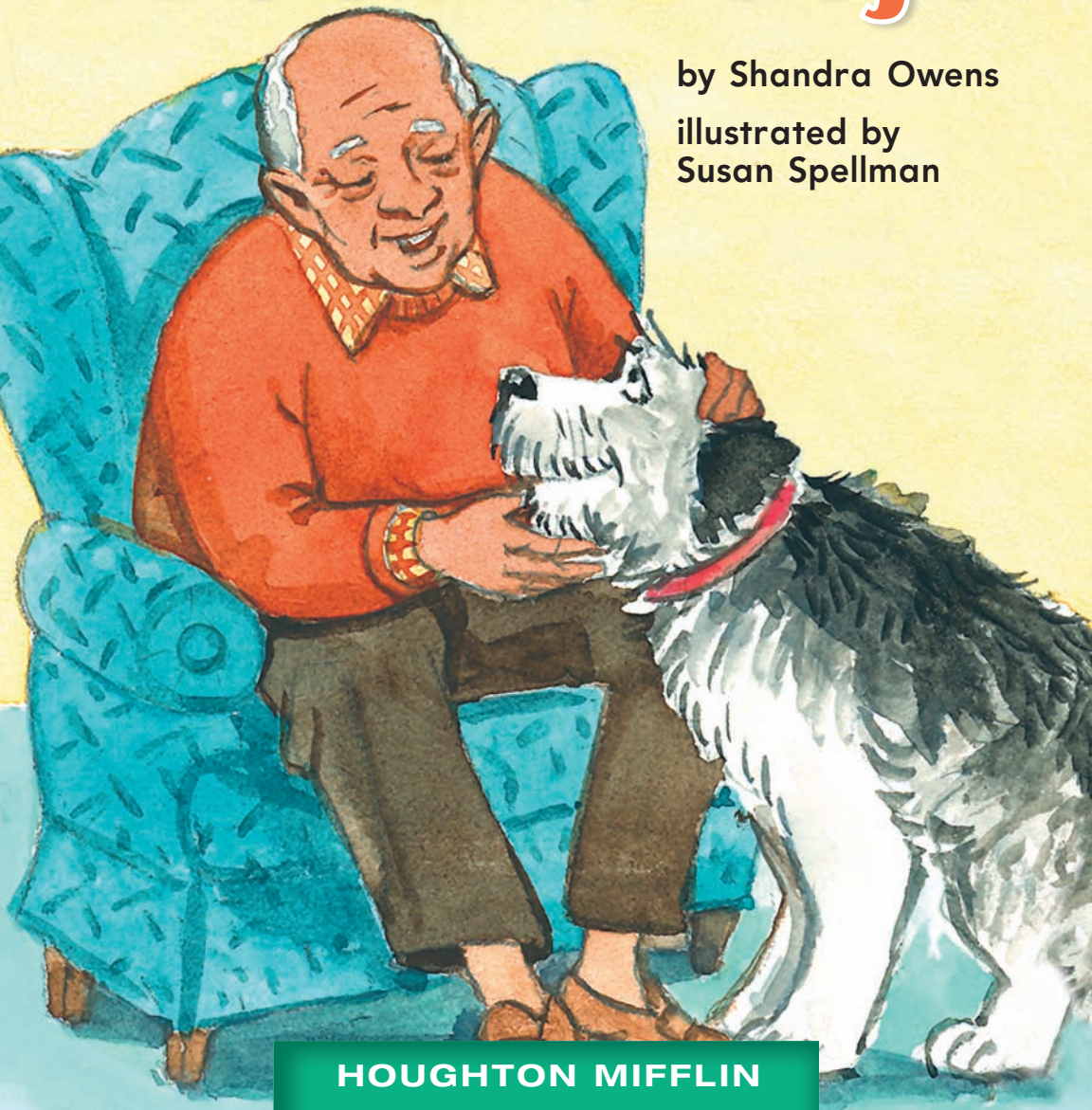




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🔊 My name is Jojo. I am a dog.

This is my friend, Lin.

🔊 Lin jumped out of bed.

“It’s Saturday, Jojo,” she said.

“It’s time to play!”

🔊 “Come here!” I called. “I’m in the backyard.”





🔊 “We can’t play today,” I said.  
“Mom is giving me a bath.”

🔊 Mom asked Lin to help.  
Lin bent down to **hold** me while  
Mom gave me a bath.

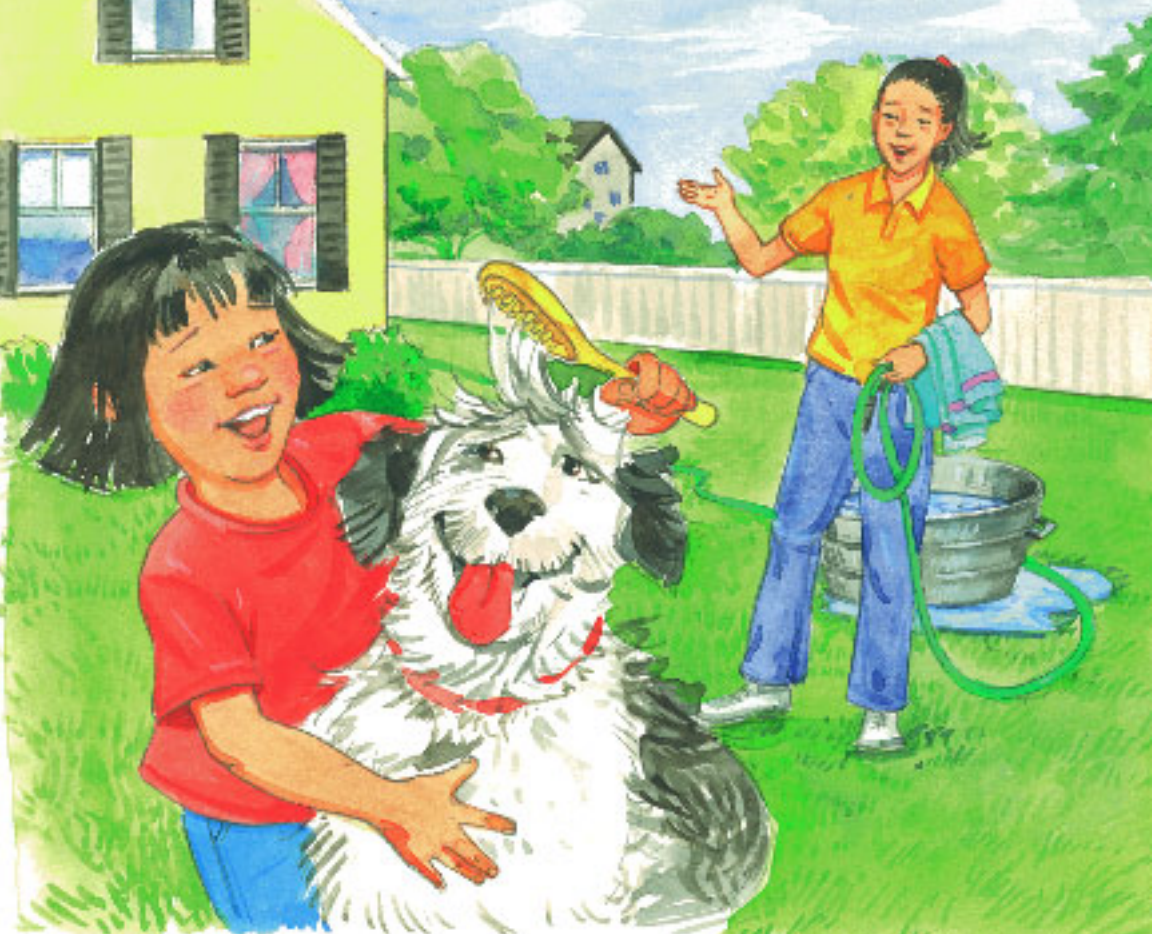
🔊 “Why are you taking a bath  
now?” Lin asked me.



“I am going to work today,”  
I said.

“What do you mean?”  
Lin asked. “Dogs like to run and  
play. Dogs don’t work.”

“Dogs do like to run and play,”  
I said. “But I have been going to  
school to learn a new job.”



🔊 Lin brushed my fur. I smiled.

“What kind of work can you do?” she asked.

🔊 “Come with us and you’ll see,” I said.



🔊 Mom drove us to a big building in the city. We walked to the door. I pulled on my leash to make Mom and Lin go faster.

🔊 “Be good, Jojo,” Mom said. “You’re on the job now.”





🔊 A woman met us at the door.

“My name is Ana,” she said.

“I’m so glad you’re here.”

🔊 Then she led us to a big, sunny room that was **full** of people.

🔊 They were all waiting for me!





🔊 A man was sitting by the window. I went and stood by him. The man petted me and talked to me quietly.

🔊 Then I went over to a lady in a wheelchair. She gave me a big hug.



🔊 Then I did a trick.

“What a smart dog!”  
the lady said.

🔊 “I taught him that trick,” said Lin.

The lady squeezed Lin’s hand.  
“Then you’re smart, too,” she said.

🔊 I smiled at Lin. I taught her  
some tricks, too!



🔊 Lin looked at our new friends. She saw that we made **many** people feel happy.

🔊 “You did a good job, Jojo,” she said.

🔊 “You did a good job, too, Lin,” I said.



# Responding

## **TARGET SKILL** Story Structure

Who is this story about? Where does the story happen? What happens? Make a chart.


## **Write About It**

**Text to Text** Think of a dog or cat from a different story.

What did that dog or cat look like? Write sentences that tell size, shape, color, or how many. Share your sentences with the class.



### WORDS TO KNOW

friend

good

many

full

hold

pull

### LEARN MORE WORDS

smart

taught



### TARGET SKILL

## Story Structure

Tell the setting, character, and events in a story.



### TARGET STRATEGY

## Analyze/Evaluate

Tell how you feel about the text, and why.



### GENRE

A **fantasy** is a story that could not happen in real life.

**Level:** J

**DRA:** 18

**Genre:**

Fantasy

**Strategy:**

Analyze/Evaluate

**Skill:**

Story Structure

**Word Count:** 326

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