



Social Discussion Questions

- Can you think of a time when someone was helpful to you? How did it make you feel?
- Do you like helping others? Why? How do you feel when you do?
- How are we different from each other? How are we the same?
- Create an “acts of kindness” list of ways to help others while: playing at recess, learning in the classroom, eating in the lunchroom, riding the bus, shopping at stores, etc. Make your world more colorful by being YOU and reaching out to others!
- Do you ever feel hesitant to offer or accept help from someone who’s quite different than yourself-like the animals initially felt when accepting Guion’s help?
- Can you relate to Ostrich, Pangolin, and Monkey when they were glad that they received help from Guion the Lion even though he was so different than they were?

Literature Extension

- What do you think will happen when Guion turns upside down? Write the sequel.
- Choose a character and tell his/her backstory (why the colors went away, why he/she doesn’t like to ask for help)
- Based on the illustrations and vocabulary, where do you think the animals live? Write a report about the country and include information about the geography, climate, population, landscape. (Science)
- Explore a group of people that are different than you. Research their customs, clothing, and culture. Make a compare/contrast chart listing your findings. (Social Studies)
- Imagine that you could be any animal in the Savannah and any color. What would you pick? How could you help another animal friend? Draw and color your choice and tell your story.