

**Officer Buckle and
Gloria**
Home Letter

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Dear Family,

This week we'll ask, "Why is it important to follow safety rules?" In the humorous fiction story **Officer Buckle and Gloria**, we'll read about the teamwork between a police officer and his dog. We'll read about a different kind of teamwork in the play **Safety at Home**.

This week's...

Target Vocabulary: attention, buddy, obeys, speech, enormous, safety, shocked, station

Phonics Skills: Compound words; schwa vowel sound

Vocabulary Strategy: Root words

Comprehension Skill: Cause and effect—tell how one event makes another happen

Comprehension Strategy: Monitor/clarify—find ways to figure out what doesn't make sense

Writing Focus: Opinion writing—persuasive essay

Activities to Do Together

Vocabulary

Use this week's **Target Vocabulary** in sentences that tell how you and your family stay safe together.

Tag-Team Story Time

Work in a team with your child to tell a story about safety at home. You say the first story sentence, your child says the next sentence, and so on to make up your own story together!

Staying Safe Together

Have your child write a paragraph that persuades your family to work together to stay safe. Ask your child to include details about what your family can do together to improve its safety, like creating an evacuation plan in the event of fire.



Go to the *eBook* to read and listen to this week's selection.