

1. Binti Jua, an 8-year-old gorilla, protected a 3-year-old boy who fell into the walled gorilla area at Brookfield Zoo, Illinois, cradling him in her arms and bringing him to the zookeeper's door. They rescued surfer Todd Endris from a 13-foot shark attack, forming a protective ring around him until he reached shore, increasing his chances of survival. 5. A fireman credits Inti with saving Pilar's life, deserving hero status. Pilar woke to her cat Inti's frantic meowing and smoke filling her bedroom. Charlotte woke up to a loud crashing noise from the stable. 2.4.