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Charlie the Ranch Dog: Rock Star

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Book Review

Title: Charlie the Ranch Dog: Rock Star

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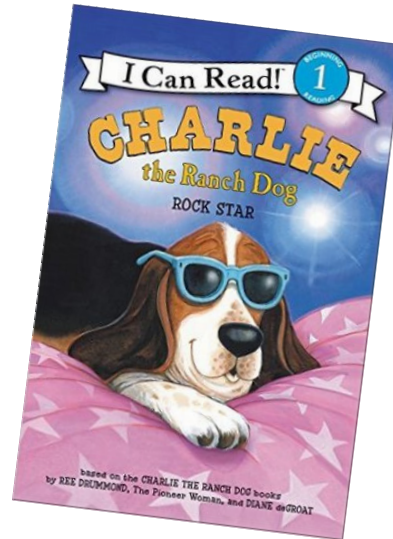
Publication Year: 2015

ISBN: 9780062347787

Number of Pages: 32

Interest Level: Outstanding

Rating: Preschool , Primary



Review

Charlie lives with his family on a ranch. After seeing a rock star dog on TV, Charlie decided he wants the easy life of a rock star dog too. He heads to the closet for some rock star clothes and after putting some clothes and accessories, he looks fabulous! Charlie expects other people to clean up his messes while he neglects his responsibilities on the ranch. However, he realizes that his life is less than glamorous. When Charlie tries to take a nap on some bales of hay but they are too scratchy. Plus, it's way too noisy outside on the ranch. When he trips on his shoelaces as he tries to scare away the squirrels and snakes, Charlie realizes that he would rather work hard and have his ranch life back.

Charlie the Ranch Dog: Rock Star is a silly story that will make beginning readers laugh. The text is arranged in short, simple sentences with familiar words to boost the confidence of new readers and make them excited for independent reading. There is a little chipmunk that shows up in the illustrations on almost every page spread that is perfect for young listeners to find. Children can decide which they would rather have: the ranch life with chores, hay bales, and bacon at the end of the day or the rock star life with fancy clothes, naps by the pool, and crowds of fans. For some, living simple and working hard has its own appeal.