

# Horizons

## Phonics and Reading



### Van's Scarecrow

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## VAN'S SCARECROW

Van was in the fourth grade. He had joined Boy Scout Troop #18. Van had lots of things to learn. The boys had to know plenty before they could get their merit badges.



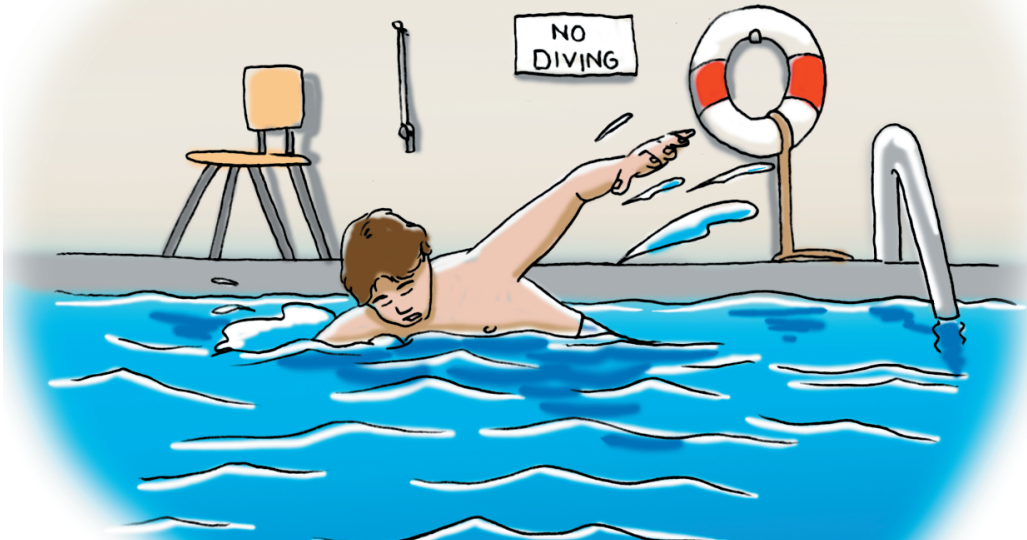
Van wanted to make a garden to earn his merit badge. He would fix the ground and grow some vegetables. When the ground was ready, the seeds were sown into long rows. He planted corn, beets, beans, carrots, and potatoes. Before



## THE CANARY

The canary is one of the most loved pet birds. People enjoy hearing them sing their lively songs. Many people keep them in their homes in large cages so they do not fly away.





## MR. BITTLE'S HELPER

Little Carl had a leg that was crippled. He had to walk with crutches. One leg was bent and twisted. The doctor said that Carl had to swim. He had to swim every day so he could get better.

Carl did not know how to swim but he was

# THE GIANT

Gene was a giant who did an act for the carnival on the stage. He took giant steps across the path where the crowd was sitting. Everyone clapped for the giant. He had huge feet and put them in huge shoes. His arms and legs were huge, too. He was a giant, but he was a gentle giant. Everyone loved Gene.

Sometimes Gene would walk in with a giraffe. He had taught the giraffe how to bow to the



## JAKE'S PAPER ROUTE

Jake had a paper route with 49 papers to deliver. He had to get up at 4:30 every morning so he could get the papers to the houses before 6:00 A.M. It was important for Jake to get plenty of sleep.



One night he had stayed up very late watching T.V. When it came time to get up the next morning, he was sleepy. The snooze alarm rang twice. Finally Jake pulled himself out of bed and got dressed.