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## R.E.A.D. Members who are Authors

n November we promised to publish a list in this issue (and semi-annually thereafter) of all our R.E.A.D. members who have written and published children's books, so here is the list of everyone who responded to our request. (Thanks for doing so!)

If you missed this opportunity, or have just finished writing and want to be included in August, once again, here is the information we will need:

- Your name
- Name of your book
- Suggested age-range of readers
- Publisher (or self-published)
- Price
- Where/how to buy it
- Your Email and/or phone number (in case someone wants to talk with you, find out more about the book, etc.)

We will look forward to hearing from you all! And meanwhile, we know you will enjoy exploring this first list, which begins on the next page!

### Not a R.E.A.D. Author, but Worthwhile

This one has been around since 2016, but I had not heard of it. I love it because it is such a clear example of how the filters we all wear change our perceptions of any entity (in this case, the cat) as completely different.

New York Times bestseller and Caldecott Medal winner *They All Saw a Cat* is a visual delight and a charming read-aloud that invites kids and parents to explore the concept of perception.

"The cat walked through the world, with its whiskers, ears, and paws ..." In this glorious celebration of observation, curiosity, and imagination, author and illustrator Brendan Wenzel shows us the many lives of one cat, and how perspective shapes what we see. When you see a cat, what do you see?

Children will love following along with the simple, fun story, while parents will appreciate the book's clever and thoughtful lessons about how everyone has a unique perspective. (-KK)



## R.E.A.D. Authors - 1st Semiannual Listing

HIS JOURNEY TO BECOME

THERAPY DAG

# Hank's Purpose: His Journey to Become a Therapy Dog

by Jen Duran

Follow along with Hank the Labrador Retriever, as he begins his life as a therapy dog with a new family. Hank learns to connect with his young handicapped human



Jen says: It's been about a year being R.E.A.D.-registered with my dog Hank and we absolutely love working with kids at our local library.

Through the loss of my daughter I found myself writing a children's book. It's something I never thought I'd ever do in my lifetime, but my daughter's life was truly special and I really believe that if it wasn't for her Hank would not have become a therapy dog.

The book is written from Hank's perspective and he learns that his sister isn't like a typical kid. So he learns how to overcome obstacles and find ways to connect with his sister who's medically complex and ultimately found his purpose as a therapy dog.

I just wanted to share the book as it would be a great book for kids to learn what training is like to become a therapy dog. It's also a great opportunity for students to learn about children with medical needs.

## El Super Poder Manchas y Perronejo al rescate

By Raquel C Cuperman

Summary: Manchas is a dog, Perronejo is a bunny and Mancha's son. Manchas quickly finds out that she can help the youngest son in the family learn to read, that her company allows him the calm and tranquility he needs to overcome his fear. Perronejo, who seems to be quite gossipy, translates this "ability" to other animals and invites the teachers at human and animal school to develop a dog reading program with great success. (Note: This book is only in Spanish.)

Suggested age-range of readers: Early readers, transition thru second grade



Price: US\$12.99

Where/how to

buy it: The book is not available in any book sale platform. It is only available through our social networks: Los Cuentos de Juanita and/or Creyendo Leyendo in facebook and instagram

Your Email and/or phone number (in case someone wants to talk with you, find out more about the book, etc.): 571-3153154702 and rcuperma@yahoo.es

Publisher (or self-published): Los Cuentos de Juanita





#### R.E.A.D. Authors - 1st Semiannual Listing (cont.)

It Took a Dog, by Dan Holmes

#### It Took a Human (Revised

Edition), by Elsa Holmes

Suggested age range of readers: Not a children's book, I'd recommend high school and up.

Publisher: Self-published on Amazon

Price: \$7.50 for paperback; \$4.50

for eVersion

Where to buy it: on Amazon

Email/Cell Phone: dan.holmes@cox.net; (850) 376-6032

The books are a bit dated, as we're up to 760 therapy dog visits together. After writing my book, my son liked it and asked when I was going to write my next book. I told him no, my writing career was over. He said I should write another book, the same book, except from Elsa, the dog's perspective. So I did, and Elsa's book is called *It Took a Human*. Get the *Revised Edition* of that book. Elsa's book is better than mine!

Hope this is useful.

Dan

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(ED. NOTE: We are so sorry to report that Dan's beloved Elsa has just recently passed away.)









- 1. READ With Starburst \$9.99
- 2. Starburst Meets A New Friend \$9.99
- 3. Starburst The Amazing Trick Performing Dog \$10.99

By Fran Hellman CPDT-KA

I have written three children's books about my therapy dog Starburst and would like to share the information about them with you.

Starburst is registered with Therapy Dogs of Rockland in Rockland County, NY. Her member # is: 2472.

All three books were published by me and can be purchased on http://www.amazon.com.

These colorful, animated books are for young readers in grades 1, 2, & 3.

Best regards.

Fran

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