



LABRADORS: CLEVER COMPANIONS



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Creating Young Nonfiction Readers

Little Mitchie lets children delve into nonfiction at young reading levels. Young readers are introduced to new concepts, facts, ideas, and vocabulary.

Tips for Reading Nonfiction with Young Readers

Talk about Nonfiction

Begin by explaining that nonfiction books give us information that is true. The book will be organized around a specific topic or idea, and we may learn new facts through reading.

Look at the Parts

Most nonfiction books have helpful features. Our *Little Mitchie* titles include color photographs and graphic aids, a table of contents, a glossary, and an index. Share the purpose of these features with your reader.

Color Photos and Graphic Aids

A lot of information can be found by “reading” photos, charts, maps, and other graphic aids found within nonfiction texts. Help your reader learn more about the different ways information can be displayed.

Table of Contents

Located at the front of the book, this list shows the big ideas within the text and the page numbers where they can be found.

Glossary

Located at the back of the book, the glossary defines key words and phrases that are related to the topic. These words and phrases can be found in the text in colored type.

Index

Located at the back of the book, an index is an alphabetical list of topics and the page numbers where they can be found.

With a little help and guidance about reading nonfiction, you can feel good about introducing a young reader to the world of *Little Mitchie* nonfiction books.

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CHAPTER 1: A PERFECT CHOICE

Once upon a time, Canadian fishermen needed a way to catch the slippery fish that always escaped from their nets.





	MALE	FEMALE
Height	22.5 to 24.5 inches (57 to 62 centimeters)	21.5 to 23.5 in (55 to 60 cm)
Weight	65 to 80 pounds (29 to 36 kilograms)	55 to 70 lbs (25 to 32kg)
Life expectancy	11 to 13 years	11 to 13 years
Coat color	black, yellow (golden), brown (chocolate)	
Features	wide head, thin tail, floppy ears	

That was when a new type of dog was **bred**: the labrador. These special dogs are fast and easy to teach.



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