Who Keeps Me Safe?

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Who keeps me safe?
The firefighter teaches me about fire safety and
puts out fires.
The firefighter keeps me safe.
The bus driver drives me to school and
takes me home.

The bus driver keeps me safe.
The crossing guard helps me cross the street and
teaches me to look both ways. The crossing guard keeps me safe.
The doctor checks me to make sure I am healthy and
helps me when I am sick.  
The doctor keeps me safe.
The dentist teaches me to brush my teeth and
checks my teeth for cavities.
The dentist keeps me safe.
Who keeps you safe?
Before reading the book, ask your child to look at the photograph on the cover. Ask, “Who is in this picture? What are they doing?” After he has explained who is on the cover, ask him to tell you the name of the book.

Invite your child to look at the photographs on each page in the book. Ask him to think of all the ways the people shown help to keep him safe.

As you and your child read the book, ask him to point to the words. Remind him that he can use the clues in the photographs to help him figure out any unknown words.

After reading the book, invite your child to make a list or draw and label pictures of all the other people in the neighborhood who help keep him safe. The list might include baby sitters, trash collectors, street sweepers, paramedics, teachers, and many others.

Visit the library and look for other books about community helpers and safety.
This is the student version of Who Keeps Me Safe?, one of a series of SFA Big Books developed by the Success for All Foundation to help young children explore theme-related ideas. These engaging books build children’s enjoyment of books, their vocabulary, and their understanding of how printed words and pictures communicate meaning.

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