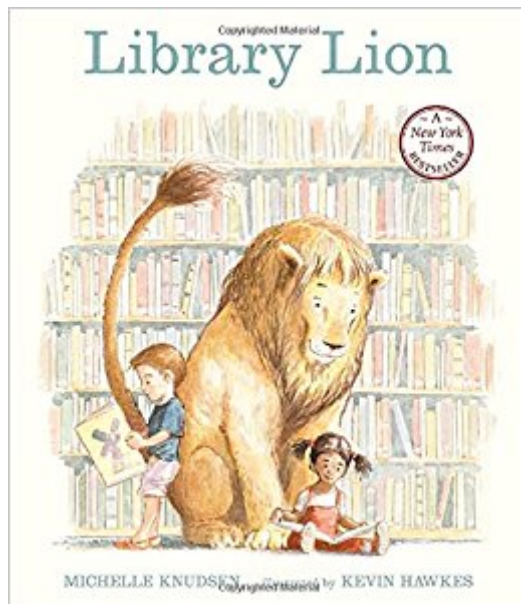


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# Library Lion



## Synopsis

A deluxe edition celebrating ten years of a beloved classic: the New York Times best-selling ode to that wonderful place, the library. Â Miss Merriweather, the head librarian, is very particular about rules in the library. No running allowed. And you must be quiet. As long as you follow the rules, you are permitted to enjoy the library. There are no rules about lions in a library, and why would there be? But one day, a lion walks into Miss Merriweatherâ™s library, and no one is sure what to do. It turns out that the lion seems very well suited for the library. His big feet are quiet on the library floor. He makes a comfy backrest for the children at story hour. And he never roars in the libraryâ”at least not anymore. But when something terrible happens, the lion helps in the only way he knows how. Could there ever be a good reason to break the rules? Even in the library?From the Hardcover edition.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

Starred Review. PreSchool-Grade 2â “Miss Merriweather, head librarian and decorum-keeper, first meets Lion when he saunters past his stone counterparts and into the stacks. Scowling circulation assistant Mr. McBee seems intent on having the enormous cat ejected, but his boss declares that as long as he breaks no rules, he is welcome. The beast does misbehave though, roaring loud

displeasure when storytime ends. At Miss Merriweather's reprimand, the contrite-looking lion promises to reform. In fact, he becomes something of a fixture in the building, dusting with his tail, licking envelopes, and serving as a stepstool for small patrons. Everyone appreciates himâ "except Mr. McBee. When Lion lets out another tremendous RAAAHHRRRR!, the man bursts into Miss Merriweather's office to snitchâ "and there he finds her in distress, having fallen from a stool and broken her arm. Lion, Ã la Lassie, has saved the day, but he is so chagrined by his own rule-breaking behavior that he doesn't return to the library. People miss him. Even Mr. McBee. A feel-good ending and a reminder that Sometimes, there is a good reason to break the rules bring the story to its most-satisfactory conclusion. Hawkes's deft acrylic-and-pencil pictures have appeal for generations of library lovers. They are rich with expression, movement, and detail. The lordly, lovable lion is a masterful mixâ "regal beast and furry friendâ "and the many human characters are drawn with animation and emotion. This winsome pairing of text and illustration is a natural for storytime and a first purchase for every collection.â "Kathy Krasniewicz, Perrot Library, Old Greenwich, CT Copyright Â© Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.


PreS-Gr. 2. This story's appealing premise is clear in the first sentence: "One day, a lion came to the library." There's the expected uproar as the lion pads through the stacks, but librarian Miss Merriweather only asks: "Is he breaking any rules?" The lion is not, and so he is allowed to stay. He makes himself useful and enjoys story hour until Miss Merriweather falls and breaks her arm. The lion roars for help, but his noise prompts a scolding from an uptight, oblivious staff member. The story falters a bit as it explores messages about rules and exceptions in a way that feels both purposeful and a bit convoluted. The warm friendships will easily draw interest, though, as will the handsome, nostalgic pencil-and-acrylic illustrations. Children will easily see themselves in the wild lion, which yearns to explore and enjoy the library but worries about the constraining rules. A fine partner for other library tales, such as Judy Sierra's *Wild about Books* (2004) and Lauren Child's *But Excuse Me That Is My Book* (2006). Gillian Engberg Copyright Â© American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

This is a very sweet book for young and old. There is a couple of great lessons in this book, but I think the best lesson is that you should follow the rules...but sometimes it is ok to break them and deal with the consequences of that. The children in my class really enjoyed this story about a misfit who shows he can fit in but remains true to himself. Highly recommended for all.

Love this book! I used it in my classroom to teach about character traits. Super fun!

The Library Lion is a very sweet story with soft and comforting artwork. This is a great story for families who go to the library, or for librarians to teach different parts of the library and proper library behavior.

A New York Times Best Seller for reasons. I watched the video on [storylineonline.net](http://storylineonline.net) and listened to this story read by Mindy Sterling and I just loved it and decided to buy it immediately! It's all about breaking rules... a giant cat in a library is already outrageous, and running and roaring at the same time? What a wonderful story! ...just can't wait to read it to my baby boy.

This immediately became the favorite book of our home. The story and illustrations are heart warming, and very well done. We love every character...especially the lion. 

I love, love, love this book. It has a great message. The drawings are beautiful. And my kids (5 and 3) want to read it over and over and over again.

When lion walks into the library, the first person he upsets is Mr. McBree at the circulation desk. Upon complaining about the lion to the the librarian, Miss Merriweather, Mr. McBree is was surprised to find that lion can stay as long as he follows the rules, "no running" and "be quite". Lion slowly becomes Miss Merriweather's helper and the children's reading companion. Luckily there is no rule to prevent having a lion in the library. When Mrs. Merriweather falls and gets hurt, Lion breaks the rules. What happens next demonstrates that sometimes it is OK to break the rules. My grandchildren love to read about how lion saves the day and the endearing pastel illustrations make this book a treasured keeper.

I bought this book as a gift for my nephew but first I got it out of the library to read it. I'm so big on children's books that I actually buy a number of them for my own library. This is one I would buy for myself. The story is cute and silly and sweet and the illustrations are right up my alley. Turned out to be a big hit with the 3 year old as well.

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