DAILY Warm-Up 12

Name _____ Date _____

OPPORTUNITIES FOR KIDS

Have you ever wanted to help other people but thought you were too young? There are many opportunities for kids to do great things. Some of them may seem small, but they make the people being helped extremely happy.

One activity you can do is to make greeting cards for people who are in a retirement home. Many of them can no longer leave their rooms. They do not have the chance to talk to many people, and often don't get much mail. You can help brighten their day with a cheerful card. You might even be able to arrange for a visit with them. You can read your card to them; they may even want you to make more so they can send them to friends! You could also read your favorite book to them, or play a card game. There are many activities that seniors would love to do with someone else.

Another group of people you can help is children in hospitals. If you can sew or knit, you can make a blanket for them to snuggle if they don't have toys from home. You can visit a hospital and play board games with the children there. You might want to read picture books to the younger children.

There are many things you can do to make someone's day a little brighter. You don't need money or a lot of skills. You can make a big difference in a person's life just by being willing to donate some of your time.

STORY QUESTIONS

1. Which activity is **NOT** mentioned in the passage?
   a. making cards
   b. making blankets
   c. playing board games
   d. running races

2. A word or phrase that could mean the same as *brighten* is . . .
   a. darken.
   b. make sad.
   c. make happier.
   d. make sick.

3. The main idea of this passage is . . .
   a. the American Red cross wants you to help.
   b. no matter how much you do, you will never make a difference.
   c. kids are too young to help others.
   d. kids can help many different people.

4. Which of these could be another way kids could help out in the community?
   a. Pick up litter from alongside the road.
   b. Go on vacation.
   c. Do your regular chores at home.
   d. Steal candy bars at the grocery store.

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