## **Discussion Questions**

Mrs. Green Loves The Earth

- 1. What are some of the things you already do to be kind to the Earth?
- 2. On page 2 Mrs. Green encourages the children to bring their snack to school in a reusable container so they are not using plastic bags. Think of when you bring your lunch to school. How do you use reusable containers?
- 3. Let's think of the lunch we buy at school. Are there ways that the school could cut down on what is thrown away?
- 4. To whom could you write letters with suggestions to make your school more Earth friendly?
- 5. On page 8 the class reads about too much carbon dioxide. What are some of the ways carbon dioxide gets into the air?
- 6. How does carbon dioxide get removed from the air?
- 7. On page 14 Henry tells the class about oak trees. Oak trees actually pull more carbon dioxide from the air than other trees. Where are there oak trees in your area? The next time you are near one, let it know how special it is!
- 8. On page 16 Tommy's idea is that there should be a law for people to have to compost. What laws are there about recycling?
- 9. On page 18 Emily talks about solar panels. Do you know anyone who has solar panels on their house?
- 10. On page 22 Mary Beth says everyone should plant native plants. What does that mean? Which plants are native to where you live?
- 11. On page 24 Jackson talks about electric cars. Do you know anyone who drives an electric car? What makes it different?
- 12. On page 26 Mabel brings in strawberries from her garden. Do any of you have a vegetable garden? What do you grow? Why is it good to eat foods grown in your own garden?
- 13. Phoebe had a small idea about picking up trash. What are some other small things that can be done to help the Earth?
- 14. Do you think doing small things to help the Earth is just as important as doing big things?