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Books for RVers

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There are many delightful children's books featuring lovable animals that teach valuable life lessons and interesting facts. It is fun, easy and entertaining for children to learn about life while sharing these pages with family and friends. It might even assist in helping children to become avid readers. This latest book from Erik and Jeanne Anderson #129446 is the first in a series of Hershey Pup RV adventures. It teaches children to be curious, to explore and to enjoy the wonders of their environment and the loveliness of the natural world.

Hershey Pup Discovers New England's State Birds & Flowers

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This book was written by Erik and Jeanne Anderson, fellow Escapees, who have been living, working and full-time RVing since 2020 when they set out to travel in all 48 lower United States and six Canadian Provinces. Accompanied by their intrepid Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, Hershey Pup, they met many fellow RVers and their pups while traveling. Hershey Pup loves people and other dogs and has quite a following among the RVing public, traveling in what he calls his rolling doghouse. He even has his own Facebook page and many Internet connections that you can use to follow what this pup is up to. This true-life adventure, with its charming illustrations, features their trip as they travel through the states of New England. Each state has a state bird and state flower. There are beautiful illustrations of the birds and flowers as he and his human mom and dad discover them. He is constantly sniffing around and checking out the various state flowers and deciding that although he finds the state birds interesting to watch, he doesn't want to share their eating habits. No worms or seeds for him, he will stick to familiar dog food and treats. It is amazing to discover that the Maine state flower is the White Pine tree pinecone which nearly bopped him on the head as he roamed in the Maine woodlands. And who knew that the state bird for Rhode Island is the

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Rhode Island Red chicken or that Massachusetts even has a state berry, the cranberry, which we enjoy with Thanksgiving dinner.

Other interesting books for children include the classic "Charlotte's Web" (E.B. White) about the friendship between Wilbur, the pig and Charlotte, the barn spider. It's a wonderful story of friendship and love between two very different animals. Another book "Finding Gobi" (Dion Leonard) is the true story of a young pup accompanying a marathoner across the Gobi Desert ultramarathon, which is a 155-mile run in a very inhospitable part of the world. Dion fell in love with this wonderful companion, and he found his heart and spirit changed by the young pup's determination and heart. But in his efforts to take her home to Scotland, he ran into difficulties. With the help of strangers and support from around the globe, Gobi is finally rescued. If you are looking for this book, it is available in an adult version and multiple children's editions. Shop carefully. 🐕