

Holiday Gifts that Give Twice...

The Tompotika Children's Library Book Project



These are a few of the schoolchildren of Tanah Merah, one of AITo's conservation partner villages.

Their village sits snugly in the foothills at the gateway to the magnificent tropical forests of Mount Tompotika, where **villagers have collaborated with AITo to reduce illegal logging and promote conservation since 2006**. In thanks for that collaboration, AITo strives to promote sustainable livelihoods and assist with community needs as we are able.

Recently, when questioned about those needs, *Pak Adolof Raja*, a community leader in the village who is also a teacher, said, "We really need children's books!" As he explained, Tanah Merah kids learn to read with government-issued textbooks, but it stops there. **They have no books at home, and there is no school library to provide them with books to**

read for for further learning or pleasure. No books at all.

But you can change that!

Here's how you can help-- **and** fulfill your holiday gift list at the same time!

Children's literature in the national language, Bahasa Indonesia, is very limited. So, with the help of two professional children's librarians, **AITo has selected a short list of some of the best elementary-aged English-language children's picture books, and is in process of doing our own in-house translations into Bahasa Indonesia**. In each finished book, both the Indonesian and the English text will be visible, using an inserted "lift the flap" design that will also strive to avoid obstructing the illustrations, which are outstanding in all of the selected titles.

Sponsorship costs \$25 or \$40 per book, depending on the title. **When you choose a book from the list to sponsor, AITo will purchase and deliver one hardcover copy of that book, translated as described above, to Tanah Merah, where Pak Adolof has set up a new library in the village primary school, ensuring that every village child will have the chance to borrow and enjoy it.**

And in thanks for your sponsorship, **AITo will send you a card suitable for gift-giving**. The card (see right) has been specially designed for this project by Sandra Noel, and will list the title you have chosen. **Choose your book titles on next page.**



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Book Selection -- Tompotika Children's Library Book Project



Please use the following list to choose your books to sponsor. The titles listed below were selected by a team of children's book experts to provide a balance of ages and reading levels (grades K-6); fiction and non-fiction; and a diversity of nations, subjects, authors, and artistic styles. Translations into Bahasa Indonesia will be done in-house by ALTO staff; both English and Indonesian will be visible on each page. All books are hardcover.

Please note: *Although every effort will be made to ensure that the title delivered to the school library is the title you select, if quantities dictate, a different title may be substituted in order to ensure a balanced library collection.*

| Qty | Author or Auth/Illustr. | Illustrator | Title |
|------------------------------|--|-------------|---|
| A) Group A: \$25 each | | | |
| _____ | Aesop | Santore | Aesop's Fables |
| _____ | Bowler | Sukanada | Gecko's Complaint |
| _____ | Carle | | The Very Hungry Caterpillar |
| _____ | Fox | Lofts | Koala Lou |
| _____ | Lobel | | Frog and Toad Together |
| _____ | Lodestar/Dorling Kindersley | | Frog: See How They Grow |
| _____ | St.-Exupery | | The Little Prince |
| _____ | Yolen | Schoenherr | Owl Moon |
| _____ | Please choose my title to balance the library | | |
| B) Group B: \$40 each | | | |
| _____ | Bang | | Common Ground |
| _____ | Bang & Chisholm | | Ocean Sunlight |
| _____ | Baylor | Parnall | The Way to Start a Day |
| _____ | Beskow | | Children of the Forest |
| _____ | Brown | Williams | Little Fur Family |
| _____ | Browne | | One Gorilla |
| _____ | Buchmann & Cohn | Mirocha | The Bee Tree |
| _____ | Cherry | | The Great Kapok Tree |
| _____ | Cherry | | The Sea, The Storm, and the Mangrove Tangle |
| _____ | Davies | Chapman | One Tiny Turtle |
| _____ | Demi | | The Empty Pot |
| _____ | Fern | Castillo | Buffalo Music |
| _____ | Freyman & Elffers | | How Are You Peeling? |
| _____ | Hall | Cooney | The Ox-Cart Man |
| _____ | Hatkoff et al. | Greste | Owen and Mzee: The Language of Friendship |
| _____ | Hodges | Hyman | St. George and the Dragon |
| _____ | Lachenmeyer | Sogabe | The Origami Master |
| _____ | Lionni | | Frederick |
| _____ | Markle | Marks | Finding Home |
| _____ | Sarcone-Roach | | The Bear Ate Your Sandwich |
| _____ | Sendak | | Where the Wild Things Are |
| _____ | Seuss | | The Lorax |
| _____ | Sockabasin | Raye | Thanks to the Animals |
| _____ | Winter | | Wangari's Trees of Peace |
| _____ | Please choose my title to balance the library | | |

C) Collections: Set of 4 books, \$150

- _____ C1) People and Animals Collection: Children of the Forest, The Lorax, Thanks to the Animals, & Owl Moon
- _____ C2) Young Naturalists' Collection: Frog: See How They Grow, Common Ground, Ocean Sunlight, & One Tiny Turtle
- _____ C3) True Stories Collection: Buffalo Music, Owen and Mzee, Finding Home, & Wangari's Trees of Peace
- _____ C4) Tales and Fables Collection: Aesop's Fables, Koala Lou, The Empty Pot, & St. George and the Dragon

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| Group A: _____ | books @ \$25 each = _____ | Please mail this form with your check to ALTO: 21416 86th Ave SW Vashon, WA 98070 Or e-mail info@tompotika.org for other payment options. |
| Group B: _____ | books @ \$40 each = _____ | |
| Group C: _____ | collections @ \$150 each = _____ | |
| Total for all books _____ | | |