



Work! Work! Work!

Directions: Read together.

Meet Clara Barton

1821-1912, Volunteer

Clara Barton was a famous volunteer. A group she started a long time ago still helps people today.

Clara Barton worked hard to help people. When she was just a girl, she helped take care of her brother. He was sick for about two years!

During the Civil War, Clara Barton was a volunteer. She helped soldiers who were hurt. She handed out bandages and medicine. Her work saved many lives.

After the war, Clara Barton wanted to keep on helping people. She started the American Red Cross. Today the American Red Cross gives food, clothing, and shelter to people who need help all over the world.





Strategy 1 Locate Key Words in the Question

Learn

Circle key words. Tell what you need to find out.

1. Who did Clara Barton help during the Civil War?

I need to find out who Clara Barton helped during the Civil War.

Try It

2. Why did the soldiers need help?

I need to find out _____

3. What group did Clara Barton start?

I need to find out _____



Have students: • Read the question. • Circle key words in the question.
• Think: "I need to find out..."



Strategy 2 Locate Key Words in the Text

Learn

Circle key words in the question. Circle key words in the text.

1. Who did Clara Barton help during the Civil War?

The key words in the text are Civil War, helped, and soldiers.

Try It

2. Why did the soldiers need help?

The key words in the text are _____

3. What group did Clara Barton start?

The key words in the text are _____



Have students: • Read the question. • Circle key words in the question.
• Circle key words in the text. • Finish the sentence: "The key words in the text are..."

**Strategy 3 Choose the Right Answer****Learn**

Choose the best answer.

1. Who was Clara Barton?

- a doctor
- a volunteer
- a soldier
- a lawyer

Try It

2. When did Clara Barton help soldiers?

- during the Civil War
- when she was a child
- during the war against England
- before the Civil War

3. What group did Clara Barton start?

- Hospital for Soldiers
- Family Care
- Volunteers for America
- American Red Cross



Have students: • Read the question. • Read all the answer choices.
• Rule out any incorrect choices. • Mark the best answer choice.



Strategy 4 Use Information from the Text

Learn

Circle key words in the question. Circle key words in the text.
Answer the question.

1. For how long was Clara Barton's brother sick?

Clara Barton's brother was sick for about two years.

Try It

2. How did Clara Barton help soldiers?

3. How does the American Red Cross help people today?



Have students: • Read the question. • Circle key words in the question.
• Circle key words in the text. • Use details from the text to answer the question.



Strategy 5 Use Information from Graphics

Learn

Circle key words in the question. Use the picture on page 15 to answer the question.

1. (How) do you (know) the (soldier) is (injured)?

The soldier has bandages. Clara Barton is taking care of him.

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2. Why might Clara Barton be placing her hand on the soldier's forehead?

3. Where are Clara Barton and the soldier?



Have students: • Read the question. • Circle key words in the question.
• Use details from the picture to answer the question.



Strategy 6 Write Your Answer to Score High

Learn

Look at this example.

1. **How** did Clara Barton **help** **people** during the **Civil War**?

Clara Barton helped people during the Civil War by giving out

bandages and medicine. She also helped people by starting the

American Red Cross.

Is the answer correct?

Is the answer complete?

Do all the details help answer the question?

What should you do to improve the answer?

Try It

Circle key words in each question. Write an answer.

2. Who does the American Red Cross help today?

3. How does the American Red Cross help people?



Have students: • Read the question. • Circle key words in the question. • Use details from the text to write an answer. • Ask: “Is the answer correct? Is the answer complete? Do all the details help answer the question?”