

## Ghost of the Lagoon

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# What makes a HERO?

**KEY IDEA** Many different people can be considered heroes. A person's heroes might include well-known sports figures, firefighters, survivors of disaster, teachers, or respected friends and relatives. A **hero**, with his or her bravery, inner strength, or kindness, gives us inspiration for our everyday lives. In "Ghost of the Lagoon," a boy faces a difficult situation with heroic skill and courage.

**CHART IT** Think of three heroic people you know. Write their names in a chart like the one shown. Then identify the actions and personal qualities that make them heroes to you.

<i>Heroes</i>		
<i>Person</i>	<i>Actions</i>	<i>Qualities</i>
<i>1. Aunt Gwen</i>	<i>helps injured animals</i>	<i>kind, funny</i>
<i>2.</i>		

