- I. offered to do something \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. important things that people are talking about \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. choices given by people to elect someone \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. decided on something \_\_\_\_\_
- **5.** a duty to do something \_\_\_\_\_
- **6.** things you say you will do \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. a person who has won a contest \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. the things the law says you can do or have \_\_\_\_\_

B. Choose one vocabulary word from the box above. Write the word in a sentence of your own.

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Two letters blended together can stand for one vowel sound. The letters *ou* and *ow* can stand for the vowel sound in *south* and *down*.

A. Read the words. Circle the word that has a different vowel sound. Write the word on the line and circle the letters that spell the vowel sound.

- I. cloud you group \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. blue round fruit \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. slow throw cow \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. pull shout push \_\_\_\_\_
- **5.** crown snow road \_\_\_\_\_

Some nouns have special plural forms. They change their spelling to name more than one.

B. Write the plural form for each word.

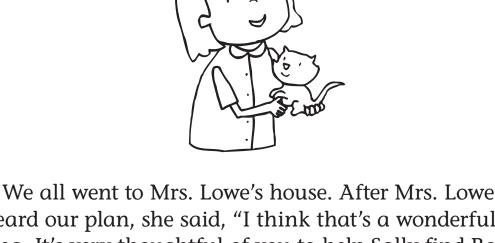
- **6.** mouse \_\_\_\_\_
- **7.** child \_\_\_\_\_
- **8.** foot \_\_\_\_\_
- **9.** man \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Read the passage. Use the summarize strategy to tell the important events in your own words.

## The Lost Kitten

- 00 One day, my friend Cora and I saw a homemade
- sign posted on our street. The sign had a photo of a 10
- kitten and the words, LOST KITTEN. Please call Sally 22
- 31 at 555-0505 if you find my kitten, Boots.
- 38 "Sally is our neighbor, Pam. She just got a new kitten
- and now her pet is missing. It's too bad there's nothing 49
- we can do," Cora said sadly. 60
- 66 I spoke up. "It's not hopeless. There is something
- we can do! We can ask our neighbors to help look for 75
- Boots." 87
- We asked my dad to help with our neighborhood 88
- search plan. First, we went and talked to Sally. 97
- 106 Sally explained what had happened, "I was careless
- 114 enough to leave the back door open. Boots slipped out
- and ran off. And I haven't seen him since." 124
- "Don't worry," I said. "We have a plan to help. Come 133
- with us." 144



- We all went to Mrs. Lowe's house. After Mrs. Lowe
  heard our plan, she said, "I think that's a wonderful
  idea. It's very thoughtful of you to help Sally find Boots.
  I'll be happy to help with the search." She joined our
- 177 I'll be happy to help with the search." She joined out
- At each house on the street, the answer was the same.

  Each neighbor would gladly help search for Boots. Dad
  divided up the neighborhood streets and told each group
  where to look.
- Cora and I were calling loudly, "Boots!" Suddenly we heard a soft mewing sound near our feet. There was Boots, crouching under a bush. I held out my hand and softly called Boots's name. He came right to me and I scooped up the tiny kitten.
- When we returned Boots to Sally, she was very thankful. She hugged her kitten tightly as she said, "The neighborhood search plan worked. Thank you, everyone!"

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#### A. Reread the passage and answer the questions.

I. How does Cora feel about the missing kitten?

2. What clues help you understand Cora's point of view?

3. At the end of the story, what clues help you understand Sally's point of view?

### B. Work with a partner. Read the passage aloud. Pay attention to how you raise and lower your voice. Stop after one minute. Fill out the chart.

|             | Words Read | _ | Number of<br>Errors | = | Words Correct<br>Score |
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| First Read  |            | - |                     | = |                        |
| Second Read |            | _ |                     | = |                        |

### Read the selection. Complete the Point of View chart.

| Character | Clue | Point of View |
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#### A. Read the draft model. Use the questions that follow the draft to help you think about descriptive details you can add.

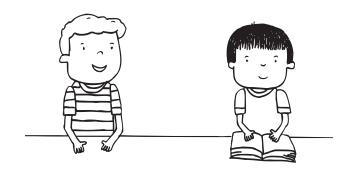
#### **Draft Model**

Our class helped at the park. We planted a lot of things. I used a shovel to dig holes for trees. Other kids helped, too. The park looked great at the end of the day.

- I. What kind of class is helping in the park?
- 2. What does the park look like?
- 3. What details might describe the kinds of things the class planted? What details might tell how the park looks at the end of the day?
- B. Now revise the draft by adding descriptive details that help readers learn more about the characters, setting, and events.

# **Reading Volunteers**

My name is Derek. The children in my second-grade class know how to read. Every Friday, we visit Ms. Snow's first-grade class. I pair up with Jack and help him practice reading. It feels good to help others.



#### Answer the questions about the text.

I How can you tell that this text is realistic fiction?

| 2. | Who is telling the story? How do you know? |
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| 3. | How does Derek feel about helping Jack learn to read? Why do you think so? |
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| No | ame  | Vocabulary Strategy: <b>Suffixes</b>                                    |
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|    | To figure out a new word added to the end of the | d, look for a <b>suffix</b> , or word part,<br>word.                    |
|    | The suffix <i>-ly</i> means "in                  | a way that is."   |
|    | The suffix <i>-ful</i> means "fu                 | ıll of."  |
|    | The suffix <i>-less</i> means '                  | "without."  |
| th | e word and its meaning                           | the word in bold print. Then write g. ning we can do," Cora said sadly. |
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| ۷. | - was <b>careless</b> enough                     | to leave the back door open.  |
| 3. | It's very <b>thoughtful</b> of y                 | ou to help Sally find Boots.  |
|    | Write a word that mea                            | ns the same as the group of words.<br>n <i>-ful</i> or <i>-less</i> .   |
| 4. | without thought                                  | <b>5.</b> full of thanks  |

|    | At the beginning of the story, the main characters    |
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| •  | At the beginning of the story, the main characters    |
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| 2. | Cora's point of view is that                          |
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| 3. | The narrator's point of view is that                  |
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| ł. | The author uses different points of view to show that |