Warriors #1: Into The Wild (Warriors: The Prophecies Begin)

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Synopsis
Join the legion of fans who have made Erin Hunter’s™ Warriors series a #1 national bestseller “with new editions featuring a striking new look! Epic adventures. Fierce warrior cats. A thrilling fantasy world. It all begins here with Warriors #1: Into the Wild. For generations, four Clans of wild cats have shared the forest according to the laws laid down by their ancestors. But the warrior code is threatened, and the ThunderClan cats are in grave danger. The sinister ShadowClan grows stronger every day. Noble warriors are dying “and some deaths are more mysterious than others. In the midst of this turmoil appears an ordinary housecat named Rusty who may turn out to be the bravest warrior of them all. Supports the Common Core State Standards

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Customer Reviews
Kids are pretty savvy when it comes to discovering books that fill a particular need. At the library where I work, I’d seen them taking out this "Warriors" series by Erin Hunter fairly regularly. For some reason it’s near impossible to keep these puppies on the shelves. Curiosity got ahold of me, so I decided to sit down and read through the first of these somewhat odd stories. I would never have been able to guess that the secret lives of cats would be so interesting to children. Housecats, definitely not. But when it comes to the lives and loyalties of the feral variety, Hunter’s definitely tapped into a rich resource of text. Rusty has a fairly good life. He lives with a family of humans (or
Two-legs) that love him. He gets regular feedings, even if it's yucky dry stuff. He even has his own little cat door to come in and out of. Rusty isn't content, however. He dreams of catching mice in the forest not far from his home. When a night's exploration of that forest ends with a confrontation with the wild cats that live without human interference, Rusty readily joins them and their clan. Renamed "Firepaw", the cat learns that he has dropped smack dab into the middle of a war. The clan he has joined is called ThunderClan and is ruled by the magnanimous Bluestar. Other clans like RiverClan, WindClan, and ShadowClan fight continually for dominance over a rapidly dwindling food supply. ThunderClan needs recruits like Firepaw to stay alive, and through their training the new cat is on his way to becoming a warrior. Along the way he must face hunger, dismissal, and learn some shocking truths about the animals he's agreed to join. Hunter conjures up a well-thought out world in which cats have their own system of governance.

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