



To earn your Rosie petal, do these three things.

1.

Enjoy "Rosie's Story," then talk about it

2.

Act out the story with your Daisy friends

3.

Practice making the world a better place

## Rosie's Story

# A Better Beach for Everyone

Rosie got up early one bright, sunny morning. It was her turn to water the vegetables. As she sprinkled water on cucumbers and carrots, she saw that a bird feeder had fallen to the ground.

Carefully, she put the bird feeder back in the tree and filled it with birdseed.

Then Mari ran into the garden. "Come on!" she called. "It's time to go to the beach."



Rosie looked over with a big smile. "I'll be right there," she said.

**"I've been looking forward to this trip all week!"**

When the Flower Friends got to the beach, they could see the sparkling blue ocean in the distance.

"I can't wait to splash in the waves!" Rosie exclaimed.

"Me too," Vi agreed. "And I hope that we see lots of seashells and birds!"

But first they enjoyed a picnic lunch of fruit and cheese. When they finished, Rosie took a garbage bag out of their picnic basket.

**"Let's throw away our trash,"** she said.

"It's important to leave the beach just as we found it, so other people can enjoy it as much as we do."

When they went over to the garbage cans, however, they saw that the cans were overflowing with trash.





"There's no more room!" Sunny said. "Where are we going to throw away our trash?"

Rosie spotted beach patrol officers nearby. They wore name tags. One was Officer Susan. One was Officer Rocco.

"Excuse me," she said.

**"Can you help us?"**

We'd like to throw our trash bags away, but the garbage cans are full."

"Thanks for letting us know," Officer Rocco said. "We'll take care of it."



A few minutes later, the officers came back with a few empty garbage cans.

"Here you go," they said. "We're glad that people throw their trash away, but what would really help is if people could use less paper and plastic in the first place. Or if they could carry their trash out with them."

"You're right," Rosie said.

**"How could we help make that happen?"**



“Could you tell people about other ways to keep parks, playgrounds, and beaches clean?” Officer Susan suggested.

“Maybe you could do a presentation at your school or community center,” Officer Rocco added. “If you gave people three tips about how to have less trash to throw away and they all told other people—well, the word would spread!”

“And you’d make a big difference in the world,” Officer Susan said.

“That’s a great idea,” Rosie said. “What do you say, Flower Friends?”

“Yay!” the Flower Friends cheered. “Let’s do it!”

And after their day at the beach was over, they went home and did just that.



The End