



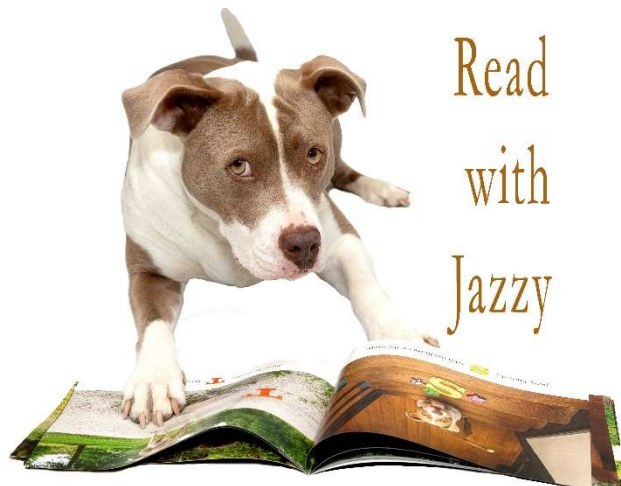
Sonja McGiboney is an author and photographer with a focus on children's literature. Her primary goal is to help children read and write.

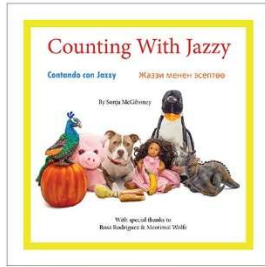
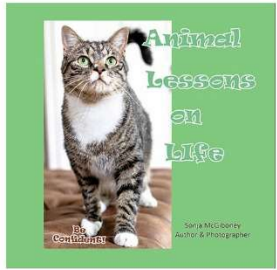
As an author, McGiboney has published 23 books with titles such as, *Growing Up Jazzy*, *ABC Jazzy*, *Jazzy Explores the Library*, and more.

She is also involved in the writing community. She participates in 12 X 12 Challenge and SCBWI. Both organizations are unique communities of writers centering around building books for children. She is the founder of Gadsden Alabama Writers.

Sonja maintains an online presence through her YouTube channel, where she reads her books and shares content related to her mission of promoting literacy among children.

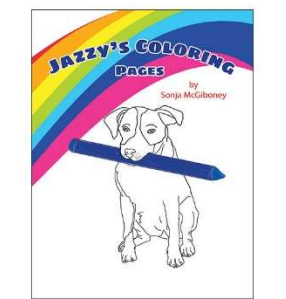
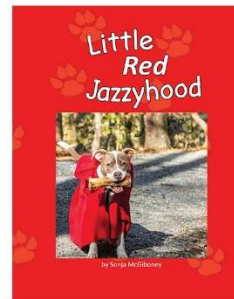
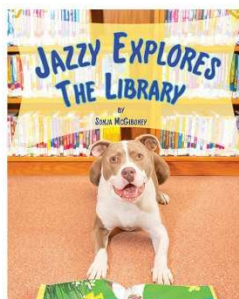
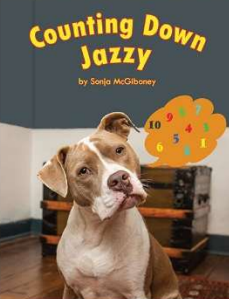
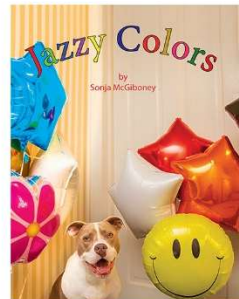
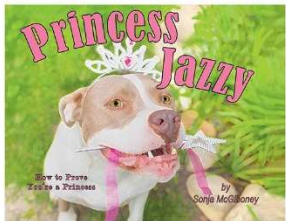
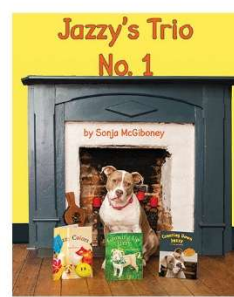
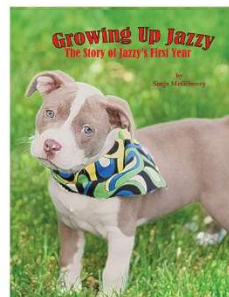
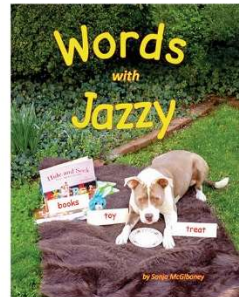
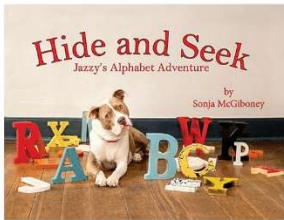
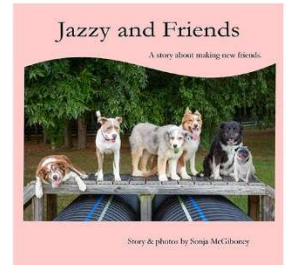
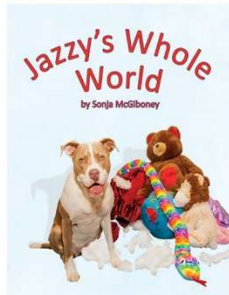
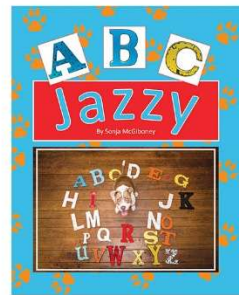
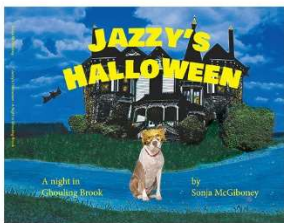
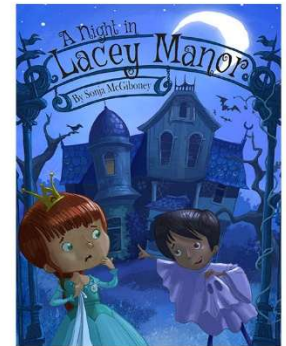
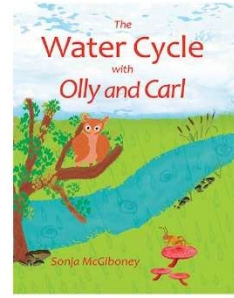
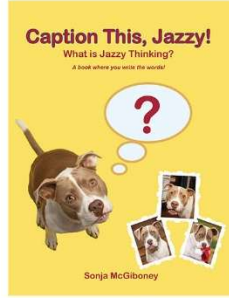
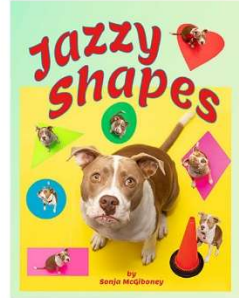
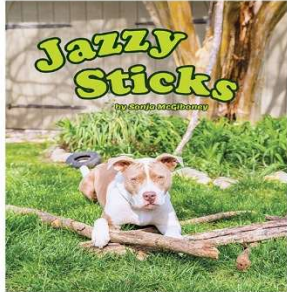
McGiboney's work extends beyond writing, as she also has skills in various areas including building websites, teaching, music, and photography. Her diverse skill set and passion for education, make her a multifaceted creator in the realm of children's literature and beyond.





Children's Books
<https://www.jazzysbooks.com>

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Jazzy Books

1-Jan-17	ABC Jazzy	978-0-9600125-2-7	Paperback
23-Oct-24	Caption This, Jazzy	978-1-964345-50-5	Paperback
31-May-24	Count with Jazzy	978-1-964345-01-7	Paperback
1-May-17	Counting down Jazzy	978-0-9600125-1-0	Paperback
	Counting down Jazzy	978-0-9600125-9-6	Ebook
1-Mar-22	Counting down Jazzy	979-8-9858405-0-6	Hardback
	Growing up Jazzy	978-0-9600125-0-3	Paperback
10-Jan-22	Hide and Seek: Jazzy's Alphabet Adventure	978-1-7333663-8-0	Hardback
30-Aug-19	Jazzy Colors	978-1-7333663-0-4	Paperback
	Jazzy Explores Murfreesboro: North Carolina	978-1-7333663-4-2	Paperback
1-Oct-24	Jazzy Explores Smithfield: Virginia	978-1-964345-06-2	Paperback
	Jazzy Explores Smithfield: Virginia	978-1-964345-07-9	Hardback
	Jazzy Explores Smithfield: Virginia = Out of Print	978-0-9600125-8-9	n/a
15-Feb-19	Jazzy Explores the Library	978-0-9600125-6-5	Paperback
	Jazzy Shapes	978-0-9600125-5-8	Paperback
13-Mar-22	Jazzy Shapes	979-8-9858405-3-7	Hardback
	Jazzy Sticks	979-8-9858405-4-4	Hardback
22-Mar-22	Jazzy Sticks	979-8-9858405-5-1	Paperback
29-Jan-24	Jazzy Time	978-0-9600125-3-4	Paperback
	Jazzy Time	978-1-7333663-3-5	Online resource
27-Jan-21	Jazzy and Friends	978-1-7333663-1-1	Paperback
	Jazzy and Friends	978-1-7333663-5-9	Ebook - EPUB
8-Feb-19	Jazzy's Coloring Pages	978-0-9600125-7-2	Paperback
10-May-22	Jazzy's Guide to Summertime Fun	978-1-964345-03-1	Digital online
10-May-22	Jazzy's Guide to Summertime Fun	979-8-9858405-6-8	Paperback
20-Aug-21	Jazzy's Halloween: A Night in Ghouling Brook	978-1-7333663-7-3	Hardback
20-Aug-21	Jazzy's Halloween: A Night in Ghouling Brook	978-1-964345-09-3	Paperback
26-Nov-22	Jazzy's Journal-Fan Fiction by Young Authors Vol. 1: An Anthology of Jazzy Stories Compiled by Sonja McGiboney	979-8-9858405-9-9	Paperback
31-Jan-23	Jazzy's Journal-Fan Fiction by Young Authors Vol. 2: An Anthology of Jazzy Stories Compiled by Sonja McGiboney	979-8-9858405-8-2	Paperback
8-Mar-22	Jazzy's Trio No. 1	979-8-9858405-2-0	Hardback
17-Sep-21	Jazzy's Twelve Days of Christmas	978-1-7333663-6-6	Hardback
	Jazzy's Twelve Days of Christmas	978-1-964345-08-6	Paperback
30-Sep-19	Jazzy's Whole World	978-1-7333663-2-8	Paperback
31-May-24	Kyzy! Topuchan Jazzy	978-1-964345-00-0	Paperback
1-Jan-18	Little Red Jazzyhood	978-0-9600125-4-1	Paperback
26-Jul-21	Princess Jazzy: How to Prove You're a Princess	978-1-7333663-9-7	Hardback
1-Mar-24	Princess Jazzy Coloring Pages		Paperback
8-Mar-22	Words with Jazzy	979-8-9858405-1-3	Paperback

Non Jazzy Books

3/1/2025	A Night in Lacey Manor	978-1-964345-51-2	Paperback
3/1/2025	A Night in Lacey Manor	978-1-964345-10-9	ebook
6/10/2024	Animal Lessons on Life	978-1-964345-02-4	Paperback
7/27/2022	Life in Haiku: Photography and Verse	979-8-9858405-7-5	Paperback
9/1/2024	The Water Cycle with Olly and Carl	978-1-964345-04-8	Paperback
9/2/2024	The Water Cycle with Olly and Carl	978-1-964345-05-5	Hardback

Videos

ABC Jazzy

Trailer <https://youtu.be/FCI5CQ-fnd4>

The ABC Song with Jazzy's Pictures <https://youtu.be/UtG0b0JyDfs>

Counting Down Jazzy

Trailer <https://youtu.be/Bm8EV-feZYQ>

Read by Dale with Jazzy in the background. <https://youtu.be/X4ZO9wi0AP8>

Read by Preston https://youtu.be/3tce_86Rr_k

Jazzy and Friends

Read by Sonja <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HUh4a3m-wsg&t=78s>

Jazzy Colors.

Trailer https://youtu.be/GB_i97Y5egs

Jazzy Shapes Scavenger Hunt

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v2Ht2czu3IM>

Jazzy Sticks

Video of photos used in the book <https://youtu.be/clxGofl695g>

Jazzy Time

Read by Sonja https://youtu.be/Kfey5f_pGd0

Jazzy's Guide to Summertime Fun

Trailer <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ljonb09zJSM>

Jazzy's Halloween

Music to accompany song <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=35Ygr65vo9Q&t=7s>

Read by Sonja <https://youtu.be/24bdDzxAdCk>

Jazzy's Whole World

Music to accompany song <https://youtu.be/VTTzChEhBtU>

Princess Jazzy – How to Prove You're a Princess

Trailer <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=00t1gTEb7RA&t=1s>

Twelve Days of Christmas

Trailer <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gxxT95oz880>

Complete Story <https://youtu.be/O1E8pCV4nWg>

Elf and Jazzy

Elf and Jazzy become friends. <https://youtube.com/shorts/IBsflio4HhI?feature=share>

Elf spots Jazzy <https://youtu.be/LZi0BLmKF8I>

Elf decides his cousin has all the fun with children so he pranks on Jazzy. https://youtu.be/31I2aY-r_14

Jazzy Saves the Rose <https://youtu.be/EjwWYbxNb3M>

Radio Interview with Neal Steele in Gloucester, VA <https://youtu.be/mAKvIugH1jc>

Zoom interview with Skye Anderson <https://youtu.be/HF334iwrw3s>

Meet Jazzy

In backyard and includes hose scenes <https://youtu.be/3YJadIeV7E>

In living room with ball and does tricks https://youtu.be/-K_ULaqCG9k

How to write a Jazzy story

Short intro with Jazzy but talks about beginning, middle, and end. <https://youtu.be/y3YopljRfvA>

Intro with Jazzy licking my face then explains using cutout Jazzy <https://youtu.be/Vr7--cIkeLQ>

Playlist Link

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDtBZStVSpUYPO4vaHQmPPAq_QMKAFkFB

ABC Jazzy: An easy-to-read alphabet book illustrated with colorful photographs of Jazzy, a floppy eared, brown and white dog. The alphabet runs away to hide and Jazzy finds each letter with something that begins with that letter. The book is great for emergent readers. It keeps children turning the pages.

Check the author's website for teacher resources. 8 x 10

- ISBN 978-0-9600125-2-7 Paperback

Count with Jazzy: 2021 Jazzy, a cute brown and white dog, is dressed up like a chick, a penguin, a dragon, and more to help your child learn to count to ten. The book uses photos for illustrations. Count With Jazzy is translated into Kyrgyz by Sonja's niece, Meerimai Wolfe, who is from Kyrgyzstan. This translation is part of an effort to preserve the Kyrgyz language. The Kyrgyz translation is written in Cyrillic. The Spanish translation is done by Sonja's friend, Rosa Rodríguez, who is from Puerto Rico. The Spanish language is common in the southern parts of the United States and the book will help children learn both languages. The book includes a short bio about Sonja McGiboney, Meerimai Wolfe, and Rosa Rodriguez and information about their places of birth.

Counting down Jazzy: 2017 Counting Down Jazzy is a book about subtraction. Jazzy is a brown and white dog. She eats one of ten cupcakes to make nine. She eats one apple from nine to make eight. She continues to take away one until finally, she is down to one cat. What will she do with the Cat?

Counting Down Jazzy is a wonderful way to teach how to count or to count backward. The repetitive and rhyming scheme builds confidence in early readers. Beautiful photos converted to lifelike illustrations accompany the rhyming text. 8 x 10

- ISBN 978-0-9600125-1-0 Paperback
- ISBN 9798985840506 Hardback
- ISBN 978-0-9600125-9-6 Ebook

Growing up Jazzy: 2017 Watch Jazzy grow! From an 8-week-old puppy to her first birthday, share the fun of being a dog. The beautiful photographs, highlighting each month of the year, make both parent and child laugh.

This is the first book in a series of concept books for children ages 2 - 8. Check them all out and have fun learning and reading.

8 x 10

- ISBN 978-0-9600125-0-3 Paperback

Hide and Seek -Jazzy's Alphabet Adventure: 2022 Hide and Seek-Jazzy's Alphabet Adventure is a children's alphabet book. Jazzy is the star of many educational books. In this alphabet adventure, Jazzy hides her eyes, and the letters run away to hide. The text is short and simple making it easy for children to read or use context cues to figure out the words. Each letter of the alphabet is colorfully displayed in the text. The pages are illustrated with beautifully composed images from actual photographs taken by the author.

The book format is a wonderful way for teachers to have their class create their own alphabet adventure. Perhaps renaming the book Hide and Seek, and using the child's name instead of Jazzy's.

8.5 X 11.

- ISBN 978-1-7333663-8-0 Hardback

Jazzy and Friends: 2021 Jazzy, a cute loveable, brown and white dog, and her friend Rain go to the park to play. New dogs come into the park, but Rain tells Jazzy she can't play with them for one silly reason or another (no tail, sharp ears etc.). Jazzy and Rain soon learn that you cannot judge another dog by the way it looks.

This book provides a great opportunity for educators to discuss first impressions, friendships and diversity. It is about learning to form your own opinion based on your own interactions not what others say.

The book is geared towards young children but reads on a first-grade level.

The book uses photographs as illustrations. 8 x 8

- ISBN 978-1-7333663-1-1 Paperback
- ISBN 978-1-7333663-5-9 Ebook

Jazzy Colors: 2019 Jazzy Colors is a 28-page, children's picture book by Sonja McGiboney. Jazzy, a cute brown and white dog, is the star of many children's books by Sonja. In this book, Jazzy introduces one color for each month of the year. The colors; white, red, green, pink, gold, blue, purple, black, yellow, gray, orange, and brown each have a spotlight of their own. The rhyming text is easy to read. The illustrations are based on real photographs that have been modified by the author. 8.5 x 11

- ISBN 978-1-7333663-0-4 Paperback

Jazzy Explores Murfreesboro North Carolina: Jazzy Explores Murfreesboro, North Carolina, is a children's history book about the town. It was created as a collaborative effort between Sonja and the Town of Murfreesboro Historical Association, Inc. 8 x 10
Available via Murfreesboro Historical Association

- ISBN 978-1-7333663-4-2 Paperback

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Jazzy Explores Smithfield Virginia: Jazzy loves her hometown of Smithfield, Virginia. This book captures the beauty and history of Smithfield in stunning photographs. Enjoy exploring the town's museums, sights and culture with Jazzy. 8 x 10

ISBN 978-0-9600125-8-9 Paperback

Jazzy Explores the Library: Have fun finding bones in the library with Jazzy. Along the way she can't help but be distracted by other books. Will she be sad that they aren't real bones when she finds them?

This book is a must for librarians who want to teach the Dewey decimal system to young audiences.

Children will delight in the photographs of Jazzy exploring the library. 8 x 10

ISBN 978-0-9600125-6-5 Paperback

Jazzy Time: Spend a day in the life of a dog. Jazzy wakes at 5:00 A.M. and takes you through all her fun activities. Would you like to eat and nap as much as she does in a day? 8 x 10

- ISBN 978-0-9600125-3-4 Paperback
- ISBN 978-1-7333663-3-5 Ebook

Jazzy Shapes: 2022 Learn shapes with Jazzy. The book describes a circle, square, triangle, rectangle, heart, diamond, oval, cube, cylinder, cone & sphere. After you learn about a shape, you can interact with your child as you view more of that shape on the next page or look for them in your home or outside. 8 x 10

- ISBN 978-0-9600125-5-8 Paperback
- ISBN 979-8-9858405-3-7 Hardback

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Jazzy Shapes: Jazzy, a cute boxer, lab, pitbull mix dog, introduces each shape. Jazzy sits on a shape and tells what it is. The next page has a picture of jazzy with all kinds of everyday items with that shape. Children are asked to count, identify, or find the shapes. Basic shapes and some three-dimensional shapes are included: Circle, square, triangle, rectangle, heart, diamond, sphere, cube, cone, and cylinder. The rhyming text is easy to read. The illustrations are based on real photographs taken by the author. 8x10

ISBN 979-8-9858405-3-7 Hardback

ISBN 978-0-9600125-5-8 Paperback

Jazzy Sticks: 2022 Jazzy is a brown and white dog who loves sticks. She loves big ones, short ones, fat ones, skinny ones, long ones, and anything that is a stick. Have you ever seen the videos of dogs carrying the biggest sticks imaginable? That's Jazzy.

Young children will love reading about all the different kinds of sticks Jazzy collects. It's a wonderful book to teach comparisons. The rhyming text is easy for emergent readers but short so it's a quick, bedtime story.

The images are from real photographs. 8x10

- ISBN 979-8985840544 Hardcover

Jazzy Time: Spend a day in the life of a dog. Jazzy wakes at 5:00 A.M. and takes you through all her fun activities. Would you like to eat and nap as much as she does in a day?

ISBN 978-1-7333663-3-5 Ebook

ISBN 978-0-9600125-3-4 Paperback

Jazzy's Coloring Pages: 2019 Jazzy's Coloring pages are created from the photographs used in children's books by Sonja McGiboney. They are outlines of different scenes from several of her books. Jazzy is a cute, brown, and white dog. Included are pictures of Jazzy as a puppy or dressed for a particular holiday. Jazzy celebrates Halloween, Valentine's Day, Mardi-Gras, and Christmas trees. If your children love dogs, they will love coloring these fun pictures. 8.5 x 11

- ISBN 978-0-9600125-7-2 Paperback

Jazzy's Guide to Summertime Fun: 2022 What will you do this summer? Jazzy Guide is full of ideas and demonstrates them with beautiful, fun photographs.

Some activities will need the help of an adult since, obviously, children cannot drive.

Not only will you have fun reading the rhyming text, but at the end of the book is a check-off sheet. Children can check off the activities that they accomplish.

Once you are done, send Jazzy an email and tell her about your adventures. 8x10

ISBN: 979-8985840568 Paperback

Jazzy's Halloween - A Night in Ghouling Brook: 2021 Jazzy's Halloween is a delightful way to introduce the fun side of ghosts, witches, goblins and more to children.

Halloween, a fun festival when spirits are remembered, can be frightening to a child. A child who is scared once may have ghouls and goblins hiding under their beds for quite a while. The monsters in Ghouling Brook are all Jazzy. She dresses like a witch, she wears a cape like a vampire, she's green like a goblin, and well, seeing Jazzy dressed like a mummy using toilet paper will make them laugh.

8.5 X 11

- ISBN 978-1-7333663-7-3 Hardback

Jazzy's Journal-Fan Fiction by Young Authors Vol. 1: An Anthology of Jazzy Stories Compiled by Sonja McGiboney Jazzy fans write new stories. This is a collection of original manuscripts written by children. My intent with this project is to prompt children of all ages to write. Being creative does not always come naturally, but encouraging it helps improve cognitive function, makes people happy, and provides an outlet for self-expression. Writing helps reading and reading helps writing. It's a win-win project! Enjoy the stories, and if you feel the muse, write one and send it to me! smcgphoto@gmail.com

ISBN: 979-8-9858405-9-9 Paperback

Jazzy's Journal-Fan Fiction by Young Authors Vol. 2: An Anthology of Jazzy Stories Compiled by Sonja McGiboney: 2024 Jazzy fans write new stories. This is the second collection of original manuscripts written by children. My intent with this project is to prompt children of all ages to write. Being creative does not always come naturally, but encouraging it helps improve cognitive function, makes people happy, and provides an outlet for self-expression. Writing helps reading and reading helps writing. It's a win-win project! Enjoy the stories, and if you feel the muse, write one and send it to me! smcgphoto@gmail.com

ISBN: 979-8-9858405-8-2xx Paperback

Jazzy's Trio No. 1: 2022 Three Jazzy books for the price of one. A trio of fun with Growing Up Jazzy, Jazzy Colors, and Counting Down Jazzy. Here's the scoop on each book.

1. Growing Up Jazzy: Children watch Jazzy grow from an 8-week-old puppy to her first birthday. A great book if you are adopting a puppy.

2. Jazzy Colors: A fun poetry book about colors and the months of the year.

3. Counting Down Jazzy: Jazzy goes through cupcakes, apples, hotdogs, and more until she's down to one cat. What will she do with the Cat?

All three books are excellent for emergent readers and the pictures make everyone smile.

ISBN 979-8985840520 Harback

Jazzy's Twelve Days of Christmas: 2021 The Twelve Days of Christmas have gone to the dogs. That's right! Jazzy is a dog who sings her version of the traditional song, "The Twelve Days of Christmas." She loves bones, cookies, snakes and more. Parents and children laugh at the illustrations crafted from photographs.

While having fun, children learn numbers and sequences. The repetitive verses make it a great tool for reading. Though it is forty-two pages long, it will go by quickly. Be prepared to sing your way to the end over and over again. Try singing it softly. Perhaps have a singing match. Can you sing it from memory? There are so many ways to have fun with this book. 8.5 X 11

- ISBN 978-1-7333663-6-6 Hardback

Jazzy's Whole World: 2019 "She's got the whole world, in her fangs." Don't worry, the world is safe but you might laugh for a while.

Join Jazzy in reading or singing your way through this traditional song but from a dog's point of view.

Parents and children love the fun photographs.

Based on the traditional spiritual, "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands." 8x10

1. ISBN 978-1-7333663-2-8 paperback

Little Red Jazzyhood: It's Little Red Ridinghood with a twist. Jazzy is given the task to taking a bone to Granny's house. On the way, Jazzy has to ignore Wolf's bullying. Wolf beats Jazzy to Granny's house, shoves Granny in the closet, imitates her and tries to get Jazzy and the bone. After hitting her head, Wolf reveals that she feels alone and that nobody likes her. Granny tells Wolf how to make friends. Wolf is not very good at it so Granny suggest a silly game of making faces. Wolf and Jazzy make funny faces and end up laughing. It's the start of a new friendship. ISBN 978-0-9600125-4-1 Paperback 8 x 10

Little Red Jazzyhood: [Kyzyl Topuchan Jazzy: 2024](#) Bul jany burulush menen berilgen eski okuya. Syrkoologon tainesine Jazzy sook jetkizishi kerek. Karyshkyr sooktu algysy kelet, al sookko ee bolush uchun amaldanyp, tainenin keipin kiyet. Ukmushtuu okuya menen taanyshyp, chon beibash Karyshkyrga emne boloorun kor!! It's the old story with a new twist. Granny is sick and Jazzy needs to bring her a bone. Wolf wants the bone and pretends to be Granny so she can get it. Read the adventure and see what happens of Wolf, the big, bad bully.

Princess Jazzy - How to Prove You're a Princess: 2021 Princess Jazzy is a journey of self-discovery. Jazzy believes she is a real princess but her friends don't believe her. She gets a tiara for her birthday and thinks it will prove to her friends that she is a real princess.

Her friends laugh at her and tell her that she is just a dog. Jazzy sets out to prove she is a princess. At the library, she finds pictures and books about princesses. She tries dressing like one but that doesn't work. Then she reads fairy tales and does all the tests that she finds in them including kissing a frog. Just when she is about to give up, her friend Tilly, the cat, helps her out.

The story is useful in a classroom. It teaches children to be okay with their own identity. Jazzy isn't a real princess, but she sees herself as one. It doesn't matter what other dogs are saying to her, she learns to be okay with how she feels about herself. Children don't have to prove their identities with clothes, tasks, and tests. Despite what others say, it's what one does with kindness, love, and their best efforts that make a difference.

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