

Decodable Texts: Long Vowel Teams: ue (blue)

"This nonfiction story focuses on the 'ue' sound as in 'blue.' Watch for words like 'rescue,' 'true,' and 'clue' as you learn how people help animals!"



How Do People Rescue Animals?

People around the world work to rescue animals in need.

They use special tools and stay calm and true during tough times.

Some animals are stuck and can't move, while others are lost and looking for a clue to get home.

Rescue teams bring food, water, and care to help animals stay safe.

When the work is due to begin, teams go out with hope and courage.

Each rescue is a chance to give animals a new life!

After reading the story, have your child point to and slowly sound out each practice word.

rescue

true

new

clue

value



Name: _____

How Do People Rescue Animals?

1. Why do people rescue animals?

- A. To keep them safe and healthy
- B. To give them more toys
- C. To make them stay outside
- D. To take them far away

2. What do rescue teams bring to animals?

- A. Food and water
- B. Big loud trucks
- C. Toys and games
- D. Books and pencils

3. Fill in the blank:

Each rescue is a chance to give animals a _____ life!

4. What tools or skills do people need to help animals during rescues?

5. How do you think rescued animals feel after being saved?



Coaching Guide

Target Skill: *ue* as in "blue" (/oo/ sound)

Genre: *Nonfiction – Life Science / Animal Care*

High-Frequency Words: *they, new, when, each, their*

Before Reading

1. This story uses “ue” words like *rescue*, *true*, *clue*, and *due*.
 2. Have you ever seen people help animals in need?
 3. What would you do if you found an animal that needed help?
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During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support: Sounding Out Support:** Practice stretching the /oo/ sound in “ue” words like *rescue*, *true*, and *clue*. Help readers tap and blend each sound carefully.
 2. Watch for target skill words that explain what rescue teams do.
 3. What do rescue teams bring to help animals?
 4. Read the final line with hope and pride—like you’ve just helped someone in need.
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After Reading

1. Retell what people do to rescue animals and how they help them stay safe.
 2. What do you think is the most important thing a rescue team does?
 3. If you could join a rescue team, what animal would you want to help?
 4. Skill Check: Highlight six “ue” words in the passage.
 5. **Fluency Tip:** Read it again using a caring and hopeful voice—like you’re helping someone who really needs you!
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Activity Idea

Draw a rescue team helping animals find safety and care. Label parts using “ue” words like *rescue*, *true*, *clue*, *due*, *new*, or *value*. Write one sentence about why helping animals is important.

Coaching Tip

Helping stories build both reading skills and a caring heart—every new word is a chance to grow kindness!

