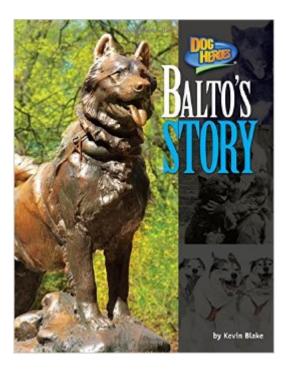
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# **Balto's Story (Dog Heroes)**





# Synopsis

It was February 1925 in the Alaskan wilderness. One wrong step could mean sudden death for musher Gunnar Kaasen and his lead sled dog, Balto. The temperature had dropped to -50F. Fierce winds roared as snow pounded the sled. The blinding blizzard made it impossible to see. Waiting for the weather to change, however, wasnt an option. Fifty miles away in Nome, Alaska, dozens of the towns children were sick with diphtheria and near death. Gunnar and Balto carried the only medicine that could cure them! In this captivating book, young readers will meet an amazing Siberian husky named Balto, who bravely guided a team of sled dogs on a grueling trip through blinding snow, over a half-frozen river, and through a steep mountain pass to safely deliver medicine to children in need. Packed with adventure, true stories, and dramatic, full-color photos, this book is sure to inspire dog lovers everywhere.

### **Book Information**

Series: Dog Heroes Hardcover: 32 pages Publisher: Bearport Publishing (March 31, 2015) Language: English ISBN-10: 1627242864 ISBN-13: 978-1627242868 Product Dimensions: 8 x 0.3 x 10.1 inches Shipping Weight: 11.2 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.4 out of 5 starsÅ Å See all reviewsÅ (7 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #444,237 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #22 inÅ Books > Sports & Outdoors > Outdoor Recreation > Iditarod & Dog-Sledding #377 inÅ Books > Sports & Outdoors > Winter Sports #2019 inÅ Books > Children's Books > Animals > Dogs Age Range: 4 - 8 years Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## **Customer Reviews**

I am a sixth grade teacher, and I purchased Balto's Story for my leveled classroom library. Word of mouth has made it one of the most popular nonfiction books in the library. The children are inspired by this high interest story that they find suspenseful. They are drawn to the beautiful pictures, and find the captions to be very informative and interesting. I highly recommend this beautifully written book for even your most reluctant readers. It will be a great hit!

I'm always impressed by an author who can write for a younger audience by keeping it accessible but never dumbing it down. And I think my nephew loves this book for that very reason. Kids know when they're being talked down to. You should see some of the garbage on his book shelf. I'm glad to see there are books like this for him to choose from!

Bought this for my daughter who loves adventure and dogs in equal doses! It's now one of her favorite books...and being a true story, I learned something as well!

This is a great story. I love the story of Balto, but also the information about the other dogs. They are all heroes. Blake really made the story come to life.

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