A young inventor faces bullies as she builds flying machines, but when she uses one of her inventions to perform a heroic rescue, she becomes a hero!

For the first reading, curl up with your child and read the book together. Enjoy. For the next readings, here are some ideas of activities to do with your child. Don’t try to do everything each time you read it. And most of all, have fun and enjoy sharing the story with your child.

Starting Up:

• That’s not a normal airplane on the cover! Talk about what makes it unique.
• Point out the rhyme within the title. Substitute Violet’s name for your child’s name and pair it with a real or silly word that rhymes with it.

Reading the Story:

• Just like Violet uses her creativity to make flying machines, have your child come up with silly ideas for new machines.
• When Violet rescues the Boy Scouts, talk about a time your child has helped others.

After the Story:

• Ask your child questions about the story.
  • Where did Violet get the materials for her inventions?
  • When the children bullied Violet, how did she feel? Have you ever been teased by someone?
• Learning on the Go:
  • Gather items like egg cartons, straws, and bottles to build a pretend machine with your child.
  • Watch planes in the sky or videos of an air show together.

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