

Sniffer Dogs: How Dogs (and Their Noses) Save the World

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Discuss

Talk through your thoughts.

- Before reading this book, create a list of ways you know that dogs help humans. Talk with friends and family to add to your list. While reading, add to your list as you learn more.
- Which dog in this book were you most impressed with, or which story did you find most touching? Share the story of this dog with a friend or family member.

Create

Make an experience of your own.

- While reading this book, you've learned about many humans who work alongside dogs. Research a career that involves dogs and create an infographic (a visual representation of information which includes words and pictures) to represent what you learned. Include information such as what kind of training this job requires and examples of people with this job.
- With an adult, visit a local animal shelter in order to give back to a species that has done so much for humans. Talk with volunteers at the shelter to see what you can do to help (such as donating, adopting, or volunteering) and consider helping out in a way that feels right to you.

Imagine

Use your imagination to explore.

- According to this book, if your sight was as good as a dog's sense of smell, you could read small letters from four miles away! Also, a dog's sense of smell is similar to a human's sense of hearing because they smell everything that's in the room. Blindfold yourself for 30 minutes and focus on your sense of smell. Write about your experience.
- Many fictional stories are based on stories of real heroic animals. Write a children's picture book about one of these dogs.

Explore

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