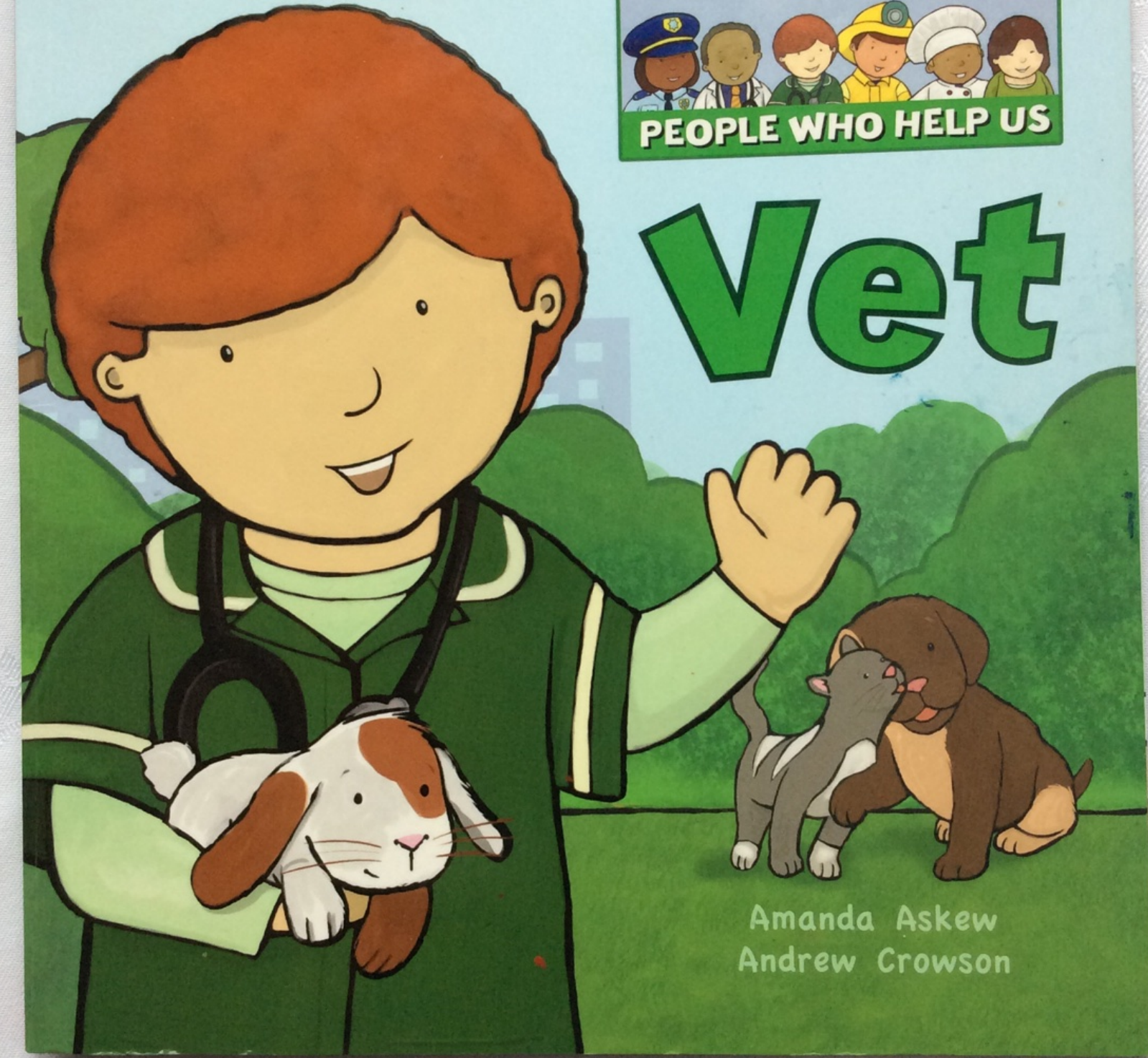




PEOPLE WHO HELP US

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Meet Dr Beth.
She is a vet and
she helps sick
and hurt animals
to get better.



Dr Beth arrives at the clinic
at about 8 o'clock. Clara
looks after the office. She
is chatting to Nurse Brown
about today's patients.



Dr Beth and Nurse Brown go to the hospital first to check on the animals there.

"Barney's leg is healing well," Dr Beth tells Nurse Brown.



"Harry's tummy is looking good after the lump was taken away."



Molly the cat had kittens last week. Some of the kittens could not suckle, so they came to hospital to learn how to feed.

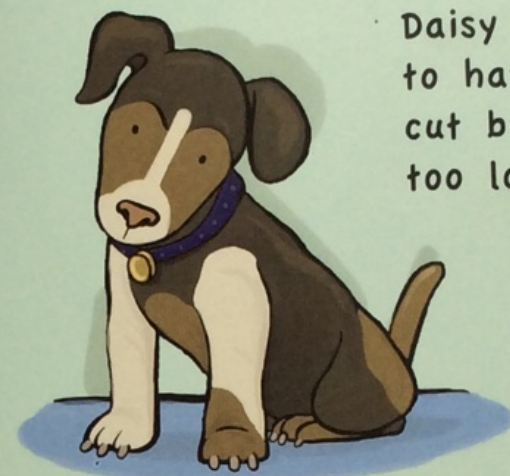


"How are you feeling Molly? Your kittens are looking very well. I think you can go home today."



Then Dr Beth checks the appointment book to see which patients are visiting her today.

"It's going to be a busy day, Clara! Please send the first patient in."

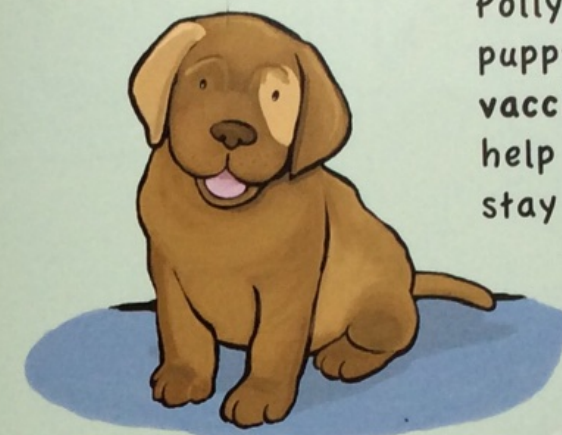
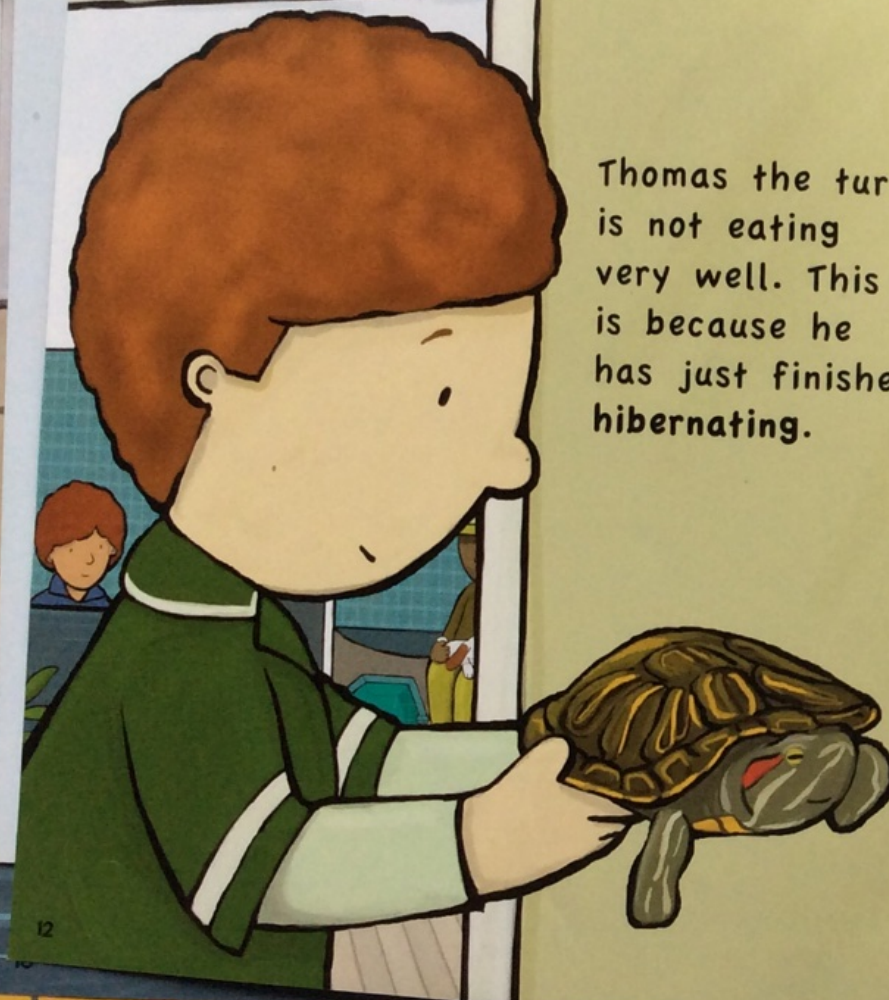


Daisy the dog needs to have her claws cut before they get too long.

Charlie the cat has been fighting and has scratches on his leg.



Thomas the turtle is not eating very well. This is because he has just finished hibernating.



Polly the puppy needs a vaccination to help her to stay healthy.

Rosie the rabbit's teeth are too long. Dr Beth will cut them for her.





Zuzu the snake just seems quiet.

Ronald the rat escaped from his cage and hurt his tail.



Carly the cat has fleas. She has scratched her skin and it is sore.



Dr Beth's next patient is a little more serious. Dart the dog looks very unhappy and his owner is upset.

"Dart won't eat and he has been sick."



"Let's see. Now, I'm just going to feel his tummy. Is there a chance that Dart could've eaten something that he shouldn't have?"

"He chews lots of things, but he's never eaten any of them before!"

Dr Beth sends Dart for an X-ray with Nurse Brown, just in case.

Nurse Brown brings the X-ray to Dr Beth.



"It looks as though Dart has eaten a small ball. He needs to have an operation to remove it."



Nurse Brown takes Dart to hospital and gets him ready for the operation.

After an hour,
Dr Beth phones
Dart's owner.

"Dart swallowed
a ball, but he's
going to be
fine. We'll keep
him in hospital
for a couple
of days. You
can see him
tomorrow."



"Thank you so much," she says.

"No problem,"
Dr Beth smiles.



Glossary

Clinic A place where
medical treatment is given.

Heal When skin or bone
grows back and becomes
healthy again.

Hibernate To go into
a kind of deep sleep
for winter.

Operation When someone's
body is cut open to fix
a part that is damaged.

Patient Someone who
visits a doctor when
they are sick.

Suckle To feed a young
animal or baby with milk
from its mother.

Vaccination When an animal
or person is given an
injection to protect them
from a disease.

X-ray A photograph of the
insides of something, such
as bones inside the body.

