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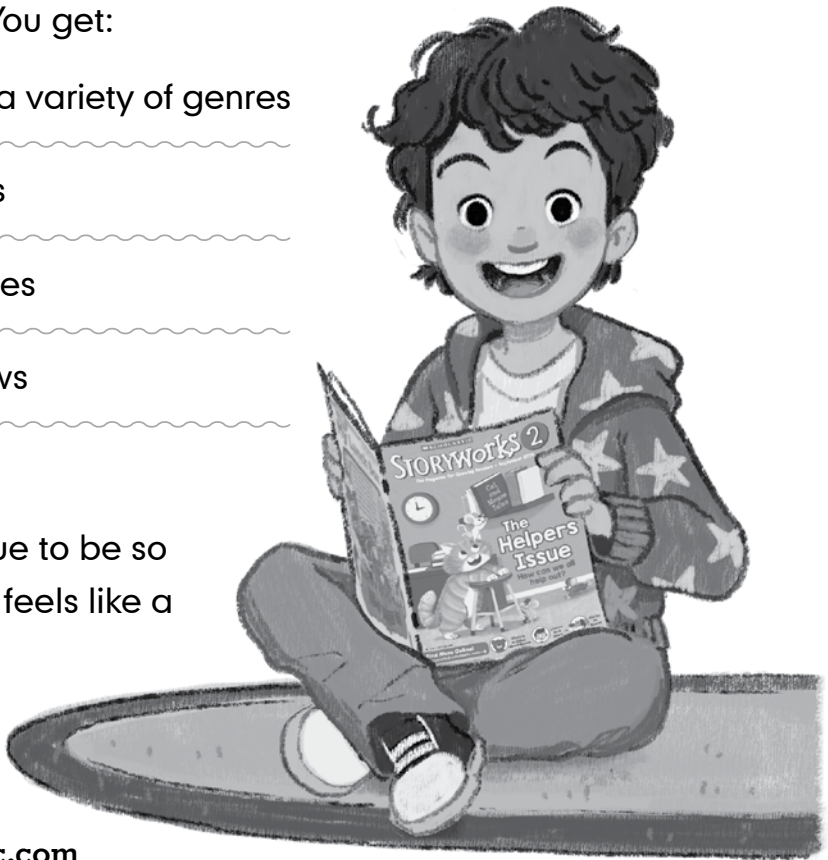
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- Fascinating stories in a variety of genres
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- Skill-building printables
- Vocabulary slideshows
- And more!

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**Enjoy!**

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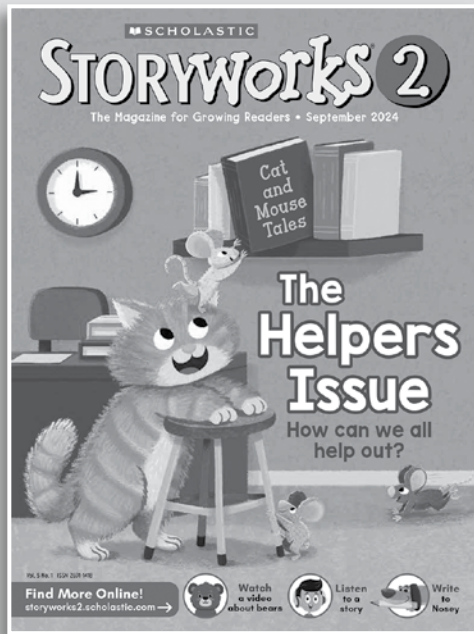
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# September At a Glance

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	Story	Videos	Vocabulary Slideshow	Lesson Plan	Skill-Building Printables	Differentiated Articles
Mini Read			✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quiz</li> <li>Nosey's Fact File (key details)</li> <li>Text-preview Bookmarks</li> </ul>	
Background Builder			✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quiz</li> <li>Nonfiction Text Feature Hunt</li> <li>Text-preview Bookmarks</li> </ul>	
Big Read			✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quiz/Lower-level Quiz</li> <li>Word Work (vocabulary)</li> <li>Helper Chart (compare texts)</li> <li>The Cubs Say Thank You! (writing)</li> <li>Text-preview Bookmarks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lower level</li> <li>Higher level</li> </ul>
Past to Present			✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quiz</li> <li>Design a Lunch Box (writing)</li> <li>Text-preview Bookmarks</li> </ul>	
Fiction/Nonfiction Connection			✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quiz/Lower-level Quiz</li> <li>What Is the Setting?</li> <li>So Many Helpers! (writing/comparing)</li> <li>Story Map (characters/setting/plot)</li> <li>Helper Chart (compare texts)</li> <li>Text-preview Bookmarks</li> <li>Character Traits</li> </ul>	
Mini Graphic Novel				✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Problem/Solution</li> <li>What Is the Setting?</li> <li>Text-preview Bookmarks</li> <li>Helper Chart (compare texts)</li> <li>Story Map (characters/setting/plot)</li> <li>Character Traits</li> </ul>	
Paired Texts			✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quiz</li> <li>Letter to Nosey: Are You a Dog Person or a Cat Person? (opinion writing)</li> <li>Text-preview Bookmarks</li> </ul>	
Debate				✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should Kids Have to Make Their Beds? (opinion writing)</li> </ul>	
Poetry				✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Word Ladder (phonics)</li> </ul>	

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# The Helpers Issue

How can we all help out? Explore this question with these texts:

**BIG READ** Nonfiction

## Bear Cub Rescue

Could a caring police officer save two cubs?

by Leah Falk

Watch a video of this article.

**TRUCK AND TRAIN** As you read, think about what people did to help the bears.

Ringo Police Chief Todd Bailey got an urgent call at the station. He needed to respond right away! A mother bear was in the road with her five cubs. They were holding up traffic.

That was strange. Chief Bailey had gotten a lot of calls about bears in his time as a police officer. But he had never heard of a mother bear and cubs holding up traffic.

The caller said the mother bear was very upset. Would Chief Bailey be able to help?

**PAUSE AND THINK** What was the call about?

**Traffic Jam** Chief Bailey arrived at the scene. He was shocked at what he saw!

A mama black bear was pacing in the road. Three of her cubs were following her back and forth.

But two of the cubs were not. They were smaller than the others. They were weak. They would walk a few steps and stop.

"The mom was trying to coax them along," Chief Bailey says. She wanted the two weak cubs to come with her. But they were having a hard time moving.

**TRUCK AND TRAIN** How did the police officer help the bears?

Big Read

Watch a video of this article online!

**FICTION** A Storyworks 2 original

## The Bird and the Zebra

Can two totally different kids find a way to work together?

By Meg Richardson • Art by Lesley Dawson

**TRUCK AND TRAIN** As you read, think about how the characters help each other.

I'm really good at science. My best friend Ari is too. We're going to be scientists when we grow up.

Our teacher, Mr. Chen, says we're starting a new science project. It's about animals helping each other. I'm so excited. I grin at Ari.

Mr. Chen shows us pictures of animals helping each other. First is a badger and a coyote. They help each other hunt.

Behind me, I hear a loud howl. It's Cody.

He's pretending to be a coyote. Everyone laughs, even Mr. Chen. Cody is in theater club. He's always putting on a little show. It's annoying. I roll my eyes.

**PAUSE AND THINK** What is the new science project about?

Fiction

**MINI GRAPHIC NOVEL** Conflict resolution

Meet the Pine School second-grade class. Today, Jack and Zoey have a problem. Find out what happens in...

## Pine School Pals The Cleanup Clash

Jack Zoey

Written by Lindsey Owen  
 Art by Shannon Wright

Mini Graphic

Plus our Helper Chart lets kids compare the stories!

**STORYWORKS SKILL BUILDER**

Write the text and the story. Use animal facts, the Helper Chart, and Storyworks.

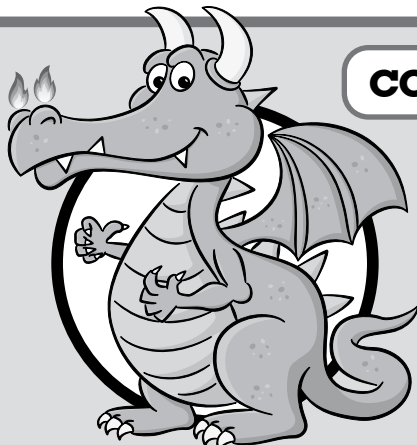
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### Helper Chart

Fill in the chart below.

Text	Kind of Text (Genre)	Who helped? How do they help?
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**COMING NEXT MONTH:**

# The Fantasy Issue

- What Is a Fantasy Story?
- "Dragon Masters" tale by Tracey West
- The History of Dragons