

## ABOUT THE BOOK

Polly 'Possum is looking for a new home to raise her expected babies. Along the way, she meets a wide variety of diurnal and nocturnal animals. She learns how they build and live in webs, nests, hives, shells, burrows, lodges, dens, caves, dreys, and even hollows. While those homes are perfect for those animals, they aren't right for her. How does Polly find a home and will she find it in time?

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## CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS

### *For Creative Minds*

Each Arbordale book pairs a fictional story with pages of non-fiction informational text and activities. After Polly Possum's adventure to find a new home children are able to engage in learning activities that include:

- Name the Animal Home
- Diurnal or Nocturnal
- Polly's Map

As a paired reading, cross curricular text ***Anybody Home?*** fits perfectly into Common Core, Next Generation Science Standards and social studies lessons for grades K-2. Exact standards alignment and a 15-30 page teaching activities guide are available on [Arbordalepublishing.com](http://Arbordalepublishing.com).

### *Classification Information*

Understanding that reading level alignment is important for classroom implementation, *Anybody Home?* has been assessed by the following organizations:

- Accelerated Reader: 2.8
- Flesch-Kincaid: 3.0
- Lexile: 500
- Fountas and Pinnell: N

Bisac Codes include:

- JUV002000 - JF/ Animals/ General
- JUV029000 - JF/ Nature & the Natural World/ General
- JUV000000 - JF/ General

The animal home information was vetted by Jaclyn Stallard, manager of education programs at Project Learning Tree.

# ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Award-winning author Marianne Berkes is a retired teacher and librarian who turned her love of nature and teaching into writing informational picture books. In addition to *Anybody Home?*, *The Tree That Bear Climbed*, and *Animalogy* for Arbordale, some of Marianne's other recent and award-winning titles include: *Going Home*, *The Mystery of Animal Migration*; *Over in the Ocean, in a Coral Reef*; *Over in the Jungle, a Rainforest Rhyme*; *Going Around the Sun*, *Some Planetary Fun*, and *What's in the Garden?*. Visit her website at [www.MarianneBerkes.com](http://www.MarianneBerkes.com).

# ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Rebecca Dickinson's award-winning art and illustrations grace not only *Anybody Home?*, but many other books as well, including *Wee-Sing Nursery Rhymes*, *Boo! A Halloween Sticker Book and Story*, and *The Dirty Pond*. She is the author and illustrator of *The 13 Nights of Halloween & Monster Cake*, and wrote *Over in the Hollow*. Rebecca is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators. She paints the "old fashioned way," with acrylic and gouache, from her home studio in Seattle, WA. Ms. Dickinson shares her Gothic Victorian home with 3 lovely children, a brilliant corgi, named Napoleon Bonaparte and Stella Fluffanella the studio muse cat. Visit her website at [www.rebeccadickinson.com](http://www.rebeccadickinson.com).



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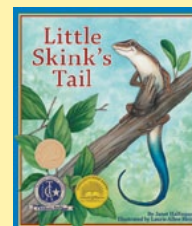


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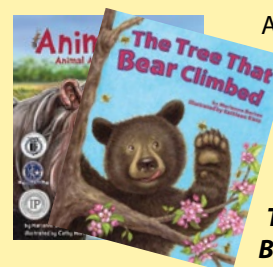
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