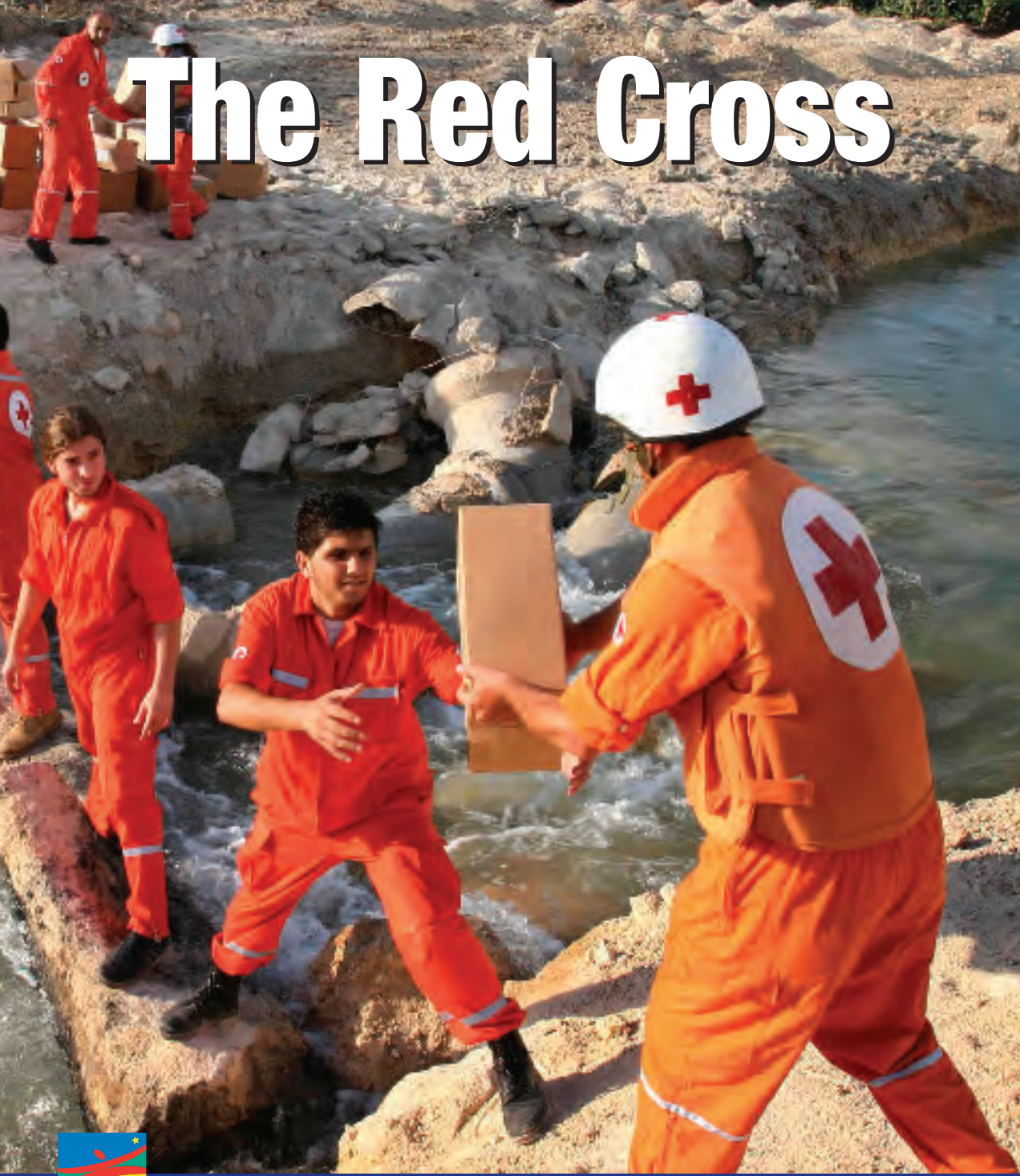
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The Big Idea

This book tells about the Red Cross, an international organization that helps people in need.

Skills at a Glance

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- Discuss ideas with others

Comprehension:
- Draw conclusions

Phonics:
- r-controlled /ar/ (area, care, Clara, share)

Fluency:
- Read question marks

Tier Two Vocabulary:
- design

Tier Three Vocabulary:
- aid, disaster, doctor, flood, refugees, volunteers

Grammar, Word Study, and Language Development:
- Use present-tense verbs
- Use context clues

Sentence Pattern:
- The ___ helps ___.

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I need to know these words.

aid



disaster



doctor



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flood



refugees



volunteers



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What Is the Red Cross?

Have you ever watched the news on TV? Sometimes the news shows a flood. A flood is an **emergency**. People need help quickly. The Red Cross is an **organization**. The Red Cross sends workers to help.





▲ The Red Cross helps people after a flood.

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The Red Cross helps people in many nations. The Red Cross is **international**. Does the Red Cross help in your nation?



▲ The Red Cross helps people in 180 nations.

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The Red Cross has many workers. Some workers help in an emergency. Some workers help people before an emergency happens. Some workers are **volunteers**. Volunteers do not work for pay.



▲ Volunteers want to share their time to help people.

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◀ Henri Dunat started the Red Cross.

Henri Dunat was from Switzerland. Look at Switzerland's flag. Then look at the symbol of the Red Cross. How are they alike? The symbol of the Red Cross honors Henri Dunat.

American Red Cross

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How Does the Red Cross Help in a War?

A war causes emergencies. Soldiers fight near towns. The towns are not safe. Some people leave the towns. These people are **refugees**. Where will the refugees live? What will the refugees eat? The Red Cross helps refugees during a war.

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▲ Workers give food to refugees. Workers give blankets to refugees.

The Red Cross brings tents and food. The Red Cross sends doctors and nurses, too. The tents become hospitals. The doctors and nurses care for the refugees.



▲ This doctor cares for people.

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