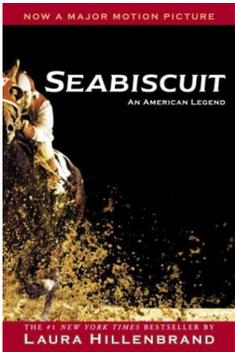


Week 6: Animal Lives

Books for Adults

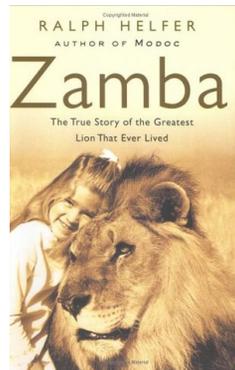
DB 51968 Seabiscuit: an American legend by Laura Hillenbrand



Annotation:
Recounts the rise of an "undersized, crooked-legged" thoroughbred horse who in 1938 was the year's number-one newsmaker

over Franklin Roosevelt, Hitler, and Lou Gehrig. Hillenbrand tells Seabiscuit's story through the three men who made a true long shot into a winner: owner Charles Howard, trainer Tom Smith, and jockey Red Pollard. Bestseller. 2001. Bestseller. 2001.

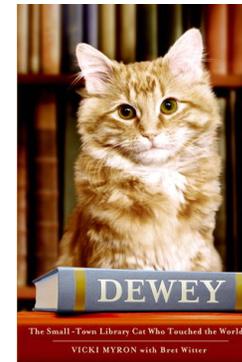
DB 67900 Zamba: the true story of the greatest lion that ever lived by Ralph Helfer



Annotation:
Hollywood animal behaviorist fondly recalls his eighteen-year relationship with Zamba, an African lion that came to

live on his California ranch in the mid-1950s. Helfer recounts adventures with Zamba, including movie productions, and he describes his development of affection training, which uses methods based on love instead of fear. 2005.

DB67516 Dewey: the small-town library cat who touched the world by Vicki Myron



Annotation:
Spencer, Iowa, public library director Vicki Myron describes finding a nearly frozen kitten in the book drop in 1988.

Named Dewey Readmore Books by library staff, the feline became an increasingly famous mascot over the next nineteen years. Myron also discusses her divorce, single parenthood, breast cancer scare, and love of librarianship. Bestseller. 2008.

DB 59487 Monarch of Deadman Bay: the life and death of a Kodiak bear by Roger A. Caras

Annotation: A study of Kodiak Island, Alaska, and the species of brown bear unique to the region. Follows a single male, Monarch, who becomes a mankiller. Surveys his environment, notes the habits of his kind, and relates the ongoing struggle between primordial carnivore and man. 1969.

DB 72060 Flush: a biography by Virginia Woolf

Annotation: In the summer of 1842 a cocker spaniel named Flush joins the household of reclusive poetess Elizabeth Barrett. Flush's adventures include being stolen and held for ransom, participating in Miss Barrett's courtship and elopement with Robert Browning, and sharing in their happy life together in Italy. 1933.

DB 72218 A dog's purpose by W. Bruce Cameron

Annotation: Through four lifetimes a dog finds his reason for being. His first experience is as a feral puppy. Reincarnated as a golden retriever, he bonds with an eight-year-old named Ethan. After returning to life as a K-9 unit German shepherd, his final journey reunites him with an aged Ethan. 2010.

Books for Kids and Teens

DB 75592 The incredible life of Balto by Meghan McCarthy

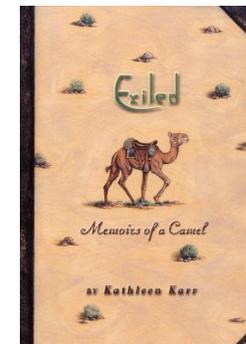
Annotation: Chronicles the saga of Balto, the sled dog who became a hero in 1925 after he helped deliver life-saving medicine from Nenana to Nome, Alaska. Recounts Balto's sale to a traveling show and the outpouring of support that led to his rescue. For grades K-3 and older readers. 2011.

DB 87335 The murderer's ape by Jakob Wegelius

Annotation: When her best friend, the sailor Henry, is falsely accused of murder, a gorilla named Sally visits the run-down docks of Lisbon, embarks on a journey across the seven seas, and calls on the Maharaja of Bhapur's magnificent court--all to clear Henry's name. Commercial audiobook. For grades 5-8. 2017.

DB 59419 Exiled: memoirs of a camel by Kathleen Karr

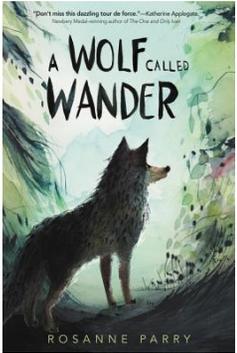
Annotation: 1856. The camel Ali describes how he and other animals are sent from Egypt to serve in the United States Camel Corps in Texas and the Mojave Desert, where they are often brutally treated. After starting



a family, Ali finally escapes. For grades 5-8. 2004.

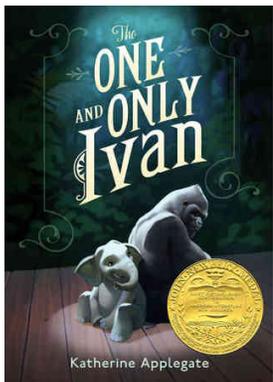
DB 95377 A wolf called Wander by Roseanne Parry

Annotation: A young wolf cub, separated from his pack, journeys miles across the Pacific Northwest, dealing with forest fires, hunters, highways, and hunger before finding a new home. Based on the true story of a wolf called OR-7. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2019.



DB 75687 The one and only Ivan by Katherine Applegate

Annotation: Ivan the gorilla has lived comfortably for years in a down-and-out, circus-themed mall. But when baby elephant Ruby arrives, Ivan decides that



he must find her a better life. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 2012.

DB 08640 Trumpeter, the story of a swan by Jane Annixter

Annotation: The life cycle of a trumpeter swan including courtship and mating, migration from the Arctic to the Louisiana swamps, secrets of survival, and elements of flock behavior. For grades 5-8.

DB 30904 Lili, a giant panda of Sichuan by Robert M. McClung

Annotation: Follows the first several years in the life of Lili, a female panda in the only remaining natural habitat for this animal, China's Sichuan Province. Includes a discussion of preservation efforts for the fewer than 1,000 remaining pandas. For grades 3-6.