

The ambulance service help people who are poorly or injured. They work to save people's lives. The people who work on ambulances are normally **technicians** or **paramedics**. They are one of the **emergency services**.

R: What might the people be who work on an ambulance?

The very first ambulances were driven by police or taxi drivers. They were powered by horses! The first petrol ambulance was used in 1904.

V: Which word tells you that horses pulled the ambulances?

horses          petrol          powered

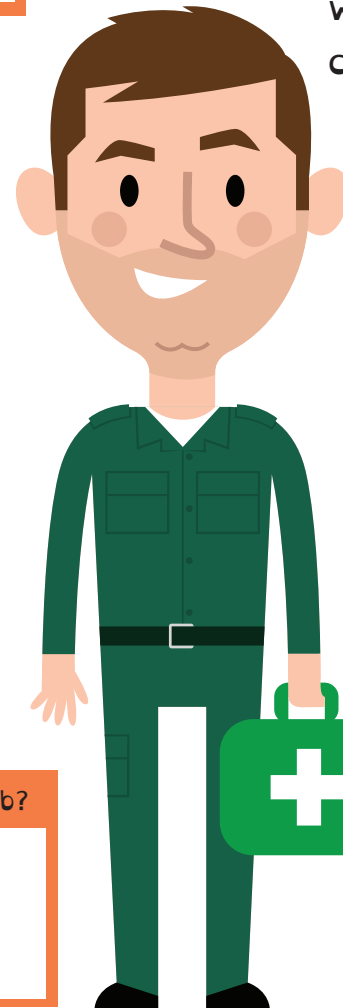
S: Who would take you to hospital in the first ambulances?

Working on an ambulance is an **emotional** job. You see lots of poorly people. You have to take lots of people to hospital.

P: Why do you think working on an ambulance is an emotional job?

There are nearly 30 **thousand** people working in ambulances in the UK. They cover very large areas.

R: How many ambulance workers are there in the UK?



Ambulances respond to nearly 25 thousand calls a day. That's 18 every minute! It takes less than 20 minutes to get to an **emergency**.

R: How many calls are there every minute?

V: Which phrase means something is very important?

## Answers

R: Either a technician or a paramedic

R: 30,000

V: Powered

S: Police or taxi drivers

R: 18

V: Emergency

P: Accept answers about it being sad to see people poorly or who die depending on the child's understanding and emotional level