

Wild About Books by Judy Sierra; illustrated by Marc Brown
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Synopsis: Molly McGrew, the librarian, lures the zoo animals to her bookmobile by reading aloud a Dr. Seuss book. A reading frenzy ensues. Some of the animals are so taken with the written word they begin writing poetry and stories on their own. Working together, the animals establish their own zoobrary.

Themes: Reading, writing, zoo animals, libraries,

Author Information:

Judy's homepage provides a biography, an overview of her books, along with an informative question answer format.

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Activities:

- ?? Create original poetry about reading, writing, or an animal.
- ?? Write a personal experience involving an animal.
- ?? Select some of the animals from the book to locate their natural habitat on a world map.
- ?? Create a spreadsheet of animal names for males/females, babies, home, continents. As a class, manipulate the data to find commonalities.
- ?? Frame questions about an animal and research the answers.
- ?? Create a graph of the kinds of books the class has read