

NOTES

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6. Mary Bates, “Sensitive Sea Lion Whiskers Get the Job Done,” *Wired*, October 1, 2014, <https://www.wired.com/2014/10/sensitive-sea-lion-whiskers-get-job-done/>.

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8. Ruthie has a condition known as *amblyopia*. When kids have this condition, one eye is weaker than the other and may turn inward.
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12. This is not a real book, but there are lots of good books that show you how to take care of your dog and teach it basic commands. One is *101 Dog Tricks, Kids Edition* by Kyra Sundance (Beverly, MA: Quarry Books, 2014).
13. “Light the Fire” (Bloodsmith Music, 1987). Words and music by Bill Maxwell.
14. There are different versions of this story. This one is most similar to a folktale from the Karuk people of California, First People: American Indian Legends, “How Coyote Brought Fire to the People,” https://www.firstpeople.us/FP-HTML-Legends/How_Coyote_Brought_Fire_To_The_People-Karok.html. A similar version, “Coyote Steals Fire for the People,” retold by Alli Brydon, can be found in the book *Myths and Legends of the World*, Lonely Planet Kids (Oakland, CA: Lonely Planet Global Limited, 2019), 125–31. And another version retold by Jonathan London, called *Fire Race* (San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 1997), <http://wakinguponturtleisland.blogspot.com/2010/09/coyote-steals-fire-karuk-myth.html>. Here is a different

- version from the Northwest Band of the Shoshone Nation: Utah State University, DigitalCommons@USU, “Coyote Steals Fire,” 2005, https://digitalcommons.usu.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1049&context=usupress_pubs.
15. Urbanization happens when areas that are more rural, for instance, are built up into large towns or cities. Urbanization can have positive and negative effects. Study.com, “Urbanization: Lessons for Kids,” <https://study.com/academy/lesson/urbanization-lesson-for-kids.html>.
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 17. Psalm 50:10–11.
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 25. Genesis 1:28–29, 31.