

ANIMAL FANTASIES FOR KIDS

(Lexile levels are included)

Avi. POPPY. Poppy the deer mouse urges her family to move next to a field of corn big enough to feed them all forever, but Mr. Ocax, a terrifying owl, has other ideas. 670

Base, Graeme. ELEVENTH HOUR: A CURIOUS MYSTERY. An elephant's eleventh birthday party is marked by eleven games preceding the banquet to be eaten at the eleventh hour; but when the time to eat arrives, the birthday feast has disappeared. The reader is invited to guess the thief.

Cleary, Beverly. THE MOUSE AND THE MOTORCYCLE. Tells the story of a reckless young mouse, Ralph, who makes friends with a boy and discovers the joys and dangers of motorcycling. 860



Cleary, Beverly. SOCKS. The happy home life of Socks the cat is disrupted by the addition of a new baby to the household. 890

Dahl, Roald. FANTASTIC MR. FOX. Three farmers, each one meaner than the other, try all-out warfare to get rid of the fox and his family. 600



Grahame, Kenneth. THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS. The escapades of four animal friends who live along a river in the English countryside--Toad, Mole, Rat, and Badger. 1140 (See also Horwood.)

Hansen, Brooks. CAESAR'S ANTLERS. Bette, a mother sparrow separated by accident from her mate, takes her chicks on a long search when a faithful reindeer permits her to make a nest in his antlers.

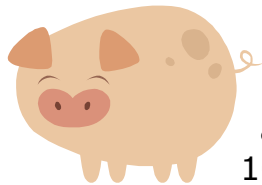
Horwood, William. WILLOWS IN WINTER. The further escapades of four animal friends who live along a river in the English countryside--Toad, Mole, Rat and Badger. First of several sequels to The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame.

Howe, Deborah and James. BUNNICULA. Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire. 700



Jacques, Brian. REDWALL. When the terrible rat Cluny attacks Redwall Abbey, a young mouse named Matthias searches for a long-lost sword to help fight off the enemy. 800

King-Smith, Dick. ACE, THE VERY IMPORTANT PIG. Farmer Tubbs' amazing pig, Ace of Clubs, eventually winds up on television for his cleverness. 850



----- . BABE: THE GALLANT PIG. A piglet destined for eventual butchering arrives at the farmyard, is adopted by an old sheep dog, and discovers a special secret to success. 1040

----- . THREE TERRIBLE TRINS. Three mice brothers, ignoring the class system separating the four clans of rodents in their farmhouse, befriend a lower class mouse and form a team to fight cats. 870

Lawson, Robert. BEN AND ME. Benjamin Franklin might never have become the great man he was - without the help of a mouse named Amos! 1010

----- . RABBIT HILL. New folks are coming to live in the Big House. The animals of Rabbit Hill wonder if they will plant a garden and thus be good providers. 1050

LeGuin, Ursula K. CATWINGS. Four kittens born with wings leave the city slums, urged by their mother to strike out on their own and find a safe place to live. 700

O'Brien. Robert. MRS. FRISBY AND THE RATS OF NIMH. The saga of a group of rats, made literate and given human intelligence by a series of experiments, who escape from their laboratory to establish their own community. 790 (Sequels are by his daughter, Jane Conly.)

Oppel, Kenneth. SILVERWING. When a newborn bat named Shade but sometimes called "Runt" becomes separated from his colony during migration, he grows in ways that prepare him for even greater journeys. 660

Rylant, Cynthia. GOOSEBERRY PARK. When a storm separates Stumpy the squirrel from her newborn babies, her animal friends come to the rescue. 780

Seidler, Tor. MEAN MARGARET. A fastidious woodchuck discovers parenthood to be worse than his wildest imaginings when his wife insists on taking in an obnoxious two-year-old who has been dumped by her siblings in a ditch. 780

-----. WAINSCOTT WEASEL. Wendy is charmed by both Zeke and Bagley Brown, Jr., son of the legendary weasel hero, but Bagley pines for Bridget, a beautiful fish who lives in the nearby brook. When Bridget's life is in danger, Bagley learns he too can be a hero. 740

Selden, George. THE CRICKET IN TIMES SQUARE. The adventures of a country cricket who unintentionally arrives in New York and is befriended by Tucker Mouse and Harry Cat. 780

White, E. B. CHARLOTTE'S WEB. Wilbur, the pig, is desolate when he discovers that he is destined to be the farmer's Christmas dinner until his spider friend, Charlotte, decides to help him. 680

-----. STUART LITTLE. The adventures of the debonair mouse, Stuart Little, as he sets out in the world to seek out his dearest friend, a little bird who stayed a few days in his family's garden. 920

-----. THE TRUMPET OF THE SWAN. Knowing how to read and write is not enough for Louis, a voiceless Trumpeter Swan; his determination to learn to play a stolen trumpet takes him far from his wilderness home. 750

Whybrow, Ian. LITTLE WOLF'S BOOK OF BADNESS. Little wolf has been behaving too courteously, so his parents send him to his uncle's Big Bad Wolf school to learn to be a proper wolf. 600

