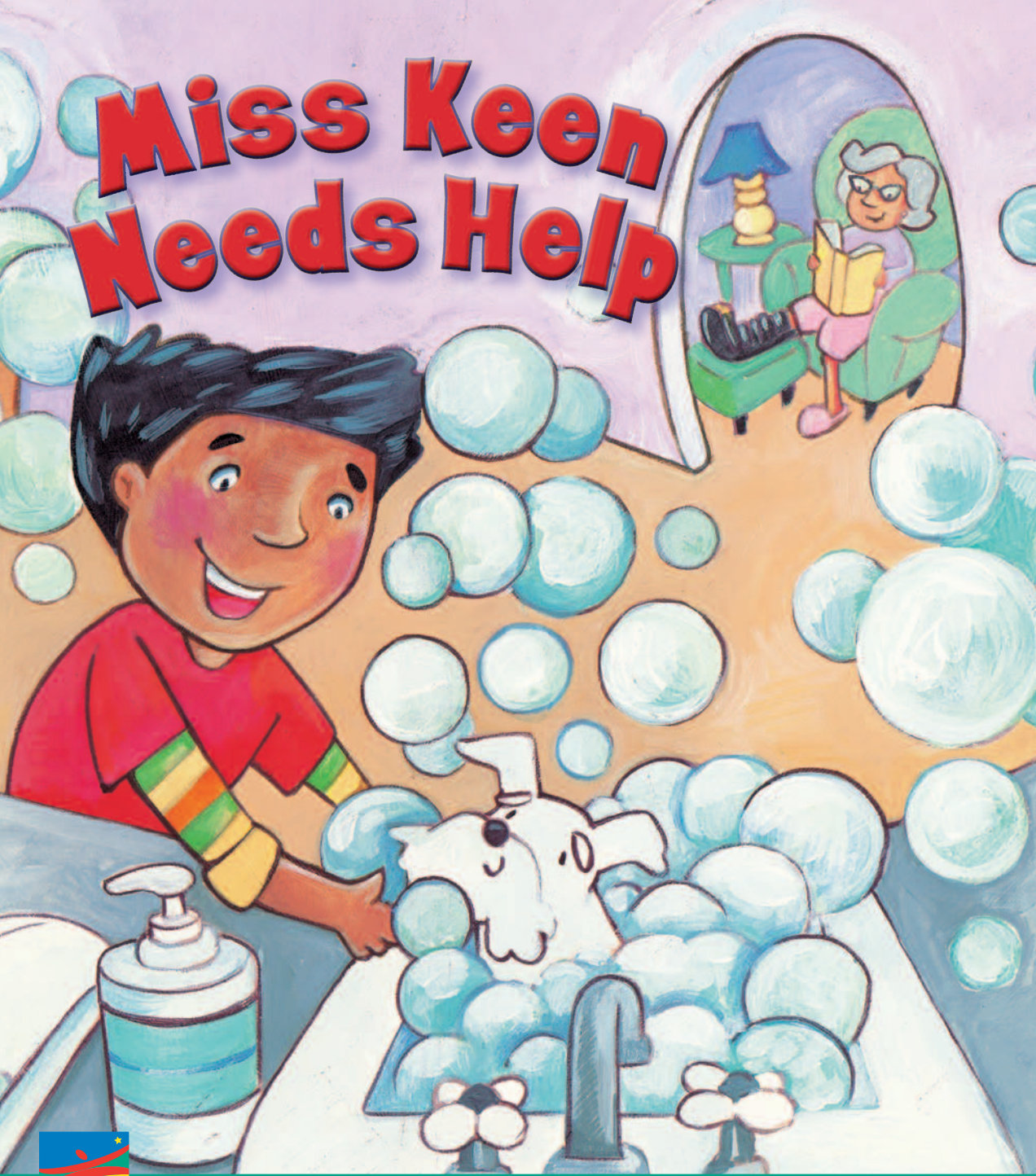
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Summary

When Ben gets a chance to help his reading tutor, he learns why people enjoy volunteering.

Skills at a Glance

Monitor-Reading
- Stop, think, and write

Comprehension
- Analyze character

Phonics
- Long e digraphs (feeling, Keen, reac reading, see)

Word Study
- Adjectives (big, empty, loud, soft, tall)

Fluency
- Read exclamation points

Fiction Genre
- Realistic fiction

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Meet the Characters

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Miss Keen



Ben

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Miss Smith



Max

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Ben has a reading buddy.
His reading buddy is Miss Keen.
Miss Keen is a volunteer at the library.
Miss Keen always sits in the big, soft chair. Today, the chair is empty.



Ben goes to see Miss Smith. Miss Smith is the tall lady behind the desk.

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Ben asks, “Do you know where Miss Keen is?” Ben points to the empty chair.



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Miss Smith looks at Ben. Miss Smith says, "Miss Keen hurt her leg. Miss Keen is at home. She cannot come in to read today."



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Ben says, "Maybe I can help Miss Keen!" Ben's voice is too loud. Ben forgets to use his inside voice.

"I will go see Miss Keen!" says Ben.



Ben stops at home. He writes a note.
The note tells where he will be.
Then Ben runs to Miss Keen's house.



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