

Carolyn Is Sad

"Mom, who feeds all these animals?"

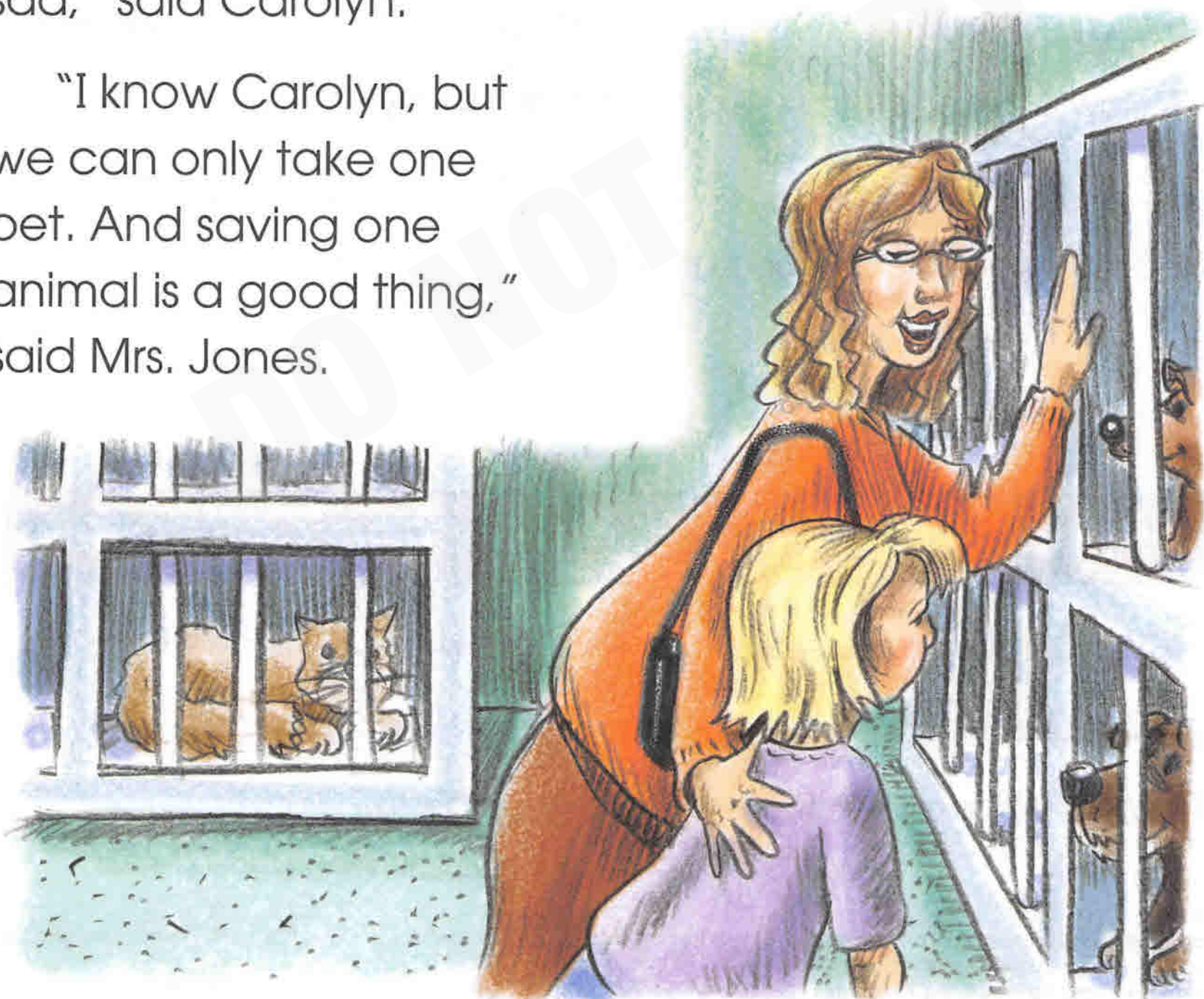
"The workers here feed them, but there are not enough people to brush them, or even love them."

"Mom, this makes me sad," said Carolyn.

"I know Carolyn, but we can only take one pet. And saving one animal is a good thing," said Mrs. Jones.

"Yes," said Carolyn, and she kept looking at all the cages.

**Why does Carolyn feel sad?
What does Mrs. Jones say that makes Carolyn feel better?**



Reading Skills

1. This story is about

_____ Carolyn realizing that taking care of only one pet is still a good thing.

_____ Carolyn realizing that she should take five pets.

_____ Carolyn leaving the pound with no pets.



2. The pets are living in _____ cages. _____ houses. _____ boxes.

3. The pound needs more

_____ cats. _____ dogs. _____ workers.

4. Carolyn wishes that all the animals had someone to _____ them.

_____ wash _____ love _____ name

Thinking Further and Predicting Outcomes

1. Do you think Carolyn will feel better about taking only one pet? How come?

2. Do you think Carolyn is a caring person? Why or why not?

3. The next time Carolyn gets a pet, do you think she will go to the pound again? Why or why not?

Directions:

Reading Skills Finding the main idea (1): Have students read the question and mark the correct answer, Story Details or Cause and Effect (2-4): Have students read the question and mark the correct answer.

Thinking Further and Predicting Outcomes (1-3): Have students read each question, and then on a separate piece of paper write down and/or discuss their thoughts, opinions, and predictions. As the stories progress, have students discuss whether their predictions were accurate.