#### **Introduction**

MagneTalk® Match-up Fantasy Adventures includes five duplicate sets of game boards (Candy City, Pirates on Mermaid Island, Jungle Animals, Princesses & Knights, and Dinosaur Times), duplicate magnets, and an Activity Book. The lessons will help your students strengthen their language and literacy skills. Fantasy Adventures targets the following areas.

- Vocabulary (Receptive & Expressive)
- Simple Following Directions
- Conditional Following Directions
- Deductive Reasoning (Cloze Activities)
- Reading Comprehension

- Storytelling
- Story Charting
- Story Sequencing
- Summarizing
- Creative Thinking

#### **Games and Activities**

You can use MagneTalk® Match-up Fantasy Adventures with one or more children.

#### **One Student**

- Set up the Barrier. Slide a game board into the slot. Give the student magnets and the board.
- 2. Choose an Activity Sheet from the Activity Book.
- 3. Review the vocabulary (receptively and expressively), basic concepts, and directions that the student will need to know.
- 4. Have the student follow the directions on the sheet.

#### **Two Students**

- 1. Set up the Barrier. Slide a game board into the slot. Give the students magnets and boards.
- 2. Choose an Activity Sheet from the Activity Book.
- 3. Review the vocabulary (receptively and expressively), basic concepts, and directions that the students will need to know.
- 4. Have the students follow the directions on the sheet.

For extra practice, you can copy the scenes, pictures, and activities for the children to complete in class or at home.

#### **Other Game Ideas**

- Compare If You Dare Place the Barrier between two players. Give each player a match-up scene and magnets for that scene. Player One tells Player Two where he/she is placing a magnet. Player Two listens and places the magnet in the same place on the scene. After all the magnets have been placed, the players compare their scenes. Continue in turn, allowing the Players to swap roles.
- **Teacher Turns** Copy the scene and magnets that you would like to use from the Activity Book. Give each student a copy of the scene, the pictures of the magnets, and glue or tape. Choose one student to be the teacher/helper and give directions. The other members of the group will follow the directions. When finished, have the group members compare their scenes.

## **Story Activities**

It is important to teach students the main parts of a story. This skill helps a student develop the mental framework of story organization and will ultimately transfer into his/her ability to comprehend what he/she reads and to relate events to others.

Each story in this book has a simple plot with only a few characters. The plot includes two events - a *problem* followed by a *solution*. Help students identify the "important parts" (*character, setting, problem,* and *solution*) of the story using the *Story Chart* at the end of each section.

#### **Extension Activities**

- Story Telling Rubric: Ask the child to tell fanciful stories of his/her own. Use the *Story Telling Rubric* to determine the strengths or weaknesses the student might have in his/her story construction (p. 52).
- Mini-Summary Book: Students create a *Mini-Summary Book* using the sequence pictures included with each story. They also write a brief summary of each event (pp. 53-54).
- Create Your Own Story: Students write and illustrate their own story (p. 55).
- Change the Story Ending: Students write and/or draw a <u>new</u> story ending (p. 56).
- Additional Activities: More ideas for story recall and storytelling (pp. 57-58).

### **Teaching Children to Tell Stories in 3 Easy Steps**

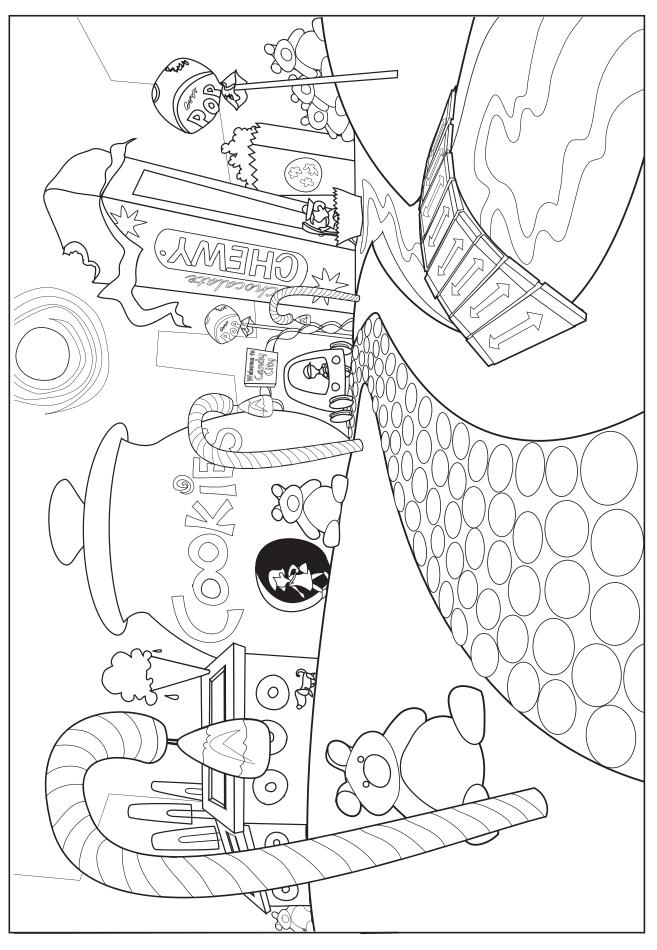
- 1. Illustrate that stories are like our bodies they have many parts that all work together.
- 2. The "important parts" of a story are:
  - ✓ characters (the people or animals in the story),
  - ✓ setting (time or place that the story occurs),
  - ✓ problem (a difficulty that the character(s) has/have to overcome or solve), and
  - ✓ solution (how the character resolves the difficulty or problem).
- 3. Later as students improve their storytelling ability and include the "important parts," ask them to give more details in their descriptions. For example, have them tell how characters feel, increase the number of events between the problem and solution, add more descriptions of the setting, etc.



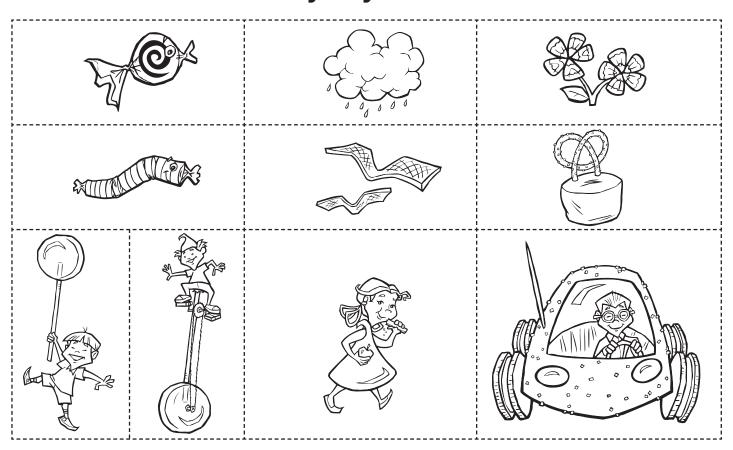


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## **Candy City – Pictures**



# **Candy City - Vocabulary**

**Directions:** Have the student review the vocabulary words below by looking at the magnets and/or the pictures on the game board. You may also have the student cut out the pictures above to use with the black and white scene on page 1. Check the boxes beside each word to keep track of the student's ability to use language <u>receptively</u> (**R** – pointing to the items) and <u>expressively</u> (**E** – saying the name of each item).

Receptive Language: Teacher/Helper says, "Pick up / Point to the \_\_\_\_\_\_."

Expressive Language: Teacher/Helper points to item and says, "What is this?" Child responds, "That's a / an\_\_\_\_." or "Those are \_\_\_\_."

Magnets	Game Board	
R E	R E	R E
☐ ☐ Marshmallow Bench	□ □ Street/Road	☐ ☐ Sky
Candy Corn Flowers	Chocolate River	Gummy Bears
☐ ☐ Peppermint Fish	Butterscotch Sun	Cookie Jar
☐ ☐ Boy on Unicycle	Ice Cream	Dog
☐ ☐ Gumdrop Car	Popsicles	People (3)
Cotton Candy Cloud	Lollipop Trees	🗖 🗖 Bridge
☐ ☐ Gum Stick Birds	Chocolate Bar Buildings	Popcorn
☐ ☐ Candy Tart Worm	Candy Cane Street Light	
☐ ☐ Girl Eating Candy	Peanut Butter Cup Boat/Spc	oon Oar
☐ ☐ Boy Holding Lollipop		

## **Candy City – Following Directions**

#### **Simple Following Directions (Position Words)**

**Directions:** Have the teacher/helper read each direction to the child. The child responds by following the direction. (Note: If the child does not know all of the underlined position concepts, the teacher/helper may substitute any concept he/she desires.)

$\square$ Put the boy on the unicycle <u>next to</u> a lollipop tree.	
$\square$ Put the gum stick birds <u>over</u> the chocolate bar.	
$\square$ Put the cotton candy cloud <u>below</u> the sun.	
$\square$ Put the girl eating candy <u>in front of</u> the cookie jar.	
$\square$ Put the gumdrop car <u>on</u> the road.	
$\square$ Put the marshmallow bench <u>to the right of</u> the road.	
$\square$ Put the peppermint fish <u>in</u> the river.	
$\square$ Put the boy holding the lollipop <u>beside</u> a candy cane street light.	
$\square$ Put the tart worm <u>under</u> the bridge.	
$\square$ Put the candy corn flower <u>on</u> the grass.	10

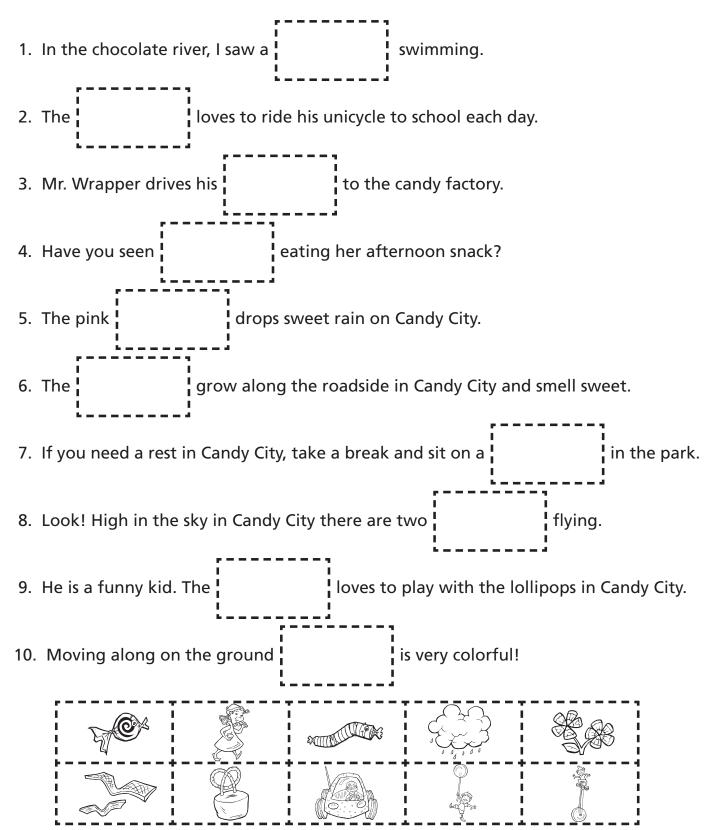
#### **Conditional Following Directions**

**Directions:** Have the teacher/helper read the conditional directions to the child. The child responds as appropriate.

If the sun comes up in the morning, put the peppermint fish on the b	oard.
If you take a bath when you're dirty, put the tart worm on the board	
If grass is pink, put the candy corn flower on the board.	
If a frog can do math, put the boy on the unicycle on the board.	
If you like to play outside, put the marshmallow bench on the board.	
If you have blue eyes, put the girl eating candy on the board.	
If you are wearing something blue, put the boy holding a lollipop on	the board.
If it rains inside, put the gumdrop car on the board.	
If a cat "meows," put the cotton candy cloud on the board.	
If glue is sticky, put the gum stick birds on the board.	

# **Candy City - Cloze Activity**

**Directions:** If you are using the barrier, teacher/helper reads the sentence. Child responds by putting the correct magnet on the board and saying the answer. To use the worksheet, have the child read/listen to the sentence, cut the picture from the bottom of the page, and glue/tape it in the correct box.

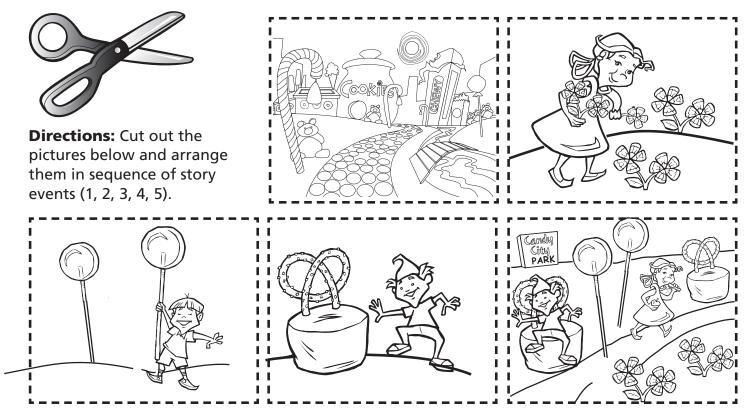


## **Candy City – Reading Comprehension**

**Directions:** Teacher/Helper reads the story to the child and puts <u>magnets</u> (underlined in story) on the board when telling the story. Teacher/Helper may choose to lay out the <u>magnets</u> for the child to place on the board as the teacher reads the story. After reading the story, complete the *Story Chart* on page 10.

## **Candy City Park**

Candy City had beautiful candy bar buildings and a giant cookie jar, but it didn't have a park. The <u>citizens</u> decided that the city needed a park for everyone to enjoy. They planted <u>candy corn flowers</u> and lollipop trees all around town. The citizens even put a <u>marshmallow bench</u> in the park, so that people who came to visit the city could sit and enjoy Candy City Park.



# **Candy City – Story Chart**

Directions: Fill in the story parts. Teacher/Helper may record the child's answer or the child can write his/her response.

	Solution What is the solution to the problem? How does the story end?
	What problem happens in the story?
<b>[e:</b>	Where does the story take place?
Title:	Who is the story about?