**Following an EMT**

You may be unclear about the job of an EMT. An EMT rides on an ambulance and helps those who are sick or hurt. An EMT takes classes so he or she knows how to help. An EMT might have to get up at a late hour in the night and prepare to go on a call.

EMTs need to listen to the sick or hurt person so they can find out what is wrong. An EMT might kneel by the side of the person to take vital signs like a pulse and the rhythm and rate of breathing. When an EMT gets a call, he or she has to act fast and get to the scene. An EMT has to write a lot of paperwork. An EMT has to be careful to avoid dangerous things at a scene like a tree limb that might have been knocked from a tree.

**Helping Pets**

Burt watched a program about the plight of pets in shelters. He did not know that so many pets needed help. He felt it was unfair for the pets to have so little. Burt and his pal Milo came up with a bright plan to help the pets. They held a bake sale to raise cash.

Milo kneaded the dough with his hands. Burt put the treats in plastic wrap. They put signs up in town. Many folks came by the stand and paid for the sweet treats. Burt and Milo wrote down what everyone paid in a column. At the end of the day, they had made $200! Burt and Milo walked right over to the shelter. They knocked on the door and a lady let them in. They put the money they had raised in her palm. She thanked Burt and Milo and told them that the money helps pay for food and supplies for the pets.

**Activity** Write about a time when you helped out. ★