Earth.

Around the world there are dangers.

Those that we can see, and those that are hidden from view.

There are wars being waged on a scale so small that we can’t even see the enemy with our naked eye.

Enemies so vile they not only prey on humans, but they target our animals, too.

But lucky for us...

There are heroes who have dedicated their lives...

To protecting the animals...

And people of our world from these dangers...
VETERINARIANS TO THE RESCUE!
Main Street, USA - Now

Go get it Bosco!

Good boy Bosco, now bring it back!
Bosco, what's the matter boy? Come on, bring the ball back.

Bosco? Are you okay boy? What's the matter?

Mom, I think something's wrong with Bosco!

HELP!
HELP!

Did someone call for help?

I... I was just playing fetch with Bosco when all of a sudden he dropped the ball and wouldn't bring it back.

And then he... he just laid down and won't get up!

Don't worry buddy.

Let me take a look and see if I can find out what's the matter.

Hmmmm, no broken bones.

His belly seems a little empty. Looks like he hasn't been eating much lately.

Does that hurt Bosco? Let's take a closer look.
Hmmm. What's this?

Yeah, we went for a walk by the river the other day and he cut himself on a rock.

Don't worry, I have an idea of what it could be...

It looks like he has a cut on his leg. Did you know about this?

It's just a small cut, I didn't think it was bad!

But I need to send a sample of his blood to Researcher to know for sure.

Researcher, are you there?

Yes, Private Practice, I'm here. What's going on?

I've got a dog that laid down and won't move. He hasn't been eating that much. And he seems to be sensitive to touch.

I need you to run a test on a blood sample for me.

No problem send it my way.
I've got good news and bad news.

Give me the good news first.

Well, the good news is I've confirmed the cause of the illness.

It's Leptospirosis - Lepto for short. The reason you weren't seeing other symptoms is because we caught it early.

Who would have it??

The bad news is, we need medication but I don't have it. I can do a diagnosis, but the medicine... that's a different story.

There's another veterinarian whose special powers would allow him to get the medicine we need.
Industry Vet, are you there?

Yes Researcher, what can I help you with?

Ah yes, I’ve had some great success with that one and the medication has just been approved.

Do you know if Bosco is on any medication right now? It’s extremely important for us to know.

Perfect!

We give him his heartworm medicine each month.

This medication won’t react with that.

Find out if the dog is on any medication. I need to know about any possible reactions.

I just helped Private Practice diagnose a case of Lepto, and we need the medication to treat it.

Using his special powers the Industry Veterinarian combines his research and knowledge to summon forth...

THE MEDICINE!
I've got the treatment and I'm on my way to give it to Private Practice.

Make sure he gets all of these pills. You can always put it in a treat if he refuses to take the pill.

Here you go boy, take this medicine.

Thanks Doc!

Remember, you need to be sure to take Bosco to the veterinarian at least once a year. With yearly check-ups we can catch certain illnesses before they get worse. And make sure to vaccinate him to protect him from other diseases.

Also, Lepto is what we call a zoonotic disease and that means you can get it too. So be careful around Bosco and the river.
Thanks Veterinarians! You saved the day!
On the other side of the world...

Help!

Help!

U.S. ARMY BASE

MEDICAL TENT
Doctor, I need help! My father is sick... And now, all of a sudden our donkeys are acting differently! I don't know what to do!

My father has been vomiting, he has a fever and headaches. The donkeys won't move. They are more stubborn than ever! They seem to be having a hard time breathing, and I've even noticed that their faces have been twitching!

Oh boy, this sounds bad. It looks like I'm going to need help from...
Let's go people, we don't have time to waste. I can teleport us to the village, just hold on tight!

Doctor, you start examining the people. I need to check something out.

What, what is it? Why is my dad sick? What's wrong with the donkeys?
Hey Doc, according to this readout I’m seeing a lot of cases of dead birds in this area. And most seem to be centered around these ponds to the north of the village. It’s the one where they take the donkeys to drink.

Interesting. This rash, his other symptoms, and the dead birds gives me an idea about what’s wrong.

Let me take a closer look...
The veterinarian said that there were dead birds in the area... the donkeys are sick and have been drinking at the pond where the dead birds have been found, and this person is showing some interesting symptoms.

It all points to West Nile virus but I can't be sure until I find the antibodies. That will confirm it!

Come on, where are you?

You can't hide forever!

AHA! There it is! With all the symptoms pointing to it, and now seeing the antibody, that confirms it! It's West Nile virus...
So, what's the matter? Is everything going to be okay?

Well, it turns out there has been an outbreak of West Nile virus in your village.

West Nile virus?

Is everyone going to be okay?

Yes, I noticed that there were a lot of dead birds being found near the pond where you take the donkeys to drink. Mosquitoes are the carrier for this disease, and water like your pond is the best breeding grounds for them. Your father must have been bitten by an infected mosquito when he took the donkeys for a drink. And it looks like your donkeys were bitten, too.

Yes, but I have to warn you, there is no specific cure for the West Nile virus. But, with the treatment we're giving him he should recover just fine. I will stay here and look after him until he's better. I'm just glad the veterinarian was around to help link the cause of the disease.

Just doing my job!

My job isn't done just yet.

West Nile is a nasty disease. The most effective way to avoid it is to protect yourself from mosquito bites.

I'm also going to need to collect more data on the dead birds and where the disease is traveling. The more we know about the disease, the more it will help us in the future.

Thank you so much for everything you've done.
FASTER! We need to get this moving people, there’s a nation full of hungry mouths just waiting to eat!
In another room...

Everything points to this section of the plant being the source of the food-related illnesses we've been investigating. Let's see what's going on in here.

Something doesn't seem right about this belt.

Let's take a closer look!

Just what I suspected, there's bacteria on this equipment. These inspection lenses don't lie!

This fridge's temperature is way out of the safety zone! It's not keeping the food cold enough!
Hold it right there!

What in the world?

FASTER, keep it moving!

Who are you and what are you doing here?

Who me? Oh, I'm a veterinarian.

A Veterinarian? HA! What could you possibly do to me and my factory?

And well... there have been reports of people getting sick after eating food that came from YOUR plant. I'm here to find out what's going on.
I work for the USDA and it's my job to inspect your plant and make sure everything is okay.

For starters, there was bacteria on the conveyor belt.

And one of your fridges wasn’t cold enough. And let’s not forget your mustache! You all people should know it needs to be covered or shaved off.

What could possibly be wrong here?

I can explain!

You'll get your chance, but you're in big trouble buster! Every other area of the plant was a-okay. The broken and unclean equipment could make people really sick! It's a health hazard! There's going to need to be a recall of everything that's come out of this plant, and you can't make any more food here until everything is up to code!

I'm so sorry! What have I done?

Meanwhile...
A small farm, USA - Now

Look at that!

What is it sweetie? What's all the commotion about?

I think it's that time. Ole Bessie is putting up quite a fuss. Looks like the little one is on the way!

Oh boy how exciting! A new baby cow for the farm!

Something's wrong. This isn't right. Quick, activate the Vet signal!
At another farm, not too far away.

I've checked her teeth and I'm all done with her checkup. She should be all good for a while. Don't be afraid to call if you ever need anything.

Thanks doc! I really appreciate you coming all the way out here to help with my horses and at this time of day.

To the Vet Mobile!

It looks like someone else needs your help now too!

I saw the Vet Signal and came as quickly as I could! What's the matter?
Bessie is trying to have her little baby, but something’s not right. I don’t know what it is. She seems to be in more pain than she should be. Something is definitely wrong!

Alright let’s get her stabilized so she can’t hurt us or herself. I’m going to have to use the head gate.

Well that explains it! The calf is in the breach position, it’s coming tail first. I’m going to have to help her out.

Now let’s take a look and see what’s going on. Why are you so upset Bessie?

Moooooooo!

Here she is, safe and sound!
Thank you so much doc!

You’re a real hero!

I know it’s late but while you’re here would you mind taking a look at some of our other animals?

Sure thing!
It’s what I do!
Alright, I've checked the pigs, the chickens, the sheep and even your llama and everyone is looking nice and healthy! Feel free to signal me anytime you need something!

And don't you worry little girl, I'll be back to make sure you grow up to be big and strong!
Everyday veterinarians are called upon to keep our planet safe and to help treat those in need.

From family pets, to farm animals.

Even humans are under the protection of veterinarians.

Animals in zoos, or in the wild, no creature is too big or too small to be helped by a veterinarian.

From ensuring the safety of our food supply, to researching cures for deadly diseases, no task is too big or too small for one of the world's true super heroes...

V-Force
Veterinarians to the rescue!
And you see kids! That’s what a veterinarian does. Sure, we take care of your dogs, cats and other pets. But there’s a whole world of other things we do to keep you safe!

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