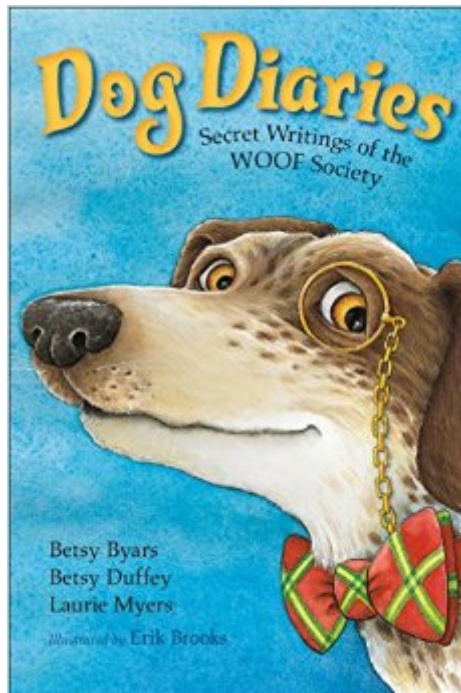


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Dog Diaries: Secret Writings Of The WOOF Society



Synopsis

It is the first annual meeting of the WOOF Society. Dogs of all different backgrounds and breeds have gathered together to listen to the stories of twelve dogs from around the world and throughout history. Abu is the ruler of ancient Egypt, but Miu, the Royal Cat, continues to challenge him, except at night. Tidbit, the runt of his litter, becomes a star singer at the Grand Ole Opry. Jip leads his blinded master back home from the Civil War. Mimi, a dog living in Paris, shares her tips on bathroom protocol and dinnertime etiquette. And eight more! Dog Diaries is a winning companion to Cat Diaries, also by Betsy Byars and her daughters Betsy Duffy and Laurie Myers. Humorous and at times touching, this collection of ultra-short stories is perfect for dog-loving reluctant readers.

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Customer Reviews

I borrowed this from the library because I spotted it on the new shelf and saw that it contained some dogs I knew I was going to like. ;) This cute little work of juvenile fiction is a collection of biographical short stories by dogs, read by other dogs assembled in a meeting of the WOOF Society--Words Of Our Friends, a new canine literacy organization for enlightened pooches. It's run by a noble old Irish Wolfhound called Beauregard. Dogs of various breeds and mixes are present (and cutely illustrated in a black and white cartoonish style by Erik Brooks) at the WOOF meeting, from Dobermans, Jack Russells, and Basset hounds to Dalmatians, Poodles, Chihuahuas and Borzoi. The stories read start

about as far back in domestic canine history as possible, with Abu, the feathered Saluki who is the mighty Pharaoh of all Egypt, a swift hunter, a courageous warrior--and has an interesting relationship with the Royal Cat, a constant shadow looming over his otherwise illustrious reign. No breeds are specified in the stories, but most can be known. Next, a little Pekingese discovers the power of names and that the naming of dogs, like the naming of cats, is an important matter. Then, a Cocker spaniel makes enemies with the animal under the sink that gets all the delicious, moldy food scraps that he craves. In "Dawg Strikes Gold," well written in the narrator's dialect, a droopy hound dog and a horse make a discovery that helps their poor master. (Stories with specific historical settings have them listed under the title--for instance, this one is Colorado, 1892.) Following that, a sweet little mutt named Tidbit tells of how he came to perform at the Grand Ole Opry with Johnny Cash. The story also includes Dolly Parton.

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