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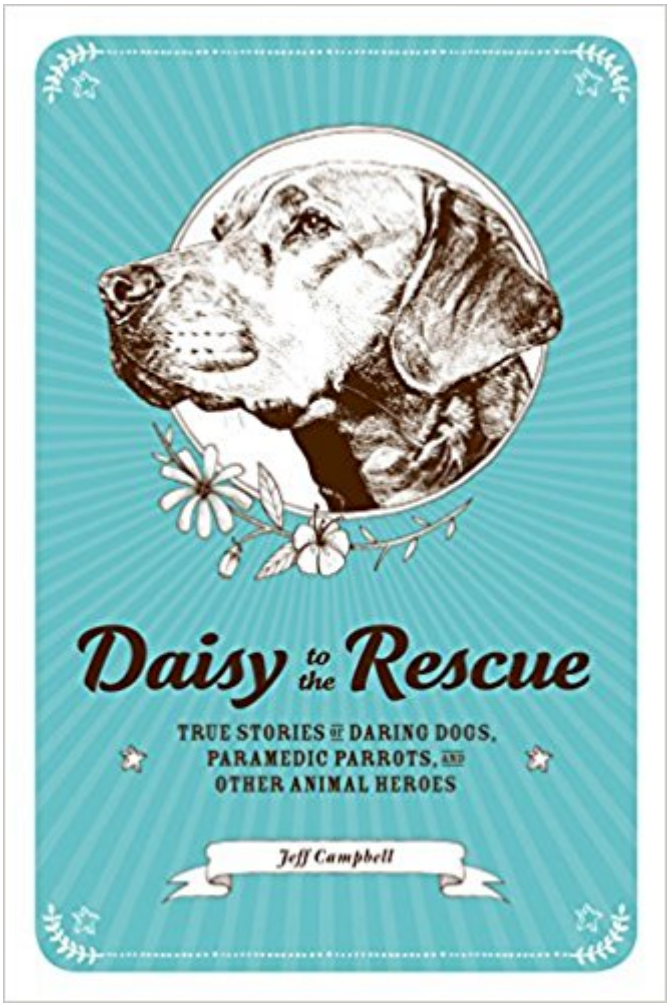

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Synopsis

Who rescued who? This popular animal-shelter bumper sticker captures an enduring emotional truth: With their love and companionship, animals save our lives every day. But sometimes, to our utter amazement and everlasting gratitude, animals literally save our lives, and this heartwarming book collects over fifty real-life stories of animals rescuing people, in which their bravery and compassion have meant the difference between life and death.

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Customer Reviews

Gr 6 Upâ ”Well-documented cases of animals rescuing men, women, and children are recounted with precision, organized into four divisions: domestic, trained, wild, and legendary animals. Campbell draws on opinions from professionals and anecdotal evidence, gleaned from ancient to modern times, to understand animal motivations. In an introduction, Campbell discusses whether we can ever know an animal’s motivation and how to verify the accuracy of these accounts. The author’s voice is strongly felt throughout, tinged with sarcasm, pathos, and a touch of belief mixed with skeptcism as to the existence of moral courage in these animals. Simple black-and-white illustrations serve as story markers. The text flows well, and the compact content is intense. Tender souls will weep over the family dog who was fatally injured saving his owner from a cougar, leaving his skull cracked and his body macerated. When the jaws of the cougar were prised from the head of the brave dog, he arose for the last time to make sure his beloved boy was safe. Similarly, Campbell describes a guide dog who led his master out of the Twin Towers, through the soot and cinders, later dying due to respiratory injuries, and a pride of lions that rescued a kidnapped 12-year-old Ethiopian girl from rape and abuse. The graphic nature of some of these stories make

them more suitable for older readers, who may more easily process the plethora of serious issues. The documentation shines in this presentation.â ”Nancy Call, Santa Cruz Public Libraries, Aptos, CA

Awards & Nominations:Â Won 2015 IPPY National Gold Medal in the "Animals/Pets" category * WonÂ Foreword Reviews’ 2014 INDIEFAB Book of the Year Bronze Award for Young Adult Nonfiction * Nominated for 2015 YALSA Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers award * Nominated for 2014 CYBILS Young Adult Nonfiction award"Are animals compassionate? Campbell finds fifty reasons to believe they are. . . . He details fifty accounts of animals risking their lives for humans and presents scientific findings that show animals are capable of kindness. . . . Wild animal rescues are the most astonishing stories. . . . Campbell’s compelling examples and engaging storytelling style make strong cases for animal altruism, and they encourage further examination of everyday human-animal encounters.Â -Foreword Reviews, five-star review"Whether they are domestic companions, trained to serve, inspired to heal, or are found in the wild, animals have the ability to enhance our lives and even save us, and this compendium pays homage. ...Individual stories of animal derring-do, illustrated with pencil portraits, make for quick, compelling reads that prompt the reader to wonder what really goes on in an animalâ ™s head and heart. Give this to anyone from middle school to adult who shares that curiosity." - Booklist "All the stories are wonderful ... when starting these fifty tender stories, prepare to get teary eyed. Anyone who has ever bonded with an animal will love this book." - Voice of Youth Advocates "With an eye toward documenting remarkable animal/human interactions, Campbell has assembledÂ a large collection of fascinating anecdotes. ...Overflowing with information, fascinating tales and thought-provoking information; give it to animal-loving middle graders on up." -Kirkus Reviews "Well-documented cases of animals rescuing men, women, and children are recounted with precision, organized into four divisions: domestic, trained, wild, and legendary animals. Campbell draws on opinions from professionals and anecdotal evidence, gleaned from ancient to modern times, to understand animal motivations. ...The text flows well, and the compact content is intense... . The documentation shines in this presentation." - School Library Journal "Animal lovers and anyone with a pet of his/her own will love reading these stories and the possible scientific explanations of how and why these animals saved the humans they did. From kangaroo to lion, from dolphin to dog, and from horse to hamster (there really isn't a hamster, but there is a rabbit), the stories will touch readers' hearts and stir their imagination." - The Examiner

I am writing this review for my daughter. She is 12 and a hard girl to find a book for. So when she read this in less than a week I was thrilled. She loved it. She loved the stories, she loves animals and this book sealed it for her that animals rule. It made her sad at times but she loved that as well. The stories Jeff chose to share were fantastic. Her favorite story was the one about the Jaguar. She loved the courage that the dog had in that story "it was so cool" Maya said. If you have kids or even you as the adult, you really should read this book I am in the middle of reading it as well and love the stories. Nicely done Jeff!!!

I bought this book for my 90-year-old mom who LOVES stories about dogs who are incredible. She exclaimed for days about the amazing feats these dogs had done and went back to re-read several of the stories.

Wow wow wow wow wow wow wow wow wow wow wowwow wow wow wow wow wow wow wow amazing awesome just great

loved it...will pass along to my grandkids

As an animal lover I find these stories inspiring. The information about the science behind why animals are capable of such amazing things is fascinating.

Very well written and interesting! Highly recommend to all

After reading it, I re-gifted it to a friend for Christmas!

Human and animal bond. Pot-bellied pig save a woman having a heart attack . Mixed breed dog found an abandon baby and kept the baby safe. Feral children in the company of wolves, "The Wolf Children." How animals have a six sense, trouble arises they seem to know when danger is near. Beluga whale saved a whale trainer from drowning. Can wild animals in captivity become acclimated to humans? Domestication is a mystery. Asian Elephant with a girl rider on its back started act strangely as they strolled near the shoreline. The elephant anxiously tried to get as far away from the shoreline when the tsunami wave rolled in, the elephant sense out running the wave was of no use so what did it do? Hunker down and let the wave wash against them. The girl was saved before the second set of wave came crashing through. Dolphin sense a child’s disability, so

what does the dolphin do? The immobile side of the child the dolphin nuzzle it, and by doing so the child could move along with the dolphin. The dolphin present its dorsal fin for the child to hold on to pull the child around. A child raised by monkeys? Monkeys fed him and they gave the child bananas and cassava roots, sweet potato, nuts, roots and other fibrous plants. There's so much stories to read in this one book. I was completely baffled by some, sounded so far fetch but, hey who am I to say. I enjoyed the cute black and white sketches of the animals. I noticed something here in the book saying animals behavior, doing something only to get something in return. What? You will read about what animals feel and think. Mirror neurons, monkey see, monkey do? Animals think in pictures like autistic people, they see the actual things themselves. Is it legends and folktales? If you are a scientist, there's a problem. Story has a way of growing and changing each time it is told and retold. The writing and information with depth of questions to an answer very good. Did any of you see 60 minutes October 5, 2014? They had a segment about a dog who can identify over a thousand toys. Dog and humans make eye contact and releases this hormone called, "Oxytocin," on 60 minutes they call it the love hormone. Dogs are hugging you when they look into your eyes. Aww..... :D I recommend reading this book because the stories whether you believe it or not will grab a hold of your heart, plus it is wonderfully written. Received a hardcover book for a review and blog from ZestBooks, (Awesome publicists) Thank you, Darlene Cruz

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