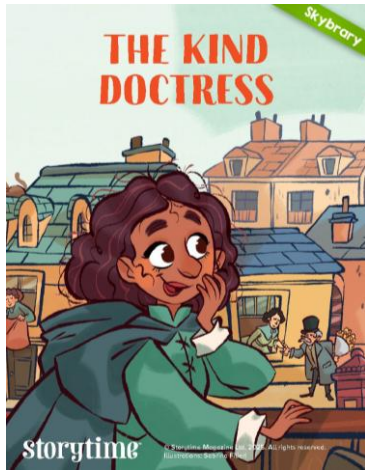


Read Aloud Guide for Families



The Kind Doctress

Author: Storytime

Illustrator: Sabrina Filieri

Themes: Compassion, Helping Others

Book Brief: The true tale of a girl from Jamaica who journeyed around the world and became a famous nurse!

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, "Have you ever helped someone who was sick or hurt? How did you help them feel better?"
- Explain to your child that this story is about a real woman named Mary Seacole from Jamaica who traveled around the world helping sick people and became a famous nurse.

While Reading: Make Connections

- What does Mary learn to do when she is young? Who teaches her?
- How does Mary help people? Why does she want to be a doctress?
- Describe Mary's journey. Where does she travel and what does she do to help others?

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, "How did Mary's kindness and bravery help her care for people around the world? What makes her story special?"

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Create a "Kindness Kit." Help your child gather supplies like bandages, tissues, a stuffed animal for comfort, and encouraging notes. Practice pretend nursing by caring for dolls or stuffed animals, just like Mary cared for people who needed help.
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