the kingpin of eSports fighting games. But the videogame stars don't get much bigger than DanTDM, whose Minecraft channel has been watched nearly 10 billion times! So we're thrilled he's written a special intro just for the Guinness World Records Gamer's Edition. Speaking of heroes...grab your cape and turn to this year's special chapter featuring superhero games. It's hard to believe it's been nearly 40 years since Superman first exploded onto our consoles! So, we're celebrating with your favorite costumed crime-battlers. From Spider-Man's web-crawling to Batman's gadgetry, they're just as powerful in pixels as they are in the movies. So, whether you want to know who scored the fastest goal in FIFA or achieved the fastest speed-run of Final Fantasy XV, or just want to see the world's biggest Game Boy, this is the book for you!

This book offers a practical and intuitive approach for creating a loving bond between your dog and your new baby. Dr Kirkham has packed this book full of information, helpful tips and the

latest behavioural knowledge. It is a must read for any dog owning family who is expecting a baby - your dog's and baby's future relationship may just depend on it.

Australian bestselling novelist Karen Brooks rewrites women back into history with this breathtaking novel set in 17th century London—a lush, fascinating story of the beautiful woman who is drawn into a world of riches, power, intrigue...and chocolate. Damnation has never been so sweet... Rosamund Tomkins, the illegitimate daughter of a nobleman, spends most of her young life in drudgery at a country inn. To her, the Restoration under Charles II, is but a distant threat as she works under the watchful eye of her brutal, abusive stepfather . . . until the day she is nearly run over by the coach of Sir Everard Blithman. Sir Everard, a canny merchant, offers Rosamund an “opportunity like no other,” allowing her to escape into a very different life, becoming the linchpin that will drive the success of his fledgling business: a luxurious London chocolate house where wealthy and well-connected men come to see and be seen, to gossip and plot, while indulging in the sweet and heady drink. Rosamund adapts and thrives in her new surroundings, quickly becoming the most talked-about woman in society, desired and respected in equal measure. But Sir Everard’s plans for Rosamund and the chocolate house involve family secrets that span the Atlantic Ocean, and which have already brought death and dishonor to the Blithman name. Rosamund

knows nothing of the mortal peril that comes with her new title, nor of the forces spinning a web of conspiracy buried in the past, until she meets a man whose return tightens their grip upon her, threatening to destroy everything she loves and damn her to a dire fate. As she fights for her life and those she loves through the ravages of the Plague and London's Great Fire, Rosamund's breathtaking tale is one marked by cruelty and revenge; passion and redemption—and the sinfully sweet temptation of chocolate.

"The best book I read this decade." -Sharon Van Etten in Rolling Stone "Boy Swallows Universe hypnotizes you with wonder, and then hammers you with heartbreak. . . . Eli's remarkably poetic voice and his astonishingly open heart take the day. They enable him to carve out the best of what's possible from the worst of what is, which is the miracle that makes this novel marvelous."

-Washington Post A "thrilling" (New York Times Book Review) novel of love, crime, magic, fate and a boy's coming of age in 1980s Australia, named one of the best literary fiction titles of 2019 by Library Journal. Eli Bell's life is complicated. His father is lost, his mother is in jail, and his stepdad is a heroin dealer. The most steadfast adult in Eli's life is Slim—a notorious felon and national record-holder for successful prison escapes—who watches over Eli and August, his silent genius of an older brother. Exiled far from the rest of the world

in Darra, a neglected suburb populated by Polish and Vietnamese refugees, this twelve-year-old boy with an old soul and an adult mind is just trying to follow his heart, learn what it takes to be a good man, and train for a glamorous career in journalism. Life, however, insists on throwing obstacles in Eli's path—most notably Tytus Broz, Brisbane's legendary drug dealer. But the real trouble lies ahead. Eli is about to fall in love, face off against truly bad guys, and fight to save his mother from a certain doom—all before starting high school. A story of brotherhood, true love, family, and the most unlikely of friendships, *Boy Swallows Universe* is the tale of an adolescent boy on the cusp of discovering the man he will be. Powerful and kinetic, Trent Dalton's debut is sure to be one of the most heartbreaking, joyous and exhilarating novels you will experience.

Aggression is a subject that no dog owner wants to talk about, but one that many owners have to face. Statistics show that aggression is not only the most serious problem in dogs but also the top reason for owners to seek out professional help for their pets. Left unchecked, an aggressive dog can become a dangerous dog, and this informative volume comes to the aid of many heartbroken owners who feel that they have tried everything to correct their dogs' unpredictable and inappropriate behavior. Author and certified dog trainer Annie Phenix shares her belief that many reactive dogs can be rehabilitated with the right training, and she

offers her expertise in positive, force-free training methods to desperate owners who have resorted to extreme measures to keep their dogs away from other people and animals. Inside The Midnight Dog Walkers: Stories and practical examples from the author based on aggressive dogs she's trained and owned Behavioral warning signs that owners should recognize Definitions of different types of aggression and why they occur Tips on how to handle a potentially aggressive or aggressive dog The author's force-free training philosophy and how she applies it with her clients to effect positive changes Popular myths and misconceptions about training these "grumpy growlers"

Like many couples, Dick and Angel had long dreamed of living in France. But where others might settle for a modest bolthole in the French countryside, the Strawbridges fell in love with a 19th-century fairytale chateau, complete with 45 rooms, 7 outbuildings, 12 acres of land and its own moat. A year at the chateau follows their adventure from when they first moved to France in the depths of winter and found bedrooms infested with flies, turrets inhabited by bats, the wind rattling through cracked windows, and just one working toilet (which flushed into the moat), through to the monumental efforts that went into readying the chateau for their unforgettable wedding and their incredibly special first Christmas.

A girl. An iguana. An island. And e-mail. Meet Nim—a modern-day Robinson Crusoe! She can chop down bananas with a machete, climb tall palm trees, and start a fire with a piece of glass. So she's not afraid when her scientist dad sails off to study plankton for three days, leaving her alone on their island. Besides, it's not as if no one's looking after her—she's got a sea lion to mother her and an iguana for comic relief. She also has an interesting new e-mail pal. But when her father's cell-phone calls stop coming and disaster seems near, Nim has to be stronger and braver than she's ever been before. And she'll need all her friends to help her.

Whether you are interested in working dogs for a hobby, on the ranch, or for serious trial competition, Stockdog Savvy will be an invaluable aid. Beginning with chapters on herding dog characteristics, instinct, and choosing a herding dog, the Taylors explain how to prepare your puppy and do basic foundation training. The book progresses to starting the dog on stock and developing a useful working dog and ends with advanced lessons and preparing for the various types of competition. If you want to learn about working stockdogs, this is the book for you! Learn how to:

- Select, care for and train a working stock dog.
- Teach your dog to work cattle, sheep, goats, fowl or exotic livestock.
- Choose the right type or breed of livestock, care for and handle them correctly.
- Train a

dog for work on a ranch, the open range, or in the trial pen. • Recognize more than 60 different herding breeds and much, much more.

Make the most of every day with your dog using this fun collection of healthy recipes, easy DIYs, and Pinterest-worthy party plans that you and your pup can enjoy together. Our dogs are more of a part of our lives than ever, but it's still hard to find cute treats, toys, and accessories for them that you can make yourself. When Heather Hunt brought home her dachshund, Dave, she scoured the internet for all the info she could find about being a great dog owner. And although she found plenty of factual guides to being a good pup parent, she was shocked that the fun and silly parts of owning a dog were completely missing—how to create a comfortable Halloween costume without buying a sewing machine, how to bake a nutritious barkday cake, or how to host a party for other pup friends. Heather eventually launched TheDapple.com as a place to share great pet products and simple, creative activities for modern dog parents. In *Life's a Puppy Party*, Heather has created a handbook for having fun with your dog. Grouped by season, it features easy, cost-efficient, Instagrammable, and vet-approved recipes, crafts, and no-sew costume ideas to make your pup a part of every type of celebration. In this book, readers will learn how to: -Bake an easy "pupcake" -Upcycle a pair of old jeans into a cute bandana -Throw a backyard

puppy pool party -Turn a dog hoodie into a dinosaur Halloween costume -And make a dog toy advent calendar This is a perfect gift for any dog parent looking for more ways to celebrate their pooch while giving us all something to smile about.

In the middle ages, a poet told a story that mocked a strong woman. It became a literary classic. But what if the woman in question had a chance to tell her own version? Who would you believe? 'Brooks' mischievous retelling [of Chaucer's The Wife of Bath] dials up the feminist themes - and the fun - to 11.' The Canberra Times England, The Year of Our Lord, 1364 When married off aged 12 to an elderly farmer, Eleanor Cornfed, who's constantly told to seek redemption for her many sins, quickly realises it won't matter what she says or does, God is not on her side - or any poor woman's for that matter. But Eleanor was born under the joint signs of Venus and Mars. Both a lover and a fighter, she will not bow meekly to fate. Even if five marriages, several pilgrimages, many lovers, violence, mayhem and wildly divergent fortunes (that swoop up and down as if spinning on Fortuna's Wheel itself) do not for a peaceful life make. Aided and abetted by her trusty god-sibling Alyson, the counsel of one Geoffrey Chaucer, and a good head for business, Eleanor fights to protect those she loves from the vagaries of life, the character deficits of her many husbands, the brutalities of

medieval England and her own fatal flaw... a lusty appreciation of mankind. All while continuing to pursue the one thing all women want - control of their own lives. This funny, picaresque, clever retelling of Chaucer's 'Wife of Bath' from The Canterbury Tales is a cutting assessment of what happens when male power is left to run unchecked, as well as a recasting of a literary classic that gives a maligned character her own voice, and allows her to tell her own (mostly) true story. 'Astonishingly good - an instant classic. Certes 'tis a tale for everywoman.' Tea Cooper, Bestselling International Author

Zak George's Dog Training Revolution
The Complete Guide to Raising the Perfect Pet with Love

Meredith, Sean, their rescue pup, Bandit, and their beloved yellow kombi, Etta, are doing the Big Lap around Australia. And they're taking you with them. This delightful travel book is a visual love story to the great Australian road trip. Full of practical travel tips, dog-friendly camping advice and stunning photography, this book will take you through the trio's hilarious adventures (and misadventures) as they make their way around this great southern land.

The girl has had many selves in her short life. The first she remembers is Aissa, the daughter of Mama and Dada, sister to Zufi who watched the goats. Then the Bull King's raiders came, and Mama said, "Don't make a sound till I come back."

And when the villagers found her she was silent as stone, because Mama never came back again. So the villagers cursed her as back luck and made her No-Name, lowest of the servants to the Lady, the island's priestess. But there were whispers, as she grew, of another self: of the Lady's rejected first daughter, born imperfect with two extra thumbs. The silent girl looks at the scars on her wrists and wonders, but she has more pressing concerns. The villagers blame her bad luck for the tribute the Bull King now demands of them: two youths given each spring to dance with his bulls and die for his god's glory. And the servants hate and fear the unnatural way the animals all come to her. For Aissa, though, this bond with creatures of fur and scale is the first clue in finding the true self that no one else can give to her, or take away. Wendy Orr, the author of *Nim's Island*, introduces a resourceful and resilient heroine for slightly older readers. Inspired by an archeological trip to the island of Crete, where frescoes show figures leaping over the backs of bulls, Orr weaves an intriguing mythological portrayal of the Bronze Age Minoan civilization. Lyrically written and refreshingly unpredictable, *Dragonfly Song* suggests a fascinating origin for the legend of the Minotaur and his dark tribute.

Zak George is a new type of dog trainer. A dynamic YouTube star and Animal Planet personality with a fresh approach, Zak helps you to tailor train to your

dog's unique traits and energy level--leading to quicker results and a much happier pet. Packed with everything you need to know to raise and care for your dog, this book will help you communicate and bond with one another in a way that makes training easier, more rewarding, and--most of all--fun!

This time Nim's the fish-out-of-water as she stows away on a cruise ship to save her kidnapped sea lion friend. Accompanied by her likeable iguana, Fred, the island girl lands with a splash in Manhattan, on the run from of a very Bad Guy, and on her way to reunite with her friend, cowardly adventure novelist Alex Rover. Kids who are interested in animals and animal welfare will enjoy this warmhearted story's combo of suspenseful high-seas happenings, New York City excitement, and family drama.

This full-color text and practical clinical reference provides comprehensive information on herbal remedies for both large and small animal species. Key coverage includes clinical uses of medicinal plants, specific information on how to formulate herbal remedies, a systems-based review of plant-based medicine, and in-depth information on the different animal species--dog, cat, avian and exotic, equine, food animal, and poultry.

It's the spring before high school, and Desiree (Desi) and Robin have little in common. Robin has lived in the small town of Shady Gully, Louisiana her whole

life, while Desi comes from the big city of Albuquerque, New Mexico. Robin's family is devout, reserved, and dedicated to church. Desi has never been to church, her parents are divorced, and her mom, Sunny, is as flamboyant as they come. When Desi is introduced in class, Robin hates her on sight. But fate draws these two alienated girls to one another, and an alliance born of necessity soon evolves into an affection that endures. Together they become a force strong enough to overcome mean girls, weight hang-ups, and disturbing family dynamics. As their paths diverge and they raise families of their own, rumors of a shocking betrayal ignite old insecurities, and the three-strand cord of their friendship begins to unravel. Just when it seems they have lost everything, the truth brings them full circle ? to Desi's long buried trauma, and to Robin's obsessive quest for perfection. In their brokenness they come to realize there is only one true way to fill the emptiness inside, to quiet the lies, and to ultimately become? fearless.

In her comprehensive and carefully crafted book, Gisela Kaplan demonstrates how intelligent and emotional Australian birds can be. She describes complex behaviours such as grieving, deception, problem solving and the use of tools. Many Australian birds cooperate and defend each other, and exceptional ones go fishing by throwing breadcrumbs in the water, extract poisonous parts from prey

and use tools to crack open eggshells and mussels. The author brings together evidence of many such cognitive abilities, suggesting plausible reasons for their appearance in Australian birds. *Bird Minds* is the first attempt to shine a critical and scientific light on the cognitive behaviour of Australian land birds. In this fascinating volume, the author also presents recent changes in our understanding of the avian brain and links these to life histories and longevity. Following on from Gisela's well-received books on the Australian Magpie and the Tawny Frogmouth, as well as two earlier titles on birds, *Bird Minds* contends that the unique and often difficult conditions of Australia's environment have been crucial for the evolution of unusual complexities in avian cognition and behaviour.

The American Kennel Club's *Meet the Chihuahua*, an official publication of the American Kennel Club (AKC) prepared in collaboration with the Chihuahua Club of America, serves as the go-to resource for new and experienced owners of the world's tiniest dog. With his saucy personality, childlike intelligence, and perfect diminutive stature, the Chihuahua is the favorite of millions of dog lovers in America and around the world. *Meet the Chihuahua* begins with a discussion about who makes the right owner for such a tiny wonder as the Chihuahuas, and the parent-like responsibilities that accompany owning this long-lived canine tot. Equally important is the selection of the right breeder, a topic covered in a chapter on puppy selection that includes a list of

questions to ask the breeder and the answers new owners are looking for. The book addresses the health of the Chi and alerts new owners to potential problems in the breed. The chapter on health discusses the importance of finding the right veterinarian for this breed as well as how to embark on a preventive-healthcare regimen with your vet. New owners will profit from the chapters dedicated to selecting the right merchandise for a new puppy and how to make the home and yard safe for the inquisitive Chi puppy. House-training and obedience training are presented in individual chapters, topics that all Chi owners need to consider seriously. The AKC's stance on positive training methods shines through as owners are enlightened to the power of praise and rewards. Additionally, *Meet the Chihuahua* offers info about grooming both coat varieties, exercise, dental health, and feeding. The final chapter presents a fun-filled chapter on participating in dog sports; from participating in AKC performance events like dog shows, obedience and agility trials to becoming certified as a therapy dog and visiting nursing homes and retirement homes with your ready-to-love Chihuahua. The chapters also offer advice on how to pursue the AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy and the Canine Good Citizen programs, both ideal for young dogs getting their start in organized dog events and therapy work. The Resources section of the book includes excellent recommendations for websites, periodicals, books, and programs that owners will find informative and helpful.

Ms Jeni has a surprise for her class. One day, she brings her dog, Picolo, to school to

help her with reading time.

"A story of a blended family-- from the pets' point of view!"--

Fat City is a vivid novel of allegiance and defeat, of the potent promise of the good life and the desperation and drink that waylay those whom it eludes. Stockton, California is the setting: the Lido Gym, the Hotel Coma, Main Street lunchrooms and dingy bars, days like long twilights in houses obscured by untrimmed shrubs and black walnut trees. When two men meet in the ring -- the retired boxer Billy Tully and the newcomer Ernie Munger - their brief bout sets into motion their hidden fates, initiating young Ernie into the company of men and luring Tully back into training. In a dispassionate and composed voice, Gardner narrates their swings of fortune, and the plodding optimism of their manager Ruben Luna, as he watches the most promising boys one by one succumb to some undefined weakness; still, "There was always someone who wanted to fight."

Animal death is a complex, uncomfortable, depressing, motivating and sensitive topic.

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