

Saint Francis of Assisi

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This brisk early reader introduces youngsters to a saint beloved for his care for all of Earth's fauna. It moves in the style of fairy tales and parables, dropping bits of medieval and religious history here and there as it follows Francis from his spirited childhood play toward his coming-of-age, which was marked by concern for the poor and the ill. It covers the hardships he faced, and his monastic work, too. Delicate watercolor illustrations illuminate almost every page of this excellent inspirational biography.

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