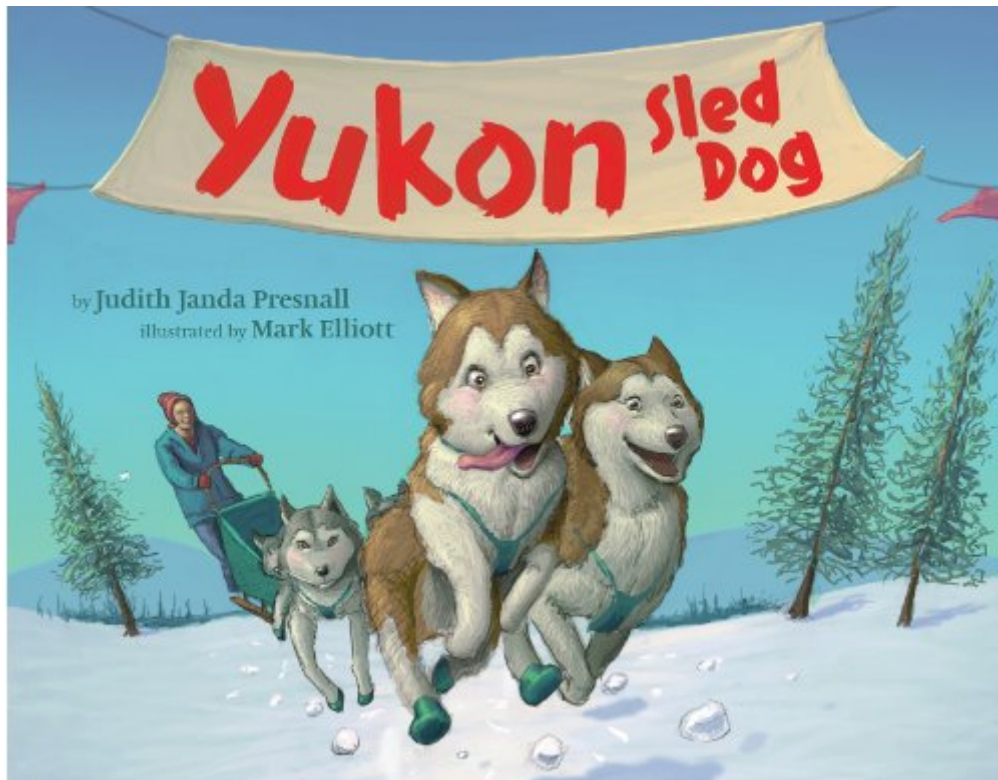


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# Yukon: Sled Dog



## Synopsis

Sled dogs must love to run. Sled dogs must be strong. Sled dogs must obey commands. Sled dogs must get along with teammates. Puppy Yukon is the only girl in her litter, and sheâ™s got high energy. Could she be a leader in the sled dog team? Trainer Roberta works with the puppies. Yukon is faster and smarter than her brothers. Roberta thinks Yukon can help lead the team! Yukon continues to train with her team for two long years. Is she finally ready to race? Mush! Mush! --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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## Customer Reviews

This story begins with husky puppies being born. The only female of the litter, "Yukon", is cuddled by an older teenage girl who will be training her for sled-racing. The strategies involved in that endeavor are shown (great illustrations). The dogs learn both from teammates and their human trainer how to build stamina and endurance and respond to commands. The story ends with a race and the illustrations show the excitement from several perspectives. The sled dogs are praised and rewarded. Yukon has shown her potential and there are plans for future success. There is a nice author's note on the last page that fills in details about training and racing dogs. Initially I thought that

the story arc rated 4 stars, but the illustrations raise the excitement to five.

If you have a child in your life who loves dogs, then this would be the perfect book to give as a gift. Yukon is a darling little dog, destined to be on a sled team. This book takes you through Yukon's training, showing children (aged approx 4-8) how young dogs are trained to be on a sled team. It is not only a fun book, it is also educational and informative without in any way being "text-bookish." The illustrations are colorful and catch the eye.

This book follows Yukon from birth through her training to become a sled dog. It's a cute, simplistic story. There is nothing wrong with it, it is just okay. It falls in that awkward place on the bookshelf where it's cute enough to keep but it probably won't get read very often.

I purchased this for my 6 year old grand daughter. She loves animals and loved this book! It kept her interested and occupied. She read it with little help from me. In fact, she has read it over and over! 5 Stars!

Great story for training little leaders and teaching responsibility for kids. Life application story and a good one. My boys loved it! Recommended for certain. Also shows that girls can be talented in the same things as boys and that's a good thing for boys to learn.

This very informative book is on the surface about Yukon becoming a sled dog. But the wise parent or teacher will be able to extend the lesson to the reader. Sled dogs must be able to follow commands, be intelligent enough to learn, and be strong and healthy. And only by doing all of these could Yukon grow up to be a leader. The same holds true for kids. Some special points here include the fact that the dogs actually wear booties on their feet to protect them from the snow and ice on this long race. Roberta cuddles the dogs, she watches the dogs, and she rewards the dogs. And there is information on the history of sled pulling and sled racing in the back. One caution - as Grandma to a 7 year old, if you have a dog at home you will likely want to have a conversation with your child about NOT doing these things to their dog ... and the risks associated with trying to hook up the chihuahua to their wagon to have it pull them. A great nonfiction book.

Loved the story. The trouble is that the text is TINY on the Kindle fire. If you have any sight issues this is not the electronic book for you. Buy it in hard cover you won't regret it.

Yukon Sled Dog by Judith Janda Presnall This children's book combines a good informative story with excellent visuals. Using a fictional husky puppy, Yukon, the story explains the fundamentals of raising huskies to be sled dogs and adds some interesting adventures for Yukon to encounter. My 7 year old grandson liked the illustrations, especially the dog's face. He laughed as he read about Yukon's exuberance when she would spin, only to get caught up in her chain. Another funny scene had a hare interrupting the race. This emphasized the need for the dogs to concentrate and stay on the trail. One note: a few of the pages were very dark and made it difficult to read the printing. The book provides an entertaining story, a good learning experience and colorful illustrations. I recommend it.

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