



About Albus

During this difficult Coronavirus quarantine, the library has become a much quieter place. But that doesn't mean we are sitting around reading books all day (although that would be nice, we do like to read). Instead we are getting the library ready for your return by doing some updating and adding some new surprises!

One such new surprise is the addition of our Young Adult mascot: Albus the Hermit Crab. Albus is actually a very trendy little crab, who even has his own Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/albusthehermitcrab/>. Albus' purpose is to let our Young Adult patrons know what is going on at the library. Are we adding an amazing new series? Are we going to have a whipped cream war outside? Albus will have all that information shared with you through our various media platforms: Facebook, Instagram, and the Siloam Springs Library website.

So, let's get to know Albus:

Q1. Did he really attend Hogwarts?

A1. Unfortunately, due to the International Statute of Secrecy, Albus is unable to answer that question. He can however tell you that if he had attended Hogwarts, he would have been in the Hufflepuff House, excelled in Transfiguration, and played Keeper on the Hufflepuff Quidditch team.

Q2. What is his favorite color?

A2. Fun fact: hermit crabs can only see 3 colors: blue, yellow, and gray. And Albus being a Huffle...er, fan of a certain badger house, really enjoys the bright color yellow.

Q3. Is Albus a big reader? Or a movie watcher?

A3. Albus loves to read. He really enjoys hanging around the Young Adult section of the library and reading the new release books there. His favorite author is J.R.R. Tolkien. Watching movies is a little tough (because of the color issue), but he does enjoy old black and white films.

Q4. Why does a hermit crab have qualifications to be a Young Adult library mascot?

A4. Because having a human mascot would be too weird, and the Young Adult librarian is not a photogenic person.

Q5. Does Albus live in the library?

A5. Yes! Albus is the only full-time resident of the Siloam Springs Public Library and spends his nights in the Young Adult Librarian's office, at least he is supposed to. These days a lot more books have small tears in them from where his claws had issues turning the page...

That's it for questions! Albus has some more reading to do, lucky crab. If you have anymore questions, let us know! Albus is always ready to chat.