“Help!” cried a voice.

José dropped his superhero comic book, bounced out of the porch swing and raced down the steps.

Sarah from next door stood under the tree in his front yard. “Tiger’s stuck up there,” she said. “Please, rescue her.”

José looked. Way up near the highest branches of the tree, he saw a gray cat. He closed his eyes and thought hard, just like his favorite superheroes did before saving the world. He saw himself flying to the top of the tree and whisking Tiger to safety. Everyone in the neighborhood cheered, and he was awarded a silver cup filled with superhero comics.

“What are you grinning? I asked Sarah.

Tiger didn’t move.

“She’s afraid of heights,” Sarah said.

“Then why’d she climb so high?” asked José.

“Because she didn’t know she was afraid of heights.”
“Oh.” Once more José closed his eyes. He imagined himself waving a magic wand and floating Tiger to the ground. People cheered and showered him with superhero comics.

José opened his eyes. Tiger was still in the tree.

“You'll have to climb up and get her,” Sarah said.

“Why me?”

“Because you’re taller. And because I’m afraid of heights, just like Tiger.”

José frowned. "I think we should call the fire department."

Tiger scooted down several branches.

“You can sit on my lap while I read a superhero comic, Tiger.’’

“Meow,” Tiger said. Down she came -- right into his arms!

“You did it! You are a superhero!” Sarah cried.

José grinned. He felt like a superhero. He handed Tiger into Sarah’s reaching arms, then climbed to the ground.

“After you give Tiger her warm milk could you give me some cold milk?” asked Sarah. “That was hard work watching you rescue her.”

“It was hard work doing it, too,” José said. “I think we all deserve milk. And after that we’ll all read a superhero comic.”
To the Rescue
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1. Where does this story take place?
   a. in front of José’s house
   b. in the park near José’s house
   c. across the street from José’s house
   d. in front of the house next-door to José

2. Name three things that Tiger is afraid of.

   ___________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________

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4. Circle the words that describe José with a red crayon.
   Circle the words that describe Sarah with a blue crayon.

   worried          brave          panicked
   appreciative    daydreamer    heroic
To the Rescue
Vocabulary Activity

Fill in the missing letters to create a word from the story. Then, write the full word on the line. Be sure you spell each word correctly.

1. ___ i ___ e ___ ___
   clue: furthest from the ground

2. ___ h ___ i n ___
   clue: picking up and moving with ease

3. ___ u c ___

4.

5.
   clue: expensive metal

6. ___ o ___ i ___ s
   clue: cartoon pictures

7. ___ ___ n ___ d
   clue: looked sad
Write Your Own Superhero Adventure

Imagine you were a superhero. Write a story in which you use your superpowers to save the day.

**Examples of Superpowers**

- invisibility
- super strength
- super speed
- elastic arms
- underwater breathing
- night vision

Main character: ________________________

(Your name)

Your superpower (just one):

____________________________________

Another superhero in your story (friend’s name):

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(a friend’s name)

Friend’s superpower (just one):

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Problem that needs to be solved:

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(examples: cat in a tree or building on fire)

How you use your superpower to save the day:

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How your friend helps:

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Remember: Be make sure no people or animals are harmed in your story.

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ANSWER KEY

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1. Where does this story take place?  a
   a. in front of José’s house
   b. in the park near José’s house
   c. across the street from José’s house

2. Name three things that Tiger is afraid of.
   sirens, flashing lights, and heights

3. How did José rescue Tiger?
   He climbed partway up the tree and coaxed the cat with kind words.

4. Circle the words that describe José with a red crayon.
   Circle the words that describe Sarah with a blue crayon.

   worried  brave  panicked
   (blue)  (red)  (blue)

   appreciative  daydreamer  heroic
   (blue)  (red)  (red)

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1. h i g h e s t
clue: furthest from the ground

2. w h i s k i n g
clue: picking up and moving with ease

3. s t u c k
clue: past tense of stick

4. s c o o t e d
clue: moved

5. s i l v e r
clue: expensive metal

6. c o m i c s
clue: cartoon pictures

7. f r o w n e d
clue: looked sad