

## STORY GUIDE

# Arthur's Lost and Found

Original story by: Marc Brown

Read by: Kevin Bacon



## morals and themes

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Responsibility

## general comprehension questions

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- Where does the story take place?
- Who are the characters?
- Who is your favorite character and why?
- Which character don't you like and why?
- What are the problems the characters face?
- How do they solve these problems?
- How does the story end?
- What lesson does this story teach you?

## discussion questions

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- Do you think Arthur acted responsible while he was lost? What about Buster?
- What would you do if you found yourself in an unfamiliar place?
- What emotions do you think Arthur's mom went through when she found out Arthur missed his swimming lesson?
- Buster was afraid of the bus before he went on it. Have you ever been afraid to try something new? Did you conquer your fear?

## extension questions

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- What other stories does this remind you of?
- How does this story relate to your own life?
- Write an alternate ending for the story.
- Write your own version of what happens next.

## research activity

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Use the internet or library to research a bus route.

- What is the first stop on the bus?
- What is the last stop on the bus?
- Does the bus go anywhere you would be interested in going?

## about the reader

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Kevin Norwood Bacon was born on July 8, 1958. He is a Golden Globe and Screen Actors Guild Award nominated American film and theater actor whose notable roles include *Footloose*, *Animal House*, *Stir of Echoes*, *Wild Things*, *JFK*, *Apollo 13*, *Mystic River*, *The Woodsman*, and *Tremors*. Kevin Bacon's prolific film career has sparked a wildly popular game, "Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon," where players try to link the actor to another in six degrees or less. Try it!