

A DOG'S PURPOSE NOVEL



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STORY

ACTIVITY KIT

EVERY DOG
HAS A PURPOSE.

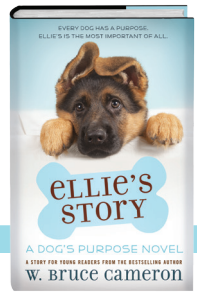
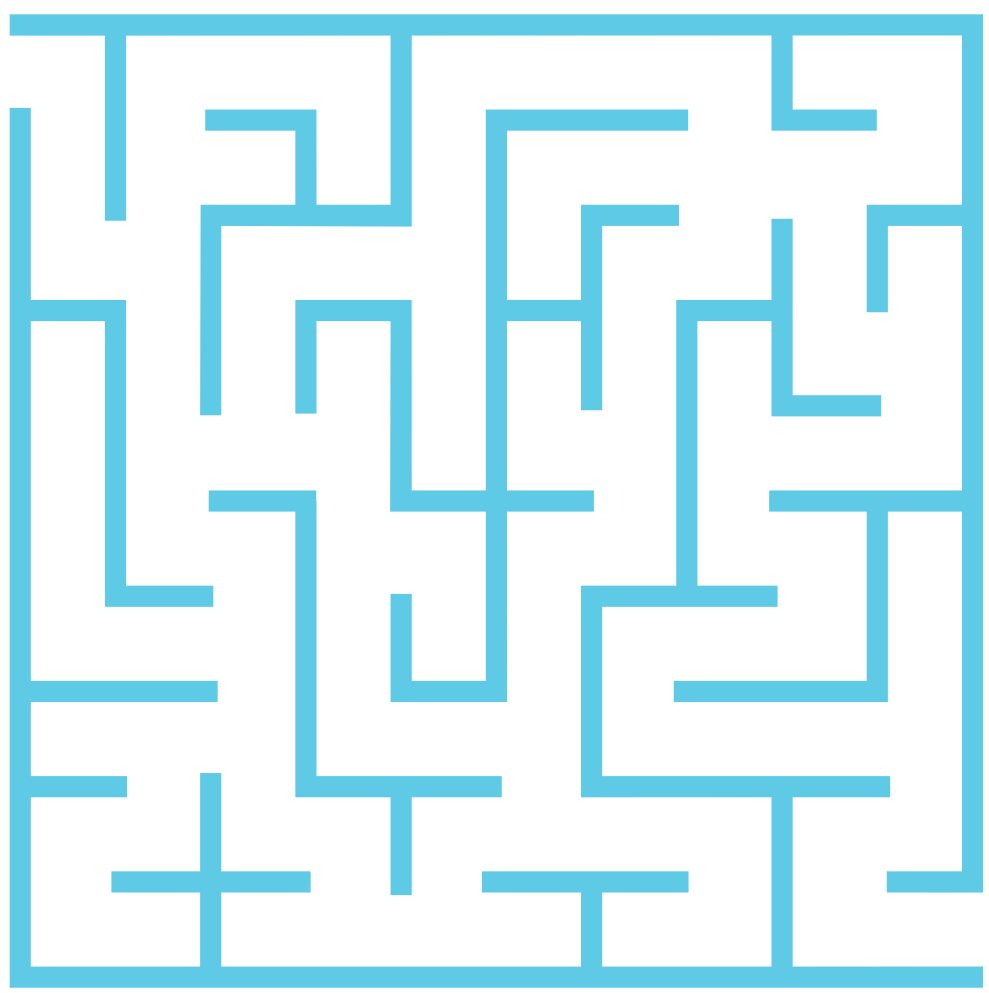


ELLIE'S IS THE MOST
IMPORTANT OF ALL.



HELP THE RESCUE DOG FIND HER WAY THROUGH THE MAZE AND SAVE THE MISSING PERSON.

Use a pen, pencil, or Crayon to work your way through the maze.



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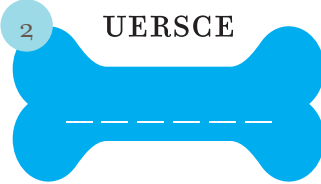


UNSCRAMBLE THE LETTERS TO FIND THE HIDDEN WORD!

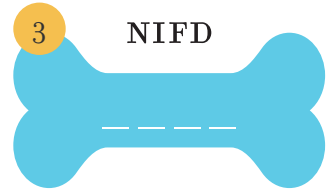
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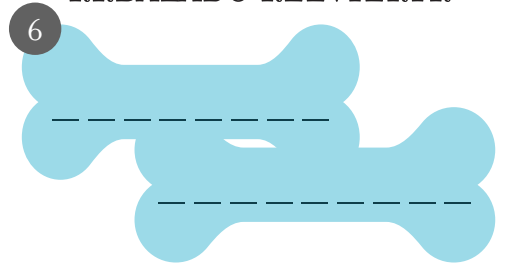
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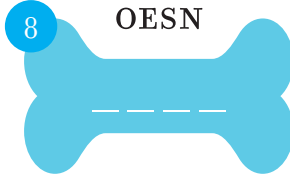
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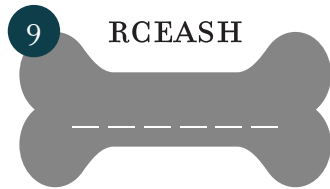
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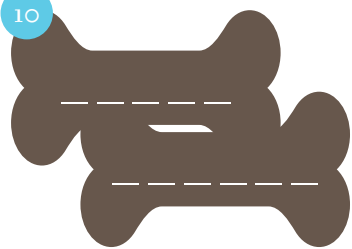
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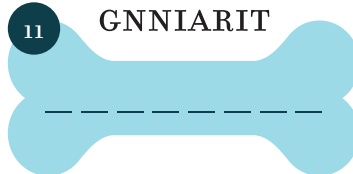
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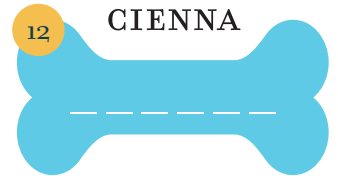
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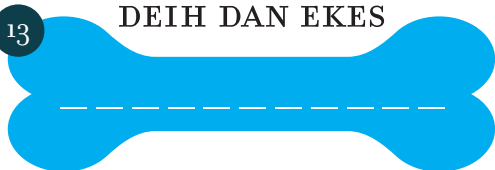
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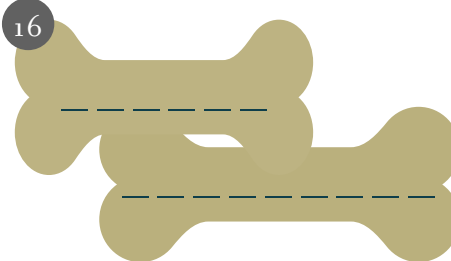
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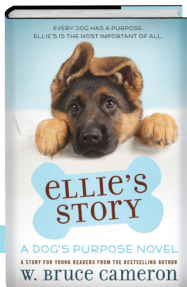
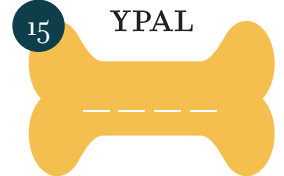
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Answers: 1) shepherd, 2) rescue, 3) find, 4) helicopter, 5) police, 6) Labrador retriever, 7) recovery, 8) nose, 9) search, 10) border collie, 11) training, 12) canine, 13) hide and seek, 14) firefighter, 15) play, 16) golden retriever

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TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF SEARCH-AND-RESCUE DOGS WITH THESE TRUE OR FALSE QUESTIONS

1) All search-and-rescue dogs are German Shepard Dogs.
T F



2) Search-and-rescue dogs can begin training at any age.
T F



3) Search-and-rescue dogs sometimes travel internationally to help with disaster relief.
T F



4) Only policemen and firefighters can train rescue dogs.
T F



5) Water rescue dogs can swim four miles or more in the open ocean.
T F



6) Search-and-rescue dogs receive six months of training before becoming certified.
T F



7) Rescue dogs primarily find people using sight.
T F



8) Search-and-rescue dogs use a variety of ways to alert their handlers that they have found someone.
T F



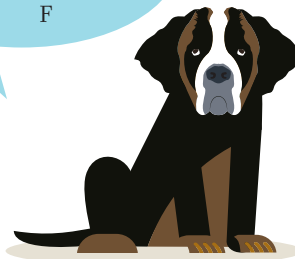
9) Handlers have to train as much, if not more, than the dogs.
T F



10) The way a puppy plays is a good indicator of whether or not they have the skills to become a search-and-rescue dog.
T F



11) Saint Bernards are particularly good at working in tropical climates.
T F



12) Smart puppies that are independent and willful are often chosen to train as search-and-rescue dogs.
T F



Answers: 1. F; many different breeds can be search-and-rescue dogs including Golden Retrievers, Saint Bernards, Belgian Malinois, Border Collies, and Labrador Retrievers. 2. F; Most dogs begin training when they are one year old or younger. 3. T; Search-and-rescue dogs have helped with disaster relief in Japan and Haiti. 4. F; Although search-and-rescue dogs are required to be able to swim four miles in the open ocean. 5. F; Rescue dogs on can spend up to two years training for certification. 7. F; Dogs primarily use their sense of smell to find people. 8. T; A dog may bark or use body language to alert their handlers that they have found someone. 9. T; Handlers must be in good physical shape to keep up with their dogs. They also must know some basic first aid as well as be able to navigate the wilderness and follow maps. 10. T; If a puppy is focused in his play, it can be an indicator that he will be focused in his work and make a good search-and-rescue dog. 11. F; Saint Bernards with their heavy coats are better suited to cold climates and working in the snow. F; It is important that puppies chosen to become search-and-rescue dogs also be obedient and able to follow commands.

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CREATE YOUR OWN SEARCH-AND-RESCUE DOG MASK!

Color the mask with Crayons, colored pencils, or markers and cut along the dotted line to create your own mask.

Make holes on either side of the mask and attach elastic or string tied to size.

SEARCH AND FIND GAME

Once the masks are created, take turns being the search-and-rescue dog that finds the children

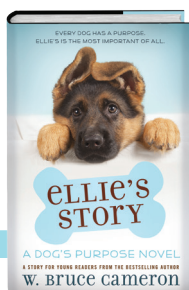
STEP 1: Designate a child to be the “rescue dog” and to wear their mask

Step 2: Have the “rescue dog” close their eyes and count to twenty while the rest of the children hide within a designated area

STEP 3: The “rescue dog” is given three minutes to find all the children

STEP 4: Once the time is up or all the children are found, whichever comes first, pick a new “rescue dog” and repeat

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COLOR THE IMAGE AND CUT ALONG THE DOTTED LINE
TO CREATE YOUR BOOKMARK.

Use it to keep track of where you are as you join Ellie on her adventures.



Cut out and
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make a paw

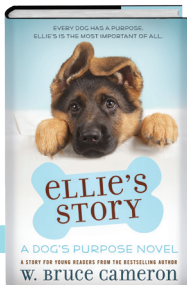
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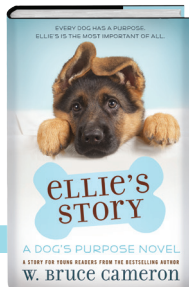
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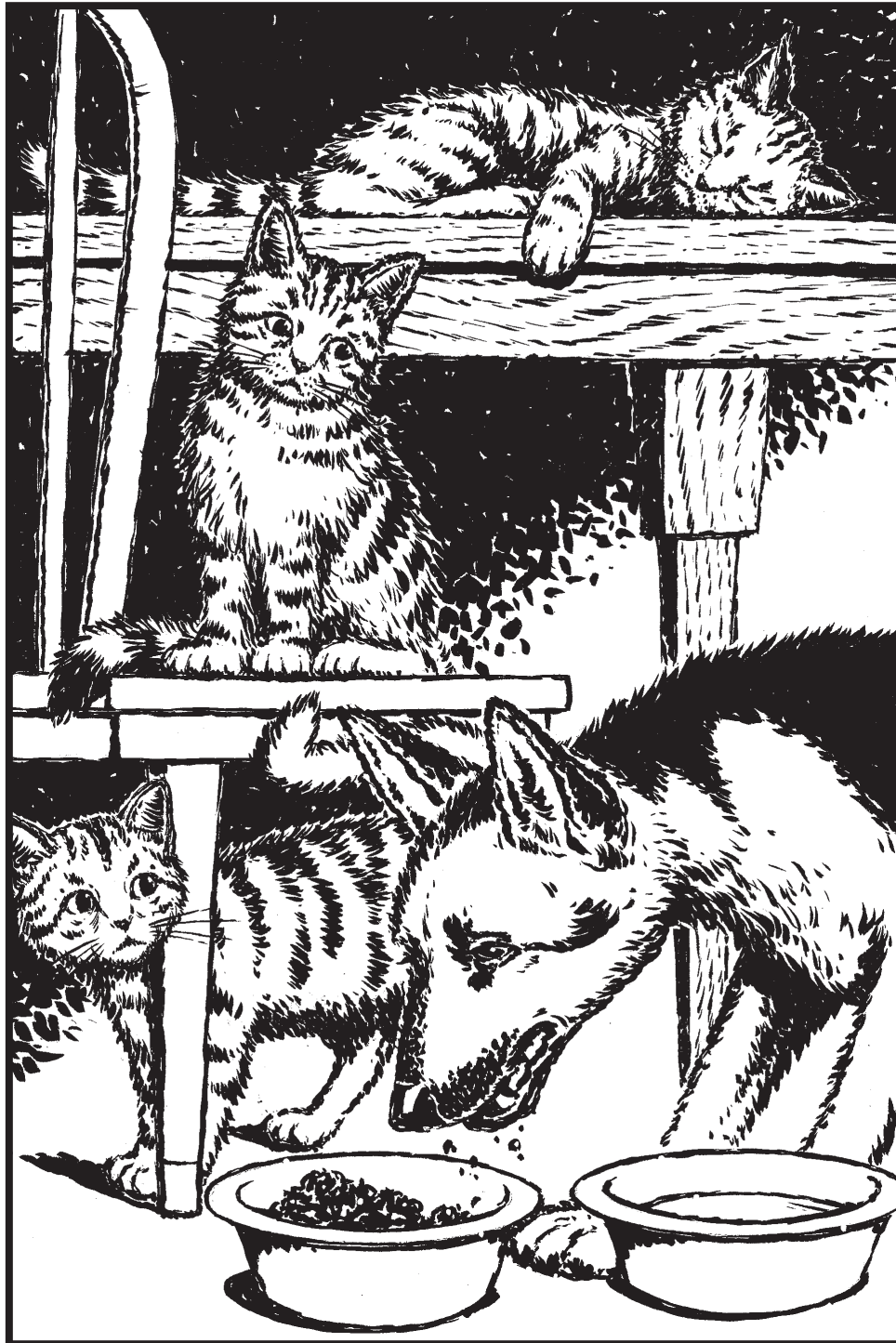
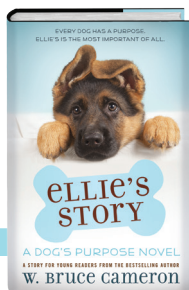


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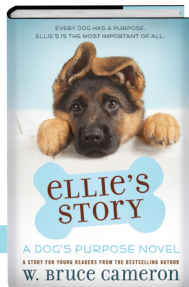
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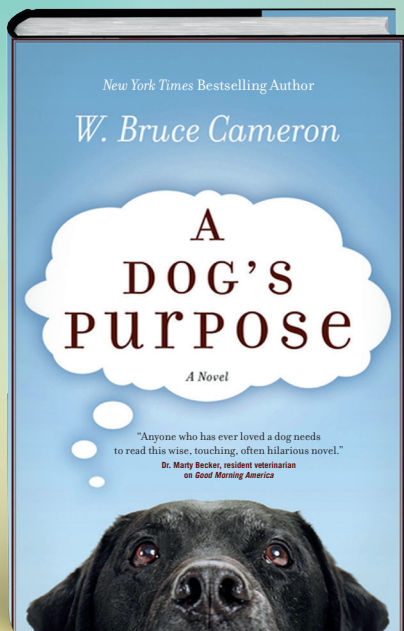
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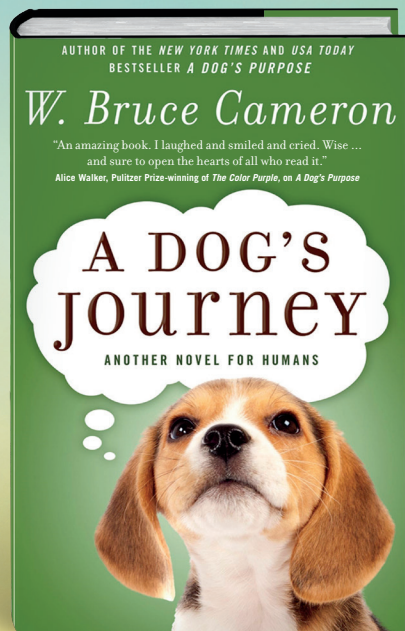
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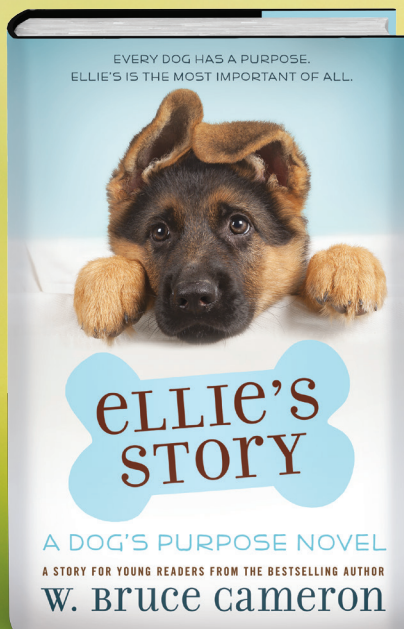
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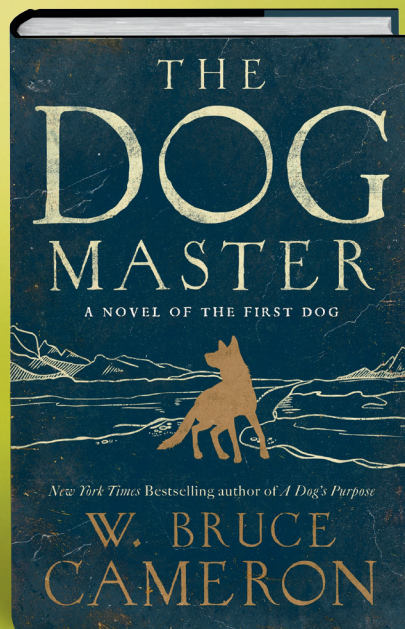
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