## All Creatures Great and Small

Everyone in life has special traits that makes them unique. In the book <u>All Creatures Great and Small</u> by James Herriot, Dr. James Herriot decides to be a veterinarian for a country town. When he arrives, he is originally unaccepted by most farmers because he was new and merely the assistant of a famous doctor they preferred. Throughout his life, he has helped many animals, many of which put him in difficult or weird situations. However, he is able to become a great veterinarian since he's able to stay calm in terrible situations, like when a farmer got angry at him, he was covered in stomach acid, and he had to put a beloved old dog to sleep.

James Harriot is a calm person after dealing with an angry farmer. One of Harriot's first jobs is when a farmer wanted him to examine his cow, which he claims has been struck by lightning. Normally, if a cow is struck by lightning, the insurance company will pay to replace it. However, this requires a veterinarian to make sure that the cow was actually struck by lightning. When James Harriot arrives at the place, he determines the cow suffered from a heart attack. The farmer, however, didn't believe this, causing him to start to complain to Harriot's coworker, Siegfried. Despite normally being a calm person to customers, Siegfried ends up lashing out at the farmer. Harriot, on the other hand, remained calm. When most farmers heard of this scenario, they decided to choose Harriot over Siegfried because Harriot is a very calm person Harriot is a very calm person because he's able to not get angry in scenarios many characters can't.

James Harriot is also a calm person even when he's covered in acid. One of Siegfried's friends, Colonel Merrick, had a cow that swallowed a wire and needed care from a veterinarian. When James and his coworkers arrived, they immediately cut it open to find gas inside, which caused the acid inside to start to spray everyone. Soon, everyone was covered in acid, causing Siegfried to become frantic. Despite this, Harriot still remained calm, not saying anything about the substance. Harriot ended up doing most of the work since the rest of his coworkers were more worried about the acid on their bodies. Harriot doesn't seem affected, despite being sprayed with stomach acid from a cow.

James Harriot helped a man deal with his dog's injury. One day, while he was passing by, a person wanted him to check on his dog. It apparently was starting to get old and the man was worried it was going to die. When Harriot examined it, he found out that the dog had a tumor and was shortly going to die a painful death. He decided the only solution was to kill it by an overdose of a drug, which was painless. Afterwards, he calmly told the man what had happened and the man remarked that he was very calm and caring attitude, despite killing his dog. Harriot is appreciated by many people who find him a calm, yet caring person towards his patients.

James Harriot is a very calm person since he deals with an angry farmer, dealt with being covered with stomach acid, and helped someone's dog. James Herriot helped many people, most of which appreciate his work. His calm and caring attitude makes him a special person, quickly being accepted into his community. People have special traits that can help them in many scenarios, some of which can be beneficial to everyone.