

# The incredibly true tale of Bobbie the Wonder Dog

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Every animal holds a special place in their owner's heart, and Bobbie, the six-week-old puppy, was no exception.

The owner of the collie, Frank Brazier, knew the dog was intelligent. From a very young age, Bobbie began herding the animals on Brazier's farm in Silverton, Ore., and made sure the other animals were where they were supposed to be in the evening.

After another family dog passed away, Brazier and his wife decided to purchase a café in downtown Silverton. However, the family felt that Bobbie should stay at the farm where he was better trained. A friend of Brazier bought Bobbie and stayed on the farm.

That didn't stop the young collie from visiting though. Bobbie would walk to the café downtown on the weekends to visit his family and then would walk back to the farm on Monday morning to do his job. After proving to be so loyal, Brazier bought the dog back because they knew he was worth it.

In 1923, the Brazier family took a trip with Bobbie to Indiana, where they were originally from, when things took a turn for the worst.

While at a quick stop to get gas, Bobbie started to get chased by other dogs. Brazier didn't think much of it

because he thought the dog would just take care of himself as he normally would. They returned to their house where they thought they would find Bobbie, but he wasn't there.

The family posted many "lost dog" signs and ads for the paper in hopes to find their lost companion, though they never heard from anyone. They eventually drove back home and decided to continue on with their business and hope that Bobbie was okay.

Six months after Bobbie's disappearance, Brazier's daughter Nova went for a walk with her friend when they approached something strange.

Nova found a stray dog with matted fur and dirt. Soon, Nova realized that the pooch was Bobbie.

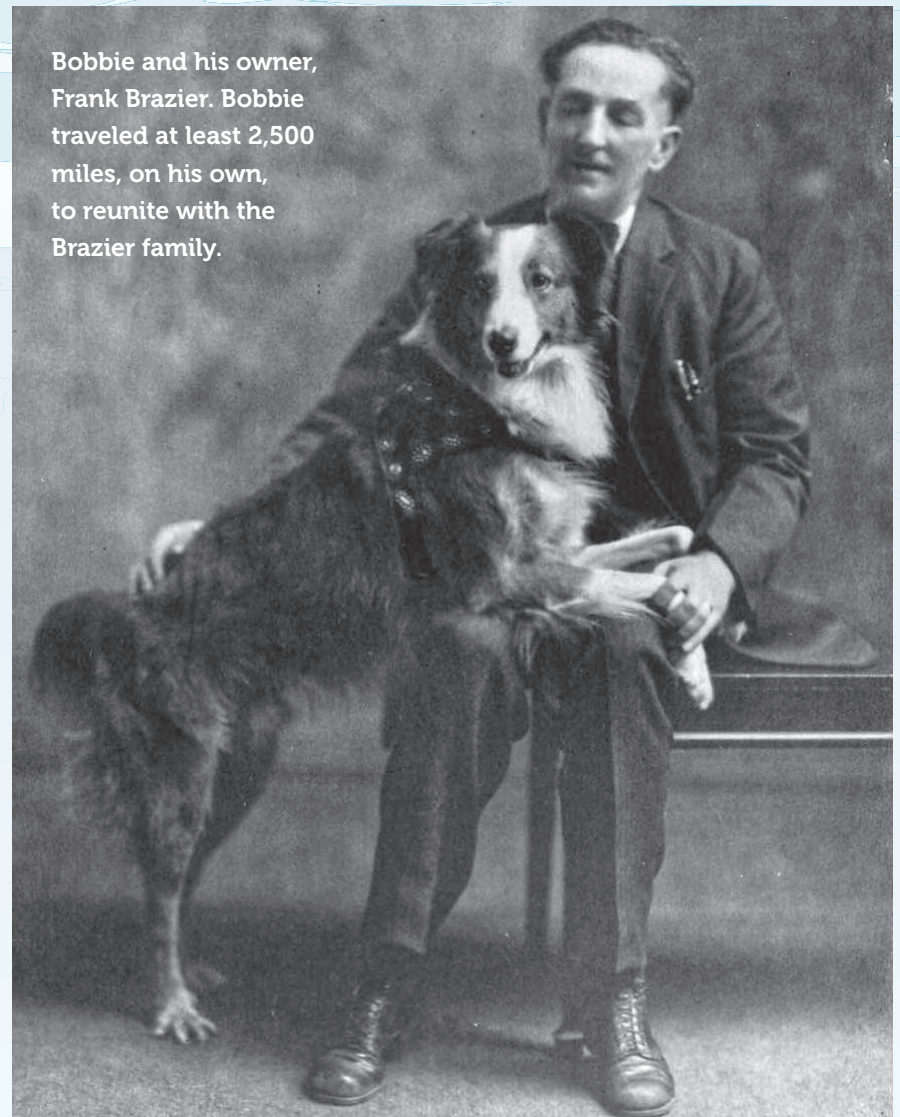
After the story of the lost collie got out, people sent in snapshots of when they saw Bobbie in their area and as it turned out, the young dog traveled 2,500 miles on his own by walking and hitchhiking.

Bobbie instantly became a local hero and was featured in *Ripley's Believe It or Not!* as well as *The Guinness Book of World Records*. He got a silver medal from The Oregon Humane Society and he portrayed himself in a silent film about his adventure.

Bobbie passed away at the age of

six due to injuries most likely from his journey. However, he lived a very happy life with his family and you

can pay your respects for the collie at the Oregon Humane Society pet cemetery in Portland.



Bobbie and his owner, Frank Brazier. Bobbie traveled at least 2,500 miles, on his own, to reunite with the Brazier family.

## We know, reading logs stink. Percy Jackson is here to help.

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The *Percy Jackson: Heroes of Olympus* series, written by Rick Riordan, has been one of my favorites for a long time. There's action, adventure, mythical creatures and very relatable characters.

I recommend them for anyone who likes adventure, reading chapter books and filling out a reading log.

The first book in the series is *The Lightning Thief*. The book follows the story of a 12-year-old, Percy Jackson, whose life gets flipped upside down.

Percy is a regular kid with your run of the mill learning disabilities, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and dyslexia; but during a school field trip he starts to suspect that things aren't quite what they seem.

Over the next couple of chapters, weird things keep happening to Percy: the bus breaks down on his way home, a hurricane develops before hurricane season begins and his mom is being really weird.

With no other option, his mother, Sally Jackson, was forced to tell Percy the truth about who he is –

I'm not spoiling it – and take him to Camp Half-Blood.

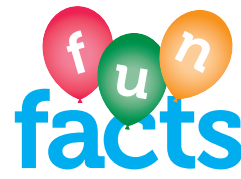
Despite the creepy name, Camp Half-Blood turns out to be pretty cool. There is sword fighting, magic food, satyrs and some great friends. His luck seems to finally be turning around.

At least until Percy, his best friend Grover, and his potential new friend, Annabeth, set out on a dangerous quest to return the stolen master bolt to Zeus.

The book balances humor and seriousness well. As a student with ADHD myself, there were several times I personally related to Percy's thoughts or actions.

While the kids are fighting monsters, Riordan does a good job of reminding the readers that they are still kids.

Riordan uses foreshadowing to heighten the emotional reactions of both the characters and the reader. Foreshadowing is when an author hints at something that will happen in the future. It's hard to catch on the first read, but the second time it'll stick out like a sore thumb.



- Cats can jump five times their own height.
- Portland was named by a coin flip. It would have been named Boston if the coin landed on the other side.
- 20% of all oxygen that you breathe is used by your brain.
- Reindeers' eyes change color with the seasons. Their pupils are golden in the summer and blue in the winter.
- The opposite sides of dice always add up to seven.
- Bananas are considered berries.

- Boring, Oregon and Dull, Scotland have been sister cities since 2012. Bland Shire, Australia was added to their "League of Extraordinary Communities" in 2017.
- During World War II, soldiers were given Tootsie Rolls in addition to their other rations because they held up in all types of weather.
- President Abraham Lincoln was a wrestling champion in Illinois. Before getting into politics, he competed in nearly 300 matches and lost only once.

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What does a cloud wear under its raincoat?

Thunderwear

