Lions

Majestic lions live in groups called prides. They fiercely guard the pride from other lions. The stealthy female lions hunt tirelessly. They also raise their playful cubs!

Hike at Night

I'd really never <u>walked</u> at night before, so I was <u>fearful</u> on our midnight hike at camp. I <u>said</u>, "Are we sure we want to do this?" But our leader <u>told</u> me that we'd be <u>fine</u>. As my eyes focused in the dark, I noticed things you can't see during the day! The stars <u>shone</u> in the sky. A raccoon <u>ran</u> across our path. The <u>sound</u> of an owl floated down from a nearby tree. I was so <u>glad</u> that I took the midnight hike!

Bats

During the day, bats move close together, sleeping during daylight hours. After the sun sets, they fly through the sky, searching for their next meal. Their amazing sense of hearing helps them find small insects and other tasty food.

oops!

The skateboards rolled across the sidewalk and right into the door of the grocery store. Splat! Down goed three laughing boys. As they rolled on the ground giggling hysterically, they realized they were right at the feet of the furious store owner.

"You crazy kids!" the grocer roared. "I told you that if you ever bringed those skateboards here again I would call your parents."

The boys said, "we're sorry. If we had a skate park around here, we'd have a better place to ride!"

My Favorite Place

My favorite place is right behind my house! Under the big oak tree, I can read my favorite books. At noon, when the sun is blazing in the sky, the leafcovered branches make a shady place for me to rest. I can feel the breeze on my face as I watch the leaves ripple in the wind. I'm lucky to have such a wonderful place in my own backyard!

A Trip to the Zoo

All of us students traveled to the zoo. The staff greeted us at the gate to welcome us and tell us about zoo babies and exciting new displays. We were excited to see the litter of wolf pups! A group with five lions stretched out in the warm afternoon sun. We saw a colony of bats hanging upside down, sleeping in the new caves exhibit.

Come to Our Party!

You have been the best reading buddys! You share great books with us. So please join us for cookies! On Tuesday, bring your lunchs to our classroom. After lunch, we'll have yummy cookies and other treats. We're so thankful for all your help this year. Sincerely,

Mr. Littlejohn's students

Springtime Spring are finally here! Bunnies hop across the green grass. Flowers pokes up from the ground. They bloom, their bright colors decorating our garden. Buds sprout from the trees and reveal new green leaves. Each day is a little warmer than the one before it. Everything grows in the spring!

Owling

Grandma and I set out at night. The moons' glow flooded the forest with light. Would we see an owl's wings flutter in the darkness? Would we hear the owls' hoots as they called out in the night? I left my binoculars behind, so Grandma gave me yours. And, just when I had given up, the glowing of a bird's eyes lit up the night. An owl!

The Party "Mom, can you take ourselves to the party now?" "Sure! But did you remember a card?" "Yes. I made it myself." "Did you wash up?" "Yes. We checked us in the mirror to be sure we're clean." "Then be polite! Don't help yourselves to too many sweets. Oh, and enjoy yourselves!"

Book Review

One summer day, Toad was unhappy. He had lost it from his coat. Who would help him find it? His very best friend, Frog! *Frog and Toad Are Friends* is my favorite book. It makes me happy. I enjoy reading about such wonderful friends!