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Where the Red Fern Grows



Well, this boy gets two hounds and he teaches them how to hunt really, really good. And he loves the dogs a lot and his parents are going to move into the city and they can't take the dog. And they don't want to leave him so they were going to leave the dogs. So one night the boy went hunting with the dogs and they got caught by a bobcat and the bobcat goes after the boy but the dogs wouldn't let it happen, so they went after the bobcat. And the bobcat cut one of the dogs in half - well not in half, but like it cut its stomach and its intestines were coming out. And the other dog, they had to take the dog home to try and get him fixed up but they couldn't. The dog died and then the girl dog was sad because the boy dog was dead, that was her brother. And then finally she died and she ran away and died by herself in sadness. So the boy buried the two dogs next to each other and he was going to leave for the city. And then when he went to see them buried one more time, a red fern had grown and there was a tale that two Indian kids got lost in the snow and they died and a red fern grew because an angel put a seed down. He's like "The angels came down and planted a seed into there". So he wasn't so sad when he left. It's a really good book. **-Ivonne Garza**

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