

## The Happy Lion

"Little boy Brown is a lonely city kid, though he doesn't really know he's lonely, who spends the best day ever with his nanny and her family in the country"--

The Happy Lion Knopf Books for Young Readers

A children's book series of short stories that feature animals, birds, and insects to communicate messages of direction, hope, health & wellness, safety and character building. This children's book series was inspired by a recently published book: *The Talking Birds*, by the same author and photographer of this book. This children's book #1 is part of a series of twelve children's books that have been produced to communicate messages of direction, hope, safety and character building. These books feature a variety of candid photographs of wildlife animals, birds, and insects in different natural settings. These photos were photo-captured by International Nature Photographer, Mr. Youli Xia, a native of Beijing, China. Each photograph highlights a distinctive expression. Using the imagination, the expressions conveyed in the photos will set the stage for long talks with the animals, birds, and insects. This book series interactively shares twelve short, simple, easy-to-read, and easy-to-understand stories. These stories are designed to capture the interest and attention of young children from the ages of 4-9. They will be fascinated by the vibrant colors and the dramatic candid facial or body expressions of the subjects in the photographs. The intended educational value for this book series and the other future books is to offer effective tools for character building. These stories are sure to include the mention and discussion of core values like respect, responsibility, self-esteem, compassion, making good choices, health and wellness, love, manners, friendships/relationships, patience, accountability, leadership, trustworthiness, thoughtfulness and safety, to name a few. This book series will serve as a responder to help fill a void that currently exists and is widening in our present society, particularly amongst our children. With the spread of negative energy through all forms of media, compounded with the lack of positive role models—from the top down, many of our children are denied exposure to strong core values that could help establish and build healthy foundations for one's character. The hope is that these animal, bird, and insect subject short stories will effectively communicate messages that will help to turn matters around. The vision is that our young children will grow to become productive, respectful, responsible, patient, accountable, thoughtful and safe. Each story will feature at least one key word to be noted and remembered. Also, each story will highlight a moral or life lesson. Finally, each story encourages a discussion with follow-up questions.

The lion at the little French zoo is a favorite of all the townspeople. Every day they stop by to feed him tidbits and say, "Bonjour, Happy Lion." Naturally, when the lion finds his door open, he decides it would only be proper to visit all his friendly neighbors in return. But, wait—sacré bleu! Why is everyone fleeing in terror? "Louise Fatio's timeless tale about friendship still sparkles and Roger Duvoisin's elegant illustrations are as engaging as ever in this 50th Anniversary edition." —School Library Journal

The happy lion was unhappy--he was living all alone in his house and lonely. What to do?

An inspiring story that shows we all have a lion inside of us! "That day they BOTH learned That, no matter your size, We all have a mouse AND a lion inside." A mouse

feels small and insecure and determines that what he needs to do is learn how to roar like a lion. He knows he has to act brave when he approaches a lion to learn how. In a hilarious turn of events, the lion is afraid of mice! The mouse comforts the lion, they become friends, and we learn that there's a lion and a mouse inside all of us. The inspiring text by Rachel Bright and the fun, bold illustrations by Jim Field teach young readers an important lesson. Regardless of how big or mighty we are, we can all live our dreams and do what we want to do. Fans of Aesop's "The Lion and the Mouse" will enjoy *The Lion Inside!*

Spirited, kind and alive with wonder, Layla is a child who's been given room to grow and already her experience of happiness is thoughtful and deep. It's her dad when he talks about growing up in South Carolina. Her mom when she reads poetry. The community garden, where she can plant a tomato seed and watch it grow. It's her best friend Juan and his parents laughing after a dance beneath the magnolia trees. This is happiness for Layla. What is happiness for you? Written by poet Mariahadessa Ekere Tallie and illustrated by Ashleigh Corrin, this is a story of flourishing within family and community.

"Children pretend to be many different animals as they do various yoga poses"--

Members of a large group of animals, including a penguin, two rabbits, and a koala, disappear at an alarming rate but the hungry lion remains.

This rediscovered gem by Caldecott-winning illustrator Roger Duvoisin is perfect for a new generation of little girls who love dolls. In the city of Paris, a beautiful but lonely doll sits on a shelf in an antique shop. She's surrounded by old vases and teapots, but longs for a friend to play with. There is one little girl who would dearly love to own the doll, but Marie could never afford such a precious item. So Marie has to settle for admiring the doll through the window on her way home from school. But Marie and this doll are clearly meant for one another, and Marie will make sure that the doll has a home where she is loved. First published in the 1950s but long out of print, this rediscovered gem by Roger Duvoisin and his wife, Louise Fatio, is available again, ready to be read to little girls—and dolls—of a new generation.

When your lion needs a bath, you have to be pretty sneaky! This charming and hilarious board book highlights the many ways to get your lion into that tub! Does your lion need a bath? When your lion needs a bath, you must be a little sneaky. After all, have you ever met a cat who likes water? So gather up your towels and rubber ducks and get that lion into the tub! But be careful...or you just might end up in the bath, too! Hector Penguin is lost in the forest where none of the animals have seen a penguin before.

In the third Happy Lion adventure, the Happy Lion and Lioness become parents, and must choose a profession for their son.

While robbing Egypt's mummies, sphinxes, and palm trees, Napoleon can't resist bringing home a souvenir crocodile as well. All Paris is enchanted with this exotic creature. But for a crocodile with an appetite as big as his ego, being the toast of the town has its downside, too. What's a crocodile who's used to a dinner of flamingo, snake, or mongoose to make of chocolate mousse? Oh, to return to his beloved Nile! But fickle Napoleon has other plans for our hero... Inspired by an obscure nineteenth-century French satire, *I, Crocodile* is the first book Fred Marcellino has written as well as illustrated. 2000 ALA Notable Children's Book 1999 New York Times Best Illustrated

Book 2000-2001 Georgia's Picture Storybook Award & Georgia's Children's Book Award Masterlist 2000 ALA Notable Children's Books

Alone with a book Johnny Lion is home alone with his new books, The Little Lion. The book is about a lion cub who is on his own one day, just like Johnny. But, unlike Johnny Lion, this cub walks out into the world alone--and into lots of trouble!

A little bird discovers why the lion's tail changes color each day.

Even the King of the Jungle needs help sometimes, but who is brave enough to help such a powerful beast? Courage comes in all sizes in Aesop's classic fable, The Lion and the Mouse. Readers who are familiar with this timeless tale and those who are new to the story will love the simple, beautiful language of this retelling. Endearing illustrations enrich the narrative and draw in even reluctant readers. The unlikely friendship between a grouchy lion and a fearless mouse introduces readers to important concepts such as respecting differences and using one's weaknesses as strengths. With relatable characters and a poignant moral, this book is sure to become a favorite in any library.

The happy lion is bewildered by the way the wild animals in Africa behave and is happy to go back to his home town.

From ancient times to the present day, people have been telling stories about animals. Bob Hartman is no exception. Over his many years as a professional storyteller, he has told stories about a menagerie of creatures - big and small, tame and scary, real and mythical. The Lion Storyteller Book of Animal Tales features some of his favourites. This collection contains over 35 retellings - well-loved traditional tales, little-known legends, and several original stories. These entertaining tales are drawn from all corners of the globe and feature a wide variety of animal characters. Yet this is more than just a collection of animal stories, for many of these fun-filled retellings will also inspire children to think about right and wrong. Appealing illustrations complement the fun and action of the words, capturing the mood of each story and bringing animals, birds and insects vividly to life.

A lion starts visiting the local library but runs into trouble as he tries to both obey the rules and help his librarian friend.

Patience, one of the New York Public Library lions, is missing and Fortitude, the other lion, searches the building from top to bottom seeking him.

A disgruntled pig sets his sights on being more than something to eat.

An atmospheric, enchanting story, skillfully drawn by exciting new talent, Fiona Woodcock about a little girl with an amazing gift for concealing herself. Heidi and her friends LOVE to play hide and seek. The trouble is, Heidi always win. She can't help it - she's just too good! But sometimes being hard to find can be hard to take, so Heidi needs to come up with a plan... 'Playful imagery and Heidi's eventual recognition of her friends' talents add up to a warm story about compromise and common ground' Publishers Weekly 'A very attractive addition to the picture book shelves from an artist to be watched' Books for Keeps PRAISE FOR POPPY AND THE BLOOMS: 'Fiona Woodcock's beautiful illustrations perfectly capture the contrast between a grey cityscape and the joyful kaleidoscope that fresh flowers can add... This gentle little story is a delight from start to finish' Books for Keeps 'A beautifully illustrated picture book which feels like a real visual treat... The artwork is stunning and very original and I think this makes it stand out as an interesting read for small children.' Being Mummy blog

‘Blooming wonderful!’ Red Reading Hub

Visually stunning, tactile, and mesmerizing, this graphic novel is a debut at the summit from a self-taught Argentinian visionary. Lorenzo isn't happy about moving. But in his new room, he finds an old desk with what seems like hundreds of drawers. Each even has its own smell! Deep inside the desk, he finds a book and begins to read. When he looks up, he sees all kinds of curious things. Has the book come to life? Or is it something else? This is a graphic novel about observation, imagination, and the many incredible lenses through which everyday experience might be perceived if you read. Guillermo Decurgez, "Decur," was born in Rosario, Argentina in 1981. He is a self-taught cartoonist and illustrator, and the author of *Merci!*, *Pipí cucú*, *Semillas 1*, and *Mi cajón favorito*. His work has been published in the newspapers *La Nación* and *La Posta Hoy*, and in the magazines *Orsai*, *Fierro*, *free lyrics*, *Ineditadas*, and *Ñ*. He has also illustrated "Cents del globe 3," the board game "The Switcher," the "Mrs. Holle" stories, "El poroto mágico," "The almost perfect crime," and "Ivan, the Fool." His paintings have been exhibited in France, Spain, Chile, Bolivia, Colombia, La Rioja, Buenos Aires, and Rosario. Decur's English-language graphic novel debut, *When You Look Up*, will be published in 2020 from Enchanted Lion Books.

Brother detectives Frank and Joe dive deep into the Florida Keys to find a missing person in the twenty-first book in the thrilling Hardy Boys Adventures series. Frank and Joe Hardy have been invited to take part in a conservation mission by a marine biologist at the Bayport Aquarium. The boys get to go on an all-expenses paid trip to the lush and beautiful Florida Keys to help save sharks! But the trip's purpose is suddenly sidelined when a paddle boarder goes missing and rumors start that the disappearance is the result of a shark attack. After spending so much time learning about the local shark population, the Hardy Boys aren't buying the story. It will take all of Frank and Joe's recently acquired knowledge about sharks and their habitat to solve this case. Will they be able to discover what's really going on before it's too late?

A lion in dungarees and a bird with a broken wing form an unlikely friendship when they meet one autumn day. As the pair watch the other birds in the flock fly away, Lion takes it upon himself to care for his new friend. Soon the pair are sharing stories in front of the fire, taking sleigh rides and whiling away winter evenings in their slippers. Then, one day spring arrives. And so too do the other birds. Will Lion and Bird have to say goodbye to their friendship for the summer? KEY SELLING POINTS Award-winning illustrations Rave reviews across the US and Canada #1 Best Picture Book 2014 from various selections Sales over 25,000 copies since publication in 2013 Internationally acclaimed author and illustrator

How does a very small girl hide a very large lion? It's not easy, but Iris has to do her best, because mums and dads can be funny about having a lion in the house. Luckily, there are lots of good places to hide a lion - behind the shower curtain, in your bed, and even up a tree. A funny, heart-warming story about a very special friendship.

From the New York Times bestselling author/illustrator of *Max the Brave* comes an inspiring and adorable picture book about a pair of unlikely friends who face down a pack of bullies. In this timely and charming story about the importance of being true to yourself, mindfulness, and standing by your friends, we meet Leonard, a lion, and his best friend Marianne, a . . . duck. Leonard and Marianne have a happy life together—talking, playing, writing poems, and making wishes—until one day a pack of bullies questions whether it's right for a lion and a duck to be pals. Leonard soon learns there are many ways to be a lion, and many ways to be a friend, and that sometimes finding just the right words can change the world . . . This sweet, funny, thoughtful, and much-needed story will open up readers' eyes to the importance of being who they are and not backing down to hurtful criticism. It's an empowering tale about connecting

with others and choosing kindness over bullying, and shows children how angry and provocative words can be overcome by empathy and inner courage. Nominated for the 2019 Kate Greenaway Medal and the 2019 Carnegie Medal A Bank Street College of Education Best Children's Book of the Year An American Booksellers Association E.B. White Read-Aloud Honor Book An NPR Best Books of 2018 selection A New York Public Library Best Books of 2018 selection ? "Positive role models showing boys how to be a whole person are few and far between these days. This marvelous book triumphs in that essential job."—Kirkus, starred review "Children will feel empowered after reading such a deliberate story of unyielding strength and self-awareness. Thoughtful and provocative words to live by."—School Library Journal "A gentle, Ferdinand-like soul. . . . Vere's fable makes a watertight—and charming—case for ignoring the pressures of conformity."—Publishers Weekly "The spirit of Ferdinand the Bull is alive and well in *How to Be a Lion*."—NPR "gently reminiscent of Winnie the Pooh"—BookTrust When the door to his house at the zoo is left open a lion decides to visit his friends, but he quickly learns that people are not nearly as polite or friendly in town as when they visit him at the zoo.

When Matthew has nothing for show-and-tell one day, he tells the class that he has a lion living at his house, but when his classmates want to come see it, he must decide what to do.

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Little Bunny can sense something new in the air, and it smells like sunshine and warm breezes. "It smells like Easter!" his friends tell him. But Little Bunny wonders: what is Easter? So he sets out through the forest on an early spring day to find out.

The exciting tale of Simba, a young cub who earns his place in the Circle of Life, is retold in the classic Little Golden Book format. Children ages 2-5 will roar with excitement as they read this retelling of Disney's *The Lion King*.

A sun. A flower. And a lion. With three visual motifs, three colors, and fewer than 200 words, renowned Caldecott Medalist and #1 New York Times-bestseller Kevin Henkes cracks open the wide world and the youngest child's endless imagination. This irresistible picture book is a must-have for every reader and every family. On a warm morning, a little lion sleeps under a sun that shines so brightly, it looks like a flower. He dreams the flower is as big as the sun. He dreams the flower is a cookie. He lets his imagination soar. Caldecott Medalist Kevin Henkes uses simple shapes, limited colors, and a pitch-perfect text to tell Lion's story in this transcendent picture book. *Sun Flower Lion* introduces emerging readers to short chapters, action verbs, and adjectives, while bright illustrations transform simple shapes into something magical. *Sun Flower Lion* will shine at story time and bedtime and for young children just learning how to read on their own.

While the Happy Lion is at the animal hospital, the Happy Lioness receives help from her friends in attracting visitors who only like to see a lion with a full mane.

Donkey-donkey has a problem. Despite his many friends and his good master, he is sad because his ears are so long and ridiculous. If only Donkey-donkey could have

short sensible ears like his friend Pat the horse, he would be content. So he seeks the advice of his fellow farm animals who suggest he wear his ears differently, more like theirs: floppy like the dog's, to the side like the sheep's, to the front like the pig's. But each unnatural arrangement leads to increasing insult and injury. Finally a little girl passing by remarks on the beauty of the pretty little donkey's ears! At last Donkey-donkey is happy. A classic tale of vanity and folly, and learning to accept oneself—protrudent ears, redundant name, and all.

Read Along or Enhanced eBook: When Jack and Ella come across a friendly--and talented!--lion in their backyard they are thrilled to take him in as their pet. And they're positive they know just how to care for their new pet, ignoring Grandpa's cheeky asides. But soon Leopold the Lion grows despondent and chubby. Even the circus who lost him won't take him back! Do Jack and Ella know what to do to get Leopold healthy again? A sweet story with a subtle commentary on making healthy choices.

'... A VERY APPEALING ANIMAL STORY'-KIRKUS REVIEWS \*\*Drawn and written by a 3-year-old Mensa prodigy\*\* Long, long ago, there was a Great Big Lion. Tom and Lily were fascinated by him. They loved to hear him ROAR! But one day, the lion vanished without a trace. And so, off went Tom and Lily to find and bring back their friend, the Great Big Lion. Written by one of the youngest writers in the world, this board book will connect to your child and make them think about empathy, friendship, nature and conservation. Dive into this fun read that combines storytelling and learning through patterns and numbers.

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