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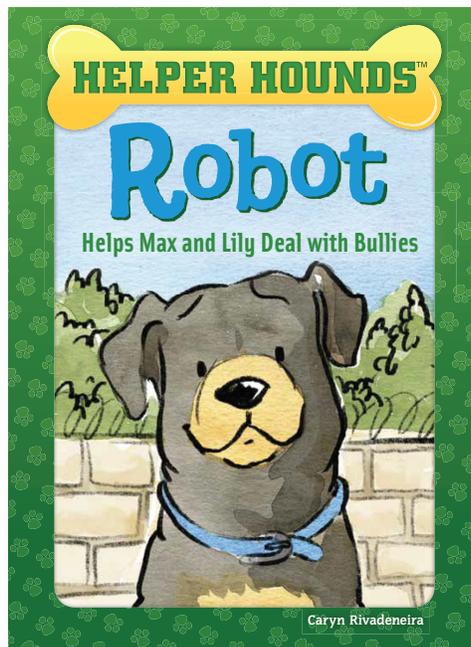
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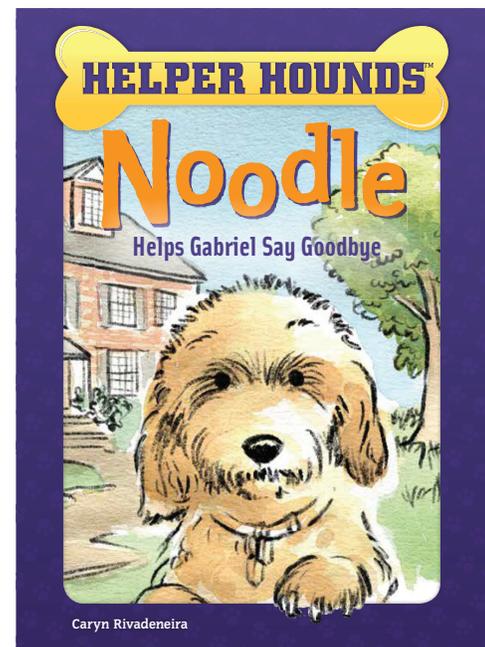


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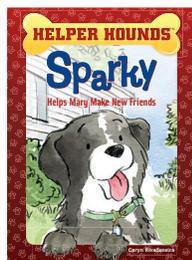
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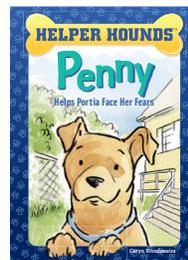
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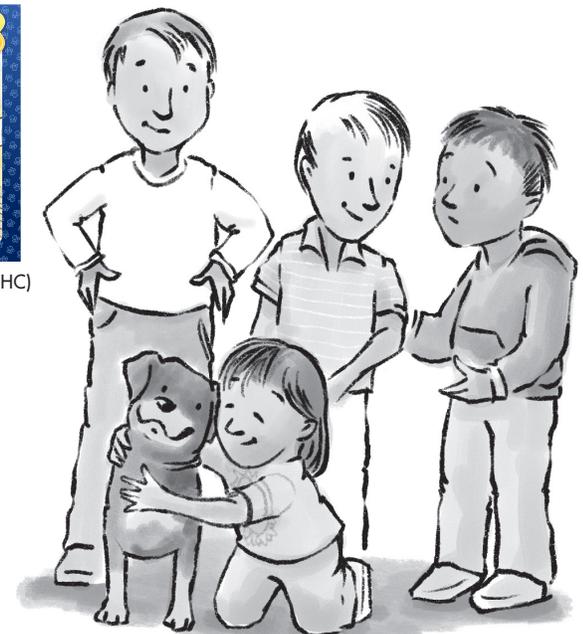
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## From *Robot Helps Max and Lilly Deal with Bullies*

store workers felt bad about getting puppies from such a terrible place and called the police.

The police called the humane society. And one day, police and animal rescue volunteers came rumbling onto the farm with cars and



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trucks and vans. The people at Flowerbrook Kennels didn't use cars so we knew something was up. We all had our snouts through the wires in the cages to sniff the air.

A woman with a sweet smile and soft voice came up to our cage and put my siblings and me in a big blanket. She gently set us in a clean, warm crate in the back of a van. Another man put my mom in a blanket and held her on his lap up front. The man called my mom "Sweet Little Mama Petunia." Mama Petunia stopped crying when he said that.

We all stopped crying and barking when we got to our new foster family's house. A foster family, our van driver told us, steps in to take care of you when your parents can't.

"And you need to let your Mama Petunia get some rest," she said.

Our foster mom came out to the van to get us. She hugged and kissed Mom all over and told

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## From *Noodle Helps Gabriel Say Goodbye*

fence. Then you match the smell with the ugly mugs of all the animals you know. Then you guess.



*Sniff, sniff.*

*Match, match. Guess, guess.*

Badger! No, raccoon! Wait... Otter? Could it be? Yes, otter!

Since it's a game you play by yourself, you decide who wins. And guess what? I always win! I'm great at sniffing out the creatures that live along the river that runs through campus — and the city that we're in.

But, I also love this spot because of the trees and tree stumps that line the river. The students come here to wander through the trees and to sit on the stumps and "chill out," as Andrea

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calls it. She says they need to breathe some woodland air in the middle of the city as they experience nature and relax.

That may be, but when I bump into the students (which is every time I'm out here), I know they come here to see me. Because every time they see me, the students smile and shout my name: "Noodle!" And though they talk to Andrea, they kneel down and scrub their fingers into my hair and tell me all their troubles, worries, hopes, and about how much they miss their dogs back home.

I listen to them. They pet me. It's a win-win! And today proved to be no different. "Noodle!"

I jerked my head up from the base of the pine tree I was sniffing. I was this-close to guessing squirrel (Stubby the Squirrel to be exact). But that would have to wait. A student was calling me. I looked toward the voice.

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