**Activities for…  
Trouble According to Humphrey by Betty G. Birney**

**Activity 1**

On page 9, Mrs Brisbane asks the class to start a newspaper. In your group, create a newspaper to report on the daily events in school. Remember to come up with a great name and report on interesting stories.

**Activity 2**

On pages 10 and 11, the class are set a challenge to build their houses for Humphreyville and Humphrey dreams of his ideal hamster home. Your challenge is to either design your own dream home or a dream home for a hamster. You can draw this and/or build it from junk materials or clay, just like in the book.

**Activity 3**

Humphrey and Og are the class pets and it’s important that the class learn how to take care of them properly. Pick an animal that would make a good pet and create a video and/or a poster which tells others how to take good care of your chosen pet.

**Activity 4**

On page 179, Mrs Brisbane sets out the next social studies project for the class, which is to talk to older members of the community to see how things used to be. Make this a mini project for your class or group. You might choose to look at school, entertainment, games or shops… you decide. Remember to present your research in an interesting way.