

Lindie Lou®

Adventure Series



On Ice

Exploring the Arctic with a Polar Bear Cub



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This book is dedicated to:

***Dr. Jeff Welker, UArctic Research Chair
and
Molly Welker, Environmental Scientist***

*for their knowledge, guidance, and personal experiences
which proved to be invaluable during
the process of researching and writing this book.*

***Beauport, because of my fond memories,
writing parts of this book, on this beautiful ship.***

Lindie Lou®

**The Arctic is a freezing cold place,
but Lindie Lou is ready to face
the cold, the ice, and even the dark,
for a chance to play with a polar bear cub.**

—Jeanne Bender

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**Here's what kids told
Jeanne Bender about Lindie Lou:**

My favorite book is Harvest Time. I like it because it has made me realize how important family and friends are and how much you rely on them and they rely on you. I like that it tells me that anyone you love and care about is more important than anything. I have loved every book I have read, and I can't wait to read more.

—Cayleb, age 9

I like that Lindie Lou travels to really cool places. I learn a lot from her. I like the Lindie Lou Song because it's a fun tune and I like to sing it.

—Andy, age 7 and Luca, age 9

I wish I could go to all the places Lindie Lou has been to. I like how she meets nice people. I love Lindie Lou!

—Liberty, age 8

I like to go on new adventures like Lindie Lou. I like to find new things and meet new friends. I like to go on Scavenger Hunts. The Lindie Lou books make me want to fly on an airplane. If I could fly anywhere, I'd like to go to Seattle.

—Lily, age 5

I like when Lindie Lou visits Seattle. I'd like to go to the Space Needle Restaurant and the Gift Shop just like Lindie Lou.

—Teddy, age 5







Kate



Bryan



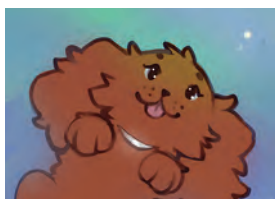
Steve



Michael
Andersen



Chloe



Ruby



Martin



Nanook



Modig



Dipper



Pinni



Rocky

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Chapter 1

ANOTHER AWESOME ADVENTURE

Lindie Lou climbed up the stairs to



Kate and
Bryan's
bedroom.

It was
a **cold**
December
morning.

She walked into the room and jumped up on the bed. Bryan was packing.

"It has always been my dream to visit the Arctic Circle and study the **northern lights**," said Bryan. "My boss is giving me a chance to visit one of the most remote places on earth."



"What did you say it was called?" asked Kate.

"Svalbard," said Bryan.

"It's a group of islands east of Greenland and is actually part of the country of Norway." He looked at Kate. "Are you sure you can't come with me?"
Kate sighed.

"I spoke to my boss. We both agreed that the work I am doing requires me to stay here in Seattle."

Lindie Lou crawled into Bryan's suitcase and rolled over on her back.

"Do you think your boss would let you take Lindie Lou?" asked Kate.

Bryan tickled Lindie Lou's tummy.

"I've already asked him. He said I could," said Bryan. "But if I take Lindie Lou, you will be all alone."

"No, I won't," said Kate. "The ducks on the lake visit me every day. And I have Lindie Lou's stuffed animal

friends Coco, Evy, and Manny to keep me company."



"Are you sure?" asked Bryan.

"I'm sure," said Kate. "Besides, Lindie Lou loves to travel. She will keep you warm on those cold Arctic nights."

"We're going to miss you," said Bryan. He hugged Kate.

"Promise me, you will be careful up there."

"I promise," said Bryan. "I'm packing warm clothes and Lindie Lou's **FURRY** coat will help keep her warm."

"Stay away from those **huge** polar bears," said Kate. "They're hungry in the winter months."

Bryan held his hands up.

"Grr," growled Bryan.

"Grr," replied Kate. "Okay, then it's settled. You and Lindie Lou are going on another awesome adventure."





Chapter 2

WE'RE GOING TO THE ARCTIC

Lindie Lou was excited to be flying on an airplane, again. She looked out of the window.



Bryan touched Lindie Lou on the shoulder. She turned and looked at Bryan. He was reading a book.

"Look," said Bryan. "The Arctic is

a place where ice and snow cover the earth."

He showed Lindie Lou a picture of a mountain of ice.

Oh,
wow,
thought
Lindie
Lou, the
color of
the ice is
very **blue** and so beautiful.



"The Arctic is so **cold**," said Bryan,
"that when it snows, the snow doesn't
melt."

Can this be true? thought Lindie Lou.

"And when you think there is enough snow," said Bryan. "It snows even more." Bryan held his hand up above his head. "And the snow piles up, higher and higher until there is enough ice to form a **giant** mountain."

Just like the picture, thought Lindie Lou.

"This ice mountain is called a **glacier**," said Bryan. "When a glacier gets too heavy, it begins to slide down toward the water. On its way, the glacier carries dirt and rocks along

with it. Left behind, is a huge empty area, called a valley."

Wow, I'd like to see a real glacier, thought Lindie Lou.

"When
this icy
glacier
reaches
the
water's
edge, the
end breaks



off and floats in the water.

These large chunks of ice are called icebergs."

Cool, thought Lindie Lou.

Bryan turned the page in his book and showed Lindie Lou a picture of an iceberg.

"Hey, Bryan," said Steve. "Do you really think your puppy knows what you're talking about?"

Bryan looked up at his friend Steve, who was sitting across the aisle.

"I'm not so sure," said Bryan. "But at least she's listening."

"Hey, Lindie Lou," said Steve. "Do you know anything about the **aurora borealis**?"

"**The Northern Lights**?" asked Bryan.

"Yes," said Steve. "It's another name for them."

Lindie Lou tipped her head.

"I told you she was listening," said Bryan.

They both *laughed*.

Steve held up his camera.

"May I take a picture of you and Lindie Lou?" asked Steve.

"What do you think, Lindie Lou?" asked Bryan. "Would you like to have your picture taken by one of the best cameramen I've ever met?"

Lindie Lou **barked**.

"She said yes," said Bryan.



"Okay, here goes," said Steve. He held up his camera and took a picture. Then he looked at the image. "It looks good."

Bryan and Steve continued to talk about their trip. The airplane was taking them to a place in **C@n@d@** called **Quebec City**. They were stopping to pick up more team members. Then, they were going to fly to Svalbard.

Lindie Lou listened to Bryan and Steve talk for hours about the research project they were about to begin. She **l**i**s**t**e**n**e**d to their every word. The more she heard about the Arctic, the more she wanted to go there.

Steve also talked to Bryan about a white arctic bear called the polar bear.

I hope I get a chance to see a polar bear, thought Lindie Lou.

A few hours later, the airplane tipped down and flew toward an airport.

"Before we land," said the pilot, "take a look out of the windows on the left side of the airplane. You will see one of the greatest ships ever built."

"It's amazing," said Bryan.

Lindie Lou sat up to get a better look.

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Series Summary:

This early chapter book series will take you on adventures with Lindie Lou, a puppy who loves to explore, make new friends, and learn about our amazing world. Follow Lindie Lou on a year-long journey, where each month holds a new location and new adventure! Take a trip with Lindie Lou to a ten-story slide at the City Museum in St. Louis, the Space Needle in Seattle, an organic farm in Des Moines, the Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City, and the Arctic of Svalbard, Norway. Lindie Lou shows courage and determination as she learns how to travel through life's challenges.



- **Book 1: FLYING HIGH**

Flying on an Airplane for the Very First Time

Lindie Lou is a curious puppy who dreams of seeing the world. She lives in a "Puppy Playground" with her brothers and sisters. One day, Lindie Lou learns she is being adopted by a family who lives far away. Soon she is "Flying High" on an airplane for the very first time!



- **Book 2: UP IN SPACE**

An Adventure at the Space Needle

Follow Lindie Lou through the city of Seattle, where she meets up with an old friend, meets new friends and learns life lessons along the way. Join in the fun when Lindie Lou discovers Rachel the Pig, sees flying fish, orca whales, and the gum wall. But her biggest adventure awaits... when she goes UP IN SPACE.



- **Book 3: HARVEST TIME**
A Celebration on an Organic Farm

Lindie Lou has no idea what an organic farm is like. While visiting Cousin Ronda, she discovers a whole new way of living. Join in the fun! Lindie Lou enjoys the thrill of a hayloft, the challenge of a corn maze, the celebration of the harvest, and the dangers of a combine. Her family and friends play together, solve problems together, even save each other's lives!



- **Book 4: BIG CITY MAGIC**
Uncover the Secret of the Big Apple

Lindie Lou can hardly wait to see what adventures New York City has to offer. She hears a legend about a Big Apple Tree located somewhere on Manhattan Island. Motivation and persistence drives Lindie Lou on an incredible journey because legend says the tree holds a secret so amazing, so incredible, and so important, it can change her life!

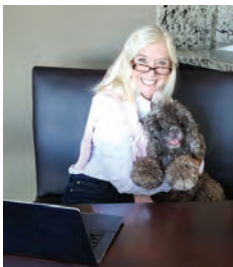


- **Book 5: ON ICE**
Exploring the Arctic with a Polar Bear Cub

Lindie Lou is about to embark on her biggest adventure yet! Bryan is heading to the Arctic with a team of scientists to study the northern lights and solar winds. Lindie Lou joins him, where she meets family members, and explores the arctic with a polar bear cub. Their December journey takes place during the coldest, darkest time of the year. When Lindie Lou runs into trouble, will her new friends be able to save her in time?

- **Book 6: NEW YEAR'S EVE SURPRISE**
Coming in 2022!

About the Author and Illustrator



JEANNE BENDER

Author

Jeanne Bender's journey with Lindie Lou began in 2004 when she adopted "La Petite Lindie Lou Peekaboo" from Joe and Sherry, who live near St. Louis. Throughout Lindie Lou's life, she traveled with Jeanne all over the world.

Bender wrote the *Lindie Lou Song* and then spent three years writing her first book, *Flying High* which was published in 2016 by Pina Publishing, Seattle. Jeanne's second and third books in the series, *Up in Space* and *Harvest Time* were published in 2016 and 2017. *Flying High* (2nd edition) was published in 2018. *Big City Magic*, published in 2019 is the fourth book in the series. The fifth book, *On Ice* was published in 2021.

Jeanne and Lindie Lou have visited and presented her books to schools and libraries across the United States and Mexico.

Jeanne's generous spirit compels her to support literacy efforts including Love on a Leash; Reading is Fundamental-Southern California; Literacy Trust; Mission of Hope Homeless Shelter; Wolfner Braille Library; Words Alive; Kenya Works, Africa; Marsh Children's Home, Acapulco, Mexico; and the Unprison Project sponsored by the Children's Book Council.

Bender lives in Seattle in the summer and Cabo San Lucas in the winter but considers the world her home.



KATE WILLOWS

Illustrator

Kate Willows has worked in the gaming industry as a concept artist for many years. She teaches college art classes. She also spends time teaching children art online through streaming and on Twitch. She has amassed a large following online and continues to use her influence to spread a love and appreciation for art.

Kate Willows loves drawing and coloring on her computer. She creates all the illustrations for the Lindie Lou Adventure Series on her computer. In her spare time she enjoys playing video games, hiking and collecting plants. She lives in the Columbus, Ohio area with her dog Dipper and her three cats Nyx, Nico, and Nani.