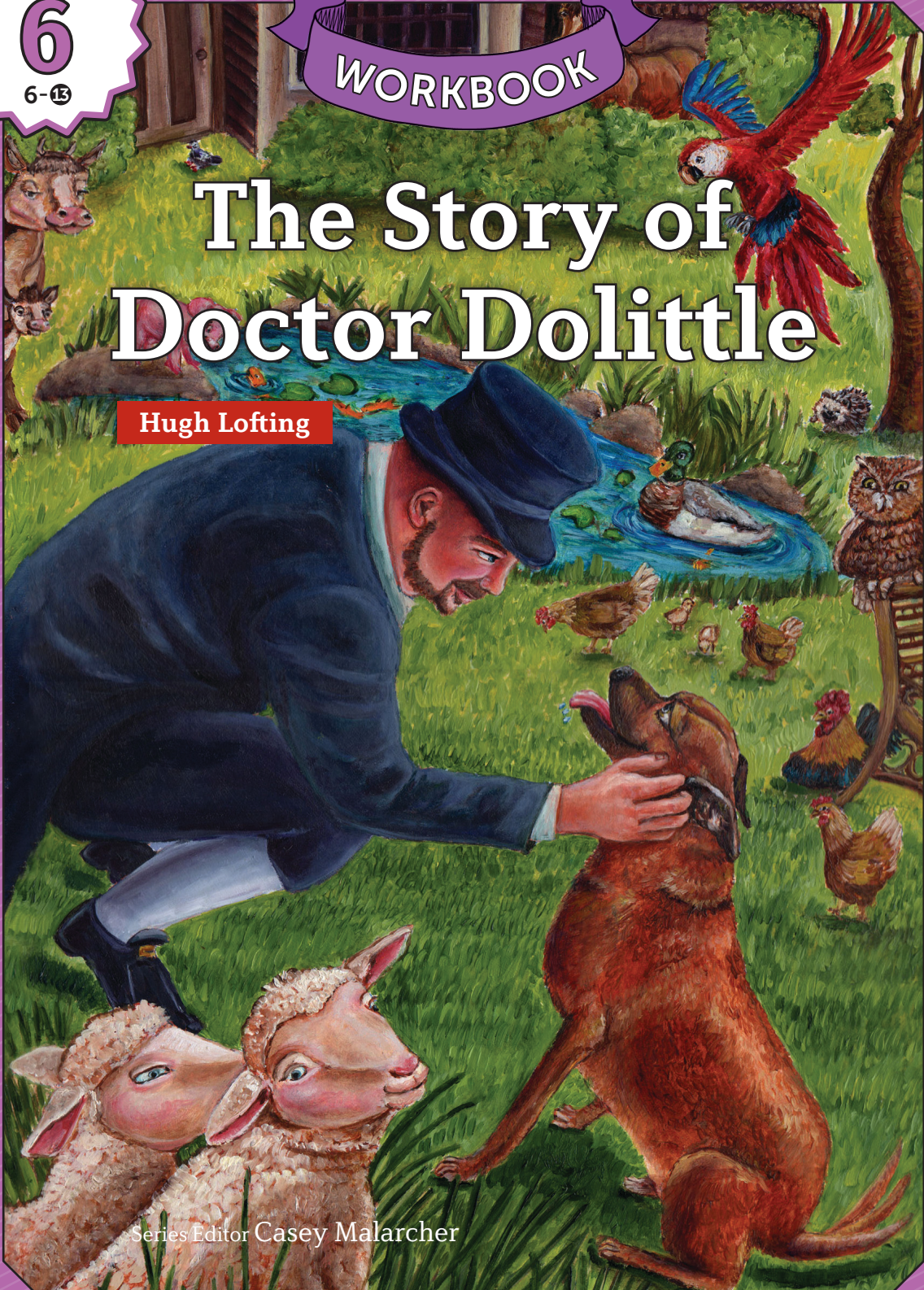


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WORKBOOK

The Story of Doctor Dolittle

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Reading Activities

[Chapter 1] A People Doctor

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What kind of doctor is Dr. Dolittle?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 8. How do you think Dr. Dolittle feels about animals?
- 3 Do you think Dr. Dolittle has many pets? Why or why not?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What is NOT true about Dr. Dolittle?

- a. He likes animals more than people.
- b. He is happy and is well-liked in his hometown.
- c. He is worried that his money will run out.

B. Match the characters and their descriptions.

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| 1. Dab-Dab • | • a dog |
| 2. Jip • | • an owl |
| 3. Gub-Gub • | • a duck |
| 4. Polynesia • | • a baby pig |
| 5. Too-Too • | • a parrot |

[Chapter 2] Animal Language

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Dr. Dolittle learns a lot from his parrot. What do you think he learns?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 11. How does Dr. Dolittle help the horse?
- 3 In this chapter, Dr. Dolittle changes his job. What do you think his new job will be?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

Why did Dr. Dolittle change jobs?

- a. He doesn't like people.
- b. Polynesia told him to change.
- c. He had only one human patient left.

B. Put the information in the right place.

1. First, ____ 2. Next, ____ 3. After that, ____ 4. In the end, ____

- a. Polynesia teaches him animal languages.
- b. Dr. Dolittle becomes the best vet there is.
- c. Dr. Dolittle becomes a vet.
- d. Dr. Dolittle becomes famous all over the world.

[Chapter 3] More Money Troubles

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Why do you think Dr. Dolittle ends up with more money problems?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 14. What do you think is wrong with the crocodile?
- 3 Animals really like Dr. Dolittle. How could this be a problem?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

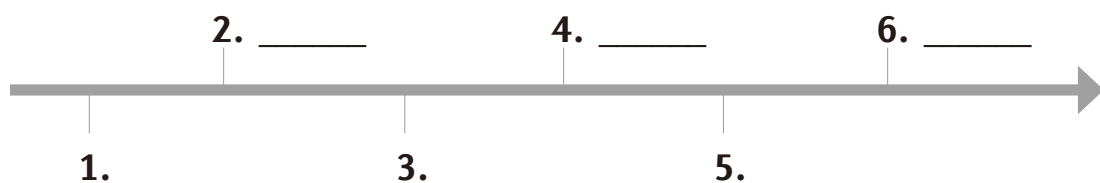
Why does the doctor get more and more pets?

- a. Animals like him and want to stay with him.
- b. People gave him animals instead of money.
- c. He has too many patients to take care of.

B. Put the information in the right place.

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| a. goes to see Dr. Dolittle | b. wants to stay at the doctor's house |
| c. scares people away | d. becomes the doctor's new pet |
| e. escapes from a circus | f. causes the doctor to lose patients and money |

A crocodile . . .



[Chapter 4] Going to Africa

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Where will Dr. Dolittle go?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 17. What do you think will happen to the ship?
- 3 Dr. Dolittle is going to take a trip. Why do you think he is going?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

Why does Dr. Dolittle want to go to Africa?

- a. Some of his animals are from Africa.
- b. Some animals in Africa need his help.
- c. His cousin in Africa asked him to visit.

B. Write the information in the right place.

- ★ flies to shore with a rope
- ★ gets a message from his cousin

- ★ bring supplies to the ship
- ★ tell them where to sail

Chee-Chee the monkey

The dolphins

The flying fish

Dab-Dab the duck

[Chapter 5] The Unfriendly King

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think will be mean to Dr. Dolittle?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 19. Who do you think is in jail?
- 3 In this chapter, Polynesia helps Dr. Dolittle. How do you think Polynesia helps him?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

How does the king of this land treat Dr. Dolittle?

- a. He welcomes the doctor.
- b. He tells the doctor about the sick monkeys.
- c. He puts the doctor in jail.

B. Write T for True or F for False.

1. The king trusted Dr. Dolittle. _____
2. Dr. Dolittle stole the king's gold. _____
3. Polynesia escaped by flying out the window. _____
4. Polynesia stole a key to the jail. _____
5. Polynesia went to the doctor's room. _____
6. Polynesia pretended to be Dr. Dolittle. _____
7. The king was afraid of what Polynesia said. _____
8. The king said to let the doctor and his animals go. _____

[Chapter 6] Curing the Monkeys

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think Dr. Dolittle will finally meet?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 22. What is Dr. Dolittle doing?
- 3 There are so many sick monkeys. How do you think the doctor can cure them all?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

Why does Dr. Dolittle want the other animals to help him?

- a. The other animals have sick children.
- b. There are too many sick monkeys.
- c. The other animals are bored.

B. Put the information in the right place.

a. cub is sick

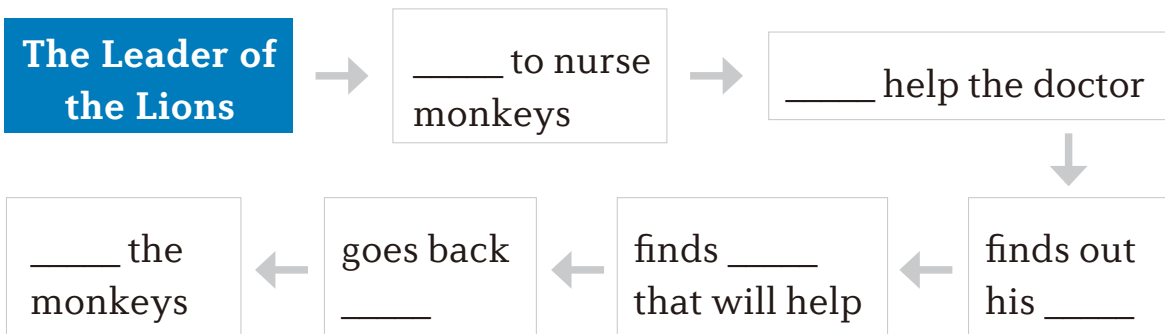
b. refuses to

c. helps nurse

d. to the doctor

e. other animals

f. is too proud



Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What do you think the doctor will get?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 25. What is special about this animal?
- 3 The monkeys want to thank Dr. Dolittle. What kind of gift do you think they will give him?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What did the monkeys give Dr. Dolittle?

- a. A unique animal
- b. Money to pay his bills
- c. A new ship

B. Write the information in the right place.

- ★ the pushmi-pullyu ★ Dr. Dolittle ★ Polynesia ★ Jip ★ Too-Too
- ★ Chee-Chee ★ Dab-Dab ★ Gub-Gub ★ the crocodile

Left Africa

Stayed in Africa

[Chapter 8] Home Again

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What do you think will happen to the doctor and his animals on the way home?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 28. What kind of person is swimming in the water?
- 3 In this chapter, pirates chase the doctor. How do you think he gets away?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What is true about Dr. Dolittle in the end?

- a. He gets a lot of money from new patients.
- b. He gets to go on another big trip.
- c. He doesn't have to worry about money anymore.

B. Put the information in the right place.

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| a. arrives back in England | b. rests on an island |
| c. has sharks help him | d. takes the pirates' ship |
| e. repays his debts and his friends | f. is chased by pirates |
| g. makes the pirates promise to help the birds | |

The doctor . . .

