Lucky and the Truck Driver Who Saved Her

Video Source: PETA.org/LuckyRescueVideo

Have students watch the video from the beginning, and stop it at 0:42. Read them the text below to provide information about the rescue then project the image of Lucky and the truck driver onto the board. Finally, use the questions to initiate a class discussion.

Lucky was on a truck with many other chickens going to the slaughterhouse—when things suddenly took a turn. Something caused her to tumble out of the moving truck and fall to the ground.

Warren Padgette was driving another truck not far behind and saw the white chicken with clumps of missing feathers lying on her side in the middle of the road. He assumed that she was dead but stopped to check on her just to be sure. And then Lucky blinked at him. As cars raced by, Padgette gently picked her up, checked her for injuries, and carried her back to his truck.

He drove to his house, gave her a bath, blow-dried her feathers, and named her Lucky. Now Lucky hardly ever leaves Padgette’s side. Her favorite place is either nestled against his legs or perched on his shoulder.

Discussion Questions

1. Why do you think the truck driver helped Lucky?

2. How do you think Lucky felt before being rescued and then afterward? What makes you think so?

3. What do you think happened to the other chickens on the truck?

4. Have you ever seen an animal who needed help? Explain what you did or would tell others to do in the future.

Fur  □  Scales  □  Feathers  ✓