

In support of the Get Georgia Reading Campaign, the following example book-related activity is provided by the Georgia Department of Education to accompany *Clifford to the Rescue* by Norman Bridwell.

Book Title: Clifford to the Rescue

Author: Norman Bridwell

Read Aloud

Reading the story aloud, you may want to ask a few questions before beginning the group activity.

- How did Clifford help his community?
- Why do you think that Clifford is a hero?
- Name some helpers or heroes in our community.

Small or Whole Group Activity

1. Discuss community helpers and the services they provide.
2. Show pictures of real community helpers on the interactive white board via the Internet or display pictures.
3. Ask students to choose a community helper and draw a picture of the community helper or hero helping a person or an animal.
4. Display the pictures with titles of the community helpers or heroes.
5. Assist students in writing sentences about their community helpers.

Guided talk during this activity is important for students' language development. Consider how this activity encourages students to think about how they can be community helpers now and when they grow up. Consider how you can model the use of action and describing words to discuss the work of community helpers. Students can also use these words when they tell about their pictures with partners or as a whole group.

Materials Needed

- chart paper
- crayons
- construction paper
- markers