1. Run copies on cardstock (index paper or tagboard).

2. Color pieces with markers, color pencils (may not be as bright), pastels, or paint, (crayons may melt when laminated).

3. When putting two large pieces together, use a glue stick to prevent pieces from wrinkling when laminating.

4. Laminate story objects. You may cut pieces before or after laminating.

5. Attach velcro dots or pieces to back of each object.

Tip: Make an outline story card to use when telling the story.

Remember patterns are not to be used for children's art projects!

Patterns may be use for teacher made puppets which children can use for story retelling. Patterns may be enlarged if preferred.

Suggested Activities:

1. Allow children to make a "boat" using a variety of recycled materials, such as small plastic dishes, new Styrofoam take out food containers, fabric scraps, and small craft sticks.
2. Provide a container of water and an assortment of objects to use to see if they sink or float. Children can sort the objects on a mat, divided and labeled with words and pictures, "sink" or "float". Children can dictate their findings in a story.
3. Read the book, Who Sank the Boat by Pamela Allen, and complete a Venn diagram with the children comparing and contrasting the likeness and differences of the stories. List the items on a chart.